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AIR MAIL

March 31, 1942

Evacuee Property Department.

We are enclosing 10 copies of "Motor Vehicle Registration Form" (WCCA Form FRB-3) and 10 copies of "Personal Property Form" (WCCA Form FRB-2).

These are forwarded for your information as they are the two forms which have been prepared for use in connection with the storage of household furniture, personal property and automobiles. These are the forms which will be used in the manner outlined in our memorandum forwarded with our previous communications, particularly our letter dated March 29, 1942, and our letter dated March 30, 1942.

The forms were prepared by the Wartime Civil Control Administration for our use and adequate supplies will be available as each controlled evacuation occurs.

(Signed) Everson

Assistant Cashier.

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AIR MAIL

LOS ANGELES

Evasee Property Department

March 31, 1942

We are enclosing for your information, a copy of a letter dated March 29, 1942, forwarded to us by Foreign Funds Control Division of the Treasury Department, together with a copy of a letter addressed to Representative Jerry Voorhis, House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., signed by the Fellowship of Reconciliation, San Fernando Valley Group, and a reply thereto signed by E. H. Foley, Jr. Acting Secretary of the Treasury, dated March 23, 1942.

Assistant Cashier.

Enclosures
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COPY OF A LETTER BEING SENT TO REPRESENTATIVE JERRY VOORHIS:

Representative Jerry Voorhis
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

Dear Jerry Voorhis:

From various groups you will receive simultaneously with this letter the following suggestions for your immediate action in an effort to help protect the assets of both citizens and alien Japanese, Germans, and Italians now being evacuated:

1) The properties now impounded by the U.S. Treasury include two banks, the stock of which is owned entirely by the Japanese government.

2) The banks include trust departments capable of protecting these ownership rights under the established trust laws of the State of California and the Federal Reserve Banks.

3) These trust departments can be opened without any action by any legislative body or appropriation of government money, for the purpose of administering personal and real properties for evacuees who elect such trust arrangements; merely Treasury Department action is needed.

4) These re-opened trust departments can be operated on a non-profit basis to remove from the government charges of graft that is greatly to be feared by ordinary bureaucratic administration.

We urge that you immediately ask that the Federal Treasury take whatever steps necessary to re-open these bank trust departments as herein suggested.

Copies of this letter are being sent to:

- 1) Thomas Clarke, Alien Property Administration (Pacific Coast, Federal Bldg., Los Angeles)
- 2) Paul McNutt, Social Security Board
- 3) Henry Morgenthau, Jr., Secretary of the Treasury
- 4) Franklin D. Roosevelt, President

Respectfully submitted

FELLOWSHIP OF RECONCILIATION
San Fernando Valley group

My dear Mr. Voorhis:

This is in reply to your letter of March 19, 1942, with which you enclosed a letter addressed to you by The Fellowship of Reconciliation, San Fernando Valley Group.

As you know, the problem of protection of property interests of enemy aliens who are being evacuated from west coast areas has been edlegated to the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco. I have, therefore, sent a copy of the letter from the fellowship of Reconciliation to the President of the Federal Reserve Bank.

The enclosure to your letter is returned herewith.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) E. H. Foley, Jr.
Acting Secretary of the Treasury

Honorable Jerry Voorhis,
House of Representatives.

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Copy of letter sent to
Los Angeles, Portland and Seattle Branches
To Salt Lake City Branch for information only.

March 30, 1942

Buyers and Sellers List

We are enclosing four copies of a list of Businesses and Properties for Sale, Lease, Rent, and Management and Opportunities Wanted, which we are distributing among our Field Representatives. It is suggested that you may wish to prepare a similar list for your own zone.

(Signed) R.E.Everson

Assistant Cashier.

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COPY OF TELEGRAM

TO: LOS ANGELES

March 30, 1942

PRONTO

Army asks us what storage arrangements for automobiles have been made or are contemplated respecting the evacuation of the remainder of the families of the Manzanar voluntary evacuees. Any information you can give us will be appreciated.

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COPY OF TELEGRAM

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TO: LOS ANGELES

March 30, 1942

We are informed army plans posting exclusion notice for San Diego area tomorrow morning, which will require control office operation there. We are endeavoring to get further information here as is Federal Security Agency but suggest you keep in close touch with Los Angeles office of that agency regarding developments. Our operation will involve handling of personal property including automobiles.

Uncertain yet whether move contemplates establishing assembly center where automobiles could be parked or whether necessary for us to arrange space for cars as well as other property storage facilities so that evacuees can move direct from reception center. This information is provided so you can be doing necessary checking on facilities. We are facing similar situation at San Francisco looking toward a move starting tomorrow morning.

EVERSON

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LA Branch

SHIPMENT OF PRINTED MATTER

File to

Account
F. C. BOLD
707 S-Spring Street
Los Angeles, California

March 30, 1942.

(Date)

SIRS: In accordance with your request, we are forwarding the following forms under separate cover by Parcel Post:

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QUANTITY

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Proc. 5

Shipment made.....

(Date)

By.....

Yours very truly,

Los Angeles

WPA COBY

March 30, 1942

Parking of Motor Vehicles

We are enclosing a memorandum dated March 29, 1942, which was prepared for the benefit of the Army at its request, relating to the procedure for handling motor vehicles in connection with the controlled evacuation operations in the Long Beach and San Pedro areas.

We have indicated by asterisks and footnotes those things which the Army has decided will be undertaken by us and those phases which will be undertaken by the Federal Security Agency for the present, subject, of course, to any changes which have to be made in the light of experience.

The Federal Security Agency is preparing the necessary form for registration of the vehicles and the identification tag, but the problem of taking custody of the vehicles will presumably be our own.

We expect to receive specific instructions from the Army carrying out this procedure.

(signed) R. E. Everson

Assistant Cashier.

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Los Angeles

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March 29, 1948.

Register Forms

We are forwarding you today the following register forms, all but one of which have been mentioned in correspondence:

- EP-1 Register of Petitions to Designate Special Blocked Property
- EP-2 Register of Posting Notices Designating Special Blocked Property
- EP-3 Register of Mail Notices Designating Special Blocked Property
- EP-4 Register of Powers of Attorney accepted
- EP-5 Register of Schedules of Evacuee Property Held in Storage.

The latter form will serve as a record of the various lists or schedules of property which you may have occasion to place in storage.

We are also forwarding in the same package the supply of EP-6, Instructions of Evacuee for Disposition of Property, referred to in a separate letter of today.

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Assistant Cashier.

March 25, 1942

MEMORANDUM TO: COLONEL HARRIS

SUBJECT: PARKING OF MOTOR VEHICLES

1. We understand that it is the present intention that evacuees will be permitted to drive to travel centers in the controlled evacuation program in their own motor vehicles, at which centers the vehicles will be parked.

2. We further understand that suggestions have been solicited as to the manner of handling the identification and disposition of such vehicles; accordingly we respectfully submit the following suggestions as to procedure:

a. That upon his first call at the reception center the evacuee be provided by the Agency selected for that purpose with a tag in the nature of that used in connection with household furniture storage which will provide for the evacuee's identification number and name.

b. The evacuee should present the identification tag provided, together with the registration certificate of the vehicle, to the person designated for that purpose at the Reception center who will prepare a suitable form in triplicate from the identification tag and registration certificate to show the following:

1. Name of evacuee
2. Identification number of evacuee
3. Name of registered owner
4. Address of registered owner
5. Make of vehicle
6. Year model
7. Type of vehicle
8. Engine number
9. Serial number
10. License number
11. Name of legal owner.

To be done by Federal Security Agency.

March 26, 1942

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- *c. Two copies of the form, together with the registration certificate, will be handed to the evacuee for his retention until arrival at the travel center. The third copy shall be retained by the Agency completing the form.
- *d. On arrival at the travel center the evacuee will deliver to the person designated for such purpose the two copies of the form, the registration certificate, and keys to the vehicle.
- *e. The person designated will check all numbers on the form and if found to be correct will receipt on one copy of the form to be delivered to the evacuee; the remaining copy, together with the registration certificate and the keys to the vehicle will be placed in an envelope provided for that purpose. The tag will be placed on the vehicle.
- *f. The envelope will be held in the custody of the Agency selected for that purpose until its responsibility in connection with the vehicle is terminated.

(Signed) R. S. Everson

Assistant Cashier.

*To be done by Federal Security Agency.
**To be done by Federal Reserve Bank.

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LA -
Evacuee Property Department

March 2, 1943.

Our Letter March 27, 1942.

We are enclosing a copy of a memorandum dated March 23, 1942, signed by Karl H. Bendetsen, Colonel G. S. C., Assistant Chief of Staff, Civil Affairs Division.

As you will observe from the memorandum, it amends the previous memorandum dated March 24, 1942, and gives in more detail the type of items which might be accepted by us for storage.

The paragraph numbered 2 in our letter of March 27, covered a proposed procedure which would change to some extent the responsibilities of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco and the Federal Security Agency. This proposal has not been accepted, and the memorandum of March 24, as amended by the Memorandum of March 26, will no doubt stand as written.

In other words, the plan at the present writing is, that the Federal Security Agency will furnish the inventory lists for furniture to be accepted by the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco. The Federal Security Agency will furnish the tags to be placed on the articles stored. The Federal Security Agency will interview evacuees in the first instance and instruct them in the preparation of the lists and tags. When the lists have been completed, the Federal Security Agency will turn them over to the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, who will be responsible for the cartage from the evacuee's home to the warehouse, the storage of the property and its continued custody pending transfer of the custody to the Wartime Relocation Authority for final disposition. The Federal Reserve Bank will deliver the original copy of the list to the War Relocation Authority present in the Civil Control Office. The second copy of the list will be retained by the Federal Reserve Bank and the third copy will either be delivered or forwarded to the evacuee.

(Signed) R. E. Everson

Assistant Cashier

March 26, 1942

MEMORANDUM for Mr. Wm. M. Hale, Federal Reserve Bank
Mr. Richard Neustadt, Federal Security Agency
Mr. Milton Eisenhower, War Relocation Authority

SUBJECT: Storage of Japanese property

1. Reference is made to a previous memorandum dated March 24, 1942, with regard to provision for the storage of household goods of Japanese evacuees. The scope of the memorandum on its face is limited to household goods.
2. In order to provide for those cases in which Japanese merchants and professional men are unable to dispose of their stocks and goods on any reasonable basis, storage of stocks or goods, wares, merchandise and professional equipment, when crated and packed is authorized.
3. Some stocks may include perishable goods and other unacceptable items. Storage will be on the basis of application for permission to store, and approval of the application by local authority.
4. The division of responsibility as set forth in the memorandum of March 24th will obtain suggestion only to the modification proposed in the memorandum of even date herewith with respect to paragraph 7 of the memorandum of March 24th.

KARL R. BENDETSSEN
Colonel G. S. C.
Assistant Chief of Staff
Civil Affairs Division

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March 30, 1942.

Instructions regarding use of Powers of Attorney
(Forms Mis. 233 and Mis. 234)

In dealing with evacuees relative to problems involving their property interests, there will be encountered certain cases where the evacuee will not desire to appoint anyone other than the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco as his attorney-in-fact. Forms Mis. 233 and Mis. 234 are designed to cover such situations.

Generally speaking this bank will not accept powers of attorney to act for evacuees unless and until the powers to be exercised and the general situation surrounding the transaction have been examined and it is felt that this bank can perform a useful function in accepting the power. The acceptance of a power of attorney carries with it the obligation to exercise reasonable diligence in the performance of the duties undertaken. The obligations thus involved should only be assumed in those cases where it appears reasonably certain that no one else can be found to accept the responsibility and where it also appears that the evacuee has a clear equity or other property rights which cannot be adequately protected except through the acceptance of the power. This bank should not undertake to act as attorney-in-fact in any case which involves the carrying on of a going business concern, such as the conduct of a mercantile business, the management and operation of a hotel or rooming house, or other such active business. Powers of attorney should be accepted in cases involving the care and harvesting of growing crops only in those instances where arrangements have been made in advance with the local agency of the Department of Agriculture, a reliable agriculturist or other competent channel through which the work can be performed.

In each instance where after investigation it seems necessary for the Federal Reserve Bank to accept a power of attorney, the power should be accompanied by written instructions signed by the grantor of the power, setting forth the duties which the bank is called upon to perform, the disposition to be made of the property, and any other necessary details in relation thereto. These instructions must, of course, be in form and substance satisfactory to this bank. Cases involving the assumption by this bank of important or onerous duties should be referred to head office for consideration, accompanied by a statement of all necessary details, before the power of attorney is accepted.

Since the exercise of power under the authority granted may involve dealing in real property or in personal property in connection with which mortgages or other encumbrances exist, both forms of power of attorney must be acknowledged before a notary public.

Form Mis. 233

This form is intended for execution by individuals or co-partnerships. If executed by a co-partnership, the signatures of all co-partners should be obtained wherever possible. Names, addresses and dates should be carefully filled in. The evacuee should not be encouraged to execute a power of attorney until after a

sufficient investigation has been made to determine that the duties to be performed thereunder are such as reasonably can be accepted by this bank.

As stated above, when the power of attorney is executed, it should be accompanied by written instructions signed by the same persons who execute the power of attorney, setting forth in general terms the disposition to be made of the property involved, a description of the property, its location, and such guaranties as may seem necessary with regard to the payment of rent, storage charges, taxes, or other obligations going with the property.

The grantor of the power of attorney should be furnished a duplicate copy. It will be noted that the power of attorney is not valid for any purpose until accepted in writing by this bank. Such acceptances properly dated and signed by an authorized agent of this bank should not be executed until after the investigation above referred to has been made.

Form Mis. 234

This form is intended for execution only by corporations. The general observations applicable to form Mis. 233 above set forth apply to this form. The same investigation should be made and the same form of written instructions should be obtained. Greater care, however, is necessary in connection with the execution of corporate powers of attorney.

The correct name of the corporation should be inserted on the first line and at the place for signature. It should be signed by the president or vice president, attested by the secretary or assistant secretary, and the corporate seal must be affixed. Powers of attorney should not be accepted from corporations unless accompanied by a certified copy of resolution of the directors specifically authorizing the issuance of the power of attorney.

Any power of attorney which you find it advisable to accept should be executed in triplicate; the original should be filed in your vault, one copy retained for the files of the operating department, and one copy given to the evacuee.

The instructions which should accompany the Power of Attorney should be executed on Form EP 5, Instructions of Evacuee for Disposition of Property, a copy of which is attached and a supply of which will be forwarded under separate cover. If additional pages are necessary for listing the property concerned, plain sheets should be used. Forms EP 5 should be executed in triplicate, one copy for your files, one for the evacuee, and one copy forwarded to Head Office.

Each power of attorney accepted should be assigned a number in sequence with prefix letter(s) for your branch and recorded on register form KPM-4, a supply of which is being forwarded to you.

(Signed) R. E. Everson
Assistant Cashier.

Enclosure

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Los Angeles Branch

Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco
Evacuee Property Department
737 South Spring Street
Los Angeles, California

March 28, 1942

Army requests that we wire our branch offices following Special Instructions No. 1 on the subject of Contraband dated March 28, 1942:

¶In Paragraph 6, Proclamation No. 3, this headquarters, dated March 24, 1942, it was ordered that from and after March 31, 1942, no person of Japanese ancestry shall have in his possession or use or operate at any time or place within any of Military Areas 1 to 6 inclusive as established and defined in Public Proclamation Nos. 1 and 2, any of the items enumerated in said paragraph.

All persons affected by the said order and who have not heretofore complied therewith, are instructed that they shall deliver any of the items enumerated in said paragraph into the custody of the nearest office of the

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Los Angeles Branch
Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco
Evacuee Property Department
707 South Spring Street
Los Angeles, California

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United States Employment Service for disposition.

By the command of Lieutenant General DeWitt

Henry B. Lewis
Colonel A. G. D.
Adjutant General

Eastern Defense Command and Fourth Army*

This is for particular attention of U. S. Employment Service Representatives in your office inasmuch as the contraband items are to be accepted at U. S. Employment Service offices and the Federal Security Agency is understood to have received the responsibility of their accepting such items. We do not understand that such items will be accepted at your office but rather at the U. S. Employment Service office in your city

Forward

Los Angeles Branch
Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco
Evacuee Property Department
707 South Spring Street
Los Angeles, California

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We are forwarding air mail special delivery a copy of a memorandum from Colonel Bendetsen setting forth in some detail the method of handling contraband.

We understand Federal Security Agency is advising U. S. Employment Service offices on this subject.

We are informed that publicity will be forthcoming tomorrow advising evacuees that storage facilities will be made available for household goods, etc. under controlled evacuation program to overcome panic among evacuees causing them to dispose of even their household furniture at any sacrifice.

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LOS ANGELES BRANCH

TO: HEAD OFFICE

March 28, 1942

Reference: Your telegram of March 20, 1942

There is enclosed report of Evacuee Property Department for week ending March 27, 1942.

No powers of attorney accepted.

(Signed) Fred C. Bold
Assistant Manager

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EVACUEE PROPERTY DEPARTMENT
REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING 3-27-42

Number of offices operating including Los Angeles20

<u>Number of Persons Interviewed</u>	<u>Number Represented</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Date visited by Field Representative</u>
1177	1803	707 So. Spring St., Los Angeles, Calif.	
40	49	27 East Valley Blvd., Alhambra, Calif.	
42	42	131 E. Magnolia Blvd., Burbank, California.	
66	66	540 State Street, El Centro, Calif.	March-27th-1942
5	5	319 E. Hillcrest, Inglewood, Calif.	March-27th-1942
38	38	416 Pine Avenue, Long Beach, Calif.	
92	92	745 E. Green Street, Pasadena, Calif.	
36	59	145 W. Fifth Street, Pomona, Calif.	
16	16	14 E. Vine Street, Redlands, Calif.	
31	31	3469 Main Street, Riverside, Calif.	
48	72	352 Court Street, San Bernardino, Calif.	
75	126	1165 Front Street, San Diego, Calif.	
26	26	132 N. MacLay Street, San Fernando, Calif.	March-24th-1942
93	118	501 W. Fifth Street, Santa Ana, Calif.	
19	19	310 W. Main Street, Santa Maria, Calif.	March-27th-1942
16	46	362 W. Seventh Street, San Pedro, Calif.	

<u>Number of Persons Interviewed</u>	<u>Number Represented</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Date Visited by Field Representative</u>
40	47	2300 Carson Street, Torrance, Calif.	March 26, 1942
41	46	53 So. California St., Ventura, Calif.	
41	62	214 W. Philadelphia St., Whittier, Calif.	March 24, 1942

Copy of letter sent to Los Angeles,
Portland and Seattle Branch
To Salt Lake City Branch for information only. March 28, 1942

Contraband

Car wire March 28, 1942

Air Mail - Special Delivery

We are enclosing a copy of Special Instructions No. 1 dated March 28, 1942 which was wired to you at the request of Colonel Bendetsen with the request that this information be made available to the staff in your Evacuee Property Department office and particularly to the representatives of the U. S. Employment Service.

We are also enclosing a copy of a memorandum dated March 28, 1942 addressed to the Alien Property Custodian by Colonel Bendetsen which sets forth the manner in which Japanese contraband is to be handled.

It will be observed that the responsibility for arranging for the storage of these items has been placed on the Federal Security Agency with deliveries to be accepted at U. S. Employment Service Offices pending the making of warehouse arrangements.

As our wire indicated, we believe that it is not the intention to use our Evacuee Property Department offices for the purpose of receiving contraband items but rather that any such items in your city would be delivered to the regular U. S. Employment Service offices. If we receive any information to the contrary we will advise you.

(Signed) R.E.E.
Assistant Cashier.

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Special Instructions No. 1

March 28, 1942

Contraband

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All persons affected by the said order and who have not heretofore complied therewith, are instructed that they shall deliver any of the items enumerated in said paragraph into the custody of the nearest office of the United States Employment Service for disposition.

By the command of Lieutenant General DeWitt

Henry B. Lewis
Colonel A. G. D.
Adjutant General
Western Defense Command and Fourth Army

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March 22, 1942

MEMORANDUM FOR: Alien Property Custodian

SUBJECT: Japanese Contraband

1. At a conference held this morning, attended by:

Mr. Tom Clark, Department of Justice
Mr. Richard Neustadt, Federal Security Agency
Mr. Pearce Davies, Federal Security Agency
Mr. J. P. Gilchrist, Federal Reserve Bank

in connection with the disposition of Japanese contraband, it was agreed tentatively as follows:

(a) Federal Security Agency will instruct its representatives at every U. S. Employment Service office in the Western Defense Command of the contents of Proclamation No. 3 and of the contents of a proclamation to be issued directing Japanese as to the method of contraband disposition.

(b) Federal Security Agency will instruct its employment service office representatives to accept contraband from Japanese and to prepare receipts in duplicate, delivering one to the owner, retaining one. The Agency will further instruct these representatives to arrange with local warehouse companies to pick up the contraband, store it, and issue a covering warehouse receipt for the items stored.

(c) Mr. Tom Clark has agreed to arrange for constructive possession to be taken by the appropriate United States Marshalls. These Marshalls would take possession of receipts, including warehouse receipts; probably U. S. Employment Service office representatives should be instructed to mail these receipts to the nearest United States Marshall.

2. As I understand it the Alien Property Custodian will be responsible for absorbing the cost of warehousing and other incidentals involved in storage and at the proper time will vest title to the property described in the several warehouse receipts in the name of the United States.

3. I am delivering a copy of this memorandum to all of the persons described above. It is understood that no enforcement responsibility will be imposed by this arrangement upon the U. S. Employment Service officers. A proclamation will be prepared this date and copies will be supplied all concerned at the first opportunity.

Earl M. Bendevsen
Colonel, G. S. C.
Asst. Chief of Staff,
Civil Affairs Division

COPY OF TELEGRAM

TO: SEATTLE
LOS ANGELES
PORTLAND

March 28, 1942

Copy mailed to Salt Lake City for its information.

Pratt if attached

MR. NEUSTADT OF THE FEDERAL SECURITY AGENCY HAS REQUESTED THAT WE TRANSMIT THE FOLLOWING TO YOU FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE FEDERAL SECURITY AGENCY EMPLOYEES IN YOUR OFFICE. THE FIELD OFFICES HAVE ALREADY BEEN ADVISED DIRECT BY THE FEDERAL SECURITY AGENCY.

(FORWARD)

(ARMSTRONG:JM)

(Signed) R.E. Everson

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COPY OF INCOMING TELEGRAM

FROM: LOS ANGELES BRANCH

March 28, 1942

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	El Centro	-	Chas. H. Small
	Inglewood	-	Chas. A. Graves
	Long Beach	-	V. B. Hackett
Handled	Pasadena	-	N. R. Woodward
Armstrong	Pomona	-	C. P. Ewing
	Redlands	-	Jack Brewster
	Riverside	-	E. G. Button
	Santa Ana	-	D. C. Jones
	San Bernardino	-	Col. Byran W. Allen
	San Diego	-	H. J. Kircher
	San Fernando	-	Frank C. Baker
	Santa Maria	-	James G. Hayden
	Santa Monica	-	Ray D. Johnson
	San Pedro	-	Robert L. Drayton
	Torrance	-	Nels. Y. Jordahl
	Ventura	-	Walter M. Charlsworth
	Whittier	-	A. D. Holloway

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Letter from John W. Peunty of
Travelers Insurance Co, Fresno,
3/27/42 + own reply

Re this was sent for gap fire
insurance business

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Telegram to Los Angeles Branch

March 28, 1942

PRONTO

Please give us names of Field Representatives in field offices in your zone to provide information requested by Federal Security Agency here. Please specify each office and representative in that office.

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Armstrong:gt

COPY OF WIRE RECEIVED FROM

Los Angeles Branch

To Head Office

Subject: Evacuee Property Department

March 28th 1942

In accordance with your letter of March 26th, we are sending one of our men to Phoenix to employ a field representative to cover that state.

We concur in your opinion that representation in Phoenix should be sufficient.

(signed)

Assistant Manager

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copy -*

AIR MAIL

LOS ANGELES

March 27, 1942

Evacuee Property Department

In accordance with the telephone conversation between Mr. Ambrose, Mr. Everson and Mr. Armstrong of today, we are enclosing a copy of a memorandum dated March 24, 1942, from the Western Defense Command and Fourth Army, signed by Karl E. Bendetsen, Colonel G. S. C. Assistant Chief of Staff, Civil Affairs Division.

We understand that certain changes, as follows, will be made in the procedure outlined:

1. In addition to warehousing household goods, it is intended that we also accept professional equipment, such as that which might be found in a Doctor's office, Dentist's office, etc. Also stocks of merchandise, if properly boxed, etc. This, of course, will not include anything of a perishable or semi-perishable nature.

2. Instead of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco checking goods into warehouse, the Federal Security Agency will not only make a list of the goods to be stored and deliver identification tags to be placed upon household goods, but will also check the goods into the warehouse, upon the completion of which the list will be delivered to the War Relocation Authority. *out*

The above exceptions, of course, are subject to final decision and we will give you the exact wording of the amendment to the memorandum as soon as it is received by us.

The guarding function, as mentioned in our telephone conversation, is not merely confined to guarding of goods stored in warehouse, but as mentioned in Paragraph 2, applies to property not warehoused, pending its liquidation. This will include the guarding of automobiles. It is our understanding that if automobiles are not used for the purpose of transferring evacuees to their destination, they will be brought to a central location designated at the time the postings are made in the military area being evacuated.

AIR MAIL

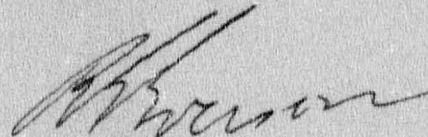
LOS ANGELES

March 27, 1942

Evacuee Property Department.

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In carrying out the guarding function, it is suggested that you solicit the services of the local policing authorities, with the idea in mind that they are in better position to obtain and supervise the men under their jurisdiction. They should be informed that the cost of providing guards for warehouses will be paid by the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, as well as any additional guards for automobile lots or additional guards necessary to properly police any property belonging to evacuees, which is not warehoused, pending its liquidation.



Assistant Cashier.

