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Letters from head office

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To: PORTLAND

Date March 11, 1942

Subject: Evacuee Property Department

Reference:

We are enclosing copies of the following documents for your information and guidance:

1. "Suggested Program of Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco and Other Public Agencies to Deal with Property of Evacuees from Pacific Coast Military Areas." This is a copy of the original telegram received from the Treasury Department in which the program was outlined.
2. "Memorandum of General Principles Governing the Operations of Reserve Bank Under Authority Granted by Wire of March 7 from Secretary of Treasury in Connection with the Program of Dealing with the Property of Evacuees from Pacific Coast Military Areas." This form was drafted locally and the principles therein have been accepted by representatives of the Treasury Department as well as ourselves.
3. Copy of "Press Release" dated March 10, 1942 submitted to Lieutenant General J. L. DeWitt, Commanding General of Western Defense Command and Fourth Army, to be released through his office.
4. Copies of "General Questions and Answers" and "Questions and Answers Pertaining to Blocked Nationals" prepared in this office for use by our employees giving hypothetical questions and brief answers. The purpose of this list is to familiarize our employees with the program.
5. Sample of a form to be used in this office by all persons in interviews, both counter and by telephone. It is suggested that similar forms be used by your office. In the event that field offices are established by you, a copy of each of the forms prepared in that office, together with any correspondence or memorandum, should be forwarded to you.
6. Copy of a "Memorandum of Functions and Operations of the Evacuee Property Department of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco as Fiscal Agent of the United States, and suggested Procedure for Cooperation of Other Banks in Administration of Evacuation Program" which we propose to forward to certain banks within the Military Areas together with a letter from Mr. Day requesting their assistance in carrying out the program.

March 11, 1942

Addressed envelopes will be handed to those individuals who are leaving the Area and from whom additional correspondence is expected.

Additional forms which are being prepared in this office and which will be sent to you in the near future consist of a counter card to be made available to persons interviewed in order that they may have the proper address for future correspondence, etc., a reference card which is to be handed to the person interviewed when an appointment has been made for him with some person outside our organization, and power of attorney forms.

As to the power of attorney, we will forward appropriate instructions in the use of the form when it is transmitted to you. Meanwhile we will refrain from accepting powers of attorney, although in response to direct requests you may inform the person that we will give consideration to the acceptance of such powers in appropriate cases.

We cannot emphasize too strongly the necessity of instructions to employees of this bank prohibiting the purchase by them or members of their families of any property of an evacuee, the sale of which relates in any way to contacts with this Bank. This, of course, does not mean that the employee or his family may not make purchases of an evacuee's goods offered for sale to the general public in the normal course of business.

Further instructions will be forthcoming from time to time and we again call your attention to the fact that we are not compelling evacuees to come to us for assistance, but we are inviting them to make use of the bank's services, assuring them that competent and impartial men are prepared to assist them in their problems.

Flagrant cases of attempted unscrupulous action of creditors which would result in fraud or forced sales should, of course, have your immediate consideration and be brought to our attention by any method of communication which seems desirable in the circumstances.

M. M. Hale (Signed)
Vice President

Enclosures

SUGGESTED PROGRAM FOR THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO
AND OTHER PUBLIC AGENCIES TO DEAL WITH PROPERTY OF EVACUEES
FROM PACIFIC COAST MILITARY AREAS

Suggested program for the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco and other public agencies to deal with property of evacuees from Pacific Coast military areas. The success of the proposed program will depend upon placing complete responsibility for its execution in a responsible West Coast agency acting under the general direction of the local military authorities.

I - SCOPE OF PROBLEM:

The evacuation on short notice of tens of thousands of persons from military areas on the Pacific Coast raises serious problems in connection with the liquidation of their property holdings and the protection of the property of such persons against fraud, forced sales, and unscrupulous creditors. Obviously the emergency will cause financial loss to the group involved. However, the following program is intended to accord to this group reasonable protection of their property interests consistent with the war effort.

II - LEGAL AUTHORITY:

Since the program is one basically to assist the evacuee in the liquidation of his property, it is expected that in most instances the evacuee will voluntarily avail himself of the facilities afforded by this program. Governmental sanctions will be necessary to deal with creditors and others who seek unfair advantages of the evacuees. There is ample legal authority now vested in the military authorities and in the Treasury Department which can be delegated to such West Coast agency to deal with this problem without necessity of obtaining further legislation or new executive orders.

III - ADMINISTRATION OF PROGRAM:

The nature and urgency of the situation, coupled with the large volume of transactions that will require prompt handling, necessitates the program's being administered by an agency on the West Coast cloaked with full authority to act without reference to Washington. The over-all control of all aspects of the evacuation must obviously rest in the military authorities. Subject to this over-all control by the army, the direct responsibility for the execution of the property aspects of the program should be placed in the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, which has branch offices in Los Angeles, Seattle, and Portland. The Federal Reserve bank will be in a position to obtain the cooperation of other Government agencies, and of well-known and experienced individuals and institutions in the various communities throughout the West Coast area. This cooperation, together with the established integrity and ability of the Federal Reserve bank, will enlist the confidence of all of the affected groups and discourage gouging by creditors or other self-seeking interests. The Federal Reserve bank will also work in close liaison with the Federal Security Agency, the United States Department of Agriculture, and other Federal, State and local public agencies that can be of assistance in dealing with the property during the course of its liquidation. These agencies will undoubtedly be called upon by the military

authorities to handle other aspects of the evacuation problem, such as the transportation and resettlement of the evacuees, and their re-employment in new areas.

The Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, which is the Fiscal Agent of the Treasury Department, will be clothed with ample authority to execute the program. The Treasury Department will lay down the broad principles and objectives of such programs as well as the general procedure to be followed. The Department will also furnish the San Francisco Bank by airplane with the requisite number of trained experts to assist in working out the details of the program in the field and to participate in its execution. If need be the Department is in a position to provide the San Francisco Federal at once with 100 or more men for this purpose. The keynote of this program is speed. It is believed that it can be put in operation by Monday, March 9, 1942.

IV - OUTLINE OF PROGRAM:

A. Properly staffed offices under the direction of the San Francisco Federal Reserve Bank will be opened at once in the local communities from which evacuees will be moved.

B. Announcement will be made throughout the area by the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco that its representatives in these offices are prepared to assist evacuees with the problem of liquidating their property and protecting them against those seeking to take unfair advantage of their plight.

C. These representatives will assist in putting the evacuees in a position to obtain buyers, lessees, and other users of their property on fair terms. In cases where the evacuee is unable to select his own agent to dispose of his property, the Federal will be prepared to act as agent for the evacuee under a power of attorney or similar arrangement and take steps to liquidate the property on fair terms.

D. Evacuees threatened by creditors will be encouraged to come to the representatives of the Federal for advice and guidance. The Federal representative will also discuss the matter with the creditor with the view to working out a fair settlement and limiting the remedies that may be pursued by the creditor who threatens unfair action. By and large the mere existence of this program of helping evacuees will eliminate or forestall most of the sharp practices that are now feared.

E. In some cases the property of the evacuee may be such that its real value can ~~only~~ be realized at a future time, e.g., Japanese novelties. In such cases the bank's representative will assist the evacuee in arranging for the storage of such property if that is the wish of the evacuee.

F. On agricultural properties the bank's representative, with the assistance of representatives of the United States Department of Agriculture, will attempt to arrange for the leasing or sale of such property or if need be for the growing of the crops, with a view to preventing their loss through inattention.

G. The Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco and its representatives will be cloaked with adequate authority to cope with problems arising on the basis of existing circumstances. The program will be flexible and at all times the bank will attempt to keep matters on a voluntary basis, satisfactory to the evacuee. Where these efforts fail it may be necessary for the bank's representatives to step in and take the property over for the purpose of obtaining a fair and reasonable liquidation.

It is expected that the setting up of this program and the accordance to the evacuees of facilities for the liquidation of their property should greatly expedite the departure on a voluntary basis of the evacuees from the military area.

*B. refer to
H. R. C. before
taking any action*

MEMORANDUM OF GENERAL PRINCIPLES GOVERNING THE OPERATIONS
OF RESERVE BANK UNDER AUTHORITY GRANTED BY WIRE OF MARCH 7
FROM SECRETARY OF TREASURY IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROGRAM
OF DEALING WITH THE PROPERTY OF EVACUEES FROM
PACIFIC COAST MILITARY AREAS

(1) The controlling principles to be followed are those outlined in the "Suggested Program for the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco and Other Public Agencies to Deal with Property of Evacuees of Pacific Coast Military Areas" referred to in the telegram of March 7 from the Secretary of the Treasury delegating authority to the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco.

(2) All available sources, including the press, radio, appropriate federal agencies, banking institutions etc. will be employed by the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco in the dissemination of information to evacuees with respect to the protection of their property interests. The evacuees will be encouraged to consult with the institutions with which they have been dealing and in which they have confidence, such as their local banking connections, attorneys, real estate agents, etc. in order to obtain information and work out satisfactory arrangements with respect to the disposition or maintenance of their property holdings. It will be made clear to the evacuees that the services of the Federal Reserve Bank and its branches and offices are freely available to them to see that they are not taken advantage of. Where the evacuee is unable to make other arrangements satisfactory to him, the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco will undertake to act as agent for the evacuee, reserving the right to decline to act if no useful purpose will be served.

(3) It is understood that no decision has been made that evacuees may not return after the war. Accordingly, while emphasis will be on liquidation, the evacuee may retain the ownership of property which he leaves behind, making appropriate arrangements with the Federal Reserve Bank or otherwise for its care and preservation.

(4) In addition to its branches in Los Angeles, Seattle, and Portland, the Federal Reserve Bank expects to establish offices in such other communities as may be necessary to furnish adequate service to the evacuees. It is recognized, however, that the Federal Reserve Bank may, in cases where it has accepted a power of attorney to act on behalf of an evacuee, appoint as its agent any bank or other appropriate agency or person which it may designate.

(5) It is understood that in protecting evacuees from unscrupulous action on the part of creditors, the Federal Reserve Bank may invoke the freezing powers and the other powers in Section 5(b) of the Trading with the Enemy Act. Thus evacuees threatened by creditors will be encouraged to come to the Federal Reserve offices and discuss their problems. These

offices will be prepared to call in the creditor and attempt to negotiate a reasonable settlement. If it appears that the creditor is not willing to deal fairly, the Federal Reserve office will make use of its delegated powers. It will block all or the relevant part of the evacuee's assets and freeze them against any attempt of the creditor to seize or attach them. The creditor will be granted permission to pursue his remedies only when the Federal Reserve office is satisfied that adequate protection has been accorded the evacuee. Usually the knowledge that the Federal Reserve office is prepared to act will be more than adequate to remedy the situation.

(6) It is understood in carrying out this program that the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco will not exercise the powers under Section 5(b) of Trading with the Enemy Act as Amended by Title III of First War Powers Act to vest title to any alien property without prior consultation and agreement of the Treasury Department.

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO
FISCAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES

Evacuee Property Department

March 10, 1942

PRESS RELEASE

Lieutenant General J. L. DeWitt, commanding general of the Western Defense Command and Fourth Army, announced today that the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco has been appointed to assist Japanese and other evacuees situated within prohibited or restricted military areas in the disposition of their property.

The Treasury Department and the military authorities have given broad powers to the bank to enable it to carry out the objectives of the program. Bank officials indicated that they are undertaking this program under the direction of General DeWitt for the purpose of assisting military authorities in clearing up the problem presented by the war emergency.

The Federal Reserve Bank, acting in conjunction with the commanding general, plans to carry on the project through the bank's extensive facilities, as well as those of its branches in Seattle, Portland, and Los Angeles. The objective of the program will be to bring about a fair and just liquidation of that property which the evacuees cannot take with them.

The Federal Reserve Bank will establish other offices in the coastal areas in order that evacuees may receive impartial counsel and advice in their efforts to liquidate their property, as well as assistance in the sale or other disposition of their property. These offices also will take strong measures to protect the evacuees against unscrupulous creditors.

General DeWitt and Federal Reserve officials stated that the government does not plan to take title to the property of the evacuees. On the contrary, it is their intention to aid the evacuees in a voluntary liquidation of their property at reasonable prices and to protect them against individuals who seek to take advantage of their situation. If need be, officials stated, the bank will be prepared to take over the control of the property under powers of attorney in order to protect the property interest of the evacuee. Evacuees will be encouraged to come in and discuss their problems relating to the disposition of their property. No one will be compelled to come in, but those desiring the bank's services will find competent and impartial men prepared to assist them in their problems.

General DeWitt made clear that speed and fairness are the keynotes of this program and that expeditious handling of the evacuee's property is essential because of the urgency of the West Coast situation.

Officials stated that the Federal Reserve Bank will work in close cooperation with Federal, state, and local public agencies that may be called upon for assistance in dealing with the property of evacuees during the course of its liquidation. These agencies have been or undoubtedly will be called upon by the military authorities to handle other aspects of the evacuation problem, such as the transportation and the resettlement of the evacuees and their reemployment in new areas. Banks and other institutions in the various communities throughout the West Coast area will be called upon to do their full part in bringing about an orderly and equitable disposition of the evacuee's property.

General DeWitt stated that he had been requested by the Federal Reserve Bank to point out that Treasury Department freezing regulations will not interfere with the program. This is particularly true in view of the amendment to General License No. 68A being released by the Federal Reserve Bank. The General License now permits Japanese evacuees operating under such license to dispose of their property without restriction.

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

Name: _____
(Print)

Address: _____
(Street and Number)

(City) (State)

(Date)
Telephone: _____
Interview: _____

Adult: _____
Minor: _____
Male: _____
Female: _____
Citizenship: _____

Name

(Surname)

(Given)

Date of last entry into United States: _____

Operating under Treasury License now?: _____

Type of Business: _____
Partnership: _____
Proprietorship: _____
Corporation: _____
Individual: _____

Person Interviewed: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Principal property involved and scope of problem:

Action taken:*

Handled by: _____

* Attach additional pages where necessary

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

Name: _____
(Print)

Address: _____
(Street and Number)

(City) (State)

(Date)

Telephone: _____

Interview: _____

Adult: _____

Minor: _____

Male: _____

Female: _____

Citizenship: _____

Name

(Surname)

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Date of last entry into United States: _____

Operating under Treasury License now?: _____

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Principal property involved and scope of problem:

Action taken:*

Handled by: _____

* Attach additional pages where necessary

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO

FISCAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES

Evacuee Property Department

March 11, 1942.

**Memorandum of Functions and Operations of the Evacuee Property Department
of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco as Fiscal Agent of the United
States, and Suggested Procedure for Cooperation of Other Banks in Administra-
tion of Evacuation Program.**

In its operations as Fiscal Agent of the United States the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco has been delegated the duty of assisting Japanese, German and Italian aliens and persons of Japanese ancestry evacuating from the Military Areas which have been designated by Headquarters Western Defense Command and Fourth Army, Presidio of San Francisco, California, in Public Proclamation No. 1, issued under date of March 2, 1942, in arranging for the protection, preservation and equitable disposition of the property holdings of such evacuees. In this operation, the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco is subject to the general direction of the military authorities.