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WESTERN DEFENSE COMMAND AND FOURTH ARMY

Wartime Civil Control Administration
1231 Market Street
San Francisco, California

March 24, 1942

MEMORANDUM TO Mr. William M. Hale, Federal Reserve Bank, San Francisco
Mr. Richard Neustadt, Federal Security Agency, San Francisco
Mr. Milton Eisenhower, War Relocation Authority

In the evacuation of Bainbridge Island and in all subsequent evacuations, the Federal Security Agency and the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco are authorized and directed to establish and employ the following procedure in handling the storage of household goods of evacuees:

1. The Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco is charged with the responsibility of obtaining suitable storage space together with sufficient staff to handle the warehousing of the household goods.
2. The Federal Reserve Bank is charged with responsibility of arranging in any way that it sees fit for the guarding of such warehouses and of any property not warehoused, pending its liquidation.
3. The Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco is charged with the responsibility of entering into contracts for the removal of household goods to be stored to the warehouse.
4. The Federal Security Agency is charged with the responsibility of registering evacuees when they appear at the Civil Control Office. Each evacuee will be provided with a number for identification purposes.
5. The Federal Security Agency is charged with the responsibility of obtaining from the evacuee a list of the household effects which he desires to have stored. The number assigned to the evacuee should be placed upon this list and the list should be delivered to the representative of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco present in the Civil Control Office.
6. The Federal Security Agency is charged with the responsibility of delivering to the evacuee identification tags to be placed upon his household goods. Each tag shall bear the number assigned to the evacuee.
7. The Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, after using the list of household goods furnished by the Federal Security Agency in moving the furniture into storage, shall deliver that list to the representative of the War Relocation Authority present in the Civil Control Office.
8. The War Relocation Authority will be charged with the responsibility of moving such household effects from storage to the resettlement area in which the evacuee is ultimately established.

(signed) Karl R. Bendetsen
Colonel G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff
Civil Affairs Division

COPY

Los Angeles

~~PORTLAND~~

March 26, 1942

Evacuee Property Department

We are enclosing three copies each of the following for your information:

1. Bulletin No. 2 - March 16, 1942
Japanese Population and Number of Japanese Family Heads in Arizona by Minor Civil Divisions: 1940
2. Bulletin No. 3 - March 16, 1942
Japanese Population and Number of Japanese Family Heads in California by Minor Civil Divisions: 1940
3. Bulletin No. 4 - March 16, 1942
Japanese Population and Number of Japanese Family Heads in Washington by Minor Civil Divisions: 1940
4. Bulletin No. 5 - March 16, 1942
Japanese Population and Number of Japanese Family Heads in Oregon by Minor Civil Divisions: 1940

Bulletin No. 1 is being revised by the Wartime Civil Control Administration and will be forwarded to you later, upon its receipt.

(Signed) R.E. Everson
Assistant Cashier.

Enclosures
ARMSTRONG:GH

Los Angeles Branch

March 26, 1942

Evacuee Property Department

REFERRED BY MR. H. D. ARMSTRONG
TO MR. Allen
MAR 23 1942

REFERRED BY MR. EVERETT
TO MR. Armstrong
MAR 27 1942

REFERRED BY MR. H. D. ARMSTRONG
TO MR. Wagner
MAR 23 1942

As you know, a portion of Arizona is in the designated military area.

Will you please arrange to have field representation to cover that state. It is our opinion, from this distance, that representation in Phoenix should be sufficient and that any outlying territory could be covered from there.

We have been given the name of Henry R. Arnesson as State Director for the United States Employment Service with offices in Phoenix. In arranging for personnel, as in the case of other field offices, it will be in order for you to discuss the problem with him.

Vice President

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Letter to G. Meikle Plumbing

Re Letter from Kiyoshi Ono

Filed Meikle

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3/26 1942

Description of Document Cross-Indexed:

Letter to Union Title Insurance &
Trust Co, San Diego

Re Restrictions on property

Filed Union

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March 25, 1942.

Pioneer Title Insurance and Trust Company,
440 Court Street,
San Bernardino, California.

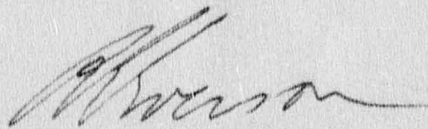
Dear Sirs:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter
of March 21, 1942.

From the facts set forth in your letter, it is
presumed that the Japanese is a generally licensed
national operating under the provisions of General li-
cense No. 68A, and if such is the case, he is in a posi-
tion to deal freely with his property holdings and no
license from the Treasury Department would be required.

If you find, on further investigation, that
he is a "blocked national" and operating under a li-
cense, the attorney in fact would assume a similar posi-
tion, and upon expiration of the present license would
apply for a renewal on Application Form T.F.E.-1.

Yours very truly,



Assistant Cashier.

cc Los Angeles

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Pioneer
Public
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TO ALL BRANCHES
Contraband Items

Los Angeles

M. J. Lee
March 25, 1942

Our Instruction Letter No. 7

The subject of Contraband Items, as mentioned in our Instruction Letter No. 7, dated March 25, is one that has not as yet come to a definite conclusion. However, as the possibility exists that we might be called upon to take custody of such items, we are anxious to receive the information requested in the above mentioned letter as early as possible.

We therefore ask that as soon as the reports are received from the Field Representatives in your zone, a recapitulation be made and forwarded to this office.

(Signed) W. M. HALE

Vice-President

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FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO

FISCAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES

March 25, 1942

Field Representatives
Evacuee Property Department

Instruction letter No. 7.

SUBJECT: CONTRABAND ITEMS.

On January 3, 1942, the Office of the United States Attorney, sent to all state and local Police authorities, a notice calling their attention to the fact that the President had, by his proclamations of December 7 and 8, 1941, directed in the interests of national safety that alien enemies should not possess or use various items, such as firearms, weapons, ammunition, short-wave radio sets, signal devices, etc. The notice stated further it was necessary to require alien enemies to deposit such prohibited articles with law enforcement agencies and asked for the help and cooperation of the local police authorities throughout the country.

Public Proclamation No. 3, dated March 24, 1942, issued by J. L. DeWitt, Lieutenant General, U.S. Army, carries a provision that after March 31, 1942, no persons of Japanese ancestry shall have in his possession similar items.

We have determined locally that in many instances after the first order was given, Japanese aliens delivered such contraband to American citizens of Japanese ancestry, and the question therefore arises as to the amount of such contraband which has not as yet been deposited with state and local Police authorities.

In order that we might better be able to visualize this condition, we ask that each of our Field Representatives contact such law enforcement agencies in their particular territory, ascertaining in a general way the amount of such contraband now in their hands, and report their findings to the Office of the Federal Reserve Bank with which they are affiliated. Any information developed in instances where the amount on deposit would seem to indicate that there was still a considerable quantity remaining in the hands of U.S. citizens of Japanese ancestry, will be of great assistance.

R. W. Iverson
Assistant Cashier.



Final file *COPY*
LOS ANGELES BRANCH

TO: HEAD OFFICE

March 23, 1942.

REFERENCE: Your telegram of March 20, 1942.

There is enclosed report of Evacuee
Property Department for period of March 13,
1942 to March 20, 1942, inclusive.

No powers of attorney have been
accepted.

FRED C. BOLD (signed)
Assistant Manager

Enclosure.

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given files
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EVACUEE PROPERTY DEPARTMENT
REPORT FOR PERIOD 3/13/42 THROUGH 3/20/42

Number of offices operating including Los Angeles18

<u>Number of Persons Interviewed</u>	<u>Number Represented</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Date Visited by Field Representative</u>
462	644	707 S. Spring St., Los Angeles, Calif.	
7	7	131 E. Magnolia Blvd., Burbank, Calif.	March 20, 1942
0	0	540 State Street, El Centro, Calif.	
0	0	319 E. Hillcrest, Inglewood, Calif.	March 19, 1942
10	10	416 Pine Avenue, Long Beach, Calif.	March 20, 1942
32	32	745 E. Green St., Pasadena, Calif.	
4	4	145 W. Fifth St., Pomona, Calif.	March 18 & 19, 1942
4	4	14 E. Vine St., Redlands, Calif.	March 19, 1942
2	2	3469 Main Street, Riverside, Calif.	March 18 & 19, 1942
7	7	352 Court Street, San Bernadino, Calif.	March 19, 1942
		1165 Front Street, San Diego, Calif.	March 22, 1942
		132 N. MacLay Street, San Fernando, Calif.	
4	4	310 W. Main Street, Santa Maria, Calif.	
		1558 Fifth Street, Santa Monica, Calif.	March 18 & 19, 1942
		362 W. 7th Street, San Pedro, Calif.	March 20, 1942
8	8	2300 Carson Street, Torrance, Calif.	March 19, 1942
4	4	53 S. California St., Ventura, Calif.	March 20, 1942
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* 214 W. Philadelphia St.,
Whittier, Calif.

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3/24 1942

Description of Document Cross-Indexed:

Letter 3/20/42 from Wm T. Holtz
Pasadena Federal Bank, our
reply 3/24

Re Handling Suzuki's property

File SA ←

Filed Pasadena

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3/23 1942

Description of Document Cross-Indexed:

→ Correspondence with H. B. Duff
of Los Angeles

Re Experience in Property

Filed Duff -

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Los Angeles

Joseph P. Alves

March 23, 1942

*see above page
for instructions*

We are enclosing herein copy of letter and reply thereto for your files.

Yours very truly,

R. E. E. @

Assistant Cashier.

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Los Angeles

March 23, 1942

F. D. Keeley *see for enclosures*

Evacuee Property Department

We enclose herein two copies of letter received from Mr. F. D. Keeley and two copies of our reply thereto, one for your files and one which you may wish to send to your San Diego field office.

Yours very truly,

Assistant Cashier.

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Correspondence with A. C. Bohmstedt

Re leasing new Mexico memo to Jago

Filed Bohmstedt

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March 22, 1942

Evacuee Property Department

REFERRED BY MR. H. D. ARMSTRONG

TO MR. *J. L. ...*
MAR 22 1942

REFERRED BY MR. H. D. ARMSTRONG

TO MR. *J. L. ...*
MAR 22 1942

filed in file

We are forwarding for your attention a letter from Mr. Genji Kawamura dated March 20, 1942, inquiring as to the desirability of settling in Zone B, and as to the restrictions placed on Japanese aliens and persons of Japanese ancestry within that Zone.

We feel that this is primarily an Army question and that by reference to the Federal Security Agency Representative in your office you may be able to advise the inquirer as to the proper source of the information he is seeking.

R. E. E.
Assistant Cashier.

Enclosure

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LOS ANGELES

MARCH 22, 1942

Evacuee Property Department

We are enclosing a copy of a letter addressed to *see Col. Bendtsen*
Colonel Bendtsen from Coldwell, Banker & Company, Los Angeles
realtors, dated March 18, 1942, as well as a copy of our today's
reply.

As it is possible that you may desire further informa-
tion from this concern, we have stated in our letter that we
would request you to get in touch with the real estate company
should you desire additional information from it.

[Handwritten Signature]
Assistant Cashier.

[Handwritten Initials]
Enclosures

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LOS ANGELES

March 22, 1942

Evacuee Property Department

We are enclosing two copies of a letter from *See Cass*
Wm. R. Cass, Inglewood, California, dated March 19, 1942
and the enclosure mentioned therein, as well as two copies
of our today's reply, both being self explanatory.

It is our thought that you may desire to transmit
one copy of each to the Field Representative of the Evacuee
Property Department who is located at Inglewood, California.


Assistant Cashier.

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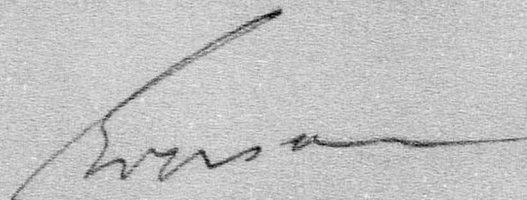
March 22, 1942

Evacuee Property Department

Enclosed are a copy of a letter addressed to Lieutenant General J. L. DeWitt by the Los Angeles Realty Board, Inc. under date of March 11, 1942 and a copy of our reply of this date.

See P.A.
Realty

It is possible that you may wish to develop further information from this source.



Assistant Cashier.



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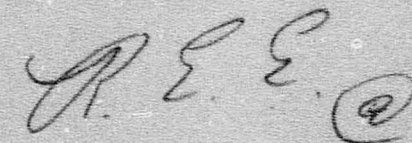
March 21, 1942

Evacuee Property Department

see Tashiro

We are enclosing a copy of a letter addressed to us by Mr. Shigeshi Tashiro under date of March 20, 1942, as well as a copy of our today's reply. Likewise is enclosed a copy of a letter to the Santa Maria Field Representative of the Evacuee Property Department to whom the enclosures were forwarded direct in the interest of time.

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Assistant Cashier.

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cc: Field Representative
Evacuee Property Department
Santa Maria, California

TRANSLATION OF TELEGRAM RECEIVED

From Los Angeles Branch

March 21/42

Copied and
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To

REFERRED BY MR. H.D. ARMSTRONG
TO MR. *[Signature]*
MAR 21 1942FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO
REFERRED BY MR. H.D. ARMSTRONG
TO MR. *[Signature]*
MAR 21 1942

Checked:

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Retel 16th Field Offices have now been established in all locations except Indio, Ontario, Covina and Santa Barbara, which were deleted from the list.

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To be handled by Mr.

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(For information only)

TRANSLATION OF TELEGRAM RECEIVED

From Los Angeles Branch

To

RECEIVED BY MR. H. D. ARMSTRONG
FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO

March 21/42

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MAR 21 1942

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Relet 20th Merchants Fire Dispatch take over protection
of property at 810 East Fourth Place at three PM today.

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Field Organization Branch

To be handled by Mr.

~~Armstrong-RFD-2~~

Function and Unit Number

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(For information only)

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO

Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco

LOS ANGELES BRANCH

To: HEAD OFFICE

DATE March 20, 1942

Subject: Guards for property located at 810 East 4th Place, Los Angeles.

Reference: Mr. Clerk's telephone conversation with Mr. Bold March 19, 1942.

The Merchants Fire Dispatch, Ltd., of Los Angeles, has quoted us the lowest price of seventy cents per hour or \$16.80 per day and are in a position to furnish complete guard protection to this property twenty-four hours per day. Other organizations of this kind, Pinkerton, Burns, etc. quoted prices as high as \$1 per hour.

In this connection, we have been advised that because of delay in completing lease arrangements for this property, guards are not, as yet, required and that we will be advised as soon as they are necessary. When we are so informed, we will complete arrangements with the Merchants Fire Dispatch, Ltd.

Incidentally, this organization referred us to the Farmers and Merchants National Bank, which reported that their experience with the company from a protective standpoint, had been very satisfactory.

N. A. AMBROSE

Managing Director

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To: Los Angeles Branch

March 21, 1942

Evacuee Property Freezing Control

In all cases in which freezing control is exercised under the provisions of Special Regulation No. 1, an extra blue copy of Form EP-1, or Form EP-2, whichever is employed, should be mailed immediately to California Land Title Association, 411 West Fifth Street, Los Angeles.

This association will attend to the dissemination of the information to the appropriate title company. This action is necessary in order that the title companies of the state may be promptly advised of clouds on title to real or person property created through the exercise of freezing control.

(Signed) Hlae

Vice President.

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LOS ANGELES

March 21, 1942

Evacuee Property Department.
Special Blocked Property.

*see
File for letter*

Reference is made to Instruction Letter No. 4, dated March 20, on this subject. In this letter we have attempted to emphasize that Field Representatives should not assume the responsibility of designating "Special Blocked Property". However, this power should be exercised by you when in your discretion it is necessary. The exceptional complicated cases should be referred to Head Office in instances where time will permit.

The Instruction Letter indicates the number of copies that should be made of each form. However, it is requested that, if necessary, additional copies be made in order that you might furnish Head Office with one copy of Forms EP 1, EP 2 and EP 4, and two copies of EP 3. TFE-1 (Revised) should be submitted to Head Office, in triplicate, in the usual manner. You will observe that Forms EP 1 and EP 2 come in sets of three and the blue forms should be used for any extra copies necessary.


*see
Army
Instructions
March 20/42*

For your information, we are enclosing a copy of a memorandum from the Army, covering the proposed procedure to be followed in the evacuation of Bainbridge Island, in order that you might anticipate problems which will occur at the time areas in your zone are evacuated.

Registers for Forms EP 4, Petition for Blocking under Special Regulation No. 1, EP 1, Posting Notice No... Special Blocked Property, and EP 2, Mail Notice, designating Special Blocked Property, are being prepared by us and will be forwarded to you as quickly as possible. In the interim, however, a temporary Register should be maintained.

It is our intention to include on the Register, for Form EP 4, Petition for Blocking under Special Regulation No. 1., columns which will indicate the date that EP 3, Memorandum of Agreement and Settlement, and Form TFE-1 (Revised), are received by the Federal Reserve Bank.

A separate series of numbers should be used for each of the forms on which a Register will be kept, and you should use "LA" as a prefix for all numbers assigned in your office.


Vice-President

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Letter to you from 1st Nat'l Bank of
San Jacinto

Re Insurance Property

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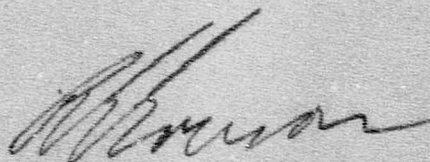
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LOS ANGELES ✓

March 20, 1942

Evacuee Property Department

Enclosed are copies for your file and for the information of our Field Representative and the Farm Security Administration Representative at Riverside, of a letter from The First National Bank of San Jacinto dated March 17, 1942, and our today's reply.



Assistant Cashier.

Enclosures

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March 20, 1942

Mr. Harry C. Dane, Cashier,
The First National Bank of San Jacinto,
San Jacinto, California.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated March 17, 1942 requesting information as to the time limit in the evacuation of Japanese from the military areas and the availability of other labor to replace the Japanese in your locality.

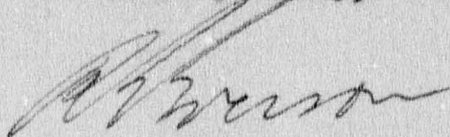
We have no information beyond that appearing in the press from time to time with respect to when evacuation must be accomplished, and are unable, therefore, to provide you with any advice in that regard.

We naturally appreciate your problem and regret that we are unable to offer the information you desire.

As to the availability of replacement labor, we believe that the Farm Security Administration is dealing with that situation and feel that it would be helpful if you contacted the representative of that agency, who, together with a representative of this bank and of the Federal Security Agency, has offices in the office of the U.S. Employment Service at 3469 Main Street, Riverside, California. It may be possible for you to obtain additional information from that source.

We are referring copies of your letter and of our reply to our Los Angeles Branch for the benefit of itself and our Riverside Field Representative, as well as to the Farm Security Representative at this office, in order that they may be apprised of your situation.

Yours very truly,



Assistant Cashier.

cc: Los Angeles Branch (3)

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THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK
of San Jacinto

San Jacinto, California

March 17, 1942

Federal Reserve Bank
San Francisco
California

Gentlemen:

Replying to your letter of the 14th, will say that we will do all that we can to assist the evacuees in the disposal of their property if they are compelled to leave our section.

The few Japanese in our district have no property other than their interest in their crops which they have well started. We would even be willing to buy their crops ourselves if we could have any assurance that we could secure labor to bring them to completion. As you know, it is very hard to get Americans to do the work that these boys do with such crops as onions, which is the main crop here. An American wants about twice the money the producer can afford to pay for this kind of work.

According to the last information we had, this district was marked as a restricted district, but we have had no information as to what the restrictions would consist. If you have any definite information as to whether or not the Japanese here will be evacuated we would appreciate your advising us, as it would make considerable difference in our dealings. The prospects are that the Japanese in our vicinity will produce more than 100,000 bags of 100 pounds of onions this year and, of course, in time of war food is one of the essentials.

Any information you can give us as to labor to take the place of the Japanese if they are moved, and whether or not they will be moved from this district will be appreciated.

Inasmuch as the First Savings Bank is in the same building as this bank, you may consider this letter as a reply for both banks.

Very truly yours,

(signed) Harry C. Dane

Cashier.

HCD:JR

LOS ANGELES

March 20, 1942

EVACUEE PROPERTY DEPARTMENT

We enclose an original letter from Mr. H. C. Freeman
of Long Beach, California, dated March 16, 1942, for your
attention.

R. E. E. @

Assistant Cashier.

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HAROLD C. FREEMAN, Realtor
Ocean Center Building
Long Beach, California

March 16, 1942

Federal Reserve Bank
San Francisco, Calif.

Gentlemen:

I recently wrote our Congressman Ward Johnson requesting information concerning the management of the alien property in this district taken over by the Government, and it is at his suggestion that I write you.

I am a Certified Property Manager--have lived in Long Beach for approximately twenty-two years; ten years of which I spent in the banking business as an officer of the Bank of America.

It has occurred to me that you probably will be wanting capable property managers in the various districts where you find it necessary to take over alien property. This is to ask you to consider the advisability of placing such property under your direction in this area, under my management.

It is my privilege to refer you to Congressman Ward Johnson who has known me for years, also the senior officers of any bank in Long Beach.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Harold C. Freeman

(Original letter forwarded to Los Angeles for attention)

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Routes to E.C.O. Offices

Wire to Los Angeles, Seattle, Portland ✓
Copy to Salt Lake City for information

March 20, 1942

Treasury Department requests we provide wire report each Monday as follows:

1. Number and locations of Evacuee Property Offices operating during week.
2. List of communities visited by Field Representatives of Department and dates of visits, including those to "secondary" field offices.
3. Number of persons interviewed at each office or contacted in each community (where one person represents a group, record as one person, but also indicate number represented).
4. Total of powers of attorney accepted at each office and each visit during week, giving general description of type of property covered.

Please provide us with such report for your zone to reach us early each Monday for compilation of similar report for entire District. Your report should be an of close of business each Friday. First report to be received here Monday March 23, 1942 or as soon thereafter as possible should cover period from beginning of operation.

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Mr. POLLARD
LOS ANGELES BRANCH

We now have set up and staffed 15 primary locations ~~in Head Office~~
for field representatives in Head Office zone. Remaining 4 offices
in primary classification will be filled today.

EVERSON

(ARMSTRONG:JK)

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W. W. ...

TRANSLATION OF TELEGRAM RECEIVED

From Los Angeles Branch

Copied and Translated March 19/42

To Mr. Everson

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO

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FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO

Please let me know right away the number of primary locations actually set up and staffed in San Francisco area.

Pellard

Arrested by KPD

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(Telephoned Miss McKay 9.30 A.M.)

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To be handled by Mr.

Everson-2

Function and Unit Number

Min. 73 (4-41) (3)

(For information only)

Los Angeles

March 19, 1942

Evacuee Property Department

For your information, we are forwarding by mail to each field office in Head Office zone, for the attention of the representative selected there, a supply of stationery, sample interview forms, etc., together with information now available consisting of the following material:

1. Letter to branches dated March 11, 1942, together with enclosures comprising:
 - a. Suggested Program of Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco and Other Agencies,
 - b. Memorandum of General Principles as between the Federal Reserve Bank and Treasury Department,
 - c. Press Release dated March 10, 1942,
 - d. General Questions and Answers,
 - e. Interview Memorandum Form,
 - f. Printed Memorandum of Functions and Operations of Evacuee Property Department.
2. General License No. 42.
3. General License No. 68A with Paragraph 6 deleted.
4. Mr. Day's letter of March 14, 1942, addressed to certain banks in Military Areas.
5. List of banks receiving such letters from Mr. Day.
6. Memorandum of field offices established in Head Office zone. ✓
7. Memorandum showing representation of the Federal Security Agency, Farm Security Administration, and ourselves in field offices and offices in Los Angeles, Portland, San Francisco, and Seattle.

As additional pertinent circulars, press releases, and similar material, are released, we will send copies to Head Office field offices and, likewise, forward a supply to you, so that you may make distribution to your representatives.

All correspondence originating in field offices should be signed over the title "Field Representative".


Cashier.

CE [Handwritten signature]

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Los Angeles

March 19, 1942

ALL BRANCHES

Evacuee Property Department

We are forwarding to you, under separate cover, a supply of "Power of Attorney" forms, Numbers Mis. 233, 234, 235 and 236. You will observe that the two former numbers are to be used in appointing the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco attorney-in-fact for the evacuee, one form being for the use of individuals and partnerships and the other for a corporation. These forms should not be distributed and no power of attorney appointing the Federal Reserve Bank should be accepted pending further instructions from this office.

*See Form
for copies*

The other two forms, namely, Mis. 235 and 236, have been prepared and are for the use of evacuees in appointing attorneys-in-fact other than the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco. These forms have been prepared merely for convenience of the evacuee, and are, therefore, suggested forms to be used at his option. These latter forms may be distributed to anyone requesting a supply. They are being distributed to field representatives in Head Office zone with our Instruction Letter No. 1, a copy of which is enclosed herewith.

A supply of the instruction letter is being sent you, so that you may place it, together with the Power of Attorney forms Nos. 235 and 236, in the hands of the field representatives in your zone.

It is planned to handle in a similar manner instructions which must be given all field agents in the future.

C a s h i e r

Enclosure

LOS ANGELES

March 19, 1942

EVACUEE PROPERTY DEPARTMENT

We enclose herewith original letter from San Bernardino main office of Bank of America for your attention.

R. E. S. @
Assistant Cashier.

Enclosure.
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Yes

C O P Y

Bank of America
San Bernardino Main Office

March 17, 1942

Federal Reserve Bank
San Francisco, California

Gentlemen:

Several of our Japanese customers who are American born citizens and own real property, are seeking information as to the disposal or handling of their property in case they are evacuated.

They wish to know if they can rent the property and have the rents deposited to the credit of their bank accounts.

We will appreciate this information at your earliest convenience.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) J. M. Oakey
Assistant Vice-President

LOS ANGELES

March 19, 1942

Evacuee Property Department

We are enclosing two copies of a letter from T. G. Ishimaru of the Los Angeles Chapter, Japanese American Citizens League dated March 16, 1942, and our today's reply, both being self-explanatory.

It is our thought that you may desire to transmit one copy of each to the Field Representative of your Evacuee Property Department who will be located at San Diego.


Assistant Cashier.


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March 19, 1942

Mr. T. O. Iseizaru,
112 North San Pedro Street,
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated March 18, 1942 referring to the Alien Property Custodianship.

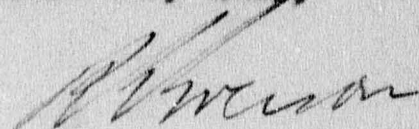
We are endeavoring to meet all problems which arise in connection with the equitable disposition of their properties by evacuees, and it is believed that the Field Offices which have been and are being established, will be able to extend greater assistance as time goes on.

So far as the Alien Property Custodianship operation is concerned, this bank is not acting in that capacity, but is exercising the duties delegated to it to assist evacuees from the recently established "military areas" in arranging for the proper and satisfactory disposition of their property holdings. No office of the Alien Property Custodian has been established on this coast locally as yet, so far as we know.

That portion of your letter referring to the Yokohama Specie Bank will be otherwise answered.

We are forwarding a copy of your communication and our reply to our Los Angeles Branch and to the San Diego Field Office which is being established at 1105 Front Street in that city.

Yours very truly,



Assistant Cashier.

cc: Los Angeles Branch (2)

cc: Foreign Funds Control Department

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JAPANESE AMERICAN CITIZENS LEAGUE

Los Angeles Chapter

March 18, 1942

104 South San Pedro Street
Los Angeles, California

Mutual 8634

Mr. Armstrong
Federal Reserve Bank
San Francisco, California

Dear Mr. Armstrong:

I would like to know what provisions can be made to release the accounts of depositors in the Yokohama Specie Bank in Los Angeles who can be classified under general license 68A.

Certainly there must be some method to classify the block accounts from the others, and those people in the latter group be able to draw on their accounts directly or thru some other bank in this locality. Many people are in difficulties because of the prevailing conditions and I believe it is order that your office or the Treasury Department help in this case.

Even if affidavits must be required it would clarify the problem, and you would be doing service in easing the tension financially and otherwise. Evacuation is in order, and I am sure that the government wishes to see these people move on their own, but how can they accomplish this under the present circumstances.

As you may know, the Japanese people would like to move on their own if possible, they do not like to get the help of social agencies on the whole. The money is there, why not let them use it?

I beg for you immediate consideration on this matter and would appreciate a reply.

Yours very truly,

/s/ T. G. ISHIMARU
T. G. Ishimaru

P. S. May I ask here, if the government is going to set up an Alien or Citizen custodianship. There are so many entanglements that I believe your office needs much information. The advice given thru the local office is not clarifying the situation at all. There is definitely specific problems that should be worked out.

Kindly correspond to my office address
112 N. San Pedro Street, Los Angeles, California

Los Angeles

March 18, 1942

ALL BRANCHES

Evacuee Property Department

Enclosed is a letter which we have directed today to all of our Field Representatives, together with the enclosure described. It will be noted that we have instructed our Field Representatives operating out of this zone to sign correspondence as such.

Additional supplies of the enclosure are going forward to you for your Field Representatives.

Assistant Cashier

Enclosures

March 18, 1942

Dear Sir:

We are enclosing a memorandum showing the various offices within the States of Washington, Oregon and California, of the U. S. Employment Service, staffed or to be staffed with Field Representatives of the Evacuee Property Department.

It is requested that all of your correspondence be signed with your signature over the title "Field Representative".

Yours very truly,

Assistant Cashier.

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LOS ANGELES BRANCH


March 18, 1942

EVACUEE PROPERTY DEPARTMENT

We enclose two copies of a letter received and our reply thereto from S. P. Bennett, 2402 Lincoln Avenue, San Diego, California, for your files and for San Diego.

Enclosures.

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A. E. E. 

Assistant Cashier.

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AIR MAIL

W. N. Ambrose, Managing Director, Los Angeles ✓ March 18, 1942

Evacuee Property Department for delivery to Mr. Szymczak

As requested in telegram from Mr. Hale dated March 17, 1942, we
enclose certain interview memoranda requested by Mr. Szymczak to reach
Mr. Szymczak Thursday morning, March 19. ✓


Assistant Cashier.

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MEMORANDUM OF TYPICAL INTERVIEWS AND
ACTION THEREON HANDLED BY EVACUEE
PROPERTY DEPARTMENT, 500 CALIFORNIA
STREET, SAN FRANCISCO.

1. Name: Japanese American Citizens League, 2051 Bush Street,
San Francisco.

Problem: As to league members pooling their furniture and
personal property and storing in warehouse, and have
it insured.

About 500 members.

Action taken: Advised them to try to negotiate direct
with warehouse owners, realtors representing such
available properties, suggesting they return to us
if any difficulties encountered in order that we
could intercede on their behalf.

2. Name: J. Schwartz, 1233 Divisadero Street, San Francisco,
American citizen.

Interested in the purchase of household equipment
and appliances.

Action taken: Carefully noted this interest on our files
so that he can contact sellers of equipment from
lists we are now compiling.

3. Poultry Producers of Santa Rosa, Santa Rosa, California.

Subject: Japanese members of above Association own
approximately 300,000 hens in district served by
Association.

Problem: American citizens.

Can negotiations be conducted with these Japanese?
What is our suggestion as immediate liquidation
would mean killing of laying hens, thus flooding
market and curtailing egg production seriously.

Action taken: Advised that they could deal directly,
taking powers-of-attorney and act on their behalf.
Discussed several methods of pooling operations,
interviewing a group of 14. Left with definite
program in mind and with assurance that further
conferences would be welcome as soon as they
could get "feel" of Japanese concerned.

4. Name: Yachichi Nagagusi, Fort Santa Fe, New Mexico,
(in custody).

Subject: Purchased GMC truck in 1941 from Epperson Motor Company, Woodland, California, who discounted the paper with GMAC in Sacramento. All payments were made with exception of last instalment of \$153. GMAC refused final payment by acting relative although payment not due until April, 1942. On March 11 truck seized after evacuee taken into custody. This action based on undesirable risk clause in sales contract and on further ground debtor was blocked national.

Problem: How to get possession of truck and have GMAC accept final payment.

Action taken: Contacted GMAC local office after discussion and some pressure exerted on them, secured license from Foreign Fund Control Board authorizing payment by debtor's daughter and title transfer of truck to daughter. Took daughter with above license to local GMAC office with understanding that if any further difficulty developed she would contact us promptly. She has not done so and assume case satisfactorily closed.

5. Name: Yaukahira, Frank, 2801 Telegraph Avenue, Oakland, California. American citizen.

Subject: Owns liquor store at above address. Stock worth \$2,500; fixtures, \$2,500; accounts payable, \$1,500; pays \$90 per month rent; no lease.

Problem: Was advised could not transfer liquor license.

Action taken: Referred to State Board of Equalization who have jurisdiction over such licenses in this state, but offered to explore problem with Board direct if necessary.

6. Name: Ralph Harrison, Sheriff's Office, Martinez, Contra Costa County, California. American citizen.

Subject: Mr. Harrison represents about 30 Japanese families in the County. Japanese are quite concerned about their tomato plants in hotbeds; these should be planted. Have men who will continue their operations if evacuated but want advice to arrange new leases and fixing prices on investment.

Action taken: Was referred to County Field Agent, Wartime Adjustment Program, 601 Nevin Street, Richmond, California, as Farm Security Administration is prepared to extend assistance in such cases as this.

7. Name: Magiware family.

Address: Japanese Tee Gardens, Golden Gate Park, San Francisco. Four members family Japanese nationals; 4 members family American born.

Subject: Family consists of four generations who have occupied this park concession for 48 years. All live in Park, including one Japanese employee, except one boy attending school in Oakland, who will shortly return. Family has substantial personal property located in Golden Gate Park, consisting of valuable trees and plants, works of Japanese art; personal effects and question of ownership of certain buildings built by present family head or predecessors.

Problem: Question of ownership of certain growing plants, some in ground, some in pots. Art collection in normal times would be of considerable value. Two of family quite old, 73-84 years respectively, need considerable care. In case this group is evacuated what can be done to insure safe custody of assets and clarification of title? Family desires to fully cooperate with all authorities, including Park Commission, city and United States Government.

Action: Contacted attorney for Japanese family. Suggested joint meeting with member Park Commission, himself and representative Evacuee Property Department to endeavor to reach mutual agreement as to title of properties, safe custody of assets, and continuance, if advisable, of art treasures, flowers, etc., which have been greatly enjoyed in the past by San Francisco citizens. Any program thus approved by this group would then be presented to Park Commission as a whole and the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco for their approval, if necessary.

8. Name: Hermans Cleaning, 248 Clement Street, San Francisco, German. Has lease on cleaning store at above address.

Problem: If evacuated, will that cancel lease?

Action taken: Advised that evacuation does not excuse performance ordinarily, and that he should discuss this situation with lessor. We would assist him in effecting compromise or working out satisfactory arrangement with him.

9. Name: Suito Nobuko and Hironaka Aiko (sisters). Pacific Heights Nursery, 1700-150th Avenue, San Leandro, American citizens.

Subject: Owns completely equipped nursery, heating plant, 6 acres, two dwellings, good condition. Land bought in 1942 for \$12,000. Sisters claim present value of all property \$70,000. Bank loan thereon \$3,000. Monthly payment retirement. They do not want to sell property; prefer to lease.

Action taken: Suggested brother and sisters confer with bank holding mortgage as to leasing of their property in event of evacuation, and contact with possible buyers, including other nurserymen. Offered to help contact them and discuss with bank. We would submit list of possible buyers as our files grow in persons interested in this class of property.

COPY

March 17, 1942

Mr. Wm. M. Hale,
Vice President,
c/o Los Angeles Branch.

Dear Mr. Hale:

As requested, we are enclosing a list of all outside offices in all zones (excluding Arizona of which we are not yet informed) indicating primary and secondary classifications. Also enclosed is a copy of memorandum which came to your attention from Calvert L. Dedrick, Chief, Statistical Section, Western Defense Command and Fourth Army, regarding these offices. The memorandum does not cover Covina which we previously informed Los Angeles Branch should be covered, and enclosed list indicates that coverage should be obtained in due course.

We intend sending copies to Branch offices involved, as well as all Field Representatives, tomorrow.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) R.E.Everson

Assistant Cashier.

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COPY OF INCOMING TELEGRAM

FROM: LOS ANGELES BRANCH

To: MR. EVERSON

March 17, 1942

Copies to
Clark
Hale
Earhart
Armstrong

Handled by
Everson

Please mail me list as it presently stands of outside offices to be opened in all zones, indicating primary and secondary classification. Also memorandum to reach here Thursday morning, giving brief outline of a few typical cases together with action taken. This information for Governor Szymczak to take with him to Washington.

HALE

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LOS ANGELES ✓

March 17, 1942

Evacuee Property Department

We are enclosing two copies of a letter from Evans Brokerage Company dated March 11, 1942, and our today's reply, both being self-explanatory.

It is our thought that you may desire to transmit one copy to the representative of your Evacuee Property Department who will be located at Ventura.


Assistant Cashier.

Enclosures

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for letter
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LOS ANGELES ✓

March 17, 1942

Evacuee Property Department

We are enclosing two copies of a letter from Mr. Harry E. Miller, Chula Vista, California, dated March 6, 1942, and our today's reply, both being self-explanatory.

It is our thought that you may desire to transmit one copy to the representative of your Evacuee Property Department who will be located at San Diego, California.

Assistant Cashier.

Enclosures

H.A.
Armstrong

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COPY OF INCOMING TELEGRAM

FROM: LOS ANGELES BRANCH

March 17, 1942

To: Mr. Agnew

Copy to
Day
Hale

Please mail me here 4 copies of Treasury Reply
to your wire of yesterday requesting confirmation
of understanding on authority.

Handled by
Agnew

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sent 3/17/42

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COPY OF TELEGRAM

TO: LOS ANGELES

March 16, 1942

Present evacuation program contemplates establishing following field offices at present locations of U.S. Employment Service:

El Centro	540 State Street
Indio	720 State Highway
Ontario	219 N. Sultana Ave.
Redlands	12. E. Vine Street
Riverside	3469 Main Street
San Bernardino	352 Court Street
San Diego	1165 Front Street
Santa Ana	501 W. Fifth Street
Alhambra	27 E. Valley Blvd.
Burbank	131 E. Magnolia Blvd.
Covina	100 N. Citrus Ave.,
Pasadena	745 E. Green Street
Pomona	145 W. Fifth Ave.,
San Fernando	132 N. Maclay St.,
Whittier	214 W. Philadelphia St.
Santa Barbara	22 E. Victoria St.
Ventura	53 S. California St
Inglewood	319 E. Hillcrest
Long Beach	416 Pine Avenue
Santa Monica	1558 Fifth St.
Torrance	2300 Carson St.

Names of Arizona offices will be submitted to you later.

Staff will consist of:

1. Federal Security Agency representative to interview all evacuees in first instance disposing of problems such as transportation, evacuee permits, and approval of areas selected by evacuees for new residence and refer evacuee to other representatives, if necessary.

2. Farm Security Administration Representative to confer and dispose of agricultural problems and possibly to extend necessary financing to evacuee or his agent for current needs where not otherwise available.

3. F.R.B. Evacuee Property Department representative.

Representative of each of the other two organizations will be established in your office in Los Angeles. Harry R. Oakley of Farm Security Administration at Los Angeles will contact you for that agency. Will telephone concerning this later today.

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COPY OF TELEGRAM

TO: LOS ANGELES

March 16, 1942

Under present plans it will not be necessary to staff Indio, Ontario, Covina, or Santa Barbara for Evacuee Property Department assistance immediately as they can be handled from other offices in due course.

HALE

g.F.

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COPY OF TELEGRAM

TO: LOS ANGELES

March 16, 1942

Federal Security Agency advises Arthur Wood of U.S. Employment Service office, 1100 South Flower Street, telephone Richmond 4181, will contact your office for Federal Security Agency.

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Re Enclosing Mr. Day's Letter to Banks
of 3/14/42

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LOS ANGELES BRANCH

March 14, 1942

Evacuee Property

We are enclosing a copy of an incoming wire from Portland Branch and our reply thereto, for your information.

R. E. E. ©

Assistant Cashier.

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March 13, 1942

From PORTLAND BRANCH

Are following Germans and Italians classified as aliens under Public Proclamation No. 1.

- 1- Those who have applied for second papers.
2. Those who are awaiting final papers.

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C O P Y

March 14, 1942

To PORTLAND

Retel March 13, 1942 regarding status of Germans and Italians who have applied for second papers and also those who are awaiting final papers.

Army informs us that these classifications of persons remain aliens under Public Proclamation No. 1 until naturalization proceedings have actually been completed. While they are aliens we should perhaps be cautious about advising immediate disposition of their properties in connection with evacuation proceedings because as practical matter forced evacuation of German and Italian aliens may not be imminent.

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LOS ANGELES

March 14, 1942

Evacuee Property

We are enclosing a copy of a letter received by us from Mr. Sam Fujita, Executive Secretary, Japanese American Citizens League of San Diego, together with a copy of our reply thereto.

We believe these letters to be self-explanatory.

R. E. E. @

Assistant Cashier.

Enclosures

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March 14, 1942

Mr. Sam Fujita, Executive Secretary,
Japanese American Citizens League of San Diego,
418 Island Avenue,
San Diego, California.

Dear Sir:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated March 12, 1942, inquiring as to our activity with respect to the property problems of evacuees from the recently designated "military areas", and with respect to the particular problem of a Japanese American citizen cafe owner.

In the conduct of our program of assistance to evacuees we expect to call upon all banks in the military areas to extend assistance in their own localities, not in the capacity of agent of this bank but on their own account in behalf of the persons in their localities affected by the recent Public Proclamation.

In the matter of the disposition by the cafe owner of his property holdings, it would appear that the individual you mentioned is in a position to dispose of his property on his own account, but that while he desires to sell the physical property, at the same time he wishes to retain ownership of the "on sale" licenses which he now owns. As it is possible that the licenses have a direct relationship to the property, we are inclined to question the practicability of a sale of the property without the transfer of his license interests. It would undoubtedly be desirable to contact the State Board of Equalization direct in order to determine whether it would be possible to effect a sale on such a basis. That agency will at the same time be able to advise you as to its policy with respect to licenses to persons of Japanese ancestry.

With respect to the matter of custodianship of the licenses on the part of this bank, while due consideration can be given to the acceptance of agencies from evacuees, by this bank if circumstances so warrant, the practical aspects of the matter you mention would seem to be of first importance.

Offices of this bank have been established in the I. N. Van Nuys Building, 707 South Spring Street, Los Angeles, California, which will be available to assist you in the event that you desire addition-

Mr. Sam Fujita - Page 2

March 14, 1942

al information. It is suggested that you call at that office to which a copy of your letter, as well as this reply, has been forwarded for reference.

Yours very truly,

Assistant Cashier.

cc: Los Angeles Branch

C O P Y

JAPANESE AMERICAN CITIZENS LEAGUE
of San Diego

418 Island Avenue
San Diego, California.

Phone Main 9566

March 12, 1942

Federal Reserve Bank
San Francisco, California

Dear Sir:

I had the pleasure of hearing Mr. Herbert D. Armstrong who spoke before us at the recent National Japanese American Citizens League Council meeting held in San Francisco. It was pointed out to us that the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco was to become the property conservator. Is it true that a bank in San Diego will be appointed to act in that capacity?

A Japanese American citizen is the owner of two cafes that have an "on sale hard liquor license and an "on sale beer and wine" license. He wishes to transfer the sale of the licenses because of the value attached to the licenses as an asset, valuing \$4,000.00, the buyers will not consider the transaction without the inclusion of the said licenses as part of the property. These licenses are not only highly valuable but are issued only to recommended concerns. Since he wishes to keep the licenses if possible he asked me if it would be possible for the Federal Reserve Bank to act in the capacity of a custodian for the duration of the war. Also it is rumored that the State Board of Equalization is suspending the licenses of American citizens of Japanese ancestry. Do you have any information to confirm such a report?

Thank you for your kind attention.

Very truly yours,

(signed) Sam Fujita

Sam Fujita, Executive Secretary.

COPY
LOS ANGELES BRANCH

To: HEAD OFFICE

Date: March 13, 1942

We attach copy of a telegram which has been forwarded by the Los Angeles County Defense Council to Lieut. Gen. John L. DeWitt, San Francisco, California. This is in connection with a statement which appeared in the Los Angeles Times of this morning, indicating that Japanese evacuation probably will not be completed until November to provide opportunity for the harvesting of all crops. According to Fred Tayman, Chairman of the Southern California Chapter, Japanese American Citizens League, Mr. Kawai says that the paper did not quote him correctly. From what Mr. Tayama says, it appears that it was suggested to the officials in San Francisco that, if possible, they consider a plan of evacuation which would allow for the harvesting of all crops, and the San Francisco officials said they would consider the matter. This, of course, is entirely different from the wording of the article in the paper.

Mr. Rosecrans, County Agricultural Coordinator, and who dictated the telegram sent to Lieut. Gen. DeWitt, is strongly of the opinion that, in addition to Gen. DeWitt, the Federal Reserve Bank should issue some sort of an announcement along the lines of the last paragraph of the telegram.

(Signed) Ambrose
Managing Director

Enclosure

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Text of telegram dictated over
'phone by Mr. Wilcomb of
office of Mr. Ryan, County
Agricultural Commissioner

Los Angeles, California
March 13, 1942
12:20 P.M.

Lieut. Gen. John L. De Witt,
Fourth Army Command,
San Francisco, California.

Los Angeles County Defense Council has established the office of Agricultural Coordinator to maintain agricultural production, and particularly vegetable production, in Los Angeles County. The office is concerned with an orderly transition of Japanese production into other hands, and is actively engaged in getting new farmers to take over lands now farmed by Japanese. In this morning's Los Angeles Times a story appeared describing offices to be opened by Federal Reserve Bank to help evacuees. In this story appeared a statement that Nobe Kawai, President Pasadena Chapter Japanese American Citizens League, says he has returned from four day conference with Army and Federal officials, San Francisco, and, according to his statement, that evacuation will probably not be completed until November to provide opportunity for the harvesting of all crops.

The apparent official backing for his statement is eagerly grasped by local Japanese, and our efforts will be seriously handicapped unless definite statement is made by Army, indicating that Japanese should promptly dispose of their holdings or arrange for their care in an orderly manner, so as to be ready for evacuation. In one of our fifteen districts alone in Los Angeles County a field man reports negotiations for the taking over of 600 acres completely abandoned as Japanese say, if they may remain until November, why make any plans now?

Earnestly suggest announcement be made promptly, indicating desirability of prompt and orderly disposal of, or arrangement for, management of Japanese operated enterprises, particularly agricultural.

Harold W. Kennedy,
Executive Director
Los Angeles County Defense Council

Enemy Aliens Will Get Free Counsel

Federal Reserve Bank to Open Office Soon to Help Evacuees in Avoiding Property Loss

Times

MAR 7 1942

Enemy aliens and Japanese-Americans facing expulsion from the Pacific Coast combat area will be furnished, "within a day or two," with the services of a downtown office where advice on how to dispose of their property or conserve their assets will be available.

The office will be opened at Seventh and Spring Sts. in quarters formerly occupied by the Security-First National Bank, under the management of Fred C. Held, assistant manager of the Los Angeles office of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco.

FREE COUNSEL OFFERED

Its title will be "Evacuee Property Department" and it will serve as an agency where aliens may obtain free counsel on safeguarding their economic interests for the duration of the war.

The office will have nothing whatever to do with actual custody of alien property. W. N. Ambrose, managing director of the Federal Reserve Bank branch, said.

A similar agency which went into operation in San Francisco advised some of applicants that they can gain some American, not subject to muster, the power of attorney for them, provided they have confidence in that person.

LOSSES WOULD BE AVOIDED

Federal officials seek to avert heavy losses through enforced sales and other distress conditions in those facing expulsion from this area.

Heads of four State agencies yesterday asserted they will not arbitrarily dismiss employees of Japanese ancestry in their respective departments unless ordered to do so by Governor Olson.

They are James M. Carter, director of the Motor Vehicle Department, Frank W. Clark, director of the Public Works Department, R. W. Wagenet, director of the Employment Department, and Dr. Aaron J. Rosanoff, director of the Department of Institutions.

SOME DISMISSALS

Two other State agencies—the State Personnel Board and Board of Equalization—have dismissed 14 and 20 employees, respectively.

At the outbreak of war there were 314 State employees of Japanese ancestry, and 465 similar persons on civil service eligible lists.

The Los Angeles city and county governments have dropped all employees of similar classification.

Status of 1116 Japanese in the Pasadena-South Pasadena-Sierra Madre area was announced yesterday by Nobu Kawai, Pasadena chapter president of the Japanese-American Citizens League.

FIRST MOVE HERE

Kawai, returning from a four-day conference with Army and Federal officials in San Francisco, said Japanese in Los Angeles County will be the first removed, contrary to reports that the Seattle area would be evacuated first.

The government, he added, plans to move the Japanese in groups of 500, but the Pasadena unit will be preserved.

Thirty-four of the 1116 total are unemployed. Sixty-eight pieces of property are owned by the group, with nearly \$40,000 mortgages outstanding. There are also 191 time-payment contracts in force and transportation is possessed by 217 families.

CROPS CONSIDERED

According to Kawai the evacuation probably will not be completed until November to provide opportunity for the harvesting of all crops.

The authorities promise no disruption of wage scales in the new settlement sites, according to Kawai, who said that other problems such as the guardianship of orphans and mortuaries or personal and real property payments have yet to be worked out.

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LOS ANGELES

March 13, 1942

Evacuee Property Department

We are enclosing a copy of a letter addressed to us under date of March 11, 1942 by Mr. Frank B. Bennett, as well as a copy of our reply of even date.

We believe the enclosures to be self-explanatory.

R. E. E. @

Assistant Cashier.

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March 13, 1942

Mr. Frank B. Bennett,
Attorney at Law,
U. S. National Bank Building,
Broadway at Second Avenue,
San Diego, California.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated March 11, 1942 relating to the Pacific Hotel Building, 5th and Island Streets, San Diego, California, and to your desire to consider the acquisition of hotel properties, cafes, etc.

This information is being forwarded to our Los Angeles Branch for file purposes in order that your name will be available to it should it have occasion to consider the disposition of such properties in relation to its program of assisting evacuees in the solution of their property problems.

So far as the specific property about which you are inquiring is concerned, this bank is not operating as Alien Property Custodian, which office has been filled by Mr. Leo T. Crowley, recently appointed by the President of the United States. You might wish to take up your matter with that office at the time when its organization has been completed. Information along that line will undoubtedly be available through the press at some future time. We understand that this property is presently under the supervision of Mr. Leroy B. Powers, Customs Agent (in charge), Investigative Section, Foreign Funds Control, 405 E. W. Hallinan Building, Los Angeles, California, with whom you might wish to make contact.

We would suggest that any future communication with this bank be directed through our Los Angeles Branch because of its proximity to the area in which you are located.

Yours very truly,

cc: Los Angeles Branch

Assistant Cashier.

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FRANK B. BENNETT
Attorney at Law
U. S. National Bank Building
Broadway at Second Avenue
San Diego, California

Main 0557

March 11, 1942

Federal Reserve Bank
San Francisco, Calif.

Subject: Alien Property -
San Diego, Calif.

Gentlemen:

Some time ago Treasury Dept. took over a piece of Jap property here, Pacific Hotel Bldg., 5th & Island Sts., San Diego, and put a sticker on the door "Keep Out, Orders U S Govt., etc."

I am interested in acquiring this property, either by purchase or lease if price is right. If you have any information about the matter, will you kindly advise,

Yours truly,

(signed)

Frank B. Bennett

PS - Would also consider other hotel property, cafes, etc. if there are any such to be had.

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MAR. 13, 1942

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REFERRED BY MR. H. H. ARMSTRONG

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO

TO MR. *Magyar*

MAR 13 1942

telegram

To

Copy routed to Mr.

ARMSTRONG ✓
(LPO)
EVINGSON
HARDY

WE HAVE NOW TAKEN OVER PREMISES IN I. N.
VAN NUYS BUILDING, SOUTHWEST CORNER SEVENTH
AND SPRING STREETS, LOS ANGELES, FOR OPERATION
OF OUR EVACUEE PROPERTY DEPARTMENT. PLEASE
ATTEND TO ANY INSURANCE WHICH MAY BE NECESSARY.
ENTRANCE TO THESE QUARTERS WILL BE 707 SOUTH
SPRING STREET.

ARMSTRONG

Copy delivered to Mr.

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To be handled by Mr.

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From LOS ANGELES BRANCH

Mar. 18, 1948

To FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO

Copied and Translated: _____
Checked: _____

Copy routed to Mr.

Everson

Please send today twenty five additional copies of each enclosure which accompanied your letter March 11 subject "Evacuee Property Department".