The following general outline of procedure has been established for the administration of this program:

1. The Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco will not take possession of property of an evacuee as an alien property custodian, but will serve largely as an advisor to the evacuee in the matter of disposition of his property.
2. All dealings with the evacuee will be on a purely voluntary basis, and he will have complete freedom in disposing of his property.
3. The evacuee will be encouraged in his own interest to make private arrangements for the disposition of his property by sale, lease, or other appropriate means by either:
 - (a) Independent action of the evacuee on his own account, or
 - (b) Through an agent of the evacuee's own selection.
4. In the selection of an agent the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco will recommend the appointment by the evacuee of some person or institution in which the evacuee reposes confidence to represent his interests such as his bank, his attorney, or his real estate agent.
5. If an evacuee is unable to otherwise arrange for the equitable disposal of his property or for an agent acceptable to the evacuee to represent him, the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco will give consideration to accepting his power of attorney.
6. Each case will be considered on its individual merits and disposed of on that basis.
7. All advice and assistance possible will be provided the evacuee by the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, and it is expected that the banks and others within the Areas involved who are approached by evacuees for assistance will likewise extend their full assistance and cooperation to the end that the purpose of the program will be completely served. It is recognized that the assistance of the banks in the field will make for greater speed in the execution of the program.
8. The Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco will endeavor to advise and assist banks and others whom the evacuees select as their agents in the performance of their agencies. Obviously, if the banks and others within the Military Areas who are approached by evacuees to act as agents will accept such agencies, the entire program will benefit.
9. From time to time the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco will disseminate such information and instructions as will assist in the administration of the plan.
10. Assistance will be provided by governmental agencies, both Federal and state, in the administration of the evacuation plan, including those agencies handling other aspects of the evacuee

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FISCAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES

problem. The evacuees and their representatives including their agents should seek the help of such agencies for specific matters within their fields such as those arising out of the treatment of growing crops and other specialized problems.

11. While emphasis is placed on the liquidation of the property holdings of the evacuee, he will be informed by the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco that he may retain ownership of property left behind if appropriate arrangements can be made for its protection and preservation.
12. The program will be administered by the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco through its head office and through its branches in Seattle, Washington; Portland, Oregon; and Los Angeles, California; as well as such other offices as may be established in the Areas for the efficient furtherance of its aims. The Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco has established its Evacuee Property Department in San Francisco, California, at 500 California Street in that city.
13. It is intended to undertake to forestall action by unscrupulous creditors which would be detrimental to the interest of the evacuee and in all respects to minimize his losses to the greatest possible extent in connection with the disposition of his property. It is anticipated that this will be accomplished to a large extent through appeal to the creditor's sense of fair play and the obvious necessity of complete cooperation in the administration of the evacuation program. Any cases in which an equitable settlement is not agreed upon should be promptly brought to the attention of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco.
14. No compulsion will be placed upon evacuees to utilize the facilities provided by the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, but they are invited to make use of them.

The foregoing are intended to set forth certain basic principles which the Federal Reserve Bank, acting in its capacity as Fiscal Agent of the United States, feels to be important in the efficient, speedy and proper execution of its duties. In the conduct of the evacuation plan it is particularly desired that the banks throughout the Areas will extend their full cooperation in the knowledge that by widespread assistance to the evacuees the problems incident to their removal from the Areas can be most readily and expeditiously solved. In their fulfillment of their places in this program, banks are requested to give consideration to the procedure and principles enumerated above. As the program goes forward the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco proposes to communicate to the banks additional suggestions and outlines of procedure or changes in procedure calculated to improve its administration of the program and to provide public circulation of data directed toward its speedy accomplishment.

HEAD OFFICE

: PORTLAND

Date March 19, 1942

Subject: 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.

C. E. Earhart (signed)
C a s h i e r .

Enclosure

Copied: JEM
Checked: *ms*

POWER OF ATTORNEY

To WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

The undersigned,* of
(Individual or Partnership) (Street Address)

in the City of County of State of
hereby appoints the FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO, a federal reserve banking corporation, organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the United States, with its principal office in the City and County of San Francisco, State of California, the true and lawful agent and attorney-in-fact for the undersigned, in the name and stead of the undersigned, to do any or all of the following acts or things at its discretion: to demand, sue for, collect and receive all sums of money, debts, accounts, legacies, bequests, dividends, royalties, annuities, and any other demands whatsoever, as are now, or which shall hereafter become due, owing, payable, or belonging to, the undersigned; to take all lawful means in the name of the undersigned, or otherwise, for the recovery thereof; to compromise and satisfy the same and to give sufficient satisfactions or discharges therefor; to bargain, contract, agree for, store, buy, sell, mortgage, hypothecate, and in any and every way deal in and with, goods and merchandise and all other personal property; to bargain, contract, agree for, purchase and exchange any real property and to lease, sub-lease, let, demise, bargain, sell, release, convey, mortgage and hypothecate the same upon such terms and conditions and under such covenants as said attorney shall deem necessary; to sign, execute, deliver and acknowledge such deeds, leases, sub-leases, assignments, covenants, indentures, agreements, mortgages, hypothecations, bottomries, charter parties, bills of lading, bills, bonds, notes, receipts, evidences of debt releases, and satisfactions of mortgage, judgments, and other debts, and such other instruments in writing as may be necessary or expedient in the premises; and to do all acts or things necessary or expedient in the absolute discretion of said attorney, including but not limited to any and all acts necessary or expedient in order to effect the partial or complete liquidation of the business and

all property holdings of the undersigned heretofore conducted under the name of

..... at
(Street Address)

in the City of County of State of
hereby revoking all former powers of attorney, or other authorizations.

Giving said attorney full power and authority to do any and all acts or things necessary or expedient to be done in the premises, directly or through sub-agents appointed by it, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney or said sub-agents shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

The undersigned hereby agrees to and does hereby indemnify and save harmless said Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, its officers, agents, sub-agents, servants and employees, and all of them, for any matter or thing done or caused to be done in the exercise of this power. This power of attorney shall not be valid for any purpose until accepted in writing by Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco and may be revoked only by written notice of revocation first delivered to said bank. Upon notice by said bank to the undersigned that it surrenders the powers herein granted, mailed or delivered to the last known address of the undersigned, all further duties and obligations of said bank hereunder shall cease forthwith.

Dated:, 194.....

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(Individual's Name)
doing business under the name of

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(Copartnership Firm Name)

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(Constituting all the partners thereof)

Accepted this day of, 194.....

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO

By
Authorized Agent

*If executed by a copartnership, all partners should sign.

TO BE ACKNOWLEDGED BEFORE A NOTARY PUBLIC

POWER OF ATTORNEY

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

The undersigned, _____, a corporation duly organized
and existing under the laws of the State of _____, and having its principal office and place of
business at _____, in the City of _____,
(Street Address)

County of _____, State of _____, being duly authorized by resolution of
its board of directors,* hereby appoints the FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO, a federal reserve banking
corporation, organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the United States with its principal office in the City
and County of San Francisco, State of California, the true and lawful agent and attorney-in-fact for the undersigned, in the
name and stead of the undersigned, to do any or all of the following acts or things at its discretion: to demand, sue for, collect
and receive all sums of money, debts, accounts, legacies, bequests, dividends, royalties, annuities, and any other demands
whatsoever, as are now, or which shall hereafter become due, owing, payable, or belonging to the undersigned; to take all
lawful means in the name of the undersigned, or otherwise, for the recovery thereof; to compromise and satisfy the same
and to give sufficient satisfactions or discharges therefor; to bargain, contract, agree for, store, buy, sell, mortgage, hypothe-
cate, and in any and every way deal in and with, goods and merchandise and all other personal property; to bargain,
contract, agree for, purchase and exchange any real property and to lease, sub-lease, let, demise, bargain, sell, release,
convey, mortgage and hypothecate the same upon such terms and conditions and under such covenants as said attorney shall
deem necessary; to sign, execute, deliver and acknowledge such deeds, leases, sub-leases, assignments, covenants, in-
dentures, agreements, mortgages, hypothecations, bottomries, charter parties, bills of lading, bills, bonds, notes, receipts,
evidences of debt releases, and satisfactions of mortgage, judgments, and other debts, and such other instruments in writing
as may be necessary or expedient in the premises; and to do all acts or things necessary or expedient in the absolute dis-
cretion of said attorney, including but not limited to any and all acts necessary or expedient in order to effect the partial or
complete liquidation of the business and assets of said corporation, hereby revoking all former powers of attorney, or other
authorizations.

Giving said attorney full power and authority to do any and all acts or things necessary or expedient to be done in the
premises, directly or through sub-agents appointed by it, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or
could do if personally present, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney or said sub-agents shall lawfully do or
cause to be done by virtue hereof.

The undersigned hereby agrees to and does hereby indemnify and save harmless said Federal Reserve Bank of San
Francisco, its officers, agents, sub-agents, servants and employees, and all of them, for any matter or thing done or caused
to be done in the exercise of this power. This power of attorney shall not be valid for any purpose until accepted in writing
by Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco and may be revoked only by written notice of revocation first delivered to said
bank. Upon notice by said bank to the undersigned that it surrenders the powers herein granted, mailed or delivered to the
last known address of the undersigned, all further duties and obligations of said bank hereunder shall cease forthwith.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the said corporation has caused its corporate name to be subscribed hereto and its corporate
seal to be affixed by its proper officers hereunto duly authorized, this _____ day of _____, 194_____.

(a corporation)

(SEAL)

By _____
Its _____ President

ATTEST:

Its _____ Secretary

Accepted this _____ day of _____, 194_____.

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO

By _____
Authorized Agent

*Certified copy of resolution of directors authorizing
issuance of Power of Attorney must be attached.

TO BE ACKNOWLEDGED BEFORE A NOTARY PUBLIC

POWER OF ATTORNEY

To WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

The undersigned,* of
(Individual or Partnership) (Street Address)
in the City of County of State of

hereby appoints the true and lawful agent and attorney-in-fact for the undersigned, and in the name and stead of the undersigned, to do any or all of the following acts or things with full discretion: to demand, sue for, collect and receive all sums of money, debts, accounts, legacies, bequests, dividends, royalties, annuities, and any other demands whatsoever, as are now, or which shall hereafter become due, owing, payable, or belonging to, the undersigned; to take all lawful means in the name of the undersigned, or otherwise, for the recovery thereof; to compromise and satisfy the same and to give sufficient satisfactions or discharges therefor; to bargain, contract, agree for, store, buy, sell, mortgage, hypothecate, manage and in any and every way deal in and with, goods and merchandise and all other personal property; to manage, bargain, contract, agree for, purchase and exchange any real property and to lease, sub-lease, let, demise, bargain, sell, release, convey, mortgage and hypothecate the same upon such terms and conditions and under such covenants as said attorney shall deem necessary; to sign, execute, deliver and acknowledge such deeds, leases, sub-leases, assignments, covenants, indentures, agreements, mortgages, hypothecations, bottomries, charter parties, bills of lading, bills, bonds, notes, receipts, evidences of debt releases, and satisfactions of mortgage, judgments, and other debts, and such other instruments in writing as may be necessary or expedient in the premises; to substitute and appoint an attorney or attorneys under said attorney with the same or more limited powers and to remove such substitute or substitutes at pleasure and to appoint another or other attorneys; to appoint sub-agents; and to do all acts or things necessary or expedient in the absolute discretion of said attorney, or substitute attorneys, or sub-agents, including but not limited to any and all acts necessary in order to effect the partial or complete liquidation of the business and assets of the undersigned heretofore conducted under the name of

at in the City of County of
(Street Address)

State of, hereby revoking all former powers of attorney, or other authorizations.

Giving said attorney and said substitute or substitutes, or any sub-agents appointed by them or any of them, full power and authority to do any and all acts or things necessary or expedient to be done in the premises, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney, said substitute or substitutes, or said sub-agents, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

The undersigned hereby agrees to and does hereby indemnify and save harmless said attorney, said substitute attorneys, or sub-agents, and all of them, for any matter or thing done or caused to be done by them, or any of them, in the exercise of this power. This power of attorney may be revoked only by written notice of revocation delivered to the attorney-in-fact appointed hereunder. Upon notice by said attorney-in-fact to the undersigned that it surrenders the powers herein granted, mailed or delivered to the last known address of the undersigned, all further duties and obligations of said attorney-in-fact hereunder shall cease forthwith.

Dated:, 194.....

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(Individual's Name)

doing business under the name of

.....
(Copartnership Firm Name)

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(Constituting all the partners thereof)

*If executed by a copartnership,
all partners should sign.

TO BE ACKNOWLEDGED BEFORE A NOTARY PUBLIC

POWER OF ATTORNEY

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

The undersigned, _____,
 a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of _____, and having
 its principal office and place of business at _____, in the City of _____,
 (Street Address)
 County of _____, State of _____, being duly authorized

by resolution of its board of directors,* hereby appoints _____
 the true and lawful agent and attorney-in-fact for the undersigned and in the name and stead of the undersigned,
 to do any or all of the following acts or things with full discretion: to demand, sue for, collect and receive all sums
 of money, debts, accounts, legacies, bequests, dividends, royalties, annuities, and any other demands whatsoever,
 as are now, or which shall hereafter become due, owing, payable, or belonging to, the undersigned; to take all
 lawful means in the name of the undersigned, or otherwise, for the recovery thereof; to compromise and satisfy the
 same and to give sufficient satisfactions or discharges therefor; to bargain, contract, agree for, store, buy,
 sell, mortgage, hypothecate, manage, and in any and every way deal in and with, goods and merchandise and
 all other personal property; to manage, bargain, contract, agree for, purchase and exchange any real property
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 said attorney with the same or more limited powers and to remove such substitute or substitutes at pleasure
 and to appoint another or other attorneys; to appoint sub-agents; and to do all acts or things necessary or
 expedient in the absolute discretion of said attorney, substitute attorneys or sub-agents, in order to effect the
 liquidation of the business and assets of said corporation, hereby revoking all former powers of attorney, or
 other authorizations.

Giving said attorney and said substitute or substitutes, or any sub-agents appointed by them or any of
 them, full power and authority to do any and all acts or things necessary or expedient to be done in the premises,
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 that the powers herein granted are surrendered, mailed or delivered to the last known address of the under-
 signed, all further duties and obligations of the said attorney-in-fact hereunder shall cease forthwith.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the said corporation has caused its corporate name to be subscribed hereto by its
 officers hereunto duly authorized and its corporate seal to be affixed this _____ day of _____, 194_____

(a corporation)

(SEAL)

By _____
 Its _____ President

ATTEST:

 Its _____ Secretary

*Certified copy of resolution of directors authorizing
 issuance of Power of Attorney must be attached.

TO BE ACKNOWLEDGED BEFORE A NOTARY PUBLIC

HEAD OFFICE

: PORTLAND

Date March 19, 1942

Subject: 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".