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COPY OF INCOMING TELEGRAM (WESTERN UNION)

Received Mar. 9, 1942

Note to Mr. Clerk - San Francisco

Pronto

W. S. Rosecrans is Agricultural Coordinator of the Los Angeles County Defense Council. We yesterday gave Mr. Szymczak copy of Bulletin No. 1 issued by his office. Rosecrans is thoroughly conversant with conditions which have arisen as they pertain to Japanese agriculturists since the evacuation of this Japanese has become a burning topic, and we feel could impart to you information on this subject which would be valuable to you in your discussions today. Would you care to call him at any of the following stations -

Before 12 noon - County Office Mutual 9211, Extension 3662

Between 1 and 2 PM - California Club Van Dyke 1391

Between 2:30 and 3:30 PM - at his own office Prospect 3456
or to have him call you at any specific time?

Ambrose

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April 25, 1942

PROCURING PAYMENT FOR MOTOR VEHICLES SOLD TO THE ARMY

We are enclosing a specimen copy of Form EPM 10, Schedule of Motor Vehicles Delivered, which should be prepared and attached to Public Voucher for Purchases and Services Other Than Personal, Form 1034. A supply of Forms EPM 10 should be mimeographed by you as required, the enclosed copy being intended only as a guide in preparing the schedules.

Voucher Form 1034 should be prepared in quadruplicate, one white and three yellow copies, of which the original (white) and two yellow copies should be submitted and one yellow copy retained for your files. The voucher should be filled in as follows: on the first line following the initials "U. S.", insert the single word "War"; on the next line, the name of your city and date. As (Payee) show the name of your branch as Fiscal Agent of the United States and on the next line, your address. In the body of the form under "No. and Date of Order", insert "Ex. Order No. 3066, February 19, 1942". As "Date of Delivery" in the second column, insert the date shown on the schedule. Under "Articles or Services", insert "Motor Vehicles as per Schedule Attached" and enter the amount of all supporting schedules following the word "Total". However, if schedules covering deliveries made on more than one date are covered by one voucher, they should be listed separately on the voucher, showing each date of delivery and the number of vehicles and amount of each such schedule. The certificate in the left center of the form should, of course, be signed in the name of your branch on the original copy only.

The schedule, Form EPM 10, should also be prepared in quadruplicate, one copy to be attached to each of the copies of Form 1034 submitted and one copy retained for your files. The receipt of the Quartermaster Corps representative who takes delivery of the motor vehicles need be obtained only on your file copy of the schedule.

Voucher Form 1034, with supporting schedules, should be delivered to the local liaison officer of the Quartermaster Corps, who will forward them through the regular channels for payment. Payment will be made by check forwarded direct to you which should be credited to "Sundry Items Receivable -- Advances Account Evacuee Property Department", as outlined in our letter of April 24, 1942.

Enclosure

(SIGNED) R. E. EVERSON

Assistant Cashier.

LOS ANGELES

PORTLAND

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April 25, 1962

The War Relocation Authority copy of WCCA Form FRR-2 should be held by your office pending further clarification of procedure now under consideration with that agency. As the last known address of the evacuee will ordinarily be the Assembly Center the receipted copy intended for him may be forwarded as soon as convenient.

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LOS ANGELES BRANCH

April 25, 1942.

To: Head Office

Subject: Evacuee Property Department

Reference: Your telegram of March 20, 1942

There is enclosed report of Evacuee Property Department for the week ending April 24, 1942.

(Signed) Fred C. Bold
Assistant Manager.

EVACUEE PROPERTY DEPARTMENT

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING - 4-24-42

Number of Offices operating including Los Angeles 19

<u>Number of Persons Interviewed</u>	<u>Number Represented</u>	<u>Location</u>
207	227	707 South Spring Street Los Angeles, California
41	79	27 East Valley Blvd. Alhambra, California
27	80	131 East Magnolia Blvd. Burbank, California
15	92	540 State Street El Centro, California
2	2	319 E. Hillcrest Inglewood, California
11	48	c/o General Delivery Oceanside, California
27	93	745 East Green Street Pasadena, California
5	10	202 West Jefferson Street Phoenix, Arizona
17	34	145 West Fifth Street Pomona, California
43	51	3469 Main Street Riverside, California
14	35	352 Court Street San Bernardino, California
42	21	1165 Front Street San Diego, California
20	109	132 North Macley Street San Fernando, California
24	60	501 West Fifth Street Santa Ana, California
12	24	310 West Main Street Santa Maria, California

<u>Number of Persons Interviewed</u>	<u>Number Represented</u>	<u>Location</u>
31	37	1558 Fifth Street Santa Monica, California
27	68	2300 Carson Street Torrance, California
8	136	53 South California Street Ventura, California
18	38	214 West Philadelphia Street Whittier, California

COMMUNITIES VISITED BY FIELD REPRESENTATIVES

<u>Communities Visited</u>	<u>Field Office</u>	<u>Date of Visit</u>
Gardena	Torrance	April 20, 1942
"	"	April 21, 1942
"	"	April 22, 1942
San Gabriel	Alhambra	April 18, 1942
El Monte	Alhambra	April 18, 1942
Garvey	"	April 18, 1942
Rosemead	"	April 18, 1942
Wilmar	"	April 18, 1942
Monterey Park	"	April 18, 1942
Arcadia	Pasadena	April 18, 1942

No Powers of Attorney accepted.

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Anthony J. Squyres

April 25, 1942

Army is requesting information as to number of guards for automobiles maintained at Santa Anita and number of automobiles, apparently for some study they are making. Would appreciate your providing us with this information at your early convenience.

EVERSON

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LOS ANGELES BRANCH

Date April 24, 1942

To Head Office

SUBJECT: Evacuee Property Department

REFERENCE: Your letter of April 22, 1942

We have contacted Mr. Erickson of Haas, Baruch & Co., escrow holder on the sale of a grocery by Mr. Fujimoto to the Pisson Grocery Company, 405 Compton Boulevard, Compton, California. This transaction went into escrow on March 15 and was to have been completed by March 27. However, it seems that it was very difficult to get all parties concerned together for final instructions and this necessitated a delay.

On April 21, Haas, Baruch & Co., wrote to Mr. Fujimoto enclosing several papers for signature and items for approval, among them the bill of sale for furniture and fixtures, transfer of ownership of a truck, the itemized statement and inventory, and verification and authority to pay certain claims filed against the escrow. Mr. Erickson advises that, if these items are returned by Mr. Fujimoto promptly and additional monies are deposited by Pisson Grocery Company, the escrow should be completed within ten days.

Fred C. Bold
Assistant Manager

X to report

All Branches

April 24, 1942

Disposition of Motor Vehicles Eligible
For Purchase by the Army

In our letter of April 22nd, 1942, and other communications previous thereto, we have outlined the procedure for the appraisal of motor vehicles and the execution of Form EP 6, where the legal owner is other than the evacuee.

When these steps have been completed and a car has been designated for sale to the Army, the car may be released to the Quartermaster Corps representative and a charge should be made to "Sundry Items Receivable-Advances Account Evacuee Property Department" for the sale price and the amount credited to the account of the evacuee in accordance with the accounting procedure outlined in a separate letter today.

If the legal owner is other than the evacuee, necessitating the liquidation of the indebtedness against the vehicle, an Evacuee Property Department check should be drawn to the legal owner for the amount of the settlement balance and the ownership certificate, properly endorsed by the legal owner, acquired. You should endorse the certificate in the evacuee's name and countersign as agent in the place provided for registered owner.

If the evacuee is the legal owner, the ownership certificate will previously have been acquired and the above entries should be functioned upon designation of the car for sale. If the certificate was not properly endorsed at the time of surrender you should supply the necessary endorsement as above outlined.

The ownership certificate, registration certificate, and the license plates should be delivered to the nearest office of the Division of Motor Vehicles for cancellation, accompanied by conformed copies of WCCA Form FRB-3 and WCCA Form FRB-4. The Department of Motor Vehicles will issue a receipt for the documents and plates surrendered.

The balance due the evacuee should be disbursed by Evacuee Property Department check as provided in the accounting procedure.

We were hopeful that we would be in a position to inform you at this time of the procedure to be followed in procuring reimbursement for cars sold. However, we have not yet been informed by the Quartermaster Corps as to voucher forms and other details required in obtaining reimbursement, or as to what form of receipt will be given us for the cars. We will advise you in these respects as soon as possible.

(Signed) C. E. Earhart

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April 24, 1942

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Receipts and Disbursements of Funds Account Evacuees

The following procedure should be observed in accounting for receipts and disbursements of funds handled by this bank for account of evacuees.

The following new subsidiary accounts should be opened by the Accounting Department of the office concerned:

- "Other Deposits - Evacuee Funds"
- "Officers' and Certified Checks - Evacuee Property Department Checks"
- "Sundry Items Receivable - Advances Account Evacuee Property Department" (9013)

The accounting Department should maintain only a control sheet for "Other Deposits - Evacuee Funds." "Sundry Items Receivable - Advances Account Evacuee Property Department" should be carried in the subsidiary ledger in the usual manner. The central office of the Evacuee Property Department in San Francisco, Los Angeles, Portland, and Seattle should maintain a subsidiary ledger for "Other Deposits - Evacuee Funds" made up of the individual evacuee accounts and a control sheet, and a ledger record for the "Sundry Items Receivable" account. This latter record, if confined to purchases of automobiles by the War Department and no further segregation is required, need consist only of a ledger sheet in the name of the War Department reflecting details of all transactions therein. A commercial ledger sheet form has been provided for the subsidiary ledger of "Other Deposits - Evacuee Funds" and a supply has been forwarded to you. If you do not have or cannot procure locally a suitable binder for these ledger sheets, please inform us. In entering the name and address of the evacuee, the family number should also be shown in the upper right corner of the ledger sheet. A new form of officers' check, known as Evacuee Property Department checks, has been provided for disbursements of evacuee funds and a supply of these checks also has been forwarded to you.

All entries in connection with evacuee accounts should originate with the Evacuee Property Department. Individual entries to "Other Deposits - Evacuee Funds" should be prepared for any funds received for evacuee accounts. Should cash be received, it should be deposited with the appropriate office of this bank against receipt on a teller's cash entry. The entries for funds received and credited would be as follows:

Debit - "Appropriate Account"

Credit - "Other Deposits - Evacuee Funds"
(List on blotter as "Credits to Banks")

If necessary to advance funds for the account of an evacuee, such as payment for an automobile which is being purchased by the War Department, the following entries should be prepared on Interior Office Entry Form AC9B:

Debit - "Sundry Items Receivable - Advances Account
Evacuee Property Department" (9013)
(List on blotter as "Items on Us")

Credit - "Other Deposits - Evacuee Funds"
(List on blotter as "Credits to Banks")

Disbursements should be made by the new check form, copies 2 and 3 of which should be used for the following entries:

Debit - "Other Deposits - Evacuee Funds"
(List on blotter as "Debits to Banks")

Credit - "Officers' and Certified Checks - Evacuee
Property Department Checks"
(List on blotter as "Items on Us")

Upon receipt of payment from the War Department, the following entries should be functioned:

Debit - "Appropriate Account"

Credit - "Sundry Items Receivable - Advances Account
Evacuee Property Department" (9013)
(List on blotter as "Items on Us")

All entries, checks, etc. should be listed on a blotter by the Evacuee Property Department. This may be a separate EPD blotter to be recapitulated and included in the sign-off at the end of the day or, if desired, it may be run by the Evacuee Property Department but delivered to and included in one of the regular bank blotters.

Individual entries to the "Sundry Items Receivable" and the "Other Deposits" accounts, including copies 2 of the check form, should be recapitulated in each case on the reverse of a single entry which should be completed for the total of each group and such recapitulation entries listed on the blotter. The controls in the Evacuee Property Department should be posted from these recapitulation entries before they are routed. This will permit the retention of the individual entries in the Evacuee Property Department for subsequent posting to the subsidiary records. All entries and other items listed on the blotter should be routed in the usual manner. Recapitulation entries to "Other Deposits - Evacuee Funds" should be posted to the Accounting Department control sheet and recapitulation entries to "Sundry Items Receivable - Advances Account Evacuee Property Department" should be posted to that account in the subsidiary ledger. Credits to "Officers' and Certified Checks - Evacuee Property Department Checks", copies 3 of the check form, received by the Items on Us Register keeper should be listed on the proof sheet, Mis. 206B, and the total included in the total credit to "Officers' and Certified Checks." The credit copies should then be filed and subsequently attached to the checks when paid.

A memorandum should be prepared by the Evacuee Property Department of the balances shown by its controls at the close of each day and delivered to the Accounting Department for verification to the accounts maintained by the latter department. The individual entries may be posted to the evacuees' accounts the following morning and the ledger proved to the balance shown by the control.

The accounting instructions outlined above have been prepared without having available complete information as to the way in which settlements may be necessary. Should you have cases or circumstances for which the accounting seems inadequate, please inform us.

(signed) C. E. Earhart

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Wire to LOS ANGELES

April 24, 1942

Liaison officer for Army in connection with Motor Vehicle Purchase Plan representing Army in your zone is Lt. Col. George De V. Barnes, 55th Quartermaster Regiment, Pomona. He will receive his orders from headquarters in San Francisco. Suggest you contact him in connection with appraisals and subsequent transactions with Army relating to motor vehicles.

EVERSON

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LOS ANGELES BRANCH

HEAD OFFICE

April 24, 1942

Evacuee Property Department

Supplementing our letter of April 7, we wish to inform you that in connection with the San Diego evacuation, we have in our custody 13 motor vehicles for sale to the Army and 20 for storage.

FRED C. BOLD s/s
Assistant Manager

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LOS ANGELES

*See Portland & Seattle
wire April 28, 1942.*

#32
April 24, 1942

Securlet April 22 re instructions to appraisers. The following paragraphs should be added: Tractors and trucks regardless of type are free from any price limitation. However, the same consideration i.e., condition of motor, tires, etc. should be given to the appraisal of tractors and trucks as are given passenger cars.

A commissioned representative of the Quartermaster GDC and 4th Army should be present at the time the civilian appraisers for the Federal Reserve Bank make appraisals. The Army representative will act as liaison only and will not influence appraised values.

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(EVERSON:JM)

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April 24, 1942.

Storage of property not fitted for use in resettlement areas.

Following is the substance of a memorandum from Mr. Hale to Colonel Bendtsen dated April 14, 1942, and the substance of Colonel Bendtsen's reply memorandum dated April 22, 1942, regarding the foregoing:

Mr. Hale's Memorandum:

"1. From time to time this bank is requested by Japanese evacuees to accept for storage special types of property which might not be appropriate for use in areas where evacuees are finally resettled.

2. Typically, we have received a request from the North American Shinto Temple, Los Angeles, to arrange for the storage of a memorial shrine to President Washington and President Lincoln, which is presently installed in the temple itself. The shrine is fourteen feet square and was built at a cost of approximately \$3,000.00. The temple and, of course, the shrine within it are situated on land owned by the Southern Pacific Railroad Company. The temple building has been sold to the Catholic church and will be moved, but the shrine was not included in the sale.

3. Other avenues for the disposition of this property have been and are continuing to be explored by our representatives.

4. This situation, while unique as to the specific type of property involved, is nevertheless typical of many cases coming before this bank.

5. It would be appreciated if we were given some guide as to the wishes of the Military Authorities on the question whether it is felt that the storage of such types of property should be permitted at government expense."

Colonel Bendtsen's Memorandum:

"1. Reference is made to your memorandum of April 14, 1942, with respect to the above subject, which arrived during my absence in Washington.

2. Responsive to the questions presented by you, you are advised that storage of property not fitted for use in connection with relocation is desired and authorized wherever provision can be reasonably made therefor. The case in reference cited by you is one falling within the authorization for storage."

We believe the foregoing will be self-explanatory.

Assistant Cashier.

C O P Y

LOS ANGELES BRANCH

TO: HEAD OFFICE
SUBJECT: Evacuee Property Department

April 23, 1942

We are enclosing a copy of a letter addressed to us under date of April 21, 1942, by our Field Representative at San Bernardino, as well as a memorandum prepared by him concerning the data required by Instruction Letter No. 20. There is also enclosed, in support of the memorandum, a copy of letter addressed to General DeWitt by Mr. Earl Warren, Attorney General.

This is the first communication of this type received from our Field Representatives, and we thought you would be interested in reviewing the material before releasing it to Captain Truman R. Young.

FRED C. BOLD
Assistant Manager

Enclosures

352 Court Street
San Bernardino
California
April 21, 1942

Los Angeles Branch
Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco
P. O. Box 550, Arcade Station
Los Angeles, California

Attention: Mr. Bold

Gentlemen:

In compliance with your instruction letter #20, I am enclosing a letter to Captain Truman R. Young, and also a copy of a letter written by the State Attorney General, at the request of the District Attorney of this county, which are self-explanatory.

I am a member of the San Bernardino County Defense Council as is Mr. Kavanaugh, for which reason this matter has come to be of quite a bit of importance to us, in addition to the fact that many ranchers, from the desert areas come to this office protesting the location of Japanese on the desert.

There are very few places on the desert where the Japanese could do any good for himself, and those places, without exception, are within easy walking distance of some vital installations necessary for National Defense. Therefore I am enclosing these letters to you, and you may forward the same to Captain Young as you see fit.

Yours very truly,

Colonel Byron W. Allen
Field Representative
San Bernardino,

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LOS ANGELES BRANCH
FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO
FISCAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES

352 Court Street
San Bernardino
California
April 21, 1942

SUBJECT: COMPILATION OF INFORMATION RELATIVE TO RE-EXAMINATION OF MILITARY
AREAS AND ZONES

TO : CAPTAIN TRUMAN R. YOUNG, ROOM 420, FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF
SAN FRANCISCO

Persuant to Instruction Letter #20, from the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco regarding military areas and zones, I am enclosing copy of a letter from the State Attorney General to General De Witt dated March 17 which explains in great detail various reasons why practically the balance of San Bernardino County to the Colorado River should be included in the restricted area:

1. Many ranchers have come into this office protesting settlement of Japanese in these desert areas.

2. Additional Japanese aliens are continuing to sift into that area mentioned in the enclosure, which in itself is only a comparative short walk from the majority of the vital installations of Southern California being as it is in semi-desert areas. One person could, without being observed any day, put almost the entire Southern California defense industries out of business. Since writing of this original letter there have been other installations in the Eastern part of the County of military nature, of which you are fully aware, such as Air Ports, armored forces training grounds, etc. There is not a great deal of arable land in this county aside from these localities which are near to vital installations, and it would seem that if the restricted areas were carried to the Colorado River it would serve the best interests of the Defense Program.

Colonel Byron W. Allen
Field Representative
Los Angeles Branch
Federal Reserve Bank of
San Francisco.

LOS ANGELES BRANCH

REFERRED BY MR. EARNHART
TO MR. *Johnson*

OCT 10 1942

TO: HEAD OFFICE

DATE October 8, 1942

SUBJECT: Evacuee Property Department
(H. E. Yamate)

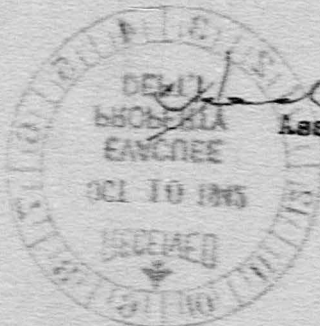
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Our files do not indicate any record
of this evacuee.

 Answered Ans'd. by Routine Advice No Answer Required

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Amstrong
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Assistant Manager

LOS ANGELES BRANCH

TO: HEAD OFFICE

DATE October 6, 1942

SUBJECT: Evacuee Property Department
(Fred M. Tayama)

REFERENCE: Your letter October 5, 1942

REFERRED BY MR. KARRHART

TO MR. *Casson*

OCT 7 1942

Our files do not indicate any record
of this evacuee.

W. E. ...
Assistant Manager

..... Answered

..... Ansd. by Routine Advice

..... No Answer Required

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by *[Signature]*
(Surname)

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LOS ANGELES BRANCH

REFERRED BY MR. ROBERT

TO MR. *[Signature]*

OCT 10 1942

TO: HEAD OFFICE

DATE October 9, 1942

SUBJECT: Evacuee Property Department
(K. Matsui)

REFERENCE: Your letter October 8, 1942

Our files do not indicate any record
of this internee.

Answered

Ans'd. by Routine Advice

No Answer Required

Directed to file

by *[Signature]*

(Surname)

File only when signed

[Signature]
Assistant Manager

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 () DAY LETTER
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File to

LOS ANGELES

October 14, 1942

DISPATCH OVER
LEASED WIRE UNLESS
OTHERWISE INDICATED

Reurtel of even date we have confirmed with local headquarters of the Forest Service the fact that Mr. Braden is the Supply Officer obtaining supplies for Emergency Rubber Project. It will therefore be in order to provide him with copy of your records showing location of Japanese-owned farm equipment not now in production.

EVERSON

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Number

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AUTHORIZED:

(THIS MUST BE SIGNED)

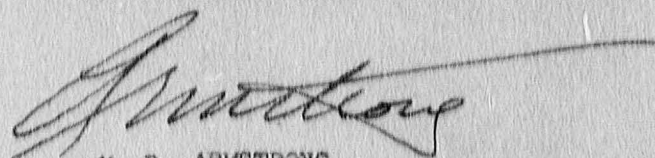
October 14, 1942

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Identification of O. C. Bradeen, Forest Service

Upon receipt of Mr. Bold's wire dated October 14, 1942 advising that Mr. O. C. Bradeen was requesting a copy of our records pertaining to Japanese-owned farm equipment in connection with the providing of supplies for the Emergency Rubber Project being conducted at Salinas, I called the San Francisco headquarters of the Forest Service (Regional Director's Office) and talked with Mr. Lawrence of the Engineering Division in the absence of Mr. Show, the Regional Director.

Mr. Lawrence informed me that Mr. Bradeen is the Supply Officer for the Emergency Rubber Project and would therefore be the person to obtain the type of information requested of Mr. Bold.



H. D. ARMSTRONG

TRANSLATION OF TELEGRAM RECEIVED

Copy for Letter File
Entries to be made from this copy

From Los Angeles Branch

October 14, 1942

To

Copied and Translated: *ok*

Checked: *ay*

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO

Copy routed to Mr.

EPD *Braden*

Armstrong-EPD

Copy delivered to Mr.

Hale

To be handled by Mr.

Everson-2

Mr. O. C. Braden, Supply Officer of Forest Service Bureau, United States Department of Agriculture, which is handling supplies for emergency rubber project, has requested location and list of Japanese owned farm equipment which is out of production. He would like to have copies of our records showing location of this equipment. Mr. Braden informs us equipment is urgently needed at present time for land preparation of Guayule Plantations. Chief of the Forest Service Bureau is Earl H Clapp, Washington, DC. **Bold.**

Function and Unit Number

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Answered

Asnd. by Routine Advice

No Answer Required

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By *Everson*

(Surname)

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO

LOS ANGELES BRANCH

TO:

HEAD OFFICE

DATE October 12, 1942

SUBJECT: Evacuee Property Department

E.P.D. file

REFERRED BY MR. EASBURY

TO MR.

[Handwritten signature]

OCT 13 1942

REFERENCE: Your letter October 10, 1942

Our files do not indicate any record of the names submitted by Mr. W. W. Gray, Secretary-Manager, Los Angeles Produce Dealers Credit Bureau, as debtors of All Star Trading Company.

..... Answered

..... Ansd. by Routine Advice

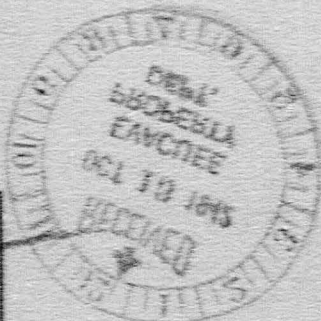
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Assistant Manager

LOS ANGELES

October 10, 1942

Evacuee Property Department

Enclosed is a copy of a letter from the Secretary-Manager of the Los Angeles Produce Dealers Credit Bureau which has come to our attention through the Foreign Funds Control Investigative Unit, having been forwarded under cover of a letter from Mr. Powers dated October 5, 1942, a copy of which is enclosed for your information. We are also enclosing a copy of our today's reply.

While we have informed Mr. Gray that we are unable to give him any direct assistance, it occurs to us that your files may throw some light on some of the names. If so, you might pass any pertinent information along to Mr. Gray.

Enclosures
REArmstrong:EM


Assistant Cashier.

AIR MAIL

LOS ANGELES

October 8, 1942

Evacuee Property Department - K. Matsui

We are enclosing a copy of a letter dated October 5, 1942 from the above-named internee who appears to be resident at the Lordsburg Internment Camp, Lordsburg, New Mexico.

As it appears that he was at one time located in your zone, we are wondering whether your files disclose anything on this person and would appreciate receiving your advice promptly, in order that we may submit the matter to the War Relocation Authority, within whose jurisdiction we believe it will fall.

We are asking our Portland Branch likewise to check its files.

Enclosure
HD Armstrong:EM


Assistant Cashier.

AIR MAIL

LOS ANGELES

C.P.D. file

Evacuee Property Department - Shinto Shrine

REFERRED BY MR. H.D. ARMSTRONG

TO MR. *[Signature]*

OCT - 6 1942

October 6, 1942

REFERRED BY MR. H.D. ARMSTRONG

X TO MR. *[Signature]*

OCT - 6 1942

We are enclosing a letter to Lyon Van and Storage Company accompanied by three executed copies of the assignment of the warehouse receipt on the Shinto Shrine stored at the Pasadena office of that warehouse company.

Kindly forward the enclosures to the storage company.

Enclosures
H.D. Armstrong:EM

[Signature]
Assistant Cashier.

AIR MAIL

LOS ANGELES

October 6, 1942

Evacuee Property Department - Shinto Shrine

We are enclosing a letter to Lyon Van and Storage Company accompanied by three executed copies of the assignment of the warehouse receipt on the Shinto Shrine stored at the Pasadena office of that warehouse company.

Kindly forward the enclosures to the storage company.

Enclosures
HMA:rs:EH


Assistant Cashier.

LOS ANGELES

October 5, 1942

Evacuee Property Department
(Fred M. Tayama)

We are enclosing a copy of a letter from the Federal Housing Administration dated September 24, 1942, together with a copy of our today's reply.

Should you have any information regarding this evacuee we would appreciate your communicating it to us. We have already informed the Federal Housing Administration that no assets of the evacuee are in our possession.