C. E. Earhart (signed)

Cashier.

Copied: JEM
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HEAD OFFICE

TO: PORTLAND

SUBJECT: Evacuee Property Department

REFERENCE:

Date March 16, 1942

We are enclosing a copy of a letter which was sent to certain banks in Washington, Oregon, California and Arizona. The banks in question are set forth on the accompanying list which is segregated by zone and by county.

The enclosures are being forwarded to our Seattle and Los Angeles Branches. Copies are also going forward to Salt Lake City, for its information.

R. E. Everson (Signed)
Assistant Cashier

Enclosure

COPY OF LETTER FROM MR. DAY REQUESTING COOPERATION IN EVACUATION PROPERTY PROGRAM

March 14, 1942

TO OFFICER ADDRESSED AS PER ATTACHED LIST.

The Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, as Fiscal Agent of the United States, has been delegated the duty of assisting German, Italian and Japanese aliens, as well as persons of Japanese ancestry, in making arrangements for equitable disposition of their properties in connection with their evacuation from the areas recently designated as "military areas" by the military authorities who maintain general supervision and direction of the entire program.

The property-disposal phase of the plan envisions voluntary action on the part of each evacuee, but its fulfillment in accordance with the guiding principles of American democracy will require the thoughtful and wholehearted cooperation of all who are in a position to lend their support.

It must be recognized that the problems which will confront the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco in these additional duties, with the pressure of time foremost in our minds, dictate that all agencies, including the banks in the military areas, be called upon to render their unselfish help in their solution. We must, therefore, ask you and your organization to join with us in an effort to assure speedy, proper, and complete execution of the program. Governmental agencies (Federal, state and local) will also be called upon for assistance.

We are enclosing a copy of a press release which has been submitted to the office of Lieutenant General J. L. DeWitt, Commanding General, Western Defense Command and Fourth Army, for general publication. A memorandum is also enclosed which outlines certain guiding principles for performance of the plan, and which emphasizes our hope and expectation that each bank will do its part in the acceptance of responsibilities delegated to it by evacuees, as well as in the dissemination of information and extension of assistance.

We shall be anxious to assist you at all times in solving the mutual problems confronting us in the execution of the program.

Yours very truly,

President.

Enclosures

REFERRED BY MR. DAVIS

TO MR. *Crouch*

HEAD OFFICE

March 17, 1942

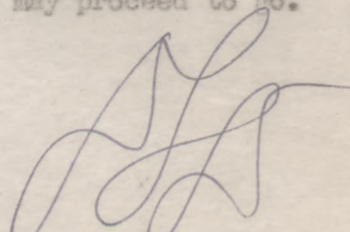
Evacuee problems

In three days we have had 45 interviews with Japanese, about 150 others called at the office for information, and in the neighborhood of 100 telephone calls, so that, in round numbers, approximately 300 have been contacted. We expect to keep accurate figures on telephone calls and personal calls for information, beginning today.

It is estimated that more than 10 %, and probably 20 %, of those who came in or telephoned are ready to move, or practically so. Some have indicated their desire to move themselves in trucks and cars with household equipment and supplies, if they can go in groups. There seems to be a fear of being pushed around if they go to localities singly. Therefore, our immediate problem for those who are ready to go is - where can they go?

Some have indicated a desire to go to districts which might furnish agricultural employment to them. The Farm Security Organization has recommended several places to their superiors in San Francisco.

We shall appreciate information from you as soon as available, concerning the designated places where those who wish to voluntarily move may proceed to go.


Managing Director

DLD:JMM

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO

FISCAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES

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.

Enclosure



FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO
FISCAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES
EVACUEE PROPERTY DEPARTMENT

March 18, 1942

LOCAL OFFICES OF THE UNITED STATES EMPLOYMENT SERVICE STAFFED
OR TO BE STAFFED WITH FIELD REPRESENTATIVES, EVACUEE PROPERTY
DEPARTMENT IN

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

<u>Office</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Office</u>	<u>Address</u>
2 Monterey	266 Pearl St.	1 San Mateo	15 B St.
1 Salinas	7 Natividad St.	1 San Jose	501 Third St.
1 San Jose	393 S. 2nd St.	1 Fresno	2146 Inyo St.
2 Santa Cruz	23 Front St.	2 Lodi	125 N. Stockton St.
1 Watsonville	21 W. Lake Ave.	1 Merced	622 19th St.
1 Alameda	1536 Park St.	1 Stockton	201 N. San Joaquin St.
1 Berkeley	2459-63 Shattuck Ave.	1 Visalia	500 N. Garden St.
1 Hayward	963-67 C St.	1 Bakersfield	1300 - 18th St.
1 Oakland	12th & Oak Sts.	1 Chico	345 W. Fifth St.
1 Pittsburg	480 Black Diamond St.	1 Marysville	321 C St.
1 Richmond	601 Nevin St.	1 Sacramento	1330 J St.

- 1 - Primary location to be staffed immediately
2 - Secondary location to be serviced out of other offices as follows:

Monterey out of Salinas
Santa Cruz out of Watsonville
Lodi out of Stockton

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

1 El Centro	540 State St.	1 Santa Monica	1558 Fifth St.
2 Indio	720 State Highway	1 Torrance	2300 Carson St.
2 Ontario	219 N. Sultana Ave	1 Alhambra	27 E. Valley Blvd.
1 Redlands	14 E. Vine St.	1 Burbank	131 E. Magnolia Blvd.
1 Riverside	3469 Main St.	2 Covina	100 N. Citrus Ave.
1 San Bernardino	352 Court St.	1 Pasadena	745 E. Green St.
1 San Diego	1165 Front St.	1 Pomona	145 W. Fifth Ave.
1 Santa Ana	501 W. Fifth St.	1 San Fernando	132 N. MacLay St.
1 Inglewood	319 E. Hillcrest	1 Whittier	214 W. Philadelphia
1 Long Beach	416 Pine Ave.	2 Santa Barbara	22 E. Victoria St.
1 San Pedro	362 W. Seventh St.	1 Santa Maria	310 W. Main St.
		1 Ventura	53 S. California St.

- 1 - Primary location to be staffed immediately.
2 - Secondary location to be serviced out of other offices as follows:

Indio out of Riverside
Santa Barbara out of Ventura
Covina - Provision may be made for Covina representation in due course.
Ontario - " " " " "

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO
FISCAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES
EVACUEE PROPERTY DEPARTMENT

March 18, 1942

LOCAL OFFICES OF THE UNITED STATES EMPLOYMENT SERVICE STAFFED
OR TO BE STAFFED WITH FIELD REPRESENTATIVES, EVACUEE PROPERTY
DEPARTMENT IN

THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

	<u>Office</u>	<u>Address</u>
1	Bremerton	650 Fourth St.
2	Everett	1801 Hewitt Ave.
2	Mt. Vernon	309 Kincaid St.
1	Raymond	406 First St.
1	Tacoma	112 So. Twelfth St.
2	Wenatchee	138 S. Wenatchee Ave.
1	Yakima	101 South First St.

- 1 - Primary location to be staffed immediately.
- 2 - Secondary location to be serviced out of other offices as follows:

Everett out of Seattle
Mt. Vernon out of Seattle
Wenatchee out of Yakima

THE STATE OF OREGON

	<u>Office</u>	<u>Address</u>
2	Astoria	14th & Duane Sts.
2	Camp Sherman	Camp Sherman
1	Hood River	Hood River Hotel Bldg.
2	Long View	1436 Commerce Ave.
2	Medford	45 No. Fir St.
2	Oregon City	Room 8, Courthouse
2	Salem	710 Ferry St.

- 1 - Primary location to be staffed immediately.
- 2 - Secondary location to be serviced out of other offices as follows:

Astoria)
Long View)
Oregon City) out of Portland
Salem)

Medford)
Camp Sherman) should be provided with service
) for small nearby colonies of
) Japanese.

RECEIVED BY MR. DAVIS
BY MR. Crouch

HEAD OFFICE

March 19, 1942

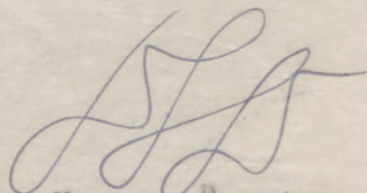
Evacuee Property Department

Assistant Manager Mac Eachron accompanied by E. N. Crouch recently visited Hood River for the purpose of releasing the guards from the store of Yasui Brothers.

So far as they were able to learn, this is the only Japanese business enterprise in the city of Hood River and this firm has been issued a 90 day license for the purpose of liquidating its stock.

They talked with Manager Morton of the Hood River Branch of the First National Bank of Portland; with attorney John N. Mohr who represents the Japanese-American Citizens League; with E. O. Blanchard, now treasurer of the local telephone company but for many years president of the First National Bank of Hood River; and with Treasurer Barker of the Apple Growers Association. None of these people knew of any other Japanese in the city except the Yasui Brothers. In view of the fact that this store is in the process of liquidation and because there seems to be no other problems requiring the attention of a representative of the Federal Reserve Bank we are recommending that no field representative be installed there at the present time. Should something develop which needs attention we believe that a representative could be sent from Portland in such a contingency.

While Mac Eachron and Crouch were in Hood River they met Manager Shattuck of the U. S. Employment Office and also Frank Bartos, representative of the Farm Security Administration, who recently has been assigned to Hood River. Most of the problems, of course, in the valley are of an agricultural nature as practically all of the Japanese are engaged in fruit and vegetable growing. They were rather favorably impressed with Bartos and Shattuck and believe the problem will be adequately handled by these men.


Managing Director

SAN:JMM

HEAD OFFICE

TO: PORTLAND

SUBJECT: Evacuee Property Department.
Special Blocked Property.

Date March 21, 1942

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REFERENCE:

Reference is made to Instruction Letter No. 4, dated March 21, 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.

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 "P" as a prefix for all numbers assigned in your office.

M. M. Hale (Signed)
Vice-President.

*- See H.O. Letter
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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
Telephone KLondike 2-2611

March 20, 1942

MEMORANDUM for Mr. William H. Hale
Federal Reserve Bank

Subject: Evacuation of Bainbridge Island

1. The accompanying copies of memorandum to Mr. Larry Hewes and Mr. Richard Neustadt are self-explanatory.
2. It is requested that your organization participate fully in the proposed evacuation of Bainbridge Island.
3. Specifically, as to your functions it is requested that you undertake full responsibility for the necessary staffing and organization of the general service induction center to be established, presumably at the Bainbridge Island ferry landing, and that you also undertake full responsibility for the following:
 - a. Acquisition of suitable warehouse space for the storage of personal property which evacuees cannot otherwise dispose of, such storage to be at the sole risk of the owners and to include only the more substantial household items, such as ice boxes, pianos, heavy dining room, living room, bed room and kitchen furniture. Cooking utensils and other small items must be crated, packed and plainly marked. Bric-a-brac will not be accepted. It is possible that such warehouse space may be available on Bainbridge Island. It should be low cost.
 - b. Provision of suitable civilian guards to protect the storage against possible pillage or other direct action.
 - c. Suitable impounding space for automobiles, trucks, tractors and other mobile farm implements should be provided, presumably on Bainbridge Island; and an impounding system established to include the filing of title certificates, the collection of distributor blocks and hiring of the necessary guards.
4. As the evacuation will be hasty, the application of your "special block property" would seem to be appropriate in the majority of instances. The staff provided should be capable of rendering rapid service in view of the speed of the proposed program.

5. If, in your judgment it is necessary, arrangements should be made for guarding any property left behind on the Island - not warehoused - against direct action or pillage. Primarily this is the responsibility of the local authorities.

6. It is requested that you or your representative attend the meeting referred to in Paragraph 5 of the copy of the memorandum to Mr. Larry I. Hewes.

(signed) Karl R. Bendetsen

Karl R. Bendetsen,
Col. G. S. C.
Ass't. Chief of Staff
Civil Affairs Division

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March 20, 1942

MEMORANDUM for Mr. Richard M. Neustadt
Federal Security Administration

Subject: Evacuation of Bainbridge Island

The accompanying copy of a memorandum to Mr. Larry Hewes of the
Farm Security Administration is self-explanatory.

1. It is requested that you arrange for participation of the Public Health Service and other agencies under the supervision of the Federal Security Agency in the evacuation of Bainbridge Island.
2. Specifically, it is desired that the Public Health Service undertake full responsibility for the organization, equipping, staffing and establishment of a suitable medical examination and inoculation station at the induction point, to be organized by the Associated Federal agencies, presumably at the Bainbridge Island ferry landings.
3. It is further requested that specific provision be made for the care, hospitalization or other disposition of any persons among the Japanese residents on Bainbridge Island who require such attention, including all bed cases.
4. Further it is requested specifically that suitable provision be made for a registration system for such persons, including the issuance of suitable tags for identification of individuals, family units and property, such tag to bear a thumb print and a notation as to whether a medical examination has been performed.
5. It is requested that you or your representative attend the meeting referred to in Paragraph 5 of the copy of the memorandum to Mr. Larry I. Hewes.

Karl R. Bendetsen
Col. G.S.C.
Ass't Chief of Staff
Civil Affairs Division

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March 20, 1942

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. LARRY I. HEWES

SUBJECT: Bainbridge Island, restricted

1. Commanding General, Western Defense Command and Fourth Army, desires to undertake the immediate forced evacuation of all Japanese now resident on Bainbridge Island, Puget Sound, State of Washington. The statistics showing the number of families and the occupations of each are attached in Exhibit A.
2. You will note from the accompanying exhibit that there are several families engaged in agricultural pursuits. It is requested that you take whatever action is necessary to provide necessary staff and procedure for the handling and disposition of all agricultural property, including live stock owned or controlled by Japanese on Bainbridge Island, within the limits of the authority assigned you previously by General De Witt.
3. It is proposed that an evacuation order will be posted not later than Wednesday, March 25, 1942. It is proposed that all Japanese will be evacuated within five days from the date of posting of evacuation order. During this interim it is further proposed that all Japanese will be required to pass through a general service office established on the Island, presumably at the ferryboat landing, and that during this period none of such persons will be allowed to leave except by special permission of military authorities. Decision as to who may leave during this period will be up to the Commanding General, Northwest Sector, and will be permitted only in the most exceptional cases.
4. Captain Truman R. Young will be in Seattle at the Olympic Road commencing Saturday, March 21, 1942, where either you or your representative in that region may reach him.
5. It is requested that you or your representative be present to attend a joint conference of the interested agencies to be held in Seattle on Monday, March 23, 1942. For the time and place of the meeting, get in touch with Captain Young.

Karl R. Bendetsen
Col. G.S.C.
Ass't Chief of Staff
Civil Affairs Division

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO
FISCAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES
Evacuee Property Department

POSTING NOTICE NO.
SPECIAL BLOCKED PROPERTY

The property listed below is designated Special Blocked Property:

Pursuant to Special Regulation No. 1 issued by the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, any acquisition, disposition or transfer of or other dealing in or with respect to any property designated as Special Blocked Property is prohibited under penalty of law unless such transaction is authorized by appropriate license.

Applications for any such license may be filed on Form TFE-1 by any person with the nearest office of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco. Such applications should set forth (a) the interest, if any, of the applicant in the property; (b) the details of the transaction for which a license is requested, including the terms of any proposed settlement; (c) the manner in which the interest of the evacuee national in the property is being protected; and (d) whether or not the evacuee national is in agreement with the proposed settlement.

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO
FISCAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES

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FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO
FISCAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES

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(Date)

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO

FISCAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES

Evacuee Property Department

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Yours very truly,

Assistant Cashier.

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Applications for any such license may be filed on Form TFE-1 by any person with the nearest office of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco. Such applications should set forth (a) the interest, if any, of the applicant in the property; (b) the details of the transaction for which a license is requested, including the terms of any proposed settlement; (c) the manner in which the interest of the evacuee national in the property is being protected; and (d) whether or not the evacuee national is in agreement with the proposed settlement.

Yours very truly,

Assistant Cashier.

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO

FISCAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES

Evacuee Property Department

Notice No.
Special Blocked Property

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Assistant Cashier.

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO
FISCAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES
Evacuee Property Department

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT AND SETTLEMENT

This agreement is entered into this..... day of....., 1942,
between....., hereinafter referred to as
"debtor," and....., hereinafter referred to as
"creditor."

In consideration of debtor's joining in an application under Special Regulation No. 1 issued
by the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, and in consideration of their mutual consent, the
above named debtor and creditor have entered into a settlement upon the following terms:

.....
(Debtor)

.....
(Creditor)

Witnesses:

.....

.....

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO
FISCAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES
Evacuee Property Department

**Petition for Blocking Under Special
Regulation No. 1**

The undersigned certifies that he is:

- ☐ A Japanese alien
- ☐ A person of Japanese ancestry
- ☐ A German alien
- ☐ An Italian alien

(Insert "X" in applicable box)

and that he has been residing at.....,
(Street)

.....,
(City) (State)

The undersigned represents to the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco that he has been unsuccessful in his attempts to reach an equitable settlement with the following creditors:

The undersigned hereby petitions the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco to designate the following property as Special Blocked Property:

Dated this.....day of.....194.....,

at.....

.....
(Evacuee)

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO
FISCAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES
Evacuee Property Department

Instructions of Evacuee for
Disposition of Property

The undersigned, having appointed the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, Fiscal Agent of the United States, the attorney-in-fact of the undersigned, hereby instructs, subject to acceptance by the bank of such power of attorney, that the property listed herein and/or on.....pages attached hereto and made a part hereof, and the indebtedness if any, of the undersigned with respect to the property so listed, which indebtedness is set forth herein, be disposed of in the manner hereinafter described.

Property and/or Indebtedness, If Any (Amount of indebtedness and name and address of creditor is shown in each instance following description of property concerned):

Instructions for Disposition:

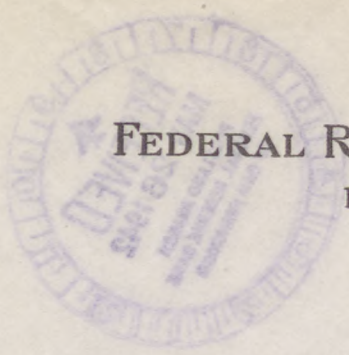
These instructions are not intended to and shall not in any manner limit the generality of the authority granted by the power of attorney referred to herein.

The within described property is delivered to the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, as Fiscal Agent of the United States, at the sole risk of the undersigned and 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 care or disposition.

The undersigned further agrees to reimburse the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, Fiscal Agent of the United States, in full, for all charges and expenses incurred in connection with the custody and disposition of any of the foregoing property, and authorizes and instructs said bank, in its own discretion, to make deductions out of the proceeds of sale or income from any of such property, for the reimbursement of such charges. The undersigned further agrees upon demand to advance to the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco the amount of any taxes, storage charges, moving charges, custodian costs, or other charges or expenses incurred, or which it may be necessary to incur, in connection with the disposition, care, custody, or preservation of the property described herein.

.....
(Date)

.....
(Signed)



FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO

FISCAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES

March 25, 1942

Field Representatives
Evacuee Property Department

Instruction letter No. 7.

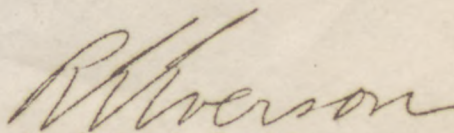
SUBJECT: CONTRABAND ITEMS.

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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.


Assistant Cashier.



FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO
FISCAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES

March 25, 1942



Field Representatives
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Instruction letter No. 7.

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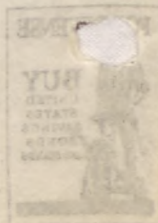
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Public Proclamation No. 2, dated March 24, 1942, issued by J. I. Dewitt, Lieutenant General, U.S. Army, carries a provision that after March 31, 1942, no persons of Japanese ancestry shall have in his possession similar items.

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[Signature]
Assistant Cashier.



PORTLAND

March 25, 1942

Contraband Items

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



The subject of this report is a letter from the Portland Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco dated March 25, 1942, to the New York Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York dated March 25, 1942, regarding the activities of the Portland Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco.

The Portland Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco has been advised that the New York Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York has received information regarding the activities of the Portland Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco.

(Signed) W. M. Hall

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W. M. Hall

HEAD OFFICE

March 27, 1942

Contraband Items

Reference is made to your letter of March 25, 1942 commenting on instruction letter No. 7.

Since we are not at the present time maintaining field offices in this zone other than the one in Portland, we have not been able in the short time at our disposal to obtain information regarding the situation outside of this city except such information as was obtained from the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office and the United States Marshall's Office. Neither the Portland Police nor the two other offices just mentioned would comment as to whether or not the contraband held by them represents substantially all of such contraband which should have been turned in under the previous order. However, from the volume reported it would be our opinion that the items collected might represent a substantial portion of such items.

Listed below is a list of such items now in the hands of the law enforcement officers whom we have contacted.

The United States Marshall's Office

Rifles and Shotguns -	38
Pistols -	24
Swords -	6
Radios -	18
Kodaks -	30

Also miscellaneous assortment of ammunition and small articles.

Multnomah County Sheriff's Office

Guns of all kinds -	108
Cameras -	130
Radios -	55

March 27, 1942

City of Portland Police as of January 1, 1942

People depositing contraband

Japanese -	293	
German -	70	
Italian -	80	
Austrian -	11	
Poland -	2	Total 456

Items deposited

Rifles -	76	
Shotguns -	56	
Small Arms -	37	
Knives -	6	
Swords -	3	
Binoculars -	1	
Cameras -	511	
Projectors -	1	
Misc. Equipment -	17	
Radios -	145	
Short wave parts State-		
ments -	41	
Radio Coils, etc. -	99	Total 993

Since January 1, 1942 additional items numbering perhaps 100 or 150 have been turned in. The Chief of Portland Police estimates that about 10% of the total of the items turned in were obtained from German aliens; about 10% from Italian aliens, and about 80% by Japanese.


Managing Director

Portland Police Bureau

January 1st 42

People bringing contraband to our office

Jap.	293	-	total in city	1,680 -
German	70			
Italian	80			
Austrian	11			
Poland	2			

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Shotguns	56	Projectors	1
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Binoculars	1	Radio coils ect	99

[This up to Jan 1st only] - since that time there has been perhaps - 100 or 150 more of all nations turned in -

Percent
 { About - 15% of the Germans have turned in
 " 15% " " Italians " " "
 " 80% " " Jap " " "

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Shuff's Office

108 guns

130 ~~Hood~~ cannons

55 radios

Marshall's Office

Rifles + Shot 38

Protob 24

Guns 6

Radios 18

Killax 30

Misc Cannon

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Evacuee Property Department

March 27, 1942

Mr. L. V. Jenkins,
Inspector of Police,
Portland, Oregon.

Attention: Lieutenant Browne

Dear Mr. Jenkins:

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Please inform us as to the amount of such contraband now in your hands and also any information as to the quantity of contraband remaining in the hands of United States citizens of Japanese ancestry will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

S. A. MacEachron,
Assistant Manager

PORTLAND BRANCH

Evacuee Property Department

March 27, 1942

Mr. Charles P. Pray, Superintendent,
Department of State Police,
Salem, Oregon.

Dear Mr. Pray:

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Assistant Manager

AIR MAIL

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TO: PORTLAND

DATE March 27, 1942

Subject: Evacuee Property Department

Reference:

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.

R. E. Everson (Signed)
Assistant Cashier

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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

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

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TO: PORTLAND

SUBJECT: Contraband

DATE March 28, 1942

REFERENCE: 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.

R. E. Everson (Signed)
Assistant Cashier.

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Special Instructions No. 1

March 28, 1942

Contraband

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 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

March 28, 1942

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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 Serviceoffice representatives should be instructed to mail these receipts to the nearest United States Marshall.

March 28, 1942

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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.

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

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HEAD OFFICE

TO: PORTLAND

DATE March 28, 1942

SUBJECT: Evacuee Property Department

REFERENCE:

We are enclosing a copy of a memorandum dated March 27, 1942, to this office from Mr. Gilchrist, our liason with the Western Defense Command and Fourth Army.

As you will note in the memorandum, there appears to be 22,600 square feet of storage space available for household goods, on the site referred to therein, and the information is given, for what assistance it might be to you in choosing a warehouse site at a later date.

R. E. Everson (Signed)
Assistant Cashier

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WESTERN DEFENSE COMMAND AND FOURTH ARMY

Wartime Civil Control Administration
1231 Market Street
San Francisco, California

March 27, 1942

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. Armstrong

FROM: Mr. Gilchrist, Evacuee Property Dept.

This is a copy of a tele-type message dated as of today from Co. Haas with the following notation: "Inform Federal Reserve through Mr. Gilchrist of the storage space available so they will not over-look this in making storage rentals in Portland."

Mar 25 1942 9 06 a.m.
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HQ NWS & IX ARMY CORPS FT LEWIS WN MARCH 25 852A
COMMANDING GENERAL

WDC & 4TH ARMY PSF

RESTRICTED PROPOSED SITE FOR TEMPORARY CAMP FOR EVACUEES AT PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL LIVESTOCK EXPOSITION IN PORTLAND, OREGON, INSPECTED BY REPRESENTATIVE OF DISTRICT ENGINEER ACCOMPANIED BY REPRESENTATIVE OF THIS OFFICE. WILL HOUSE 6500 PEOPLE IN BUILDINGS. LARGE PARKING AREA AVAILABLE FOR IMPOUNDING VEHICLES OR WILL HOLD 1000 TENTS. 22600 SQ FT STORAGE--SPACE FOR HOUSEHOLD GOODS AVAILABLE ON SITE. TO HOUSE 6000 PEOPLE WOULD NEED ABOUT 200 OUTSIDE WASH RACKS, 30 EACH 5 SEAT PIT LATRINES WITH ROOFS, AND 100 SHOWER HEADS. SPACE AND DRAINS FOR SHOWERS EXIST IN BUILDING. FACILITIES FOR HEATING MUST BE SUPPLIED. WATER ADEQUATE. SEWAGE PERHAPS INADEQUATE, BUT --- REPRESENTATIVE OF DISTRICT ENGINEER STATES THIS CAN BE REMEDIED. 2 MILES 8 STRAND BARBED WIRE FENCE NEEDED TO ENCLOSE. RECOMMEND DISTRICT ENGINEER BE INSTRUCTED TO PROCEED AT ONCE WITH CAMP FOR 6500 PEOPLE AT THIS SITE. ALTHOUGH THIS EXCEEDS BY 2000 THE NUMBER EXPECTED FROM OREGON, THE ADDITIONAL HOUSING FACILITIES ARE RECOMMENDED TO CARE FOR POSSIBLE INABILITY OF WASHINGTON SITES TO MEET ALL REQUIREMENTS. INSPECTION OF PROPOSED SITE AT LYNDEN, WASHINGTON BY REPRESENTATIVE OF THIS HEADQUARTERS AND REPRESENTATIVE OF DISTRICT ENGINEER CONFIRMS USABILITY OF THAT SITE WHICH WAS PREVIOUSLY RECOMMENDED IN TELETYPE FROM THIS HEADQUARTERS ON MARCH 22

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PORTLAND

March 29, 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

Efficient 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

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO
Fiscal Agent of the United States
Evacuee Property Department

INSTRUCTIONS OF EVACUEE
for
DISPOSITION OF PROPERTY

The undersigned, having appointed the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, Fiscal Agent of the United States, the Attorney-in-Fact of the undersigned, hereby instructs, subject to acceptance by the bank of such power of attorney, that the property listed herein and/or on _____ pages attached hereto and made a part hereof, and the indebtedness if any, of the undersigned with respect to the property so listed, which indebtedness is set forth herein, be disposed of in the manner hereinafter described.

PROPERTY AND/OR INDEBTEDNESS, IF ANY (Amount of indebtedness and name and address of creditor is shown in each instance following description of property concerned):

Obsolete
new form attached

INSTRUCTIONS FOR DISPOSITION:

The within described property is delivered to the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, as Fiscal Agent of the United States, at the sole risk of the undersigned and 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 care or disposition.

The undersigned further agrees to reimburse the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, Fiscal Agent of the United States, in full, for all charges and expenses incurred in connection with the custody and disposition of any of the foregoing property, and authorizes and instructs said bank, in its own discretion, to make deductions out of the proceeds of sale or income from any of such property, for the reimbursement of such charges.

(Date)

(Signed)

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO
FISCAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES
Evacuee Property Department

Instructions of Evacuee for
Disposition of Property

The undersigned, having appointed the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, Fiscal Agent of the United States, the attorney-in-fact of the undersigned, hereby instructs, subject to acceptance by the bank of such power of attorney, that the property listed herein and/or on.....pages attached hereto and made a part hereof, and the indebtedness if any, of the undersigned with respect to the property so listed, which indebtedness is set forth herein, be disposed of in the manner hereinafter described.

Property and/or Indebtedness, If Any (Amount of indebtedness and name and address of creditor is shown in each instance following description of property concerned):

Instructions for Disposition:

These instructions are not intended to and shall not in any manner limit the generality of the authority granted by the power of attorney referred to herein.

The within described property is delivered to the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, as Fiscal Agent of the United States, at the sole risk of the undersigned and 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 care or disposition.

The undersigned further agrees to reimburse the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, Fiscal Agent of the United States, in full, for all charges and expenses incurred in connection with the custody and disposition of any of the foregoing property, and authorizes and instructs said bank, in its own discretion, to make deductions out of the proceeds of sale or income from any of such property, for the reimbursement of such charges. The undersigned further agrees upon demand to advance to the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco the amount of any taxes, storage charges, moving charges, custodian costs, or other charges or expenses incurred, or which it may be necessary to incur, in connection with the disposition, care, custody, or preservation of the property described herein.