Enclosures



Assistant Cashier

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ARMSTRONG:krf

LOS ANGELES

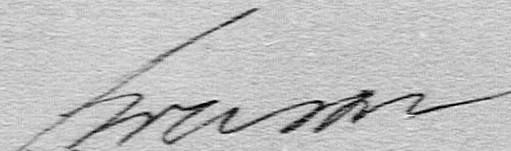
October 5, 1942

Evacuee Property Department

We are enclosing Transfer Order No. 26 dated October 3, 1942 pertaining to the transfer of Japanese evacuees from the Santa Anita Assembly Center to Gila River War Relocation Project, Arizona.

Enclosure

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Assistant Cashier.

LOS ANGELES BRANCH

REFERRED BY MR. EVERSON

TO MR. _____

TO: HEAD OFFICE

DATE May 30, 1942

SUBJECT: Evacuee Property Department

REFERRED BY MR. EASHBARK

TO MR. _____

JUN 1 1942

REFERENCE:

There is enclosed a report of activities in connection with the Japanese evacuation, as requested in your letter of May 25, 1942.

Walter E. Lee
Assistant Manager

Enclosure.

- Answered
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Los Angeles Branch
Evacuee Property Department
May 30, 1942

II. INITIAL STEPS TAKEN BY FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO TO IMPLEMENT PROGRAM.

- B The Evacuee Property Department of the Los Angeles Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco was opened on Friday morning, March 13, 1942, with offices on the ground floor at 707 South Spring Street, Los Angeles.
- C Exceptional care was exercised in employing the highest type individuals available for the work in the Los Angeles Office and the men were assigned to the various functions in accordance with their past experience and capabilities. Special attention was given to the selection of the personnel in the field offices, and before such employment was made, they had the recommendation of either bankers or leading citizens in the respective communities.
- D The following field offices were established to implement the functions at Offices of the United States Employment Service:

Alhambra	San Bernardino
El Centro	San Diego
Burbank	San Fernando
Inglewood	San Pedro
Long Beach	Santa Ana
Pasadena	Santa Maria
Phoenix, Ariz.	Santa Monica
Pomona	Torrance
Redlands	Ventura
Riverside	Whittier

In addition, field offices were established at Santa Anita and Pomona Assembly Centers and representatives have been sent from time to time to the Owens Valley Reception Center at Manzanar, California

- E Publicity as to functions was given through the local press and also through the Japanese language newspapers. In addition, talks were made at a number of Japanese-American meetings and other meetings. Considerable time was spent with presidents and secretaries of various Japanese organizations and also Japanese priest and ministers who were fully informed as to the facilities and functions available and their services were enlisted in giving wide-spread publicity to the available facilities.
- F Freezing control under Special Regulation No. 1, dated March 18, 1942, was not exercised for the reason that it was not necessary to avail ourselves of this authority. It was quite generally known that we were vested with this freezing control and the mere mentioning of this authority in numerous cases was sufficient to effect the satisfactory adjustment of the problem.

III. FUNCTIONS PERFORMED BY FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO IN CARRYING OUT PROGRAM.

- A At the establishment of the Evacuee Property Department on March 13, 1942, no other agency was represented and until such times as the Bureau of Public Assistance, Farm Security Administration, U. S. Public Health Service and U. S. Employment Service were established, it was necessary that we confer with evacuees on all questions. As the various representatives were assigned in our quarters, such matters were of course handled by them and our work was more or less confined to property problems.

During the initial two weeks of the evacuation program, we had occasion to contact numerous public officials and others in connection with various phases dealing with disposition of property of Japanese. We were also contacted by representatives of various Insurance Companies, Escrow Companies, Management Companies, Banks and others seeking information as to the extent of the program and also offering assistance in whatever phase fell within the respective fields of endeavor.

We also encountered such problems as originated with the Division of Motor Vehicles in which statements had been required from the Japanese registered or legal owners, which had the effect of impeding the transfer of property. After numerous conferences both here and between San Francisco and Sacramento, we succeeded in removing this difficulty.

The Telephone Company, through a misunderstanding of Foreign Funds Control, refused to refund deposits to Japanese individuals. This matter required considerable attention. We also had occasion to contact the Department of Water and Power, City of Los Angeles, in connection with advance additional deposits which that division was requiring of Japanese. The County Tax Assessor levied immediate seizure notices upon Japanese in connection with taxes on personal property for fiscal year 1942-1943, and this required considerable discussion with the Assessor.

Various insurance carriers declined to write insurance on Japanese risks and through the Association we determined those companies who would be willing to carry a risk of this kind.

Many financing companies holding conditional sales contracts on household equipment and automobiles showed a tendency to mature the obligations in spite of the fact that no default existed in the payments scheduled. Household equipment, such as refrigerators and washing machines, had been taken by the finance company; in some instances without first having obtained a release from the Japanese owner. This also occurred in several cases involving automobiles where the finance company deemed itself insecure and on that basis matured the obligation and recovered the automobile.

In all these instances coming to our attention, we prevailed upon the financing agency to either return the merchandise and permit orderly payment of the obligation or negotiate a settlement which was agreeable to the Japanese.

We further succeeded in obtaining a forbearance of one large finance company to any further activity of this kind without first consulting this office.

We found in most of these contacts a sincere desire to be of assistance, and where the individual or company realized that their action was impeding the orderly movement of property, corrective steps were taken in most instances. We also found that many of the practices being followed in connection with Japanese individuals were basically a misunderstanding of Foreign Funds Control orders, which we succeeded in removing after proper explanation of the restrictions and general licenses pertaining to these controls.

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1. Interviews with evacuees covered a wide scope of problems, confined principally to real and personal property matters.
 2. The evacuees were given individual advice and attention concerning disposition of household furniture and effects and were informed storage would be provided by the government. In addition, we also made available the storage of practically any professional or business-man's equipment provided it was properly boxed.
 3. In the case of handling automobiles, evacuees were informed that storage would be provided for automobiles, or if evacuees so elected, that sale could be made to the Army. The number of automobiles stored at the close of business May 22, totaled 1106 and the number in custody for sale to the Army totaled 498. The number sold to the Army totaled 64.
 4. Adjustment of Leaseholds and Possessory Rights, including Ownership: The adjustment of leasehold interests and right of possession presented one of the most difficult problems this department was called upon to handle, and this was particularly true where the terms of the lease had required advance rental deposits.

Many of the leases, particularly on hotel and apartment properties, had unexpired terms as long as two and three years and the advance deposits incident to these amounted to an appreciable sum. Many of the leases, particularly on business properties, were in default owing to the general decline in the Japanese business world since December 7, 1941. In other cases, leases had actually expired and the landlord was permitting continued occupancy in anticipation of the impending evacuation, very often without rental. As a general thing, the landlords cooperated with this department in a very splendid manner in order to expedite disposition of property interests of the Japanese tenants. Instances came to our attention where the landlord suffered considerable loss by cancelling the past due rentals and in other cases purchased furniture and equipment in hotel or apartment properties and farm equipment in agricultural properties at prices which were considerably in excess of the current market.

There was, however, some tendency evident on the part of landlords to be arbitrary in the matter of allowing an equitable settlement for advance rental deposits, some considering that all funds on deposit were properly forfeited as damage or loss which would be incident to the lapse of time before a new tenant could be obtained. In one or two instances coming to our attention, settlement in excess of the advance rent deposit was demanded. As a general thing, however, we succeeded in arbitrating cases of this kind, and settlements satisfactory both to tenant and landlord were usually obtained. As a point of legal procedure, it seemed questionable that penalty clauses in leases could be invoked because of the contingency which gave rise to cancellation on the part of the Japanese tenant. This legal point, however, would have necessitated adjudication through the means of a test case in the courts and there was not sufficient time to permit this procedure. Our course of action was to prevail upon the landlord to cooperate in the general effort which was being made to assist the Japanese to make an equitable disposition of property.

5. Work at Assembly Centers covered a variety of subjects including property problems but was principally confined to checking in automobiles, contacting evacuees regarding discrepancies in ownership certificates, etc., and interviewing those whose automobiles were left for storage in an effort to arrange for voluntary sale to the Army. Numerous cases concerning the storage of household furniture have been discussed with evacuees in Assembly Centers, particularly where there were discrepancies between the property listed on the inventory and that actually picked up and stored. It has also been necessary to do some following up work at the Assembly Centers in connection with property problems which were not fully consummated at the time of evacuation. Work at the Civil Control Stations involved comparatively few property problems as these problems, generally speaking, were taken care of prior to the issuance of the Exclusion Order. The work was confined principally to arranging for the storage of household furniture and automobiles.

6. Memoranda concerning special illustrative cases are enclosed.

IV. PUBLIC AND EVACUEE REACTIONS TO WORK PERFORMED

A Reaction of the evacuees to the work performed has been, without a single exception, one of sincere gratitude and appreciation. The reactions of the alien Japanese appears to be one of grateful appreciation for the consideration shown them and, as a result, it was apparent that they sincerely endeavored to show their appreciation by cooperating in every possible manner. Among the American born Japanese, the spirit of gratitude and cooperation was most evident. They were particularly grateful for the treatment being accorded their fathers and mothers who are aliens and unquestionably they have evidenced a sincere desire to cooperate and fully meet the wishes of the government. Our experience has been that they have scrupulously endeavored to observe the curfew and travel regulations. It was particularly noticeable that there was practically no quibbling over prices obtained in disposing of their properties and

they were content to consummate their transactions on any reasonably fair basis and, although naturally losses were, in the majority of cases, sustained, no outward evidence of dissatisfaction was displayed.

- B There are attached sample letters from evacuees.
- C Public reaction to our work was somewhat different than that of the evacuees' reaction in that in the beginning there was a noticeable feeling of animosity on the part of the general public toward the Japanese in general and also there was considerable lack of knowledge on the part of the public as to whether they could lawfully deal with the Japanese in connection with the various property matters. As time went on, however, the feeling of animosity very radically changed and our dealings with the public showed a remarkable change in their feelings toward the Japanese. There was a noticeable indication of their desire to cooperate with us in endeavoring to arrange for equitable settlement of the various problems.
- D The attitude of the banks and other corporate entities contacted was both gratifying and satisfactory and we found a progressive spirit of cooperation. Without exception, they were heartily in favor of the evacuation program from every standpoint but at the same time they were very sympathetically inclined toward the plight of the local Japanese and felt that the kind attitude taken by our government was very commendable and proper and they apparently did everything they could to be of assistance to us and also to the Japanese.

V. STATISTICAL DATA

- A Assembly Centers and Civil Control Stations contacted - 38.
- B Number of interviews segregated as to main Los Angeles Office, Field Offices, Assembly Centers and Civil Control Stations:

Los Angeles	6904
Field Offices	6606
Assembly Centers	832
Civil Control Stations	<u>2831</u>
Total - -	17173

- C Total number of persons contacted - 6334.

This number does not include interviews over the counter on the subjects which did not present any particular problem and which were not accordingly recorded on interview sheets.

- D Automobiles stored - 1604.

	<u>Stored</u>	<u>For Sale</u>	<u>Total</u>
Santa Anita Park	953	323	1276
Pomona	123	46	169
San Diego	20	14	34
Phoenix	1	-	1
Riverside	3	-	3
Manzanar	6	115	121
Total - -	<u>1106</u>	<u>498</u>	<u>1604</u>

E Automobiles sold to War Department:

<u>Number of Cars</u>	<u>Dollar Value</u>
84	\$27,946.50

F Warehouses and Lots leased:

Warehouse location

358 East First Street, Los Angeles
5800 So. Hoover Street, Los Angeles
324 East Fourth Street, Long Beach
*337 Arroyo Parkway, Pasadena
1025 Chapala Street, Santa Barbara

*This warehouse obtained on a three months' lease. Furniture has now been removed to 358 East First Street, Los Angeles.

In addition to the warehouses leased, furniture is stored in following regular warehouses:

Ace Van & Storage Co., 3720 El Cajon Av.,
San Diego
Lightning Moving & Warehouse Co., 425 East Jackson
Phoenix

Lots:

Clover Field and Pico Boulevards, Santa Monica
1821 So. Hill Street, Los Angeles

These lots were rented for one month only. The automobiles previously stored have now been removed to Santa Anita Park.

G The total volume of personal effects stored consisted of 1069 lots, totaling approximately 175,000 cubic feet.

VI. EXPENSES INCURRED:

These figures will be wired Monday, June first.

VII. CONCLUSION

A We anticipate the future functions to be confined principally to arranging for the sale and disposing of the automobiles in our custody and turning over to the War Relocation authorities the property of the evacuees which we have in storage. It probably will be necessary to devote considerable time to checking up on various matters in connection with the program which require additional attention and particularly those where the arrangements, hurriedly made in some cases by the Japanese, possibly are not being handled in the manner anticipated, or where an unfair advantage is being taken of the evacuees on account of their absence or inefficient handling of property matters by those to whom they have delegated authority.

B It is practically the universal opinion of the management of the

Evacuee Property Department in Los Angeles and of the entire staff, both in Los Angeles and in the field, that, generally speaking, the attitude of the Japanese in all our contacts has been most gratifying and that considerable credit should be given these people for the excellent spirit of cooperation they have displayed at all times. We have found no evidence on their part to appeal for sympathy, or public relief; they have taken the whole program in a very philosophical manner with a very evident desire on their part to show their appreciation by cooperating.

LOS ANGELES BRANCH

REFERRED BY MR. ~~BAHART~~
TO MR. ~~W. J. ...~~
OCT 2 1942

TO: HEAD OFFICE

DATE October 1, 1942

SUBJECT: Evacuee Property Department (Information for final report)

REFERENCE:

In accordance with your letter of September 25, 1942, there is enclosed information for final report of the Evacuee Property Department up to and including September 30, 1942.

W. E. Deal
Assistant Manager.

Enclosure.

- Answered
- Ansd by Routine Advice
- No Answer Required

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EVACUEE PROPERTY DEPARTMENT
(INFORMATION FOR FINAL REPORT)

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| 1. Number of interviews granted, exclusive of Assembly Centers | 5626 |
| 2. Number of interviews at Assembly Centers | 462 |
| 3. Number of individual cases handled (exclusive of Assembly Centers) | 1057 |
| 4. Number of cases handled at Assembly Centers | 140 |
| 5. Number of motor vehicles taken into custody | 1682 |
| 6. Number of motor vehicles sold to Army | 1353 |
| 7. Number of motor vehicles released to owners for private disposition | 259 |
| 8. Number of motor vehicles submitted to Army for requisitioning
(Net figure after giving effect to those withdrawn after the proposals were submitted) | 70 |
| 9. Expenses, on a monthly basis, from and including March through September, 1942, according to the following classifications: | |

<u>EXPENDITURE CLASSIFICATION</u>	<u>MARCH</u>	<u>APRIL</u>	<u>MAY</u>	<u>JUNE</u>	<u>JULY</u>	<u>AUGUST</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER</u>
(a) Salaries	7,811.91	18,354.19	16,538.31	7,767.95	5,201.60	3,035.23	1,717.55
(b) Traveling ex- penses	77.12	921.60	2,373.77	1,030.97	457.59	374.94	228.56
(c) Rent	2,250.00	5,093.64	3,882.33	2,493.09	1,760.04	1,331.79	1,263.49
(d) Postage	123.26	80.27	95.67	60.70	198.15	20.88	28.15
(e) Printing, Sta- tionery & Sup.	72.49	140.38	339.44	94.31	15.40	126.44	18.55
(f) Telephone and Telegraph	-	526.34	839.74	624.53	257.50	52.86	51.09
(g) Expressage	-	821.14	2,217.84	4,565.44	266.68	49.15	-
(h) Guard Service	-	446.10	4,034.81	5,396.28	4,482.00	4,015.50	1,926.56
(i) Miscellaneous	<u>5.53</u>	<u>618.36</u>	<u>1,329.28</u>	<u>590.79</u>	<u>190.69</u>	<u>79.28</u>	<u>56.29</u>
TOTAL	10,340.31	27,002.02	31,651.19	22,624.06	12,829.65	9,086.07	5,290.24

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June 2, 1942

To FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO

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Retel following is data requested regarding number persons engaged Evacuee Property Department work.

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	<u>Men</u>	<u>Women</u>
Opening date March 13	21	4
Maximum number	64	8
Number May 22	31	6

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F 438p
SF 22

To be handled by Mr.
Armstrong-2

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From LOS ANGELES BRANCH

June 1, 1942

(Date)

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To FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO

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Refer our letter May 30, reurlet 5-22 Evacuee
 Property Department total volume cases handled 3919,
 closed 2268, considered closed 1636, pending 15.

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Letters from
Evacuees.

LA Branch

C O P Y

April 21, 1942

Mr. Fred C. Hold
Los Angeles Branch
Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco

Dear Mr. Hold:

Thank you for your kind inquiry as to whether we have disposed of our farm lease and equipment.

With your help and that Mr. Miller's at the Pasadena branch of the Federal Reserve Bank, we have been able to sell the crops and equipment.

Mr. Miller was over today and checked the inventories we had listed. Since everything is okeyed, we are to receive the money tomorrow.

Thank you again for your very kind sincerity.

Very truly yours,

Miharu Kawaguchi



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C O P Y

629 East 11th Street
Los Angeles, Calif.
April 25, 1942

Federal Reserve Bank of S. F.
Los Angeles, California

Attention: Mr. Fred C. Bold
Asst. Mgr.

Gentlemen:

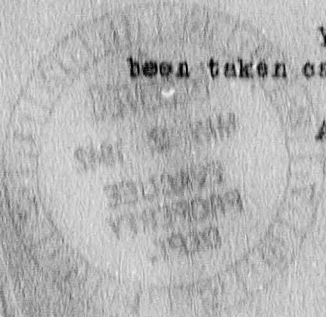
I wish to thank you very much for your kind
letter.

Your advise was of much help and the matter has
been taken care of.

Again thanking you, I am

Yours very truly,

Fusako Nagao



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Owens Rec. Center
Manzanar, Calif.
April 24, 1942

Los Angeles Branch
Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco
P. O. Box 2077, Terminal Annex
Los Angeles, California

Gentlemen:

In regard to your letter dated April 16, 1942, I wish to inform you that I have found the buyer for the furnishing of my rooming house. Therefore I settled the transaction before I left Los Angeles.

Thanking you for your kind consideration,

I remain

Yours truly,

(Mrs.) Tomo Shiji

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Dear Sir:

Im sorry that we didn't notify you sooner, for we have the matter all straightened.

Thank you,

Senzi Oda



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C O P Y

12-12-3
Owens Valley Reception Center
Manzanar, California

April 23, 1942

Dear Mr. Bold:-

Received a letter dated April 17, 1942 regarding
my furnitures and automobile, and sale of my cleaning shop,
of which has been settled.

Thanking you kindly.

Yours truly,

(Mrs.) Amy Fujii



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Handwritten signature

Dear Mr. Fred C. Bold

In reply to your question concerning the property of my sister, it has now been placed in the hands of a real estate man, Mr. Karl Francis Euper. It is in good hands I believe and thank you very much for your consideration.

Thanks again

Sincerely

Art Nishisaka

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Noted by Director

No Action Required

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April 19, 1942

Dear Mr. Bold:

The matter of proper disposition of my property has been properly taken care of by issuing a general power of attorney to an agent.

I thank you for all the information you have kindly given me.

Yours very truly,

Isoo Sakurai

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April 20, 1942

Mr. Fred C. Bold
Los Angeles Branch
Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco
P. O. Box 2077, Terminal Annex
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Bold:

Thank you for your letter of April 16, in regard to my father's lease on the hotel located at 134 Rose Street.

Everything has been taken care of satisfactorily, and I am turning the lease back to the owner with the verbal understanding that he give it back to me after the present war is over.

Thank you again for your interest and assistance.

Very truly yours,

(signed) Carl K. Sato

Carl K. Sato

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April 20, 1942

Gentlemen;

In reply to your letter of April 17th, I have made a settlement on Toms Nursery property.

And at this time I wish to thank you for your kind inquiry.

Yours very truly,

Hayao Iha

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April 21, 1942

Mr. Fred C. Bold
Assistant Manager
Federal Reserve Bank
707 Spring Street
Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear Sir:

Thank you for your letter regarding the disposition of my property.

I have arranged to have it taken care by an attorney. Thank you again for your kind assistance.

Yours truly,

June Yamoshita

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Ans. by Routine Advice

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April 16, 1942

Mr. Bold:

I received your kind and thoughtful letter today, April 16, 1942. We have taken care of the florist and automobiles. Now we are all ready for evacuation. Thank you again for taking such fine interest in our affairs and we appreciate your thoughts.

Yours very truly,

Harry H. Takechi

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April 17, 1942

Mr. Fred C. Bold,
Assistant Manager,
Federal Reserve Bank,
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Mr. Bold:

Thank you very much for the kind concern you and your department have shown us. We are deeply grateful.

Concerning our restaurant, we are glad to inform you we have properly sold out. Thank you again for your kind consideration.

Yours very truly,

T. Shietome

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And by Routine Advice

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Santa Anita Receiving Center

Arcadia, California

May 10, 1942

Federal Reserve Bank

Los Angeles Branch

Dear Sir:

I wish to inform you that my property at 1116 So. Ardmore Ave. Los Angeles, California has been properly taken care of. Therefore I think it would no longer be necessary for your assistance to this matter. Thanks very much for your advice concerning my property.

Yours sincerely,

Leo Tanaka

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April 20, 1942

Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco
Los Angeles Branch

Mr. Fred C. Bold

Dear Sir:

Thank you very much for your letter inquiring about my property. I have sold my property, and everything is all settled. Thank you for your kind assistance.

Yours truly,

Miyeko H. Fukunaga

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Mr. Fred C. Bold

April 18

My Dear Sir:-

I thanks your kindness letter send us, surly we remember your attentions and Deep favar.

Mr. Bold we settled on April 15th and take care by Real Estate Monegement Co in Hollywood, from date of this month.

Thanks again sir

Very truly

Kiyoshi Tani

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And by Routine Return
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2121 E. Third St.
Los Angeles, Calif.
April 20, 1942

Dear Mr. Fred C. Bold:

I wish to thank you very much for your kind letter of April 17th which I received today inquiring about my home.

I am happy to reply to you that I have found someone who is going to rent our house and take care of the house for us until we are able to return again.

Thanking you again for your kindness and consideration I am

Respectfully yours,

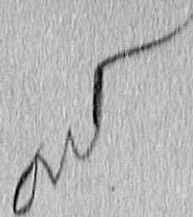
Miss Ritay Hirooka

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1961 East Second Street
Los Angeles, California
April 17, 1942

Mr. Fred C. Bold
Los Angeles Branch
Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco
P.O. Box 2077, Terminal Annex
Los Angeles, California

Dear Sir:

I wish to thank you for your kind letter of April 14th.

In regard to our home, it has already been taken care of.

I thank you sincerely for your courtesy and kind help.

Very truly yours,

(Miss) Sachiko Nishida



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May 7, 1942

Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco
Los Angeles Branch
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Bold,

Thank you very much for your considerate letter dated April 16, 1942.

Due to sudden voluntary evacuation by us, our rental of the 3-unit house was taken care of very satisfactorily at the last minute.

My wife, father, and I are now comfortably making a new start here in Chinook, Montana by becoming a farmer.

Thank you again for your kind consideration.

Yours truly,

Tokuo Kurosaka

April 23, 1942

out

Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco
Los Angeles Branch
Los Angeles, California

To Assistant Manager:

We received your letter wondering what or how our property was taken care of since we inquired March 19.

We have appointed a custodian, rented our place and payments applied on as we were doing.

We thank you for your kindness and help.

Truly,

Gene Hashimoto

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FEDERAL RESERVE BANK

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May 11, 1942

Mr. Fred C. Bold
Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco
Los Angeles, Branch

Dear Sir--

Thank you very much for your kind inquiry dated May 6th.
I have received it at Santa Anita Reception camp, today.

I have sold my business and settled the matter myself.

The business is now in escrow and only waiting for
word from them,--they are going to send me a check as soon
as the escrow ends.

I am sorry I didn't write you concerning the way I
disposed of my business sooner.

Please be kind enough to give me advice again in a
future date.

Yours truly,

G. Mitani

Camp Santa Anita
AR-1322-U3
Arcadia, Calif.

formerly
1553 W. 37th place
L.A., Calif.

ant

Dear Sir:

Thank very much, I receive your letter yesterday. About farm tractor. I sold my tractor about three weeks ago.

Thank very much.

Oshimo, Hideaki

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Dear Mr. Bold.

This is to inform you I have already sold my lease and crop and that all the matter have been taken care of.

I want to thank you very much for trying to assist me.

Yours very truly,

K. Shimamoto



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C O P Y

April 21, 1942

Mr. Fred C. Bold
Assistant Manager
Federal Reserve Bank

Dear Mr. Bold:

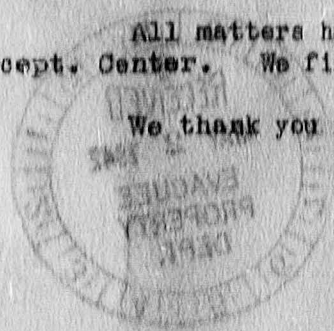
Regarding your letter inquiring about the sale of the Hotel New Palace, we have settled the matter with the owner of the building. Mrs. Kawase the owner, has turned it over to the real estate man, Mr. Hayes. It has been agreed that whoever leases the hotel would rent or buy my furniture.

All matters have been taken care of, and we are now at Manzanar Recept. Center. We find everything nice here.

We thank you for your advice and willingness to help us.

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Ichino Yamakiro



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North American Shinto Temple
133 North Central Avenue
Los Angeles, California

May 8, 1942

Mr. Bold
Federal Reserve Bank
707 South Spring Street
Los Angeles, California

Dear Sir:

I wish to thank you for your splendid efforts to preserve the Memorial Shrine of George Washington and Abraham Lincoln. Words cannot express the gratefulness we people hold for your organization, for your genuine sincerity and cooperation.

Please convey my deep felt thanks to Mr. H. B. Learned of your department, who took such an interest in our unusual request. His counsel and guidance as to our rental lease, without which we could not have managed.

Most sincerely,

Fred Sutow (signed)
Lawrence H. Sutow (Signed)

COPY

April 17, 1942

Mr. Fred C. Bold
Assistant Manager
Los Angeles Branch
Federal Reserve Bank
of San Francisco

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Dear Mr. Bold:

In answer to your kind letter of the 15th, I am happy to state that I managed to sell my food market intact as a going business. Just this week I turned over the business to my successor, and I am awaiting conclusion of the escrow the first part of next week. Thanks to your advice and suggestions, I was able to hold down my loss to a minimum and complete my transaction under terms which my friends describe as remarkable in the light of existing circumstances.