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(Date)

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(Signed)

March 29, 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. 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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TO: PORTLAND

DATE March 29, 1942

SUBJECT: Register Forms

REFERENCE:

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.

R. E. Everson (Signed)
Assistant Cashier

Branch
Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco
Fiscal Agent of the United States
Evacuee Property Department
EPM 1 (3-42)

REGISTER
of
PETITIONS TO DESIGNATE SPECIAL BLOCKED PROPERTY

Sheet No. _____

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EPM 2 (3-42)

POSTING NOTICES DESIGNATING SPECIAL
BLOCKED PROPERTY

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*Head Office and Los Angeles Branch only.

EPM 3 (3-42)

Sheet No.

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*Head Office and Los Angeles Branch only

Branch
Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco
Fiscal Agent of the United States
Evacuee Property Department
EPM 5 (3-42)

REGISTER
of
SCHEDULES OF EVACUEE PROPERTY
HELD IN STORAGE

Sheet No. _____

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EPM 4 (3-42)

Sheet No.

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HEAD OFFICE

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TO: PORTLAND

DATE March 30, 1942

SUBJECT: Buyers and Sellers List

REFERENCE:

We are enclosing two 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.

R. E. Everson (Signed)
Assistant Cashier

Enclosures

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AIR MAIL

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TO: PORTLAND

DATE March 31, 1942

SUBJECT: Evacuee Property Department

REFERENCE:

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 memoranda 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.

R. E. Everson (Signed)
Assistant Cashier

Enclosure

MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION FORM

(See instructions on back of this sheet)

Name of Registered Owner _____ Family Number _____

Address of Registered Owner _____

Name of Legal Owner (if different) _____

Address of Legal Owner _____

License Number _____ Serial Number _____

Make of Vehicle _____ Engine Number _____

Date First Sold _____ Type of Vehicle _____

Accessories (Indicate number on vehicle): Spare Tire(s) _____ Fog Light(s) _____ Radio _____

Heater _____ Other _____

Remarks: _____

WAIVER

The motor vehicle described in this form 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 _____

Illiterates _____

Signature of Owner _____

RECEIPT FOR VEHICLE

Place of Delivery _____

Receipt of the vehicle described above is hereby acknowledged.

Date _____

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

Placed in Storage at _____

MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION FORM

(See instructions on back of this form)

Family Number

Name of Registered Owner

Address of Registered Owner

Name of Legal Owner (if different)

Instructions to Owner

Address of Legal Owner

To be accepted for storage by the United States Government, the motor vehicle must be in proper running order.

License Number

The procedure for registering and storing a motor vehicle is as follows:

Make of Vehicle

Date First Sold

- (a) The State Motor Vehicle Registration Certificate for this vehicle must be submitted at the Civil Control Station, and three copies of this form (FRB-3) will then be prepared.
- (b) Two copies of this form, together with the Registration Certificate, will be handed to the evacuee for his retention until arrival at the designated Assembly Center. The third copy will be retained at the Civil Control Station.
- (c) The evacuee will be given an identification tag which he will tie securely to the steering apparatus of the motor vehicle.
- (d) On arrival at the Assembly Center the evacuee will deliver to the representative of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco the two copies of this form, the Registration Certificate, and the keys to the vehicle.
- (e) The representative of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco will check all numbers on the form and if found to be correct will acknowledge receipt of the motor vehicle by signing one copy of the form and delivering it to the evacuee.

Radio

Light (s)

Spoke (s)

Account (Indicate number on vehicle)

Owner

Remarks

of San Francisco, as Fiscal Agent

of the United States at the site of the evacuation. It is understood

by the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco that no insurance will be provided

Witness

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Illustrates

If the motor vehicle described in this form is lost, damaged, or destroyed as the result of negligence while it is in the possession or custody of the United States, or any agency acting for it, the Congress of the United States will be asked to take appropriate action for the benefit of the owner.

Place of Delivery

Receipt of the vehicle described above is hereby acknowledged

Date

Representing the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco
Fiscal Agent of the United States

Placed in Storage at

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, boudoir						
	Lamp, floor				Chair, straight						
	Music cabinet				Chair, rocker						
	Piano, Grand				Chest, cedar						
	Piano upright				Chest of drawers						
	Piano bench				Child's bed						
	Phonograph				Child's rocker						
	Radio, cabinet				Child's table and chair						
	Radio, table model				Chiffonier						
	Rocker				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							
	Buffet				Brooms & Mops, bundle						
	Chair, arm				Chair						
	Chair, straight				Highchair						
	China closet				Ironing board						
	Dinette table				Kitchen cabinet						
	Rug, large				Linoleum						
	Rug, small				Range						
	Table, extension				Refrigerator, electric						
					Refrigerator, ice						
					Stool						
					Table						
					Utility cabinet						
								MISCELLANEOUS			
									Barrel		
									Basket		
									Bicycle		
									Boxes		
									Buggy		
									Cartons		
									Card table		
									Cot, folding		
									Day bed		
									Folding chair		
									Heater		
									Lawn mower		
									Mangle		
									Play pen		
									Porch chair (wicker)		
									Porch rocker		
									Porch davenport		
									Porch rug, large		
									Porch table		
									Sewing cabinet		
									Sewing machine		
									Step Ladder		

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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HEAD OFFICE

TO: PORTLAND BRANCH

DATE April 1, 1942

SUBJECT:

REFERENCE:

The mimeographed print "Instructions of Evacuees for Disposition of Property" (Form E.P.5) is no longer current and should be destroyed.

A supply of a printed revision of this form is being forwarded you under separate cover.

R. T. Hardy (Signed)
Assistant Cashier

TRANSLATION OF TELEGRAM RECEIVED

From SAN FRANCISCO

5-2-42
Copied and
Translated: *[Signature]*

To PORTLAND

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO

Checked: *[Signature]*

Copy routed to Mr.

REURTEL MAY 2. REPORT ON CIVIL CONTROL STATION OPERATIONS
SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO THIS OFFICE IN ACCORDANCE WITH OUR
LETTER OF APRIL 7. WE WILL TRANSMIT TO WCCA HEADQUARTERS
WITH COPY TO FEDERAL SECURITY AGENCY HERE.

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#14

Copy delivered to Mr.

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To be handled by Mr.

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(For information only)

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TO: PORTLAND

DATE April 7, 1942

SUBJECT:

REFERENCE:

Enclosed is a copy of a wire to our Los Angeles Branch setting forth the data which we are requesting regarding controlled evacuation operations as they occur.

We are forwarding this to you in order that you will be informed as to the type of information desired when operations occur in your own zone.

R. E. Everson (Signed)
Assistant Cashier.

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LOS ANGELES

April 7, 1942

As controlled evacuation occurs in each area please provide us with the following data by wire relating to each such operation:

1. Location of Civil Control Station used in operation.
2. Number of evacuees in project.
3. Number of heads of families in project.
4. Number of interviews referred to our representatives at Civil Control Station, including any interviews forming the basis for Provost Marshal permits for property disposition arrangements if that function is performed, as well as consultation on property problems including storage.
5. Number of motor vehicles taken into custody for sale to Army and number for storage. Where stored.

See 11.0
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April 7, 1942

6. Number of family units of property warehoused and space occupied (approximate cubic feet) and where stored.

We propose to pass on information regarding property accepted to War Relocation Authority pursuant to their previous request. The information requested will be in addition to your regular weekly report and should not be contained therein in the future. It will likewise be transmitted to the Treasury Department.

Please furnish this information on previously completed projects as early as possible.

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FROM SAN FRANCISCO

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TO PORTLAND

Referring to our wire of April 7 regarding reports on Civil Control Station operations, the term "interviews" referred to in item No. 4 is intended to cover only interviews of a character ordinarily handled at WCCA offices in which assistance is provided the evacuee and on which interview reports should ordinarily be made.

Routine discussions of property storage and motor vehicle disposition need not be included in item 4 as the only data in which we are interested will appear in items 5 and 6.

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PORTLAND

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.

(SIGNED) W. M. HALE

Vice President.

*See 160 letter
4/28/42*

*See 160
letter
5/4/42*

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 WCCA-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 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



FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO

FISCAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES

Family Number _____.

Enclosed is a copy of form WCCA-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



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 unsubstantial 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.

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.

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.

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO
FISCAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES

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April 11, 1942

Field Representatives,
Evacuee Property Department

Instruction letter No. 20.

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

Following is the text of a memorandum dated April 8, 1942, from Colonel Karl R. Bendetsen, Assistant Chief of Staff, Civil Affairs Division, Western Defense Command and Fourth Army, relating to the above subject:

- "1. On the assumption that the matter of designating military areas and zones is one for continuing study and that there will be necessity for the future clarification, correction and extension of Military Areas, and particularly Prohibited Zones A, as already set forth in Public Proclamations No. 1 and No. 2, it is desired that all communications, data, files and information bearing upon this subject be assembled for the purpose of study and the determination of a general policy in this regard.
2. The major part of the information available in this connection will appear in the correspondence and written recommendations that have reached this Division, either direct or by transmittal from Headquarters Western Defense Command and Fourth Army. In addition to the material that has already been assembled, it is assumed that there are also communications scattered throughout the Division which have been retained by various Sections for lack of information as to where they should be forwarded or for the purpose of handling additional matters referred to therein not related to the subject matter of this memorandum.
3. It is directed that all such communications, data, files and information referred to heretofore received, be forwarded to Captain Truman R. Young, Room 420, to reach him not later than Friday, April 10, 1942, and that similar disposition be made of such material received in the future.
4. Any suggestions or ideas that WCCA personnel may have on the matter of the readjustment of military areas, prohibited and restricted zones, which may have occurred to him by reason of participation in activities of the Division, or that may have been communicated to him orally from outside sources, will be placed in the form of a written memorandum and referred to Captain Young within the time specified in the foregoing."

Any information of the character referred to which is now in your hands or which may come to your attention in the future should be forwarded to the office of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco with which you are affiliated for transmission to the proper authorities.

(Signed) R. E. Everson

Assistant Cashier.

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TO: PORTLAND

DATE April 11, 1942

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

REFERENCE:

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.

R. E. Everson, (Signed)
Assistant Cashier

Enclosure

TRANSLATION OF TELEGRAM RECEIVED

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From, San Francisco

4-9-42

To Portland

Referring to our wire of April 7 regarding reports on Civil Control Station operations, the term "interviews" referred to in item No. 4 is intended to cover only interviews of a character ordinarily handled at WCCA offices in which assistance is provided the evacuee and on which interview reports should ordinarily be made.

Routine discussions of property storage and motor vehicle disposition need not be included in item 4 as the only data in which we are interested will appear in items 5 and 6.

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TO: PORTLAND

Date April 11, 1942

SUBJECT: Evacuee Property Department--Warehouse

REFERENCE:

In connection with the warehousing setup, we have secured the services of guards on a 24-hour basis from the Burns International Detective Agency, for which we are paying 85¢ per hour.

We have requested the Burns office to instruct the guards to permit no access to the building except by officers whose names and specimen signatures have been given to the guard and by certain other senior employees of the Evacuee Property Department whose specimen signatures have also been filed. A record book is maintained by the guard, showing the day and time of arrival and time of departure of any who enter or leave. This book is signed upon entry to the building.

The guard has been instructed not to receipt for any items deposited in the building; nor is he to permit the removal of any items from the building unless they have been covered by a pass-out form signed by an officer or our Department Head or Assistant Head. Releases may be made only in the presence of one of those whose specimen signatures have been placed on file with the guard.

The guard has been instructed to see that there is no smoking in any area of the building at any time.

The guard has also been directed to make a complete circuit of each floor of the building at least once an hour, and to report any unusual conditions to the bank by telephone. A telephone has been installed in the warehouse. This, however, is not connected with our board, but is on a separate exchange.

We assume that you will wish to give consideration to the procedures mentioned above if you have not already done so.

C. E. Earhart (Signed)

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TO: PORTLAND

DATE April 15, 1942

SUBJECT: Insurance - Evacuee Property Department

REFERENCE:

We have arranged with our insurance brokers for public liability coverage under our regular public liability policy on premises rented or leased in connection with Evacuee Property operations, including areas rented for furniture and/or automobile storage. Such coverage is effective from the effective date of the lease or rental period, even though it may not be reported to the insurance company until several days later. When the report has been received by the company, its inspectors will be sent to survey the premises in order to determine the rate. When the proper description of the premises and the rate have been obtained, an endorsement will be attached to our public liability policy, and the premium will be considered reimbursable as part of the Evacuee Property Department expenses. Such insurance will be arranged for by Head Office upon receipt of your advice of rental of premises or areas. Claims for reimbursement will also be handled through Head Office.

A question has been raised concerning our insurance coverage on evacuee owned automobiles when arrangements are made to transfer the automobiles from one location to another. Under our extended coverage policy (Sun Indemnity Company of New York, N-557906, which covers the policy year commencing March 1, 1942) we have protection up to \$300,000 for bodily injury liability and \$5,000 for property damage liability, whether the cars are operated by our own employees or by our designated agents who have contracted to move the cars under our supervision. It is believed that this coverage is sufficiently broad to protect us in the movement of evacuees' cars provided such cars are moved under our direction. We do not have any insurance, however, protecting us against fire and theft and collision. Such coverage is not necessary, as the cars are accepted by us without responsibility under the terms of the automobile form executed by the evacuee.

C. E. Earhart (Signed)

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HEADQUARTERS WESTERN DEFENSE COMMAND AND FOURTH ARMY

Office of The Provost Marshal

Presidio of San Francisco, California

April 14, 1942

Mr. R. E. Everson
Assistant Cashier
Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco

Dear Sir:

This office is in receipt of your letter of April 6, 1942 in which you call attention to certain hardships caused by Public Proclamation No. 4.

Please be advised that each case, of the type you mention, must be settled on its own merits.

Mr. Shigeno and his family will be granted a permit to leave Military Area No. 1 because they had actually changed their position, by spending money and making concrete arrangements, prior to the time of the "freezing order". Exceptions will also be available in other like cases.

Yours very truly,

(signed) W. F. Magill Jr.

W. F. Magill, Jr.,
Colonel, Infantry,
Provost Marshal.

PORTLAND

April 16, 1942


List of German and Italian Evacuees.

The following paragraph is quoted from a memorandum, dated April 14, 1942, from the Western Defense Command and Fourth Army, signed by Hugh T. Fullerton, Captain A.G.D. Assistant Adjutant General, in reply to a memorandum forwarded to that office:

"Answering your memorandum of April 8th, apparently there are no lists of German and Italian aliens living within the affected military areas. The information obtained in the 1942 enemy alien registration has not been classified as yet."

(SIGNED) R. E. EVERSON

Assistant Cashier.



REFERRED BY MR. MORSE

HEAD OFFICE TO MR. Branch

To: PORTLAND

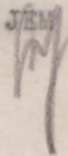
Date April 25, 1942

Enclosed is a form of lease which we would like to have used when renting property for storage of warehouses for furniture and other personal property and for automobiles.

Leases now in effect need not be rewritten but all new leases should be on the new form, a supply of which is being sent to you separately.

C. E. Earhart (signed)

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LEASE

THIS LEASE, made and entered into this day of , be-
tween
hereinafter called lessor, and FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO, as Fiscal Agent
of the United States, hereinafter called lessee,

WITNESSETH: That lessor does hereby lease unto lessee and lessee does hereby hire and take from lessor those certain premises described as follows:

to be used as a warehouse and for no other purpose for the term of _____ com-
 mencing on the _____ day of _____, and ending on the _____ day of _____
 _____, at the total rental of _____ payable in lawful money of the United
 States of America as follows: _____ on and in consideration of the execution
 hereof, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and _____ on the _____ day of _____
 _____ and _____ on the _____ day of each and every month thereafter
 until said total rental shall be paid.

This lease is made upon, and subject to, the following agreements, terms, and conditions, to which the parties hereto do hereby agree:

Lessee will pay the rent as herein stipulated promptly at the times and in the manner herein specified.

Any holding over of the term herein created shall be a tenancy from month to month only, and be on the same terms and conditions as herein stated.

Lessee will not underlet the whole or any part of said premises, or assign this lease or any rights thereunder, or allow any sale of property by auction on said premises, or make any alterations to said premises, or directly or indirectly use or allow to be used the said premises for any other purpose than that of a warehouse without the written consent of the lessor, except that the lessee shall have the right, without the prior consent of the lessor to assign this lease to any other governmental agency or instrumentality.

If any rent shall be due and unpaid, or if a default shall be made in any of the covenants herein contained, then it shall be lawful for the lessor to reenter said premises and remove all persons and property therefrom.

The lessee has the right to cancel the within lease during the term hereof on any of the three following dates, to-wit:

 , by serving at least thirty days' prior written notice upon the lessor, setting forth lessee's intention to cancel. Such written notice shall be served on lessor by depositing same in the United States mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the lessor at
and any notice, demand, or communication under or in connection with this lease may be served upon lessee by lessor by depositing the same in the United States mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the lessee at

Lessee shall have the option to renew this lease from year to year for a period not to exceed _____ years, upon the same terms and conditions as those herein stated upon written notice to lessor given as prescribed in the case of cancellation, at least sixty (60) days before the expiration of the term then in effect. In the event of any such renewal, this lease may be canceled during any such renewal term by written notice to lessor of intention so to do given at least thirty days prior to the effective date of cancellation.

In the event of any cancellation herein provided, the rental of per month shall be due only to the effective date of the cancellation, and the lessee shall not be liable for the payment of any rent after such cancellation date.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said parties have hereunto set their respective hands and seals the day and year first above written.

Signed, sealed, and delivered in the presence of:

(SEAL)

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO

By _____ (SEAL)
Cashier.

PORTLAND

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.

Handwritten initials and signature:
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PORTLAND

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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HEAD OFFICE

AIR MAIL

TO: PORTLAND

DATE April 24, 1942

SUBJECT: Proposed Evacuation Operations

REFERENCE:

We are enclosing two copies of memorandums covering two proposed evacuation operations in your zone for your information. These projects are still in a confidential stage and under the usual procedure the Exclusion Orders will not be forthcoming until a later date. However, undoubtedly you should stay in close contact with the U.S. Employment Service people whose responsibility it will be to establish the Civil Control Stations, in order to keep informed on future developments.

R. E. Everson (Signed)
Assistant Cashier.

Enclosures

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Project No. 37
WESTERN DEFENSE COMMAND AND FOURTH ARMY-CIVIL AFFAIRS DIVISION
San Francisco, California - April 23, 1942

MEMORANDUM: Proposed Evacuation Operation

1. It is planned to evacuate to the Portland Assembly Center, during the period April 28--May 5, 1942, all persons of Japanese ancestry, both alien and non-alien, who reside within that portion of Military Area No. 1 described as follows:
All of that portion of the County of Multnomah, State of Oregon, lying generally west of the Willamette River.
2. Approximately 950 persons involved in this evacuation, will be transported in accordance with the following tentative schedule:
Saturday, May 2, 1942 -- 250
Monday, May 4, 1942 -- 350
Tuesday, May 5, 1942 -- 350
3. For the purpose of processing evacuees, the Federal Security Agency will establish, organize, and operate a Civil Control Station in the above area located at:
Salvation Army Headquarters Building
20 Southwest Sixth Avenue, Portland, Oregon
4. The Federal Security Agency is authorized to deal directly with the Office of Emergency Management and other Federal agencies as may be needed in the establishment and operation of this station, and the civil agencies serving same will, in addition to their prescribed functions, be prepared to assist the Commanding General, Northwestern Sector, in his general supervision over evacuation in that sector.
5. Civilian Exclusion Order No. 25, this Headquarters, with accompanying instructions, will provide for the evacuation. A responsible member of each family and each individual living alone affected by the order, will be directed to report to the Civil Control Station for processing between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. on Wednesday, April 29, 1942, or between the same hours on Thursday, April 30, 1942. The order will direct that all persons of Japanese ancestry, both alien and non-alien, affected by such order, will be excluded from Military Area No. 1 from and after 12 o'clock noon, P.W.T., Tuesday, May 5, 1942.
6. Medical examinations will be conducted at the Portland Assembly Center after arrival of evacuees. Medical aid for and during the processing, and for and during travel, will be provided by the Federal Security Agency. A physician will be available at the Civil Control Station during the period of registration and processing to attend invalid and other exceptional cases.
7. Under this project, evacuees will be permitted to use their private automobiles in supervised groups, as transportation to the Portland Assembly Center. All such private automobiles will first have been registered with the representatives of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco at the Civil Control Station. Provisions will be made by the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco for the disposition of these automobiles upon arrival at the Portland Assembly Center, where such automobiles will be immobilized. For those evacuees without their own means of transportation, movement by rail or bus will be provided by Headquarters, Western Defense Command and Fourth Army.
8. Distribution of this memorandum is made to the Department of Justice (Mr. Tom C. Clark). In addition, this memorandum is distributed to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (Mr. Nat L. Pieper). It is requested that he notify as promptly as practicable all Federal Bureau of Investigation Special Agents in Charge, with the request that he in turn ask that they notify the appropriate state and local police.

(signed) M. F. Hass
M.F. HASS

Lieutenant Colonel, General Staff Corps
Assistant A.C. of S., Civil Affairs Division

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WESTERN DEFENSE COMMAND AND FOURTH ARMY-CIVIL AFFAIRS DIVISION
San Francisco, California - April 23, 1942

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All of that portion of the County of Multnomah, State of Oregon, bounded on the north by the Oregon-Washington State line, bounded on the east by 122nd Avenue, and 122nd Avenue extended southerly to the Multnomah-Clackamas County line, bounded on the south by the Multnomah-Clackamas County line, and bounded on the west by the Willamette River.
2. Approximately 950 persons involved in this evacuation, will be transported in accordance with the following tentative schedule:
Saturday, May 2, 1942 -- 250
Monday, May 4, 1942 -- 350
Tuesday, May 5, 1942 -- 350
3. For the purpose of processing evacuees, the Federal Security Agency will establish, organize, and operate a Civil Control Station in the above area located at:
The Navy Post
American Legion Hall
128 Northeast Russell Street, Portland, Oregon.
4. The Federal Security Agency is authorized to deal directly with the Office of Emergency Management and other Federal agencies as may be needed in the establishment and operation of this station, and the civil agencies serving same will, in addition to their prescribed functions, be prepared to assist the Commanding General, Northwestern Sector, in his general supervision over evacuation in that sector.
5. Civilian Exclusion Order No. 26, this Headquarters, with accompanying instructions, will provide for the evacuation. A responsible member of each family and each individual living alone affected by the order, will be directed to report to the Civil Control Station for processing between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. on Wednesday, April 29, 1942, or between the same hours on Thursday, April 30, 1942. The order will direct that all persons of Japanese ancestry, both alien and non-alien, affected by such order, will be excluded from Military Area No. 1 from and after 12 o'clock noon, P.W.T., Tuesday, May 5, 1942.
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(signed) M. F. Hass

M. F. HASS

Lieutenant Colonel, General Staff Corps
Assistant A.C. of S., Civil Affairs Division

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HEAD OFFICE

April 23, 1942

Evacuee Property Department

REFERENCE: WCCA Form FRB-2

The instructions contained in your letter of March 29, 1942 provide that the Federal Reserve Bank will deliver the original copy of the personal property form (WCCA Form FRB-2) to the War Relocation Authority present in the Civil Control Office.

Paragraph three of your letter dated April 9, 1942 provides that this office transmit to you copies of this form to which will be added the following clause; "The above items consist of _____ individual units", in order that this form may in turn be forwarded by you to the War Relocation Authority.

Please inform us if it is intended that the original copy of this form referred to in your letter of March 29th should be transmitted to your office for this purpose, or is it intended that we retain the original copy in this office for transmittal by us to the War Relocation Authority and that an extra copy be prepared by us and forwarded to you for your purpose.

Assistant Manager

PORTLAND

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.



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REFERRED BY MR. MacEACHRON

TO MR. Fisher

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PORTLAND

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.

PORTLAND

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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TO: PORTLAND

Date May 12, 1942


SUBJECT: Evacuee Property Department Expenses

It will be in order for you to include a charge for the bank automobile in your monthly statements and transfers of reimbursable Fiscal Agency expenditures incident to Evacuee Property Department operations, to the extent the bank car is used on Evacuee Property work.

A flat rate of 6¢ per mile should be billed and distribution should be made from the Automobile and Armored Car unit (517X) to the reimbursable Evacuee Property Department unit (5046).

The foregoing will reply to your inquiry of May 7, 1942.

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Checked by:

C. M. Mangels (Signed)
Assistant Cashier 

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TO: PORTLAND

DATE May 20, 1942

SUBJECT: Evacuee Property Department

REFERENCE: Your letter May 16, 1942 - H. Kuribayashi

Under the circumstances related in your letter we question whether we could complete the sale of the automobile in question to the Army at the present time.

The legal owner of the automobile is abroad and even if it were possible to obtain a duplicate ownership certificate, the legal owner would not be in a position to effect the necessary endorsement to qualify the automobile for sale, nor to place the legal ownership in his son for the purpose of permitting him to make the necessary arrangements.

While if the son of the legal owner could arrange to obtain a duplicate ownership certificate showing himself as legal owner we might be able to disregard any technicality involved, we question whether the Motor Vehicle Department would be willing to take such a step.

We are presenting this matter to the Army for its consideration as it is typical of a number of similar cases which present serious problems so far as the automobile purchase program is concerned.

Pending further developments or instructions, our only course of action will be to hold the car in storage and to proceed with the appraisal. When the matter has received the consideration of the military authorities we will again communicate with you.

R. E. Everson (Signed)
Assistant Cashier.

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TO: PORTLAND HEAD OFFICE DATE August 28, 1942

SUBJECT: Foreign Funds Control

REFERENCE: U. Matsushima and A. Matsushima, dba Teikoku Co.

We enclose two copies of a letter which we have addressed to A. and U. Matsushima, dba Teikoku Co., 136 N. W. 3rd Avenue, Portland, Oregon, with reference to an application filed in their behalf by Fumi Matsushima, an evacuee who expects to be repatriated to Japan presently.

The enclosure sets forth the manner in which Fumi Matsushima may be permitted to remove certain coins from a safe deposit box in the United States National Bank of Portland, Portland, Oregon, for the purpose of taking said coins with her to Japan.

We shall appreciate it if you will kindly forward a copy of the letter in question to the lessor bank.

R. E. Everson (signed)
Assistant Cashier

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August 28, 1942

U. Matsushima and A. Matsushima,
dba Teikoku Co.,
c/o Fumi Matsushima,
Sec. 3, Corr. C, Apt. 6, W.C.C.A.,
North Portland, Oregon.

Re: Your application dated August 26, 1942
Assigned our No. S.F. 27685

Dear Sirs:

We are authorized to inform you that the above designated application for a license to remove the contents of your safe deposit box in the United States National Bank of Portland, Portland, Oregon, and to remove therefrom a collection of old coins to be taken with you upon your repatriation to Japan, has been denied.

You should consider effecting the transaction referred to under the provisions of General License No. 12, the terms of which authorize access to safe deposit boxes by any blocked national. However, the terms of said General License require that any money or evidences of indebtedness or ownership which is removed from a safe deposit box be received into the custody of the banking institution which is the lessor of such box.

Under present regulations, each adult being repatriated to Japan may take with him not to exceed the sum of \$300.00 in cash, including currency, travelers cheques, cashiers checks and the like. It would therefore appear that the coins referred to could be taken with you under the terms of license No. S.F. 27051, issued August 27, 1942, as a part of the sum of \$300.00, which amount you are authorized to take out of the United States.

Yours very truly,

R. E. Everson (signed)
Assistant Cashier.

cc: Federal Reserve Bank
of San Francisco,
Portland, Oregon.
cc: United States National
Bank of Portland,
Portland, Oregon.

HEAD OFFICE

TO MR. Mac Cochran

TO:

PORTLAND

DATE

August 31, 1942

SUBJECT:

Evacuee Property Department
(Frances Kurnashi)

REFERRED BY MR. DAVIS

TO MR. Cornish

REFERENCE:

Enclosed find a copy of a letter dated August 28, 1942 received from the Jack Whiting Agency, Weiser, Idaho; a copy of our reply thereto and a copy of a memorandum relating thereto addressed to the War Relocation Authority, Hotel Whitcomb, San Francisco, California.

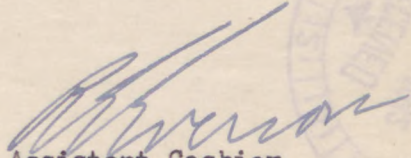
Our records here do not definitely disclose that all of the evacuees in the Portland Assembly Center have been transferred, which may leave the possibility that the evacuee in question may still be located therein and available for contact from your office.

.....Answered **Enclosure**
.....Ansd. by Routine Advice
.....☒ No Answer Required

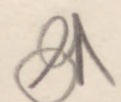
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See Interview Memo attached.



HEAD OFFICE

August 31, 1942

DATE

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TO:

Evacuee Property Department
(Frances Kurashiki)

SUBJECT

REFERENCE

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Our records here do not definitely disclose that all of the evacuees in the Portland Assembly Center have been transferred, which may leave the possibility that the evacuee in question may still be located there and available for contact from your office.

Answered Enclosure
And by Routine Advice
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FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO

FISCAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES

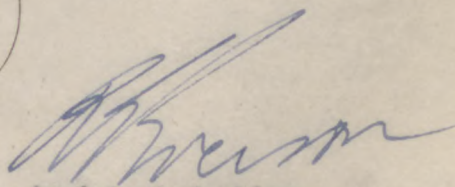
August 31, 1942

MEMORANDUM TO: WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY

SUBJECT: Division of Evacuee Property

Enclosed find copy of a letter dated August 28, 1942 received from the Jack Whiting Agency, relative to the ownership of certain real property by a purported Japanese, Frances Kurnashi, Portland, Oregon, located in Weiser, Idaho, together with a copy of our reply thereto, inasmuch as these property problems are now under your jurisdiction.