I wish to take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks and gratitude for your advice and guidance in the matter which made possible the eventual disposal of my business. The knowledge that the Federal government was standing behind me was reassuring, to say the least.

Now, there is another matter on which I would like your advice and help. A few weeks ago, before the ban on voluntary evacuation went into effect, four families of my personal friends moved to Utah to start life anew. Originally, my family and I had planned to move with them. In fact, the idea was mine, and the others were really band-wagon jumper-owners. But since I could not get my business affairs in order before the voluntary evacuation deadline, my friends went on, with the understanding that we were to follow just as soon as we were able.

Well, now that my affairs are in order, I am not permitted to leave, even though I have a definite place to go and the means to provide amply for myself and my family. At the time that my friends were leaving, I was given to understand by a consultant in your office that I would be given a permit to join them later. I was told that the ban on voluntary evacuation was aimed at curbing aimless evacuation by people who had neither the means of supporting themselves or a place to go. But, I was assured, since I had a place to go and since my friends were depending on my being able to go there, I would be given a special travel permit.

But now that permit is not forthcoming. My family and I are all ready to leave for Utah. My friends there are waiting for us. The twenty-acre tract of farming land that I leased is waiting for me. I have sufficient balance in the bank to maintain me and my family for three or four years if necessary. I have sold my furniture, stored some more. All I've left are a few personal belongings, my truck, and a car, which I intend to use in my projected business in Utah. In fact, everything is in readiness, except my permit.

I appreciate the fact that the Army makes no exceptions. However, it is my humble opinion that the authorities can, and should, give special consideration to cases like mine. After all, it costs money to send people to reception centers, feed them, clothe them, care for them. Granting me and my family a special permit to travel to Utah will save the government considerable money in the long run, and who can deny that economy isn't important these feverish days? If you have a little time to spare, I would appreciate your looking into the matter and advising me regarding it. I would be deeply grateful.

Very truly yours,

J. H. TAKEDA

P.S. My address was formerly 2624 West Slauson. It is now 1417 East 12th St., City.

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Jenkisto Murakamo
107 C Pomona Assembly Center
Pomona, California

Mr. Fred C. Bold
707 So. Spring St.
Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear Sir:

I regret I didn't respond your letter of inquiry of April 18, 1942 up to this moment. I appreciate your kindness. I have leased my property to a reliable man. I am sure he will operate the store profitably.

Yours very truly,

J. Minakamo
Owner of Sun Rise Laundry

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Mr. Fred C. Bold
Assistant Manager

Regarding the above matter, I am very happy to inform you that we were able to dispose of our lease before we were evacuated.

Toyo Nakasone



Salt Lake City

EXTRA COPY

September 25, 1942

Evacuee Property Department
(Information for final report.)

In preparing a final report on the operations of the Evacuee Property Department, we wish to show some data on the volume of property stored with us, the number of interviews granted, the number of individual cases handled, the volume of motor vehicles coming into our hands and the expenses incurred.

We propose to compute the number of family units of property and the number of individual units of property stored with us from the schedules submitted in connection with the transfer of warehouses to the War Relocation Authority, although it is realized that this would not give effect to such items as may have been received by us and released before transfer of the warehouse involved to the War Relocation Authority. It will be necessary to request further information from you as to the other matters.

Kindly provide us with the following informations:

1. Number of interviews granted, exclusive of Assembly Centers.
2. *Number of interviews at Assembly Centers.
3. Number of individual cases handled (exclusive of Assembly Centers).
4. *Number of cases handled at Assembly Centers.

*If such data is available.

5. Number of motor vehicles taken into custody.
6. Number of motor vehicles sold to Army.
7. Number of motor vehicles released to owners for private disposition (WRA-8).
8. Number of motor vehicles submitted to Army for requisitioning. This item should be the net figure after giving effect to those withdrawn after the proposals were submitted.
9. Expenses on a monthly basis from and including March through September, 1942 according to the following classifications:

- a. Salaries
- b. Traveling expenses
- c. Rent
- d. Postage
- e. Printing, stationery and supplies
- f. Telephone and telegraph
- g. Expressage
- h. Guard services
- i. Miscellaneous

Please provide the information requested at your earliest convenience.

(SIGNED) G. E. CARHART

CASHIER

Salt Lake City

September 17, 1942 .

Evacuee Property Department

(Prospective program of forwarding household goods, etc. stored privately by Japanese evacuees.)

The following excerpt is taken from a memorandum dated September 9, 1942 directed by the Western Defense Command and Fourth Army to all Wartime Civil Control Administration Civilian Agencies concerned, which indicates that a program is being developed to make available to evacuees their household and personal effects which they stored privately at the time of evacuation:

- a. War Relocation Authority will, under the conditions set forth below, move the household and personal effects of those evacuees now in Assembly Centers to Relocation Projects.
 - (1) Evacuees whose household and personal effects are stored in Federal Reserve warehouses, under the jurisdiction of the War Relocation Authority, and such other private warehouses as the War Relocation Authority designates.
 - (2) For those evacuees whose household and personal effects are in storage places not designated in (1) above, the War Relocation Authority will move such household and personal effects to Relocation Projects provided the evacuee, at his ~~own~~ expense, makes arrangements to have his household and personal effects moved from their present place of storage to a central receiving warehouse, the location of such warehouses to be designated by the War Relocation Authority. The name, address and location of such central receiving warehouses will be supplied at a later date by the War Relocation Authority.
 - (3) The privilege of moving such household and personal effects from places of storage to authorized warehouses will be limited to a period as jointly prescribed by the War Relocation Authority and the Wartime Civil Control Administration.
 - (4) Shipment of household and personal effects, except clothing of immediate need, of evacuees from any source pursuant to any arrangements made by evacuees, their agents, any agency, or any other person or persons, to Assembly Centers is prohibited.

- (5) The Wartime Civil Control Administration will not grant passes or transfers to evacuees for the purpose of permitting evacuees now in Assembly Centers to travel within Military Area No. 1 or No. 2 for the purpose of making arrangements or preparing household and personal effects for removal to the warehouses designated or to be designated.
- (6) The Wartime Civil Control administration will not allow evacuees now in Relocation Projects to re-enter Military Area No. 1 or No. 2 for the purpose of making arrangements or preparing household and personal effects for shipment to warehouses as designated or to be designated later, or to Relocation Projects.
- (7) Instructions pertaining to shipment of household and personal effects for those evacuees in War Relocation Projects will be issued by the War Relocation Authority.
- (8) For the purpose of clarification, household and personal effects which may be shipped (as provided above) are defined as such articles of household furniture, kitchen equipment, and utensils, and clothing normally used in connection with daily life at places of previous residence.
- (9) (a) In order that the War Relocation Authority will be kept fully acquainted with the volume of household and personal effects which are to be shipped from private storage to central receiving warehouses, it is desired that evacuees now in Assembly Centers whose household and personal effects are in private storage make an application in writing to the Center Manager on forms provided, setting forth their desire to take advantage of the privilege as set forth in Paragraph 8.a.(2) above.
 - (b) This application will only apply to evacuees whose household and personal effects are not now in warehouses provided by the Federal Reserve Bank at the time of the evacuation.
 - (c) Application forms will be provided by the Operations Branch, Wartime Civil Control Administration, 1231 Market Street, San Francisco, California.

- (d) These forms are self-explanatory and will be filled out completely in triplicate. The original and duplicate are to be sent daily to the Operations Branch, Wartime Civil Control Administration, 1231 Market Street, San Francisco, California; the third copy to be retained by the evacuee. Upon receipt of the original and duplicate, the Operations Branch will send the original copy of the application to the War Relocation Authority, transmitting same through the Chief, Temporary Settlement Operations Division. The Operations Branch will maintain a file for the duplicate copy.
- b. All costs pertaining to such shipments, except as provided in Paragraph 8.a.(2), this bulletin, will be for the account of the War Relocation Authority.
- c. Private automobiles of evacuees will not be included.

By Command of Lieutenant General DeWITT:"

While this memorandum primarily relates to evacuees in assembly centers, we are informed that the War Relocation Authority is issuing instructions on the subject to its Project Directors and, in due course, residents of the relocation centers will be informed on the subject. It is probable that the information will not be generally circulated in the relocation areas for a week or two.

So far as we can determine, no consolidation points have been designated as yet, although we are advised by the War Relocation Authority that the matter is receiving consideration.

This memorandum requires no action on the part of this bank but is provided for your general information.

(SIGNED) W. M. WALKER

Vice President

SALT LAKE CITY

For information only.

August 21, 1942

Evacuee Property Department
(Data on Farm Equipment)

We are endeavoring to develop information for the Treasury Department as to the quantity of agricultural equipment, including tractors, which may have been taken out of production by the evacuation of Japanese from the military areas on the Pacific Coast established by the military authorities. There are some indications, by way of rumor, that some evacuees did not turn over their equipment to substitute farm operators or otherwise dispose of the equipment either by sale or some other manner in such a way that it would continue to be available for use, but rather stored the property privately, actually taking it out of production.

While we believe investigation will show that no substantial amount of equipment is so held, we are making an investigation of the situation and request that information on this matter be provided us with respect to your zone.


We are sending our representatives into the field to obtain local information in the head office zone and believe it would be desirable if a similar procedure were followed in your area.

We are enclosing a letter which we are forwarding to our representatives who remain in the field, further discussing the problem.


We will appreciate your report on the subject as soon as it is available.



Cashier



Enclosure



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SALT LAKE CITY

August 20, 1942

Foreign Funds Control

We are enclosing for your information a copy of a letter sent to Los Angeles Branch today with respect to persons acting under powers of attorney for repatriated Japanese.

(Signed) R. F. EVERSON
Assistant Cashier

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GENERAL FILE

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ALL BRANCHES

June 29, 1942

Evacuee Property Department

Instruction Letter No. 9

In view of the completion of Japanese evacuation operations in your zone, it will no longer be necessary to submit the report requested in Instruction Letter No. 9.

Assistant Cashier.

ALL BRANCHES

June 22, 1942

Evacuee Property Department - Transfers of warehouses to War Relocation Authority.

An agreement has been reached between this bank and the War Relocation Authority, covering the transfer of warehouses and the custody of the goods stored therein, to that agency. We have effected the transfer of our Oakland warehouse to the War Relocation Authority, pursuant to the terms of this agreement.

In order that you may be familiar with the terms of the agreement and the general procedure to be followed in transferring the warehouses, we are enclosing a set of documents prepared in connection with the Oakland warehouse transfer, for your information. While it may, of course, be necessary to vary the procedure in special cases, we believe that this will be appropriate for most of the transactions.

The dates upon which the various warehouses will be acquired by the War Relocation Authority, will depend upon future developments. We will provide you with additional information in each case relating to your zone and more specific instructions with respect to each such transaction, as it occurs.

The papers enclosed for your information are as follows:

1. Copy of memorandum to the War Relocation Authority, dated June 19, 1942.
2. Copy of acquisition agreement, dated June 22, 1942.
3. Copy of standard form of lease.
4. Copy of cancellation notice, dated June 18, 1942.
5. Copy of assignment of lease, dated June 22, 1942.
6. Copy of schedule of inventory receipts.
7. Copy of schedule of services maintained with respect to warehouse premises.
8. Copy of notice to lessor, of assignment.
9. Copies of letters to Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Company, Burns detective Agency, East Bay Municipal Utility District, and the Pacific Gas & Electric Company, advising them of the substitution of the War Relocation Authority for this bank, with respect to the services rendered by those addressed.

Enclosures

(SIGNED) W. M. HALE

Vice President.

EXTRA COPY

June 6, 1942

**Evacuee Property Department
(Disposition of Trailers)**

The following is quoted from a memorandum dated June 1, 1942, from the Wartime Civil Control Administration, signed by Karl R. Bendtsen, Colonel, G.S.C. Assistant Chief of Staff, Civil Affairs Division:

1. In response to subject matter of your letter of May 29, 1942, regarding trailers taken in for storage or sale to the Army, you are hereby advised that these trailers will be considered as accessories to their pertinent cars.
2. The Quartermaster, Western Defense Command and Fourth Army, will honor for payment the price paid by the Federal Reserve Bank for the car and its accessories.

The above authority to include trailers as accessories to motor vehicles, includes the type of trailer commonly termed "carry-all etc." and would not apply to house trailers. Should any trailers be purchased as accessories to automobiles, it will, of course, be necessary to obtain the Registration and Ownership Certificates, in the same manner as those covering the motor vehicle itself were obtained.

(SIGNED) R. E. EVERSON

Assistant Cashier

EXTRA COPY

June 6, 1942

Evacuee Property Department
(Storage of Motor Vehicles)

The following is quoted from a memorandum dated June 3, 1942, from the Wartime Civil Control Administration, signed by Karl R. Bendetsen, Colonel, U. S. C., Assistant Chief of Staff, Civil Affairs Division:

1. Due to the relatively few cars offered for storage in connection with the evacuation program, the original plan for guarding them in various locations is proving unreasonably costly.
2. This office therefore authorizes deviation from the original plan and authorizes placing cars in such warehouses (already guarded by Federal Reserve Bank) as are conveniently located to the cars in question and where such arrangement is satisfactory to the lessor.
3. This office authorizes further deviation from the original plan and directs that commercial "dead storage" space be procured and cars be stored therein, without Federal Reserve Bank guards, in all cases where in the opinion of the Federal Reserve Bank reasonable economy can be effected thereby.

While the authority granted in the above memorandum may or may not apply to your particular zone, the information is given you in order that you might know of the existence of the authority should such conditions exist.

(SIGNED) R. E. EVERSON

Assistant Cashier.

May 25, 1942

Evacuee Property Department - Report of Activities in
 Connection with Japanese Evacuation.

Our Letter May 22, 1942

Enclosed is a tentative outline of the information to be submitted to Colonel Bendtsen as requested in his memorandum of May 19, 1942 forwarded with our letter referred to above.

It will not be necessary for you to provide any information regarding Section I of the enclosure concerning the authority of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco. We will desire the information called for in the other sections, however.

With respect to paragraph B-6 of Section III, it is our thought that in addition to the submission of particular cases we should be in a position to provide a general picture of the work accomplished, which will show the number of cases handled, the number of cases closed, the types of businesses involved and such other data as may be pertinent. We are enclosing an office form through which we have compiled reports on a weekly basis for Head Office zone, which shows, among other things, a breakdown of the types of business involved in interviews. This form is enclosed with the thought that you may have maintained some similar records by which it would be possible to show the total volume of cases handled during the period of operations and some breakdown as to the type of interviews. Naturally only the total volume figures will be necessary so far as our report is concerned, rather than the detailed weekly volume data that is called for in the enclosed report.

We should, of course, be informed as to the total cases closed on a numerical or a percentage basis, as well as the cases pending.

The enclosed outline is somewhat tentative and it may be that when the mechanical work of compiling the information suggested is undertaken, changes in the subject matter, or additions to it, might be desirable. If the advisability of making such changes or additions should become apparent, we will be pleased to advise you. At the same time, if desirable changes or additions should occur to you, we would be pleased to have you communicate your thoughts to us.

We believe our report should be as of the close of business Friday, May 22, 1942. Inasmuch as we must have our information in the hands of Colonel Bendtsen by June 5, 1942, we will appreciate your providing us with the desired information by June 1, 1942.

(SIGNED) R. E. EVERSON

Enclosures

Assistant Cashier

TENTATIVE OUTLINE OF SECTION ON "EVACUEE PROPERTY PROTECTION"
TO BE INCLUDED IN REPORT FROM COMMANDING GENERAL,
WESTERN DEFENSE COMMAND AND FOURTH ARMY TO
SECRETARY OF WAR ON JAPANESE EVACUATION

I AUTHORITY OF FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO

- A Executive Order No. 9066, February 19, 1942
- B Letter of Authority from Commanding General, Western Defense Command, March 11, 1942
- C Public Law No. 503, 77th Congress, Approved March 21, 1942
- D Confirmatory Letter from Commanding General, Western Defense Command, April 5, 1942, made necessary by enactment of Public Law No. 503
- E Delegation of Authority by War Relocation Authority to Secretary of the Treasury, March 25, 1942
- F Delegation of Authority from President to Secretary of the Treasury under Trading With The Enemy Act, February 12, 1942
- G Delegation of Authority by Secretary of the Treasury to Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, March 7, 1942
- H Confirmation of Authority from Secretary of the Treasury to Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, March 16, 1942
- I Delegation of Authority from Alien Property Custodian to Secretary of the Treasury, March 11, 1942

(Short references to the foregoing sources of authority without extensive quotation are all that will be necessary.)

II INITIAL STEPS TAKEN BY FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO TO IMPLEMENT PROGRAM

- A Organization of Evacuee Property Department, March 9, 1942
- B Establishment of Functions at 4 Branch Offices of Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco
- C Employment of Personnel
- D Implementing Functions at Offices of United States Employment Service
- E Publicity as to Functions
- F Promulgation of Special Regulation No. 1, March 18, 1942

(State that freezing control under this regulation has not been exercised and why.)

XIII FUNCTIONS PERFORMED BY FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO IN CARRYING OUT PROGRAM

- A Functions During Period of Voluntary Evacuation Up to March 29, 1942
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Hagawara family
Shigazumi - Home Cleaners and Dyers
Hayward Nursery - First National of San Leandro

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- D Other Charges Reimbursable

VII CONCLUSION

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- B General Comments

EVACUEE PROPERTY DEPARTMENT
FIELD DIVISION
IN CHARGE

UNIT _____

MR. _____

INTERVIEW DATA FOR WEEK ENDING

1942

FIELD OFFICE						WEEKLY TOTAL	TOTAL BROUGHT FORWARD	GRAND TOTAL
Date Opened								
Day of Week								
No. of Cases								
No. of Persons Interviewed								
No. of Persons Represented								
Residences								
Flats & Apts.								
*Business								
Equipment & Merchandise								
Furniture & Fixtures								
Farms & Orchards								
General								
*Breakdown of Major Business Classification:								
Bakeries								
Beauticians								
Canneries								
Churches								
Cleaners								
Dry Goods								
Fertilizers								
Florists								
Garages								
Hotels								
Laundries								
Liquors								
Markets								
Newspapers								
Novelties								
Nurseries								
Packers								
Professions								
Restaurants								
Sports Goods								
All Others								

Submitted and approved:

Signed: _____

May 22, 1942

Evacuee Property Department -
Report of Activities in Connection
with Japanese Evacuation

We have been asked to submit a comprehensive report of our operations in connection with the evacuation program.

A copy of a memorandum dated May 19, 1942 from Colonel Bendtsen regarding this matter is enclosed for your information.

We are preparing an outline to be followed in the preparation of this data and will communicate with you further, but meanwhile are forwarding the enclosure in order that you may be giving consideration to the subject matter.

(SIGNED) R. E. EVERSON

Assistant Cashier

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WESTERN DEFENSE COMMAND AND FOURTH ARMY
Wartime Civil Control Administration
1251 Market Street
San Francisco, California

May 19, 1942

MEMORANDUM FOR: William M. Hale, Federal Reserve Bank
SUBJECT: Report of Activity in Connection with
Japanese Evacuation

1. It is proposed to submit a complete report concerning Japanese evacuation to the Secretary of War, not later than June 30, 1942. As now contemplated the report will consist of a general over-all statement followed by sections treating particularly, in narrative fashion (chronologically supported by exhibits) of the various aspects and subjects involved.

2. It is requested that your organization prepare the section on Evacuee Property Protection (exclusive of that phase handled by Agriculture Department). In preparing the report it would be desirable to develop data on the number of cases handled, the number of persons involved, the percentage of successful completion of problems presented, the amount of money expended. It would also be desirable to include as a part of the supporting exhibits a rather broad selection of letters of appreciation received from evacuees as a result of your follow-up. In this connection the means pursued to accomplish follow-up should be described. Report of expenditures also.

3. It is requested that your preliminary draft be submitted to this office not later than June 5, 1942.

(signed) Karl R. Bendetsen

Karl R. Bendetsen
Colonel, G. S. C.
Assistant Chief of Staff
Civil Affairs Division

May 19, 1942

Private Storage of Automobiles of Evacuees

The military authorities have asked us to advise them of any cases coming to our attention where Japanese in any given area have arranged for storage of their automobiles on a group basis. In other words, if there are any cases where a number of Japanese have gotten together and stored their automobiles in a garage or some other place, we would be interested in having such information to pass along to the Army.

For your information, the Army is apparently not interested in the property protection aspects of the problem, but rather in its military aspects.

In obtaining this information we have avoided contacting the Japanese, but rather have limited our survey to information coming into the hands of our representatives without going back to the Japanese on the specific point.

(SIGNED) R. E. EVERSON

Assistant Cashier

Salt Lake City
(for information only)

May 18, 1942

Evacuee Property Department
(Motor Vehicles delivered to us under Alternative No. 2)

In instances where appraisals exceed the Army price limitations, namely \$750 for light cars and \$1200 for medium cars, further consideration as to the disposition of the motor vehicle must be given in each instance prior to selling to the Army at their maximum figure.

It is therefore suggested that as such conditions arise, the subject be immediately taken up with the evacuee to determine whether or not he is satisfied with the maximum price which the Army is permitted to pay, or if he desires further assistance from us in an endeavor to obtain a better price in the open market.

Obviously, in the case of 1942 automobiles, with the fixed market condition which exists, the opportunities of obtaining buyers other than the Army will be most limited; hence, in many cases the evacuee's only alternative, other than substantial loss through depreciation, may be to sell to the Army.

It is quite possible, in such instances, that he will wish us to deliver the car to a friend or a dealer, and if this is the case, Form EPMS should be used for this purpose, as outlined in our letter of April 21, 1942.

In instances where the appraised value does not exceed the amount which will be acceptable as final payment by the legal owner, we should not arbitrarily deliver the car to such owner. We should inform the evacuee of the circumstances and if he concludes that the car be delivered to the legal owner, which should be the case in most instances, his instructions should be obtained on Form EPMS. If however, he still feels that he has an equity to protect, every attempt should be made to bring him and his creditor together or to assist him in realizing a fair value for his car from some other source. Delivery to the creditor or to a third person should be made only after we have received Form EPMS properly signed.

WCCA Form FRB-4 indicates that where the evacuee has no equity, the right of any creditor to repossess or recapture, as provided by law, would not be resisted by the custodian of the motor vehicle; therefore, it is felt that if we can not bring the evacuee and the legal owner together on agreeable terms, we should permit the legal owner to recover possession in accordance with such rights as he may possess in any given case. We do feel, however, that the burden should be placed upon the legal owner to establish the propriety of the repossession method he desires to pursue. Such cases should be few and our file should be complete showing all efforts made in the evacuee's behalf.

(SIGNED) R. E. EVERSON

Assistant Cashier

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EXTRA COPY

May 15, 1942.

Evacuee Property Department.
(Purchase of Evacuee Cars)

We are enclosing a copy of a memorandum dated May 10, 1942, directed to this bank by the Western Defense Command and Fourth Army, signed by Lt. Col. Martin F. Hess, concerning a new program to be launched in an attempt to encourage evacuees to sell their motor vehicles to the Army in instances where they have delivered them to us for storage under Alternative No. 1.

In the interests of uniformity, we are outlining the steps contemplated in this office, after the close of each Civil Control Station, and the acceptance by us of motor vehicles at the place designated:

1. Every car accepted by us under Alternative No. 1 and Alternative No. 2, will be appraised as quickly as convenient.

2. Simultaneous with the appraising operation, Forms EP6 will be mailed to the legal owner if he is other than the registered owner, regardless of the Alternative selected by the evacuee.

3. On the return of Forms IP6 from the legal owner, they will immediately be forwarded to the Assembly Center for confirmation of balance owed by the evacuee.

4. On receipt of the forms, properly confirmed by the evacuee, they will be compared with the appraised amount and determination made as to whether the motor vehicles are eligible for purchase by the Army.

5. If the appraised value exceeds the settlement balance (amount which will be accepted as final payment), motor vehicles delivered to us under Alternative No. 2 will be delivered to the Army (Form EPM10) as quickly as convenient.

6. A letter will be addressed to the evacuee who has chosen Alternative No. 1, making a definite offer, which will include the amount for which the car was appraised, the amount that the legal owner will accept as final payment, and will indicate the balance which will be paid to the registered owner. If the evacuee is convinced that he should sell his car to the Army, rather than continue to have it held for storage, he will so indicate in the space provided on the letter. A suggested form of this letter is attached.

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The Army price limitations (\$750 for light cars and \$1200 for medium) must be kept in mind at all times in considering Paragraphs 4, 5 and 6 above.

7. If the letter is returned properly signed, and the evacuee has indicated that he wishes to sell his car under Alternative No. 2, the car should be delivered to the Army on Form EEM10, as provided.

8. The letters should be given to our representative at the Assembly Center, with instructions to determine that in each individual case the evacuee understands that he will not be permitted to take his motor vehicle to a Reception Center and that no assurance whatever can be given that he will be enabled at some future time, to have the motor vehicle returned for his individual use. Also, that he understands the highly undesirable effect that open-air storage will have on his motor vehicle.

Obviously, the use of Form MP6 will not apply in instances where the registered owner and the legal owner are one and the same person, and letters to evacuees, indicating the amount which they will be given for their motor vehicle, may be handed to our representative at the Assembly Center immediately upon completion of the appraisals.

Assistant Cashier.

Enclosures.

WESTERN DEFENSE COMMAND AND FOURTH ARMY
Office of Assistant Chief of Staff, Civil Affairs Division

WARTIME CIVIL CONTROL ADMINISTRATION
1231 Market Street
San Francisco, California

May 10, 1942

SUBJECT: Purchase of Evacuees' Cars

MEMORANDUM FOR: Federal Reserve Bank

1. It is imperative that evacuees' cars be put to some economic use. The steel, rubber and lead involved is standing idle and deteriorating at a time when these items and transportation in general are needed for national defense.

2. It is desired that these cars be acquired by the Army through purchase if possible, so as to obviate the necessity of using other means of acquisition.

3. At the present time the evacuee has the opportunity of selling his car to the Army, but he has been in the position of making a "blind deal", the result of which has been unsatisfactory from the standpoint of number of cars acquired.

4. It is desired that the present procedure be continued and that in addition thereto the program be augmented as follows:

- (a) After the appraisal is made and
- (b) After the amount of indebtedness has been obtained and
- (c) After the indebtedness has been confirmed by the evacuee
- (d) Then the evacuee be immediately contacted with a definite offer (less incidental refunds, etc.) for the purchase of his car.

It is desired also that the evacuees be informed as tactfully as possible, but without over-emphasis, that no assurance whatever can be given that they will be enabled at some future time to have the motor vehicles now owned by them returned for their individual use. The news items appearing in the daily press about the prospective requisitioning of all civilian-owned cars, if nothing more, should be sufficient warrant for a further urging that the evacuees accept the offer to be made.

5. Early reports as to the progress of this plan are desired so that if it does not appear to be meeting with success other measures can be adopted.

MARTIN F. HASS
Lt. Col. G.S.C.
Acting A. C. of S. C.A.D.

cc: Colonel Humphries

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO

FISCAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES

At the time the Exclusion Order, affecting the area in which you previously resided, was being carried out, you delivered your motor vehicle to the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, as Fiscal Agent of the United States, for storage at your own risk and without insurance, with the understanding that such storage would be in an open area which would subject it to more or less rapid deterioration.

With the thought in mind that you might have been hesitant to offer your motor vehicle for sale to the United States Army at that time, because you had no assurance of the amount which you would receive for it, we have had it appraised by two independent appraisers.

The Army, through this Bank, is now ready to make a definite offer, based on this appraisal, as follows:

Amount offered	\$	
Less amount which will be acceptable as final payment by legal owner	\$	_____
Balance to be remitted to registered owner	\$	_____

Should you now feel that because of the rapid deterioration to which your car is subjected, you are willing to accept payment as indicated above, please so indicate in the space provided below.

Please give this matter your immediate consideration, as the appraised value, as mentioned, is based upon an immediate sale to the Army and cannot be held open for an indefinite period of time.

Yours very truly,

Assistant Cashier.

To the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco,
Fiscal Agent of the United States

I wish to sell my car to the Army under Alternative No. 2 on WCCA Form FRB-4 on the above basis instead of having it held for storage. This will constitute your authority to effect such sale.



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EXTRA COPY

May 4, 1942

WCCA Form FRB-2

Our letter April 28, 1942.

At the time the War Relocation Authority's copies of WCCA Form FRB-2 are forwarded to Head Office to be transmitted to the War Relocation Authority's office in San Francisco, please enclose a list in duplicate indicating the family number and the name of the family head from whom we accepted the furniture for storage.

(SIGNED) R. E. EVERSON

Assistant Cashier.

COPY

LOS ANGELES
PORTLAND
SEATTLE

May 2, 1942

(Copy mailed to Salt Lake for information only)

It is to be understood that recent instructions from local Army Quartermaster Corps to liaison officers in branch zones have no bearing on the execution of the Army Motor Vehicle Purchase Plan outlined in our previous letters. The Army classification of cars by age or model pertains to the disposition of cars after they have been purchased, rather than controlling the purchase arrangement. The Army classification of vehicles as to whether usable or junk likewise is a problem arising after purchase and will have no bearing on our appraisal or purchase methods.

We are guided only by the price limitations and equity situations previously outlined in determining whether a particular automobile qualifies for purchase by us in behalf of the military authorities.

Armstrong:gh

EVERSON

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Seattle S. P. C.

April 29, 1942

Evacuee Property Department
(Parking Facilities at Assembly Centers)

The Wartime Civil Control Administration has expressed considerable concern in the problem of parking motor vehicles at the Assembly Centers, for the reason that in some instances it would use up the only recreation areas available for the evacuees of the camp.

In a telephone conversation with Colonel Evans of the local headquarters of the WCCA, he informed us that the number of motor vehicles which might be stored at each Assembly Center without seriously reducing recreation space, are as follows:

<u>Assembly Centers</u>	<u>Number of Cars</u>
Pomona	450
Santa Anita	2400
Puyallup	300
Portland	1000
Turlock	525
Merced	1000
Fresno	1500
Pinedale	2000
Salinas	150
Marysville	500
Sacramento	1500
Stockton	200
Toppenish	-0-
Tanforan	200
Tulare	1000

In view of the above, it will be necessary to be in constant touch with representatives at Assembly Centers, and as soon as it appears that the number of motor vehicles to be parked will exceed those listed above, it will be necessary for the offices of this bank to make some arrangements for further parking. While it would seem that in some instances, such facilities might be obtained in the vicinity of the Assembly Centers, in other instances discretion might dictate that it would be more desirable to use space available in the vicinity of the Civil Control Stations.

(SIGNED) R. E. EVERSON

Assistant Cashier.

All Branches S. S. City

April 28, 1942.

EVACUEE PROPERTY DEPARTMENT

WCCA FORM FRB-2

In our letter dated April 9, 1942 which superseded that portion of our letter of March 29, 1942 relating to the surrender of the original of the above form to the War Relocation Authority, we requested that the copy of the form be forwarded to us for transmission to the War Relocation Authority, requesting that the copy forwarded be conformed with that which was forwarded to the evacuee.

In our wire dated April 25, 1942 we requested that the War Relocation Authority's copy of the form be held in your office pending further clarification of the procedure in the hope that we would be able to make arrangements for you to transmit your copies to the representative of the War Relocation Authority in your zone without the necessity of forwarding through this office.

Final details have not yet been worked out with the War Relocation Authority but they are requesting that, pending final determination, copies of WCCA Form FRB-2 be transmitted to the War Relocation Authority's office in San Francisco as each Evacuation Project is completed.

It will therefore be appreciated if, pending further developments, you will forward to us the copies of this form intended for War Relocation Authority as soon as available after the conclusion of each Evacuation Project. We will in turn transmit them to the local office of War Relocation Authority.

(SIGNED) R. E. EVERSON

Assistant Cashier.

COPY

PORTLAND
SEATTLE

OK for info only

April 28, 1942

Reurlet April 22 re instructions to appraisers. The following paragraphs should be added: Tractors and trucks regardless of type are free from any price limitation. However, the same consideration i. e., condition of motor, tires, etc., should be given to the appraisal of tractors and trucks as are given passenger cars.

A commissioned representative of the Quartermaster WDC and 4th Army should be present at the time the civilian appraisers for the Federal Reserve Bank make appraisals. The Army representative will act as liaison only and will not influence appraised values. EVERSON

5046

(EVERSON:JM)

EXTRA COPY

J. Lake

April 25, 1942

PROCURING PAYMENT FOR MOTOR VEHICLES SOLD TO THE ARMY

We are enclosing a specimen copy of Form EPM 10, Schedule of Motor Vehicles Delivered, which should be prepared and attached to Public Voucher for Purchases and Services Other Than Personal, Form 1034. A supply of Forms EPM 10 should be mimeographed by you as required, the enclosed copy being intended only as a guide in preparing the schedules.

Voucher Form 1034 should be prepared in quadruplicate, one white and three yellow copies, of which the original (white) and two yellow copies should be submitted and one yellow copy retained for your files. The voucher should be filled in as follows: on the first line following the initials "U. S.", insert the single word "War"; on the next line, the name of your city and date. As (Payee) show the name of your branch as Fiscal Agent of the United States and on the next line, your address. In the body of the form under "No. and Date of Order", insert "Ex. Order No. 9066, February 19, 1942". As "Date of Delivery" in the second column, insert the date shown on the schedule. Under "Articles or Services", insert "_____ Motor Vehicles as per Schedule Attached" and enter the amount of all supporting schedules following the word "Total". However, if schedules covering deliveries made on more than one date are covered by one voucher, they should be listed separately on the voucher, showing each date of delivery and the number of vehicles and amount of each such schedule. The certificate in the left center of the form should, of course, be signed in the name of your branch on the original copy only.

The schedule, Form EPM 10, should also be prepared in quadruplicate, one copy to be attached to each of the copies of Form 1034 submitted and one copy retained for your files. The receipt of the Quartermaster Corps representative who takes delivery of the motor vehicles need be obtained only on your file copy of the schedule.

Voucher Form 1034, with supporting schedules, should be delivered to the local liaison officer of the Quartermaster Corps, who will forward them through the regular channels for payment. Payment will be made by check forwarded direct to you which should be credited to "Sundry Items Receivable -- Advances Account Evacuee Property Department", as outlined in our letter of April 24, 1942.

Enclosure

(SIGNED) R. E. EVERSON

Assistant Cashier.

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The account
Deposits - Evacuee Funds
Property Department," at
The central offices of the
Portland, and Seattle
Evacuee Funds" made up of
a ledger record for the
a ledger record for the
is required, need contain
reflecting details of all
been provided for the
supply has been forwarded
suitable binder for these
address of the evacuee,
number of the ledger sheet,
Department checks, and
of these checks also has been forwarded to you.

All entries in connection with evacuee accounts should originate with the
Evacuee Property Department. Individual entries to "Other Deposits - Evacuee Funds"
should be prepared for any funds received for evacuee accounts. Should cash be
received, it should be deposited with the appropriate office of this bank against
receipt on a teller's cash entry. The entries for funds received and credited would
be as follows:

- Debit - "Appropriate Account"
- Credit - "Other Deposits - Evacuee Funds"
(List on blotter as "Credits to Banks")

If necessary to advance funds for the account of an evacuee, such as pay-
ment for an automobile which is being purchased by the War Department, the following
entries should be prepared on Interior Office Entry Form AC9D:

- Debit - "Sundry Items Receivable - Advances Account
Evacuee Property Department" (9013)
(List on blotter as "Items on Us")
- Credit - "Other Deposits - Evacuee Funds"
(List on blotter as "Credits to Banks")

LETTER TO ALL BRANCHES

April 24, 1942

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Receipts and Disbursements of Funds Account Evacuees

The following procedure should be observed in accounting for receipts and disbursements of funds handled by this bank for account of evacuees.

The following new subsidiary accounts should be opened by the Accounting Department of the office concerned:

"Other Deposits - Evacuee Funds"
"Officers' and Clerks' Checks - Evacuee Property Department Checks"
"Laundry Items Received - Evacuee Property Department Checks" (9013)

The Accounting Department should maintain only a control sheet for "Other Deposits - Evacuee Funds" and "Officers' and Clerks' Checks - Evacuee Property Department Checks" and the latter should be carried in the usual manner. The central office at Washington should maintain a subsidiary ledger in San Francisco, Los Angeles, Portland, and Seattle and a subsidiary ledger for "Other Deposits - Evacuee Funds" and a control sheet, and a ledger for "Officers' and Clerks' Checks - Evacuee Property Department Checks". This latter record, by the name of the War Department Commercial ledger sheet form has been used for "Other Deposits - Evacuee Funds" and "Officers' and Clerks' Checks - Evacuee Property Department Checks". In entering the name of the evacuee in the upper right corner of this ledger sheet, it should be known as Evacuee Property Department Checks and a control sheet should originate with the Accounting Department. Should cash be received from this bank account, it should be credited to the account of the evacuee.

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Disbursements should be made by the new check form, copies 2 and 3 of which should be used for the following entries:

Debit - "Other Deposits - Evacuee Funds"
(List on blotter as "Debits to Banks")

Credit - "Officers' and Certified Checks - Evacuee
Property Department Checks"
(List on blotter as "Items on Us")

Upon receipt of payment from the War Department, the following entries should be functioned:

Debit - "Appropriate Account"

Credit - "Sundry Items Receivable - Advances Account
Evacuee Property Department" (9013)
(List on blotter as "Items on Us")

All entries, checks, etc. should be listed on a blotter by the Evacuee Property Department. This may be a separate EPD blotter to be recapitulated and included in the sign-off at the end of the day or, if desired, it may be run by the Evacuee Property Department but delivered to and included in one of the regular bank blotters.

Individual entries to the "Sundry Items Receivable" and the "Other Deposits" accounts, including copies 2 of the check form, should be recapitulated in each case on the reverse of a single entry which should be completed for the total of each group and such recapitulation entries listed on the blotter. The controls in the Evacuee Property Department should be posted from these recapitulation entries before they are routed. This will permit the retention of the individual entries in the Evacuee Property Department for subsequent posting to the subsidiary records. All entries and other items listed on the blotter should be routed in the usual manner. Recapitulation entries to "Other Deposits - Evacuee Funds" should be posted to the Accounting Department control sheet and recapitulation entries to "Sundry Items Receivable - Advances Account Evacuee Property Department" should be posted to that account in the subsidiary ledger. Credits to "Officers' and Certified Checks - Evacuee Property Department Checks", copies 3 of the check form, received by the Items on Us Register keeper should be listed on the proof sheet, Mis. 206B, and the total included in the total credit to "Officers' and Certified Checks." The credit copies should then be filed and subsequently attached to the checks when paid.

A memorandum should be prepared by the Evacuee Property Department of the balances shown by its controls at the close of each day and delivered to the Accounting Department for verification to the accounts maintained by the latter department. The individual entries may be posted to the evacuees' accounts the following morning and the ledger proved to the balance shown by the control.

The accounting instructions outlined above have been prepared without having available complete information as to the way in which settlements may be necessary. Should you have cases or circumstances for which the accounting seems inadequate, please inform us.

(signed) C. E. Earhart

C a s h i e r.

All Branches

April 24, 1942

Disposition of Motor Vehicles Eligible
For Purchase by the Army

In our letter of April 22nd, 1942, and other communications previous thereto, we have outlined the procedure for the appraisal of motor vehicles and the execution of Form EP 6, where the legal owner is other than the evacuee.

When these steps have been completed and a car has been designated for sale to the Army, the car may be released to the Quartermaster Corps representative and a charge should be made to "Sundry Items Receivable-Advanced Account Evacuee Property Department" for the sale price and the amount credited to the account of the evacuee in accordance with the accounting procedure outlined in a separate letter today.

If the legal owner is other than the evacuee, necessitating the liquidation of the indebtedness against the vehicle, an Evacuee Property Department check should be drawn to the legal owner for the amount of the settlement balance and the ownership certificate, properly endorsed by the legal owner, acquired. You should endorse the certificate in the evacuee's name and countersign as agent in the place provided for registered owner.

If the evacuee is the legal owner, the ownership certificate will previously have been acquired and the above entries should be functioned upon designation of the car for sale. If the certificate was not properly endorsed at the time of surrender you should supply the necessary endorsement as above outlined.

The ownership certificate, registration certificate, and the license plates should be delivered to the nearest office of the Division of Motor Vehicles for cancellation, accompanied by confirmed copies of WCCA Form FRS-3 and WCCA Form FRS-4. The Department of Motor Vehicles will issue a receipt for the documents and plates surrendered.

The balance due the evacuee should be disbursed by Evacuee Property Department check as provided in the accounting procedure.

We were hopeful that we would be in a position to inform you at this time of the procedure to be followed in procuring reimbursement for cars sold. However, we have not yet been informed by the Quartermaster Corps as to voucher forms and other details required in obtaining reimbursement, or as to what form of receipt will be given us for the cars. We will advise you in these respects as soon as possible.

(Signed) C. E. Harhart

Cashier

EXTRA COPY

April 24, 1942.

Storage of property not fitted for use in resettlement areas.

Following is the substance of a memorandum from Mr. Hale to Colonel Bendetsen dated April 14, 1942, and the substance of Colonel Bendetsen's reply memorandum dated April 22, 1942, regarding the foregoing:

Mr. Hale's Memorandum:

"1. From time to time this bank is requested by Japanese evacuees to accept for storage special types of property which might not be appropriate for use in areas where evacuees are finally resettled.

2. Typically, we have received a request from the North American Shinto Temple, Los Angeles, to arrange for the storage of a memorial shrine to President Washington and President Lincoln, which is presently installed in the temple itself. The shrine is fourteen feet square and was built at a cost of approximately \$3,000.00. The temple and, of course, the shrine within it are situated on land owned by the Southern Pacific Railroad Company. The temple building has been sold to the Catholic church and will be moved, but the shrine was not included in the sale.

3. Other avenues for the disposition of this property have been and are continuing to be explored by our representatives.

4. This situation, while unique as to the specific type of property involved, is nevertheless typical of many cases coming before this bank.

5. It would be appreciated if we were given some guide as to the wishes of the Military Authorities on the question whether it is felt that the storage of such types of property should be permitted at government expense."

Colonel Bendetsen's Memorandum:

"1. Reference is made to your memorandum of April 14, 1942, with respect to the above subject, which arrived during my absence in Washington.

2. Responsive to the questions presented by you, you are advised that storage of property not fitted for use in connection with relocation is desired and authorized wherever provision can be reasonably made therefor. The case in reference cited by you is one falling within the authorization for storage."

We believe the foregoing will be self-explanatory.

(SIGNED) R. E. EVERSON

Assistant Cashier.

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April 23, 1942.

Property Holdings of Internees

Following is the substance of a memorandum to Colonel Bendetsen dated April 6, 1942 requesting instructions as to the treatment of requests of internees that we pick up and store their personal property, and of Colonel Bendetsen's reply of April 9, 1942:

Mr. Hale's Memorandum:

1. The Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco is beginning to receive communications from internees in various of the internment camps regarding the disposition of their properties which were left behind at the time of detention.
2. We are requested to pick up and store personal property of such persons, particularly in cases where their possessions are in rented premises.
3. As internees are in a somewhat different position from evacuees, we would appreciate receiving an expression of the attitude of the military authorities regarding the handling of requests of this character so far as the matter of disposition of property is concerned. The enclosed copy of a letter from Senkichi Shimada dated March 18, 1942 is typical. It may be borne in mind, however, that requests may be expected from Italian and German internees as well as internees of Japanese ancestry.

Colonel Bendetsen's Memorandum:

Your memorandum of April 6th, 1942, which raised the question as to what arrangements could be made to store internees' property, particularly that left on rented premises, has been received.

As you mention in your memorandum the internees are in a somewhat different position than the evacuees. As this office was established for evacuation purposes it is doubtful if we have the authority to come to the assistance of the internees.

Conversations were held with Mr. W. Howland of the Department of Justice, and Mr. A. L. Stoner of the office of the Alien Property Custodian. The consensus appears to be that questions concerning the storage of internees' property should be referred to the Alien Property Custodian.

(SIGNED) R. E. EVERSON

Assistant Cashier.

April 22, 1942.

INSTRUCTIONS TO APPRAISERS UNDER PLAN OF ACQUISITION OF
MOTOR VEHICLES (WCCA FORM FRB-3 AND WCCA FORM FRB-4)

Attached are two copies of instructions to appraisers. Every effort has been made to keep these instructions simple and concise. He is expected to appraise automobiles submitted to him for consideration on the same basis as followed in private trade.

Our purpose in approaching the problem from this point of view is that above everything else we want to obtain an appraisal based on fair market value. However, there are several administrative problems in connection with these appraisals which must be taken into consideration by us. Reference is made to WCCA Form FRB-4 (Alternative #2) which defines the term motor vehicle as follows:

"Passenger cars, light and medium. Heavy passenger cars in order to come within the purchasable category must be classified as 'medium' as the Army is not authorized to purchase any 'heavy' passenger cars."

For your information the Army has made these three classifications of cars:

Light (Ford, Chevrolet, Plymouth, etc.)
Medium (Dodge, light Oldsmobile, light Buick, etc.)
Heavy (Cadillac, Lincoln, Packard, etc.)

Army regulations prevent the payment of more than \$750 for a "light" car or \$1200 for a "medium" car regardless of location. These are fixed limitations and freight costs do not influence such purchase price. "Heavy" cars will be classified in the "medium" class after appraisal has been made. A "heavy" car appraised at a value of \$1200 or less will automatically fall into the "medium" classification. If a "heavy" car is appraised at a value which exceeds \$1200, it may nevertheless be purchased for the Army at that maximum price if, in our discretion, the interests of the evacuee will be best served thereby.

Appraisers should be employed in the same manner as other employees in the Evacuee Property Department, as the cost of appraisal will not be charged against individual motor vehicles but will be absorbed as general expense. As soon as appraisals have been completed and compared with data obtained on Form EP6, it can then be determined what cars are eligible for purchase by the Army. In other words, if the appraisal exceeds the amount owing the legal owner, you should notify this office and we will make arrangements with the Quartermaster Corps to obtain the name of its representative who will take delivery in the community, which information we will pass on to you.

The problem of clearing title with the Motor Vehicle Department is under consideration, as is the method of paying for the cars and collecting from the Army. However, you should take the necessary steps toward determining the eligibility of motor vehicles for purchase by the Army, pending completion of the other administrative details.

(SIGNED) R. E. EVERSON

Assistant Cashier.

Enclosures.

MEMORANDUM

April 22, 1942

SUBJECT: INSTRUCTIONS TO APPRAISERS OF MOTOR VEHICLES BASED ON INFORMATION CONTAINED IN CCA FORM FRB-3 AND CCA FORM FRB-4.

You will be furnished a supply of Motor Vehicle Inspection and Valuation Reports (Form EPMS, attached) and are requested to be guided by the following rules in appraising the motor vehicles submitted for your consideration:

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3. Your Appraised Valuation, therefore, should be the difference of such Bluebook wholesale value and the cost of reconditioning.
4. The original of the Appraisal Report must be submitted to the office of this Bank concerned, signed by both appraisers.
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Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco,
 Fiscal Agent of the United States,
 Evacuee Property Department

MOTOR VEHICLE INSPECTION
AND VALUATION REPORT

Make _____
 Model _____
 Body Type _____
 Mileage _____
 License No. _____
 Serial No. _____
 Engine No. _____

Name _____
 Family Number _____
 Date _____

	OK (✓)	AMOUNT
Body		\$
Springs		
Tires		
Frame		
Starter		
Generator		
Clutch		
Transmission		
Brakes		
Rear End		
Engine		
Other Repairs		

TOTAL - - - - - \$ _____

Blue Book - Wholesale Value - - - \$ _____
 Loss, cost of Reconditioning - - \$ _____
 Appraised Valuation - - - - - \$ _____

Appraiser: _____
 Appraiser: _____

CROSS INDEX

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Letter to All Branches

Re Guards for Wounded Men

File 5 of City

Filed Los Angeles

TO SALT LAKE CITY FOR INFORMATION ONLY
PORTLAND, SEATTLE, LOS ANGELES

April 11, 1942

Compilation of Information Relative to Re-examination of
Military Areas and Zones

Enclosed is a copy of Instruction letter No. 20 relating to
the above subject.

Such data as may now be in your hands or which may come to
your attention in the future should be forwarded to this office for
transmittal to the proper Military authorities.

Additional copies of the Instruction letter are going forward
in the usual course.

Enclosure

Assistant Cashier.

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Re Motor Vehicle Purchase Plan

Filed Los Angeles

Portland
Seattle
Los Angeles
Salt Lake City (For information only.)

April 9, 1942

Storage of Personal Property

We are enclosing the following:

1. Suggested form of letter returning keys to persons designated by the evacuees to receive them. It is intended that letters be forwarded by registered mail.
2. Suggested forms of letters to be sent to each evacuee, returning one copy of WCCA Form FRB-2 bearing our receipt. Two types of letters are enclosed in this connection; one form being intended for use where the property received into storage conforms to the completed form as submitted by the evacuee, and the other for use when there appears to be a variance between the list as submitted by the evacuee and the property actually received by us.

It is observed that in this latter case, provision is made for any comments which the evacuee may care to make upon receipt of our letter, in order that he may have an opportunity to call to our attention promptly any dissatisfaction.

3. A copy of WCCA Form FRB-2, to which has been added the clause "The above items consist of _____ individual units", under the Inventory List.

Inasmuch as we have been requested by the War Relocation Authority to forward a copy of WCCA Form FRB-2 to it in each case where an evacuee's property is stored by us, we would appreciate your transmitting to us, copies for that purpose, in order that we may in turn forward them to the War Relocation Authority. The copy which is to be forwarded to this Authority should conform to the copy which is to be forwarded to the evacuee.

The inclusion of the above phrase on the form is so that the War Relocation Authority will be informed as to the total number of units of property in each case, which may not be disclosed by the item described by the evacuee. It is, however, not intended that the War Relocation Authority will have a detailed description of the number of units comprising each item, such as will be shown on the copy of the form which is retained for the files of this bank.

Vice President.

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO

FISCAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES

REGISTERED MAIL

Family Number _____

Enclosed is the door key for premises
located at _____
formerly occupied by _____
now evacuated, who has instructed us to forward
the key to you.

Yours very truly,

Assistant Cashier

FOR DEFENSE



FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO

FISCAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES

Family Number _____

Enclosed is a copy of form BOCA-FRB-2 covering your property placed in storage at the place indicated on the form. The property received agrees with the list submitted by you.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of the enclosure by signing and returning the enclosed copy of this letter.

Yours very truly,

Assistant Cashier.

Receipt of the enclosure is acknowledged

Date

Signature

FOR DEFENSE



FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO

FISCAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES

Family Number _____

Inclosed is a copy of Form WGA-FRB-1 covering your property placed in storage at the place indicated on the form. The property received agrees with the list submitted by you with the following exceptions:

Kindly acknowledge receipt of the enclosure by signing and returning the enclosed copy of this letter.

Yours very truly,

Assistant Cashier.

Receipt of the enclosure is acknowledged

Date

Signature

Comments: _____

FOR DEFENSE



BUY
UNITED
STATES
SAVINGS
BONDS
AND STAMPS

PERSONAL PROPERTY FORM

NAME OF OWNER _____ FAMILY No. _____

ADDRESS AT WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED: _____
(NUMBER) (STREET) (FLOOR, OR APT. NO.)

(CITY) (STATE)

The property described on the reverse side of this form located at the address given above is delivered to the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, as Fiscal Agent of the United States, at the sole risk of the undersigned. It is agreed that no liability or responsibility shall be assumed by the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco for any act or omission in connection with its disposition. It is understood that no insurance will be provided on this property.

WITNESSES _____

FOR _____

SIGNATURE OF OWNER _____

ILLITERATES _____

Note to Owner: DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

STORAGE NOTICE

The list of items appearing on the reverse side of this form have been placed in storage at the place indicated below with the exception of those items specifically indicated on the reverse side of this form as not found, or not delivered to the undersigned representative of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, as Fiscal Agent of the United States, or as not being of the proper type for storage. The stored items are identified only as to the number of items, crates, or boxes, and not as to the contents thereof.

DATE _____

SIGNED _____
*Representing the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco,
 as Fiscal Agent of the United States.*

PLACED IN STORAGE AT _____

INSTRUCTIONS TO OWNER

Before any property will be accepted for storage by the United States Government four (4) copies of this form must be filled in and returned to the Civil Control Station at which you registered for evacuation. On the back of each copy the items to be left for storage must be carefully listed. Items not on the printed list should be written in the blank spaces provided on this form.