There is, of course, the remote possibility that the evacuee referred to in this inquiry may still be in the Portland, Oregon, Assembly Center.


Assistant Cashier

Enclosure

CC: PORTLAND BRANCH



FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO

FISCAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES

August 31, 1942

MEMORANDUM TO: SAN RELOCATION AUTHORITY

SUBJECT: Division of Evacuee Property

Enclosed find copy of a letter dated August 28, 1942 received from the Jack Building Agency, relative to the ownership of certain real property by a purported Japanese, Frances M. Nash, Portland, Oregon, located in Nelson, Idaho, together with a copy of our reply thereto, inasmuch as these property problems are now under your jurisdiction.

There is, of course, the remote possibility that the evacuee referred to in this inquiry may still be in the Portland, Oregon, Assembly Center.

Assistant Cashier



Enclosure

CC: PORTLAND BRANCH

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO

FISCAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. O. C. Whiting
Jack Whiting Agency
Bank Building
Weiser, Idaho

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of August 28, 1942 in which you make inquiry regarding a certain Frances Kurnashi of Portland, Oregon, with relation to certain property ownership in Weiser, Idaho.

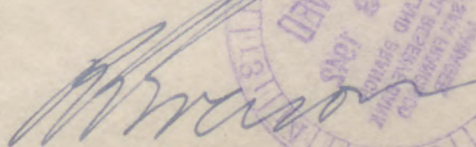
It was the function of this bank to aid in the settlement of property problems of evacuees, but in no case did we accept custodianship of real property such as is referred to in your inquiry.

Inasmuch as our records indicate that a substantial proportion, possibly all, of the evacuees from the city of Portland, Oregon, have now been removed to War Relocation Projects, we are forwarding a copy of your letter to the War Relocation Authority, Hotel Whitcomb, San Francisco, California. We are also forwarding a copy to our Portland, Oregon, branch so that they may be advised in this matter in the event you should contact them at a later date.

It may be some little time before the War Relocation Authority can advise you about this evacuee inasmuch as those transferred from Portland, Oregon, Assembly Center were sent to Tule Lake War Relocation Project, Tule Lake, California; Heart Mountain War Relocation Project, Vocation, Wyoming; and Minidoka War Relocation Project, Eden, Idaho.

In the event that all of the evacuees at the Portland Assembly Center have not yet been transferred to War Relocation Projects, an inquiry to our Portland branch might enable them to ascertain whether the party in whom you are interested in contacting is still at that Center.

Very truly yours,



Assistant Cashier



CC: PORTLAND BRANCH

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO

FISCAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. G. C. Whiting
Jack Whiting Agency
Bank Building
Bozeman, Idaho

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of August 28, 1942 in which you make inquiry regarding a certain business known as of Portland, Oregon, with relation to certain property ownership in Bozeman, Idaho.

It was the intention of this bank to aid in the settlement of property problems of business, but in no case did we accept responsibility of real property such as is referred to in your inquiry.

Inasmuch as our records indicate that a substantial proportion, possibly all, of the business from the city of Portland, Oregon, have been removed to War Relocation Project, we are forwarding a copy of your letter to the War Relocation Authority, Hotel Whiting, San Francisco, California. We are also forwarding a copy to our Portland, Oregon, branch so that they may be advised in this matter in the event you should contact them at a later date.

It may be some little time before the War Relocation Authority can advise you about this business inasmuch as those transferred from Portland, Oregon, Assembly Center were sent to Tule Lake War Relocation Project, Tule Lake, California; Heart Mountain War Relocation Project, Wyoming; and Minidoka War Relocation Project, Idaho.

In the event that all of the business at the Portland Assembly Center have not yet been transferred to War Relocation Project, an inquiry to our Portland branch might enable them to ascertain whether the party in whom you are interested in contacting is still at that center.



Very truly yours,

Assistant Cashier

CC: PORTLAND BRANCH

(COPY)

JACK WHITING AGENCY

O. C. Whiting

Representing American General Insurance Companies
General Insurance Company of America
First National Insurance Co. of America
General Casualty Company of America

Bank Building
Weiser, Idaho

August 28, 1942

Federal Reserve Bank
San Francisco, Cal.

Gentlemen:

It is my understanding that you are Custodians for the Japanese property holders in this section of the country. If so, do you have a record of a FRANCES KURNASHI of Portland, Oregon, who owns a building (formerly a restaurant) that was closed by the Federal Food Inspectors.

This building will interest one of my clients, who is remodeling a building next door at a cash price of \$1500.00.

Will you please ascertain as to whether or not this bid is attractive, or if not, what figure it can be purchased for.

Yours very truly,

O. C. WHITING /s/

CC: PORTLAND BRANCH

(COPY)

JACK WHITING AGENCY

O. C. Whiting

Bank Building
Seattle, Idaho

Representing American General Insurance Corporation
General Insurance Company of America
First National Insurance Co. of America
General Casualty Company of America

August 26, 1942

Federal Reserve Bank
San Francisco, Cal.

Portland:

It is my understanding that you are considering for
the Japanese property holders in this section of the country.
If so, do you have a record of a FRANKLIN KENNEDY of Portland,
Oregon, who owns a building (formerly a restaurant) that was
placed in the "Black" list?

This building will interest one of my clients, who is
considering a building next door at a cash price of \$1500.00.

Will you please ascertain as to whether or not this
bid is attractive, or if not, what figure it can be purchased
for.

Yours very truly,

O. C. WHITING /s/



cc: PORTLAND BRANCH

Interviewed

9/4/4v

Francis Kurnaschi
Assembly Center.

Says he wants \$5,000

Says he paid \$9,000.

Oswell Smith of Weiser Idaho is
R.E. agent for Francis Kurnaschi
to handle property.

Kurnaschi is going to Eden Idaho ^{about} 9/7/4v
Says that upon arrival in Idaho he
is going to apply for permit to go to
Weiser for purpose of disposing of
property.

direct.

Says he is writing to Whiting.

See letter dated 8/31/4v from H. O.

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PORTLAND

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.

PORTLAND

- (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. HALE

Vice President

HEAD OFFICE

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TO: PORTLAND

DATE September 23, 1942

SUBJECT: Evacuee Property Department-(Inquiries relating to evacuees in relocation areas).

REFERENCE: Our letter July 29, 1942

We are now informed by the War Relocation Authority that they are maintaining representatives at Seattle to handle problems involving property located in Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana. Following are the names of the representatives and their Seattle address:

Mr. Edward M. Joyce,
Agricultural Property Supervisor,

Mr. Clyde W. Linville,
Commercial Property Supervisor,

Room 5566 Stewart Building
4th and University Streets,
Telephone: Elliot 0200 (Ext. 365-366).

While inquiries relating to the household goods and stored personal property of evacuees in relocation areas should continue to be forwarded to this office for transmittal to the War Relocation Authority headquarters at San Francisco, inquiries on general property problems arising in your zone may be forwarded direct to the Seattle representatives of the War Relocation Authority. We presume they have already been in touch with your office.

C. E. Earhart (signed)
C a s h i e r.

PORTLAND

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 information:

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 (EPM-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:

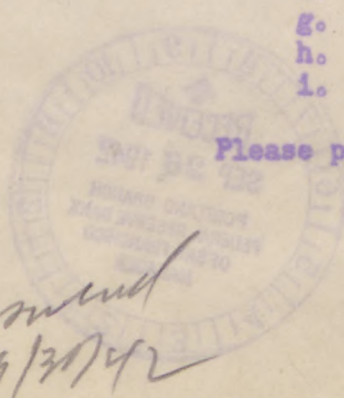
- a. Salaries
- b. Traveling expenses
- c. Rent
- d. Postage
- e. Printing, stationery and supplies
- f. Telephone and telegraph
- g. Expressage
- h. Guard service
- i. Miscellaneous

Please provide the information requested at your earliest convenience.

(SIGNED) C. E. EARHART

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Amended
9/30/42



September 25, 1942

PORTLAND

Business Property Department
(Information for final report.)

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

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

Finally provide us with the following information:

1. Number of inventories conducted, exclusive of Assembly Centers.
2. Number of inventories 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 or kept.
 7. Number of motor vehicles released to owners for private disposition (GAC-2).
 8. Number of motor vehicles released to keep for repatriation.
- 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. Repossession
- h. Guard service
- i. Miscellaneous

Include the information requested at your earliest convenience.

(Signed) C. E. EHRHART

Manager



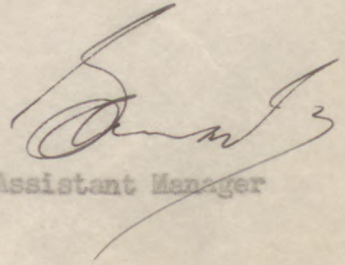
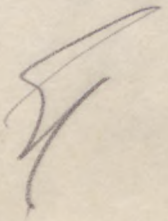
HEAD OFFICE

September 30, 1942

Evacuee Property Department
(Information for final report)

The data requested in your letter of September 25, 1942
is submitted herewith:

1. Number of interviews granted, exclusive of Assembly Centers
1,691 (excludes 2,218 telephone calls)
2. Number of interviews at Assembly Centers
165 (partly estimated)
3. Number of individual cases handled
193
4. Number of cases handled at Assembly Centers
14 (partly estimated)
5. Number of motor vehicles taken into custody
13
6. Number of motor vehicles sold to Army
7
7. Number of motor vehicles released to owners
5
8. Number of motor vehicles submitted to Army for requisitioning
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9. Expenses on a monthly basis from and including March through
September, 1942
Attached hereto.



Assistant Manager

9. Expenses on a monthly basis from and including March through
September, 1942 according to the following classifications:

	<u>March</u>	<u>April</u>	<u>May</u>	<u>June</u>	<u>July</u>	<u>August</u>	<u>September</u>	<u>Total</u>
Salaries	\$650.69	2,084.95	2,167.88	1,049.87	343.92	171.17	174.16	6,642.64
Traveling expenses	88.39	7.21	110.85	110.30				316.75
Rent		1,687.50	1,325.00	1,195.96	950.00			5,158.46
Postage		11.04	13.27	3.67			1.31	29.29
Printing, stationery and supplies	40.70	60.19	49.69	18.57				169.15
Telephone and telegraph		58.58	299.37	522.32	243.99	5.41	1.74	1,131.41
Expressage		4.00	1,674.80	239.56			42.20	1,960.56
Guard service			181.90					181.90
Miscellaneous	1.88	190.28	296.61	70.22	11.88	9.60	11.50	591.97
Retirement System Contributions	19.00	77.87	91.14	44.25	19.13	9.89	2.89	271.17
TOTAL	800.66	4,181.62	6,210.51	3,254.72	1,568.92	196.07	240.80	16,453.30

It is observed that no caption has been provided for Retirement System contribution, although perhaps this expense should be included in the salary or miscellaneous classification and we have listed it sepreately in case you should wish these figures.

HEAD OFFICE

TO: PORTLAND

December 2, 1942

SUBJECT: Evacuee Property Department

REFERENCE:

We have received a letter from the Secretary of the Treasury dated November 21, 1942 advising us of the revocation of the Authority delegated by him to this bank in connection with the administration of the evacuation program. As a consequence of the action taken by the Secretary of the Treasury, the War Relocation Authority has succeeded to the authority previously delegated to this bank and holds, among other powers, the freezing power of the character covered by Special Regulation No. 1 issued by this bank under Treasury authority on March 18, 1942.

Under these circumstances, it is believed that our activities relating to the evacuation program should now be confined to the reference of matters to the War Relocation Authority offices, and we suggest that in such references you deal directly with the Seattle office of that agency. Inquiries pertaining to goods stored in the evacuee warehouses should be referred to that office, as should all other problems.

We would be interested in learning of the expenses you anticipate incurring in connection with Evacuee Property Department operations during the month of December, 1942. While any further activities will be definitely restricted, it is possible that some expenses may continue during the current month and the information requested will be helpful to us in any formal step we may take in connection with the Wartime Civil Control Administration in terminating our relationships.

W. H. Hale (copied)

Vice President

Copied by: BR
Checked by: *[initials]*

HEAD OFFICE

TO: PORTLAND

DATE December 28, 1942

SUBJECT: Evacuee Property Department.

REFERENCE:

The War Relocation Authority has been requested to make a comprehensive survey of farm equipment of Japanese evacuees not now in production. That agency would like the benefit of any material in the files of this bank on the subject and we have already made our file data at this office available to its representative.

We have been asked to permit the agricultural property supervisor of the War Relocation Authority in the Seattle Branch zone to examine your files and obtain such information as they may contain on the subject. It will be in order for you to make such data available to the War Relocation Authority representative in that zone.

No doubt the Seattle representative of the War Relocation Authority will be in touch with you in this connection. We understand that the agricultural property supervisor in that area is Mr. Edward M. Joyce.

W. M. Hale /s/
Vice President.

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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
Telephone Klondike 2-2611

August 21, 1942

SUBJECT: Access to Records Pertaining to Evacuation Operations
TO; Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco

In reference to your memorandum of August 19, 1942 it is desired that the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, acting as Fiscal Agent of the United States in behalf of the Treasury Department, make available pertinent records to duly authorized representatives of the Treasury Department, including the Foreign Funds Control Investigative Unit.

KARL R. BENDETSSEN /s/

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

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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
Telephone Klondoke 2-2611

August 19, 1942

SUBJECT: Access to Records Pertaining to Evacuation Operations
TO: Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco

1. Reference is made to your memorandum of August 18, 1942
2. Since the transfer of documents has now been made to the War Relocation Authority covering all warehouses for evacuees' property heretofore maintained by the Federal Reserve Bank, and since it is the intention of the War Relocation Authority to assume the responsibilities of the management of evacuees' property, it is desired that you provide the War Relocation Authority with such pertinent information from your files as may be necessary for the solution of problems arising in connection with evacuees at Relocation Centers.

KARL R. BENDETSSEN /s/

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

HEAD OFFICE

TO:

PORTLAND

DATE August 28, 1942

SUBJECT:

Evacuee Property Department

REFERENCE:

For completion of your records we enclose copies of a letter dated August 14, 1942 and memoranda dated August 19, 1942 and August 21, 1942 respectively, from Colonel Karl R. Bendetsen, G.S.C., Assistant Chief of Staff, Civil Affairs Division, Wartime Civil Control Administration, Western Defense Command and Fourth Army.

These advices clearly set forth the agencies to whom we are authorized to furnish information relative to the evacuee program as contained in our files.

R. E. Everson (signed)
Assistant Cashier

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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
Klondike 2-2611

August 14, 1942

Mr. William W. Hale
Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco
Sansome and Sacramento Streets
San Francisco, California

Dear Sir:

During the evacuation program various agencies which performed services in Civil Control Stations and WCCA "team" offices kept records on Japanese persons and their property. Some of these records, particularly those which were taken in duplicate, triplicate, etc., remain in the files of the service agency.