Small articles must be securely packed in crates or boxes of not less than two (2) cubic feet capacity and will be indicated simply as to number of boxes, no attempt being made to itemize on this form the articles therein. All crates and boxes must be securely packed and fastened. Each box, crate, or article must be identified with tags obtained from the Civil Control Station.

No loose bundles of clothes, linens, utensils, or other small or un-substantial household items will be accepted for storage. Farm products, farm machinery, automobiles, land, livestock, or pets must not be listed as personal property on this form.

After all copies of the form have been filled in and returned to the

Civil Control Station, one copy, checked for conformity with the other three, will be given to the owner of the property. The copy delivered to the owner will be evidence merely that other copies of the form have been delivered. At this time the owner must leave the keys to the place where the property is to be found, or make arrangements to deliver the keys to the representative of the Evacuee Property Department of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco before leaving the area of his residence.

The copy delivered to the owner merely shows the number of items, boxes, and crates which the owner claims he has prepared for storage. It does not constitute an agreed inventory. It does not constitute a verified list. It does not constitute any evidence of the number of items actually stored or of the contents of boxes, crates or packages. Verification of the inventory list of items actually stored will be made as storage is accomplished. A verified list will then be forwarded to the owner.

The copy of the list mailed to the owner will serve as a permanent record and should be carefully preserved by him.

PERSONAL PROPERTY INVENTORY LIST

OWNER'S REPORT NUMBER OF PCS.	ARTICLE	ITEM CHECK		OWNER'S REPORT NUMBER OF PCS.	ARTICLE	ITEM CHECK		OWNER'S REPORT NUMBER OF PCS.	ARTICLE	ITEM CHECK	
		REC'D	SHIPPED			REC'D	SHIPPED			REC'D	SHIPPED
LIVING ROOM				BEDROOM				KITCHEN — (Con't)			
	Bookcase				Bassinet						
	Book shelves				Beds, incl. spring & matt.						
	Chair, arm				Double						
	Chair, occasional				Single						
	Chair, overstuffed				Box springs for double bed						
	Chair, straight				Box springs for single bed						
	Davenport				Carton, clothes						
	Desk				Chair, bouclair						
	Lamp, floor				Chair, straight						
	Music cabinet				Chair, rocker						
	Piano, Grand				Chest, ender						
	Piano upright				Chest of drawers						
	Piano bench				Child's bed						
	Phonograph				Child's rocker						
	Radio, cabinet				Child's table and chairs						
	Radio, table model				Gaffronier						
	Refrigerator				Dresser						
	Rug, large				Dresser, vanity						
	Rug, small				Dresser, vanity bench						
	Rug, pad—large				Hamper, clothes						
	Smoking stand				Lamp, floor						
	Stool, foot				Lamp, table (no shade) box						
	Studio couch				Night table						
	Table, coffee				Rug, large						
	Table, dropleaf				Rug, small						
	Table, end				Suitcase						
	Table, gateleg				Trunk						
	Table, library										
	Table, nest										
	Table, occasional										
	Telephone stand & chair										
DINING ROOM				KITCHEN				MISCELLANEOUS			
	Buffet				Brooms & Mops, bundle				Barrel		
	Chair, arm				Chair				Basket		
	Chair, straight				Highchair				Bicycle		
	China closet				Ironing board				Boxes		
	Dinette table				Kitchen cabinet				Buggy		
	Rug, large				Linoleum				Cartons		
	Rug, small				Range				Card table		
	Table, extension				Refrigerator, electric				Cot, folding		
					Refrigerator, ice				Day bed		
					Stool				Folding chair		
					Table				Heater		
					Utility cabinet				Lawn mower		
									Mangle		
									Play pen		
									Porch chair (wicker)		
									Porch rocker		
									Porch davenport		
									Porch rug, large		
									Porch table		
									Sewing cabinet		
									Sewing machine		
									Step Ladder		
									Tool chest		
									Tub		
									Vacuum cleaner		
									Wash boiler		
									Washing machine		
									Work bench		

The above items consist of individual units.

If the property herein claimed to have been delivered, and which actually was delivered is lost, damaged, or destroyed as the result of negligence while it is in the possession or custody of the United States, or of any agency acting for it, the Congress of the United States will be asked to take appropriate action for the benefit of the owners.

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Description of Document Cross-Indexed:

Letter to Lt Col W A Boetzel
Wartime Civil Control Admin.

Re Wire from Portland on injustices
in Swabian

Copied all branches - S. L. C. [✓]

Filed Wartime

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COPY

St. Paul Police City

AIR MAIL

March 31, 1942

Evacuee Property Department.

We are enclosing 10 copies of "Motor Vehicle Registration Form" (WCCA Form FRB-3) and 10 copies of "Personal Property Form" (WCCA Form FRB-2).

These are forwarded for your information as they are the two forms which have been prepared for use in connection with the storage of household furniture, personal property and automobiles. These are the forms which will be used in the manner outlined in our memorandum forwarded with our previous communications, particularly our letter dated March 29, 1942, and our letter dated March 30, 1942.

The forms were prepared by the Wartime Civil Control Administration for our use and adequate supplies will be available as each controlled evacuation occurs.

(Signed) Everson

Assistant Cashier.

Enclosure
Armstrong/jm

COPY

Copy of letter sent to
Los Angeles, Portland and Seattle Branches
To Salt Lake City Branch for information only.

March 30, 1942

Buyers and Sellers List

We are enclosing four copies of a list of Businesses and Properties for Sale, Lease, Rent, and Management and Opportunities Wanted, which we are distributing among our Field Representatives. It is suggested that you may wish to prepare a similar list for your own zone.

(Signed) R.E. Everson

Assistant Cashier.

Enclosures
Armstrong/gh

March 29, 1942

MEMORANDUM TO: COLONEL HAAS

SUBJECT: PARKING OF MOTOR VEHICLES

I. We understand that it is the present intention that evacuees will be permitted to drive to travel centers in the controlled evacuation program in their own motor vehicles, at which centers the vehicles will be parked.

II. We further understand that suggestions have been solicited as to the manner of handling the identification and disposition of such vehicles; accordingly we respectfully submit the following suggestions as to procedure:

*a. That upon his first call at the reception center the evacuee be provided by the agency selected for that purpose with a tag in the nature of that used in connection with household furniture-storage which will provide for the evacuee's identification number and name.

*b. The evacuee should present the identification tag provided, together with the registration certificate of the vehicle, to the person designated for that purpose at the reception center who will prepare a suitable form in triplicate from the identification tag and registration certificate to show the following:

1. Name of evacuee
2. Identification number of evacuee
3. Name of registered owner
4. Address of registered owner
5. Make of vehicle
6. Year model
7. Type of vehicle
8. Engine number
9. Serial number
10. License number
11. Name of legal owner

*To be done by Federal Security Agency.

Memorandum to: Colonel Haas

March 29, 1942

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- *c. Two copies of the form, together with the registration certificate, will be handed to the evacuee for his retention until arrival at the travel center. The third copy shall be retained by the Agency completing the form.
- **d. On arrival at the travel center the evacuee will deliver to the person designated for such purpose the two copies of the form, the registration certificate, and keys to the vehicle.
- **e. The person designated will check all numbers on the form and if found to be correct will receipt on one copy of the form to be delivered to the evacuee; the remaining copy, together with the registration certificate and the keys to the vehicle will be placed in an envelope provided for that purpose. The tag will be placed on the vehicle.
- **f. The envelope will be held in the custody of the Agency selected for that purpose until its responsibility in connection with the vehicle is terminated.

(Signed) R. E. Everson

Assistant Cashier.

*To be done by Federal Security Agency.

**To be done by Federal Reserve Bank.

Salt Lake City

March 29, 1942.

Register Forms

We are forwarding you today the following register forms, all but one of which have been mentioned in correspondence:

- EPM-1 Register of Petitions to Designate Special Blocked Property
- EPM-2 Register of Posting Notices Designating Special Blocked Property
- EPM-3 Register of Mail Notices Designating Special Blocked Property
- EPM-4 Register of Powers of Attorney Accepted
- EPM-5 Register of Schedules of Evacuee Property Held in Storage.

The latter form will serve as a record of the various lists or schedules of property which you may have occasion to place in storage.

We are also forwarding in the same package the supply of EP-5, Instructions of Evacuee for Disposition of Property, referred to in a separate letter of today.

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Assistant Cashier.

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Sif. C.

March 13, 1942.

Evacuee Property Department

Our Letter March 27, 1942.

We are enclosing a copy of a memorandum dated March 26, 1942, signed by Karl R. Bendetsen, Colonel G. S. G Assistant Chief of Staff, Civil Affairs Division.

As you will observe from the memorandum, it amends the previous memorandum dated March 24, 1942, and gives in more detail the type of items which might be accepted by us for storage.

The paragraph numbered 2 in our letter of March 27, covered a proposed procedure which would change to some extent the responsibilities of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco and the Federal Security Agency. This proposal has not been accepted, and the memorandum of March 24, as amended by the Memorandum of March 26, will no doubt stand as written.

In other words, the plan at the present writing is, that the Federal Security Agency will furnish the inventory lists for furniture to be accepted by the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco. The Federal Security Agency will furnish the tags to be placed on the articles stored. The Federal Security Agency will interview evacuees in the first instance and instruct them in the preparation of the lists and tags. When the lists have been completed, the Federal Security Agency will turn them over to the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, who will be responsible for the cartage from the evacuee's home to the warehouse, the storage of the property and its continued custody pending transfer of the custody to the Wartime Relocation Authority for final disposition. The Federal Reserve Bank will deliver the original copy of the list to the War Relocation Authority present in the Civil Control Office. The second copy of the list will be retained by the Federal Reserve Bank and the third copy will either be delivered or forwarded to the evacuee.

(Signed) R. E. Everson

Assistant Cashier

March 26, 1942

MEMORANDUM for Mr. Wm. M. Hale, Federal Reserve Bank
Mr. Richard Neustadt, Federal Security Agency
Mr. Milton Eisenhower, War Relocation Authority

SUBJECT: Storage of Japanese property

1. Reference is made to a previous memorandum dated March 24, 1942, with regard to provision for the storage of household goods of Japanese evacuees. The scope of the memorandum on its face is limited to household goods.
2. In order to provide for those cases in which Japanese merchants and professional men are unable to dispose of their stocks and goods on any reasonable basis, storage of stocks or goods, wares, merchandise and professional equipment, when crated and packed is authorized.
3. Some stocks may include perishable goods and other unacceptable items. Storage will be on the basis of application for permission to store, and approval of the application by local authority.
4. The division of responsibility as set forth in the memorandum of March 24th will obtain suggestion only to the modification proposed in the memorandum of even date herewith with respect to paragraph 7 of the memorandum of March 24th.

KARL R. BENDETSSEN
Colonel G. S. C.
Assistant Chief of Staff
Civil Affairs Division

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S. L. City

March 29, 1962.

Instructions regarding use of Powers of Attorney
(Forms Mis. 233 and Mis. 234)

In dealing with evacuees relative to problems involving their property interests, there will be encountered certain cases where the evacuee will not desire to appoint anyone other than the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco as his attorney-in-fact. Forms Mis. 233 and Mis. 234 are designed to cover such situations.

Generally speaking this bank will not accept powers of attorney to act for evacuees unless and until the powers to be exercised and the general situation surrounding the transaction have been examined and it is felt that this bank can perform a useful function in accepting the power. The acceptance of a power of attorney carries with it the obligation to exercise reasonable diligence in the performance of the duties undertaken. The obligations thus involved should only be assumed in those cases where it appears reasonably certain that no one else can be found to accept the responsibility and where it also appears that the evacuee has a clear equity or other property rights which cannot be adequately protected except through the acceptance of the power. This bank should not undertake to act as attorney-in-fact in any case which involves the carrying on of a going business concern, such as the conduct of a mercantile business, the management and operation of a hotel or rooming house, or other such active business. Powers of attorney should be accepted in cases involving the care and harvesting of growing crops only in those instances where arrangements have been made in advance with the local agency of the Department of Agriculture, a reliable agriculturist or other competent channel through which the work can be performed.

In each instance where after investigation it seems necessary for the Federal Reserve Bank to accept a power of attorney, the power should be accompanied by written instructions signed by the grantor of the power, setting forth the duties which the bank is called upon to perform, the disposition to be made of the property, and any other necessary details in relation thereto. These instructions must, of course, be in form and substance satisfactory to this bank. Cases involving the assumption by this bank of important or onerous duties should be referred to head office for consideration, accompanied by a statement of all necessary details, before the power of attorney is accepted.

Since the exercise of power under the authority granted may involve dealing in real property or in personal property in connection with which mortgages or other encumbrances exist, both forms of power of attorney must be acknowledged before a notary public.

Form Mis. 233

This form is intended for execution by individuals or co-partnerships. If executed by a co-partnership, the signatures of all co-partners should be obtained wherever possible. Names, addresses and dates should be carefully filled in. The evacuee should not be encouraged to execute a power of attorney until after a

sufficient investigation has been made to determine that the duties to be performed thereunder are such as reasonably can be accepted by this bank.

As stated above, when the power of attorney is executed, it should be accompanied by written instructions signed by the same persons who execute the power of attorney, setting forth in general terms the disposition to be made of the property involved, a description of the property, its location, and such guaranties as may seem necessary with regard to the payment of rent, storage charges, taxes, or other obligations going with the property.

The grantor of the power of attorney should be furnished a duplicate copy. It will be noted that the power of attorney is not valid for any purpose until accepted in writing by this bank. Such acceptances properly dated and signed by an authorized agent of this bank should not be executed until after the investigation above referred to has been made.

Form Mis. 234

This form is intended for execution only by corporations. The general observations applicable to form Mis. 233 above set forth apply to this form. The same investigation should be made and the same form of written instructions should be obtained. Greater care, however, is necessary in connection with the execution of corporate powers of attorney.

The correct name of the corporation should be inserted on the first line and at the place for signature. It should be signed by the president or vice president, attested by the secretary or assistant secretary, and the corporate seal must be affixed. Powers of attorney should not be accepted from corporations unless accompanied by a certified copy of resolution of the directors specifically authorizing the issuance of the power of attorney.

Any power of attorney which you find it advisable to accept should be executed in triplicate; the original should be filed in your vault, one copy retained for the files of the operating department, and one copy given to the evacuee.

The instructions which should accompany the Power of Attorney should be executed on Form EP 5, Instructions of Evacuee for Disposition of Property, a copy of which is attached and a supply of which will be forwarded under separate cover. If additional pages are necessary for listing the property concerned, plain sheets should be used. Forms EP 5 should be executed in triplicate, one copy for your files, one for the evacuee, and one copy forwarded to Head Office.

Each power of attorney accepted should be assigned a number in sequence with prefix letter(s) for your branch and recorded on register form EPM-4, a supply of which is being forwarded to you.

(Signed) R. E. Everson

Assistant Cashier.

Enclosure

Copy of letter sent to Los Angeles,
Portland and Seattle Branch
To Salt Lake City Branch for information only. March 28, 1942

Contraband

Our wire March 28, 1942

Air Mail - Special Delivery

We are enclosing a copy of Special Instructions No. 1 dated March 28, 1942 which was wired to you at the request of Colonel Bendetsen with the request that this information be made available to the staff in your Evacuee Property Department office and particularly to the representatives of the U. S. Employment Service.

We are also enclosing a copy of a memorandum dated March 28, 1942 addressed to the Alien Property Custodian by Colonel Bendetsen which sets forth the manner in which Japanese contraband is to be handled.

It will be observed that the responsibility for arranging for the storage of these items has been placed on the Federal Security Agency with deliveries to be accepted at U. S. Employment Service Offices pending the making of warehouse arrangements.

As our wire indicated, we believe that it is not the intention to use our Evacuee Property Department offices for the purpose of receiving contraband items but rather that any such items in your city would be delivered to the regular U. S. Employment Service offices. If we receive any information to the contrary we will advise you.

(Signed) R.E.E.

Assistant Cashier.

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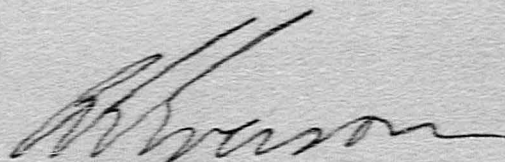
March 28, 1942

Evacuee Property Department

For your information, the attached is a copy of Proclamation No. 4, sent by telegram today to Los Angeles, Seattle and Portland, with the following comment:

"Mr. Neustadt of the Federal Security Agency has requested that we transmit the following to you for the information of the Federal Security Agency employees in your office. The Field Offices have already been advised direct by the Federal Security Agency:

Armstrong/jm



Assistant Cashier.

"Proclamation No. 4, issued this date and effective at midnight, March 29, 1942, reads as follows:

"TO: The people within the States of Washington, Oregon, California, Montana, Idaho, Nevada, Utah and Arizona, and the Public Generally:

WHEREAS, By Public Proclamation No. 1, dated March 2, 1942, this headquarters, there was designated and established Military Area No. 1, and

WHEREAS, It is necessary, in order to provide for the welfare and to insure the orderly evacuation and resettlement of Japanese voluntarily migrating from Military Area No. 1, to restrict and regulate such migration:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, J. L. DE WITT, Lieutenant General, U.S. Army, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the President of the United States and by the Secretary of War and my powers and prerogatives as Commanding General, Western Defense Command, do hereby declare that the present situation requires as a matter of military necessity that, commencing at 12:00 midnight, P. W. T., March 29, 1942, all alien Japanese and persons of Japanese ancestry who are within the limits of Military Area No. 1, be and they are hereby prohibited from leaving that area for any purpose until and to the extent that a future proclamation or order of this headquarters shall so permit or direct.

Any person violating this proclamation will be subject to the criminal penalties provided by Public Law No. 503, 77th Congress, approved March 21, 1942, entitled: 'An Act to Provide a Penalty for Violation of Restrictions or Orders with Respect to Persons entering, Remaining in, Leaving or Committing any Act in Military Areas or Zones.' In the case of any alien enemy, such person will in addition be subject to immediate apprehension and internment.

Proclamation No. 4 does not impose any additional restrictions on travel by Japanese other than those restrictions already imposed by Proclamations Nos. 1 and 2, by Proclamation No. 3, the curfew proclamation, and by the previously issued travel restrictions regulations of the Attorney General which are applicable to Japanese aliens.

Japanese desiring to obtain the change of residence notice required by Proclamation No. 1 may obtain such permission, until midnight March 29, 1942, from Field Offices of the Wartime Civil Control Administration and from any United States Employment Service Office. Post Offices in Military Area No. 1 have been instructed to suspend issuance of such change of residence notices. Post Offices have further been instructed to advise all Japanese applicants to go to the Wartime Civil Control Administration Field Offices or U.S. Employment Service Offices. Issuance of change of residence notices by Wartime Civil Control Administration and U.S. Employment Service Offices is limited to those cases in which social security agency representatives establish that the applicant has a destination with employment and shelter awaiting him or ample means of his own.

Japanese groups who have already concluded satisfactory arrangements for private resettlement may obtain change of residence notices until midnight Sunday, March 29, 1942, and if they obtain such notices prior to that time they may pursue their plans provided they leave Military Area No. 1 prior to the dead-line. If the trip has been initiated to a destination outside of Military Area No. 1 prior to the dead-line, the trip may be completed.

Arrangements will be made by the War time Civil Control Administration to reunite the families which have been separated and not brought together prior to March 29, 1942.

Henry B. Lewis
Adjutant General
Western Defense Command
and Fourth Army

The above is being forwarded in this manner, as Proclamation No. 4 has not yet been made available in print.

EVERSON

Function and Unit No.

5046

(ARMSTRONG:JM)

Copy sent to S. S. C. Br.
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Handwritten signature

AIR MAIL

PORTLAND

March 27, 1942

Evacuee Property Department

We are enclosing a copy of a memorandum dated March 24, 1942, from the Western Defense Command and Fourth Army, signed by Karl R. Bendetsen, Colonel G. S. C. Assistant Chief of Staff, Civil Affairs Division.

We understand that certain changes, as follows, will be made in the procedure outlined.

1. In addition to warehousing household goods, it is intended that professional equipment, such as that which might be found in a Doctor's office, Dentist's office, etc. be also accepted. Also stocks of merchandise, if properly boxed, etc. This, of course, will not include anything of a perishable or semi-perishable nature.

2. Instead of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco checking goods into warehouse, the Federal Security Agency will not only make a list of the goods to be stored and deliver identification tags to be placed upon household goods, but will also check the goods into the warehouse, upon the completion of which the list will be delivered to the War Relocation Authority.

The above exceptions, of course, are subject to final decision and we will give you the exact wording of the amendment to the memorandum as soon as it is received by us.

The guarding function, is not merely confined to guarding of goods stored in warehouse, but as mentioned in Paragraph 2 of the memorandum, applies to property not warehoused, pending its liquidation. This will include the guarding of automobiles. It is our understanding that if automobiles are not used for the purpose of transferring evacuees to their destination, they will be brought to a central location designated at the time the postings are made in the military area being evacuated.

In carrying out the guarding function, it is suggested that you solicit the services of the local policing authorities, with the idea in mind that they are in better position to obtain and supervise the men under their jurisdiction. They should be informed that the cost of providing guards for warehouses will be paid by the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, as well as any additional guards for automobile lots or additional guards necessary to properly police any property belonging to evacuees, which is not warehoused, pending its liquidation.

Handwritten signature
Assistant Cashier.

Enclosure

COPY

WESTERN DEFENSE COMMAND AND FOURTH ARMY

Wartime Civil Control Administration
1231 Market Street
San Francisco, California

March 24, 1942

MEMORANDUM TO Mr. William M. Hale, Federal Reserve Bank, San Francisco
Mr. Richard Neustadt, Federal Security Agency, San Francisco
Mr. Milton Eisenhower, War Relocation Authority

In the evacuation of Bainbridge Island and in all subsequent evacuations, the Federal Security Agency and the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco are authorized and directed to establish and employ the following procedure in handling the storage of household goods of evacuees:

1. The Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco is charged with the responsibility of obtaining suitable storage space together with sufficient staff to handle the warehousing of the household goods.
2. The Federal Reserve Bank is charged with responsibility of arranging in any way that it sees fit for the guarding of such warehouses and of any property not warehoused, pending its liquidation.
3. The Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco is charged with the responsibility of entering into contracts for the removal of household goods to be stored to the warehouse.
4. The Federal Security Agency is charged with the responsibility of registering evacuees when they appear at the Civil Control Office. Each evacuee will be provided with a number for identification purposes.
5. The Federal Security Agency is charged with the responsibility of obtaining from the evacuee a list of the household effects which he desires to have stored. The number assigned to the evacuee should be placed upon this list and the list should be delivered to the representative of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco present in the Civil Control Office.
6. The Federal Security Agency is charged with the responsibility of delivering to the evacuee identification tags to be placed upon his household goods. Each tag shall bear the number assigned to the evacuee.
7. The Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, after using the list of household goods furnished by the Federal Security Agency in moving the furniture into storage, shall deliver that list to the representative of the War Relocation Authority present in the Civil Control Office.
8. The War Relocation Authority will be charged with the responsibility of moving such household effects from storage to the resettlement area in which the evacuee is ultimately established.

(signed) Karl R. Bendetsen
Colonel G.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff
Civil Affairs Division

COPY

Salt Lake City

PORTLAND

March 26, 1942

Evacuee Property Department

We are enclosing three copies each of the following for your information:

1. Bulletin No. 2 - March 16, 1942
Japanese Population and Number of Japanese Family Heads in Arizona by Minor Civil Divisions: 1940
2. Bulletin No. 3 - March 16, 1942
Japanese Population and Number of Japanese Family Heads in California by Minor Civil Divisions: 1940
3. Bulletin No. 4 - March 16, 1942
Japanese Population and Number of Japanese Family Heads in Washington by Minor Civil Divisions: 1940
4. Bulletin No. 5 - March 16, 1942
Japanese Population and Number of Japanese Family Heads in Oregon by Minor Civil Divisions: 1940

Bulletin No. 1 is being revised by the Wartime Civil Control Administration and will be forwarded to you later, upon its receipt.

(Signed) R.E. Everson
Assistant Cashier

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File Salt Lake City

March 19, 1942

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Evacuee Property Department

We are forwarding to you, under separate cover, a supply of "Power of Attorney" forms, Numbers Mis. 233, 234, 235 and 236. You will observe that the two former numbers are to be used in appointing the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco attorney-in-fact for the evacuee, one form being for the use of individuals and partnerships and the other for a corporation. These forms should not be distributed and no power of attorney appointing the Federal Reserve Bank should be accepted pending further instructions from this office.

The other two forms, namely, Mis. 235 and 236, have been prepared and are for the use of evacuees in appointing attorneys-in-fact other than the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco. These forms have been prepared merely for convenience of the evacuee, and are, therefore, suggested forms to be used at his option. These latter forms may be distributed to anyone requesting a supply. They are being distributed to field representatives in Head Office zone with our Instruction Letter No. 1, a copy of which is enclosed herewith.

A supply of the instruction letter is being sent you, so that you may place it, together with the Power of Attorney forms Nos. 235 and 236, in the hands of the field representatives in your zone.

It is planned to handle in a similar manner instructions which must be given all field agents in the future.

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Enclosure

March 18, 1942

ALL BRANCHES

Evacuee Property Department

Enclosed is a letter which we have directed today to all of our Field Representatives, together with the enclosure described. It will be noted that we have instructed our Field Representatives operating out of this zone to sign correspondence as such.

Additional supplies of the enclosure are going forward to you for your Field Representatives.

Assistant Cashier

Enclosures

March 13, 1942

Dear Sir:

We are enclosing a memorandum showing the various offices within the States of Washington, Oregon and California, of the U. S. Employment Service, staffed or to be staffed with Field Representatives of the Evacuee Property Department.

It is requested that all of your correspondence be signed with your signature over the title "Field Representative".

Yours very truly,

Assistant Cashier.

Enclosure

*see file
to left*

SALT LAKE CITY ✓

March 16, 1942

Evacuee Property Operations

*W. Day's
letter in file*

We are enclosing for your information a copy of a letter which went forward to those banks in the states of Washington, Oregon, California and Arizona, as are set forth in the accompanying list.

R. E. E. @

Assistant Cashier

Enclosure
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