It is the desire of this office that all records in your office that pertain in any way to the evacuation program be frozen; and that no access to the information contained therein be permitted without written permission from the War Department or the Wartime Civil Control Administration.

Yours very truly,

KARL R. BENDETSSEN /s/

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

PORTLAND

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.

(SIGNED) C. E. EARHART

Cashier

Enclosure

*Annexed
8/29/42*



August 21, 1942

Business Property Department
(Data on this equipment)

It is understood that information for the
Inventory Department as to the quantity of equipment
including transfers, which may have been taken out of production
by the production of business from the military areas on the
Pacific Coast, established by the military authorities. There
was some discussion as to why it is that, and some concern as
to how they could be made to investigate the equipment on
otherwise it is of the equipment which is sold or some other
matter is that it would be better to be available for
use, but without making the property inventory, actually taking
it out of production.

While we believe investigation will show that no
substantial number of equipment is so held, we are asking an
investigation of the situation and request that information on
this matter be provided as soon as possible to your zone.

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

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.



(Signed) C. E. BARRHART

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[Handwritten signature and notes]

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF SAN FRANCISCO

FISCAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES

At the request of the Treasury Department, we are endeavoring to obtain somewhat precise information as to the quantity of farm implements, including tractors, of Japanese evacuees which is not now in productive use. While from the general information which we have been able to develop it appears that in most instances the farm equipment of such evacuees was transferred to the substitute operators who acquired the farm property or was sold by them to other persons on a private basis, either directly or through dealers in farm implements, with the consequence that for the most part, such equipment remains in productive use, we should like to establish this fact to some degree of definiteness.

We have, from time to time, heard rumors that more or less substantial amounts of such property were stored privately by the evacuees and thus taken out of active production. We have been unable to obtain details of any specific cases of this type.

In order to obtain the information desired we would appreciate your making an investigation of the situation in your area. No doubt the local farm implement dealers would have a rather clear picture of the situation, as perhaps would the county farm advisers for the various counties. However, we believe you should contact such sources of information as the circumstances in your area dictate in order to develop the data.

The specific questions to be answered are as follows:

1. How much farm equipment owned by Japanese evacuees at the time of their evacuation remains unavailable for productive use by reason of private storage arrangements made by them, or otherwise?
2. Is it possible to obtain specific information in any given case? If so, it should be obtained.
3. Of any property so held out of production, how is it being held - i.e., stored on the farm land previously occupied by the Japanese; stored with dealers; or stored otherwise?

We would like as complete a picture on this situation as it is possible to provide.

Please give the matter your immediate attention.

Assistant Cashier



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HEADQUARTERS WESTERN DEFENSE COMMAND AND FOURTH ARMY
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL
PRESIDIO OF SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

August 14, 1942

SUBJECT: Transfer Order No. 13

TO : Commanding General, Northwestern Sector, WDC
All Wartime Civil Control Administration Agencies Concerned.

1. Reference letter, this headquarters, June 26, 1942, subject, "Transfer of Evacuees of Wartime Civil Control Administration Assembly Centers to War Relocation Authority Relocation Projects," and Executive Order No. 9066.

2. It is directed that appropriate arrangements be made for the transfer of evacuees as indicated below:

	<u>Approximate No. of Evacuees</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
a.-	1125	Portland Assembly Center Portland, Oregon	Heart Mountain Relocation Project Vocation, Wyoming

- (1) Movement will start on or about August 29 and will be completed as soon as practicable.
- (2) The number of evacuees moved on any one day will not exceed 600 persons.
- (3) This group of evacuees will be made up of the families of evacuees from Benton, Chelan, Kittitas, Klickitat, Okanogan and Yakima counties, State of Washington, included in the following series of family numbers:

20,091 to 20,150 inclusive
25,001 to 25,060 "
26,751 to 26,762 "
33,056 to 33,150 "
37,001 to 37,121 "
25,095

	<u>Approximate No. of Evacuees</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
b.	2400	Portland Assembly Center Portland, Oregon	Minidoka War Relocation Project Eden, Idaho

- (1) Between August 31 and September 5, both dates inclusive, no movements will be made.

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- (2) Movement will start on or about September 6 and will be completed as soon as practicable.
- (3) The number of evacuees moved on any one day will not exceed 600 persons.
- (4) This group of evacuees will be made up of the families not included in the series of family numbers shown in a, above; that is, all remaining center residents will be transferred under this movement.

By Command of Lieutenant General De WITT:

Hugh T. Fullerton /s/

Hugh T. Fullerton
Captain, A.G.D.

Assistant Adjutant General

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HEAD OFFICE

TO: PORTLAND

DATE August 17, 1942

SUBJECT: Evacuee Property Department -
Transfer of evacuees from Portland Assembly Center.

REFERENCE:

We are enclosing a copy of Transfer Order No. 13 dated August 14, 1942, released by the Wartime Civil Control Administration.

We understand that this information has not yet been made public and that a press release on the general subject will be issued about the 19th of this month.

R. E. Everson (signed)
Assistant Cashier

PORTLAND

August 6, 1942

Evacuee Property Department
(Requisitioning of Automobiles Owned by Japanese Evacuees)

The military authorities have been giving consideration to the disposition of motor vehicles of evacuees tendered to this bank for storage, having in mind that at least in some areas, even after considerable sales effort on our part, many evacuees have remained unwilling to sell their cars to the Army under the Army's purchase plan which we are administering.

We have received from the Wartime Civil Control Administration a memorandum on the subject dated August 3, 1942 which is quoted as follows:

- "1. It is desired that the Federal Reserve Bank circularize the following letter to Japanese evacuees who refuse to sell their automobiles voluntarily:

You have previously been given an opportunity to sell the motor vehicle previously stored with this bank to the United States Army for the appraised value which has been established by two independent appraisers. The Army's purchase offer has been communicated to you which, if accepted, would result in payment to you of the amount set forth below, calculated as follows:

Amount offered (appraised value).....\$ _____

Less approximate amount which will be acceptable after final payment by legal owner.....\$ _____

Approximate balance to be remitted to registered owner.....\$ _____

While some time has elapsed since the appraisal of the vehicle and the conditions under which your motor vehicle has been held have perhaps tended to reduce its value, the Army is, nevertheless, prepared to renew its offer in order to give you a final opportunity to realize a fair value for your interest in the vehicle.

We have been instructed by the military authorities to advise you that if you decide not to take advantage of this offer, the Army will requisition the vehicle in accordance with legal process pursuant to the provisions of the Act of October 16, 1941 (55 Stat. 742).

Will you, therefore, give this matter your immediate consideration and if you conclude to dispose of your vehicle voluntarily to the Army, on the basis outlined above, sign the election appearing on this letter, returning the original to us.

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.

(Signature)

2. If an evacuee refuses to sell to the Army under Alternative No. 2 on WCCA Form FRB-4, the Army will then requisition the car in question under the following procedure:
 - a. The Quartermaster, WDC & 4th Army, will contact the Quartermaster Corps, War Department, Washington, D.C., for special forms for submission of the proposal to requisition.
 - b. The proposal to requisition is submitted to the War Department, Headquarters Services of Supply, Washington, D.C., with instructions to forward requisition to the Federal Reserve Bank, San Francisco.
 - c. The requisition itself, signed by the Under Secretary of War, is received by the Federal Reserve Bank, San Francisco, for service upon the holder of property.
 - d. Notice of requisition is simultaneously given to all persons who have an interest in the property, and such persons are requested to file proofs of claim or disclaimer with the War Department, Headquarters 303, Washington, D.C.
 - e. The procedure of requisitioning is expeditious. An effort is made to complete all details relative to the requisition within a period of from twenty-four to forty-eight hours.

3. This memorandum refers only to procedure respecting vehicles presently in the custody of the Federal Reserve Bank, and does not refer to cars which were privately stored by persons of Japanese ancestry before their evacuation."

You will observe that the procedure outlined contemplates that a letter shall be forwarded to the evacuees in question, giving them a final opportunity to sell their cars to the Army at the appraised value previously established. The letter makes particular mention of the Army's intention to requisition vehicles if the evacuees are not willing to sell them to the Army voluntarily.

Please proceed with the presentation of a letter in the suggested form to the evacuees whose cars remain in storage under your care. It is desired that this matter be expedited as much as possible in order, among other things, to contact the evacuees at Assembly Centers prior to their removal to Relocation Centers.

Particular attention is directed to the fact that the memorandum relates only to vehicles now in our custody and that it does not refer to vehicles of evacuees which were privately stored by them. It should also be borne in mind, in contacting evacuees, that we are acting under direct instruction of the Army in advising them of the intention to requisition such vehicles and not on our own account.

The requisitioning procedure has not yet been worked out in detail but will be given further consideration if the results of the current contact program make it necessary. Please keep us informed as to progress, as the local headquarters of the Wartime Civil Control Administration will be interested in current developments in the program.

(SIGNED) C. E. EARHART

Cashier.

HEAD OFFICE

To: PORTLAND

Date August 12, 1942

Subject: Evacuee Property Department

Reference: Your letter August 11, 1942

We believe that the procedure to be followed, with respect to the possibility that the Japanese mentioned in your letter may wish to ask the Government to provide storage for his restaurant fixtures, would be to submit the matter to the War Relocation Authority for consideration.

The Portland warehouse has, of course, been transferred to the War Relocation Authority, and while the evacuee is still in an Assembly Center, it is our feeling that matters pertaining to the treatment of property of evacuees, particularly in a case where the storage request is subsequent to the date of evacuation, is one requiring a policy determination by that agency.

If the evacuee concludes to present such a request, please provide us with his name, and such other details as may be pertinent, in order that we can forward it to the War Relocation Authority. The Japanese should, of course, be advised that the matter is being so handled.

R. E. Everson /s/
Assistant Cashier.

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July 29, 1942

Evacuee Property Department

(Assumption by War Relocation Authority of evacuee property protection services)



The War Relocation Authority is establishing services for evacuees in relocation areas in connection with the protection of their property interests with a view toward assuming the responsibilities which have heretofore fallen on this bank and on the Farm Security Administration as evacuees reach the relocation areas.

After some discussion, an understanding has been reached between the Wartime Civil Control Administration and the War Relocation Authority respecting this matter, and it has now been determined that we will continue to provide our services to evacuees so long as they remain in Wartime Civil Control Administration Assembly Centers, but when they are transferred to relocation areas, their problems will become the responsibility of the War Relocation Authority subject to an obligation on our part to provide the War Relocation Authority with such information as we may have regarding any specific problem and access to our records for such information.

For the time being when inquiries are received from, or relating to, evacuees in relocation areas, it will be in order to acknowledge their receipt, advising the inquirers that they are being submitted to the regional office of the War Relocation Authority for consideration. The inquiries should then be transmitted to us, together with any information you may have bearing on the subject, and we will in turn pass them on to the local headquarters of that agency.

Please retain the original of the inquiry for your file, providing us with two copies of the material forwarded, one of which we will transmit to the War Relocation Authority.

(SIGNED) W. M. HALE

Vice President

HEAD OFFICE

TO: PORTLAND

DATE August 6, 1942

SUBJECT: Evacuee Property Department
(Weekly report of operations)

REFERENCE: Our wire March 20, 1942

We are advising the Treasury Department that our weekly report of operations of the Evacuee Property Department is being discontinued. It will not be necessary, therefore, to provide us with a report for the current week or subsequent periods.

R. E. Everson (signed)
Assistant Cashier

PORTLAND

July 20, 1942

Evacuee Property Department
(Repatriation of Japanese Evacuees)

(7) The following is the substance of a memorandum from Mr. E. R. Fryer, Regional Director, War Relocation Authority, addressed to all Project Directors under date of July 18, 1942, providing information regarding the above subject:

"It appears possible that an exchange of nationals may be arranged between the State Department and the Japanese Government. This memorandum will supersede all previous instructions on the subject. Changes in procedure from preceding instructions are made necessary by new developments in exchange negotiations.

"The War Relocation Authority has been requested to submit certain information concerning persons who wish to be repatriated, which, it is felt, can best be supplied through the preparation of an application form "Individual Request for Repatriation". This form is identical to the form which will be circulated in the Assembly Centers under the jurisdiction of the Wartime Civil Control Administration.

"The following instructions have been issued by the WCCA which may serve as a guide in answering inquiries concerning the plan:

- (1) Each repatriate may take one handbag and one trunk, provided size of the two combined does not exceed 32 cu. ft. No restrictions on weight.
- (2) Each repatriate may take not more than \$300 in currency. If funds are blocked, arrangements can be made to release them to permit withdrawal up to \$300.
- (3) No securities may be taken.
- (4) Personal papers, to include deeds, letters, books, manuscripts or any papers containing writing or printing thereon which repatriate desires to take must be forwarded in a package to War Relocation Authority to refer for examination and analysis. These papers will be forwarded later.

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- (12) In the event of selection, the War Relocation Authority will provide transportation and guard escorts.
- (13) Place and date of sailing following selection will be made known later.

"We are concerned primarily at the moment with securing properly executed applications. Please give the subject of this memorandum precedence over ordinary business."

We are forwarding this material in order that you may be informed on the subject.

(SIGNED) R. E. EVERSON

Assistant Cashier

COPY FOR PORTLAND BRANCH

June 23, 1942

MEMORANDUM TO: War Relocation Authority

SUBJECT: Property of evacuees held in
storage at Portland, Oregon.

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1. We are enclosing a copy of a letter dated June 11, 1942, from Miyako Nakamura, which has been received by our Portland Branch under the circumstances outlined in a communication received from our Branch under date of June 22, 1942, which is quoted in part, as follows:

"A letter dated June 11, 1942, written by Miyako Nakamura, now at Tullake, California, and addressed to Mr. M. K. Conway at Chehalis, Washington, came to this office after being sent by Mr. Conway of the Washington State Employment Service to Mr. Tom G. Rathbone of the United States Employment Service at Olympia, Washington, and referred by that office to the Seattle Branch, Federal Reserve Bank, reaching us from that source on June 20. We are enclosing a copy of the letter inquiring about the location of the evacuee's property and the steps necessary to return the property to the owners now at Tullake, California.

Our records indicate that we did accept for storage in Portland, one trunk as described in the letter, from Yasaku Nakamura, under family No. 19883, and received at Warehouse No. 5, Oregon Transfer Company, 733 N. W. Everett Street on June 4, 1942. We hold also an acknowledgment dated June 12, 1942, signed by Yasaku Namamura for a copy of the WCCA Form FRB-2, sent to him as his official receipt for the stored property. The family registration and all of our storage forms are in the name of Yasaku Nakamura, while the inquiry letter is signed by Miyako Nakamura. Former identical address and all other details indicate they are apparently in the same family."

2. This matter is submitted for your consideration.

Vice President

cc: Karl R. Bendetsen,
Colonel, G.S.C.

cc: Major Bryant Wells

Answered

Ans. by Routine Advised

No Answer Required

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Head Office

July 21, 1942

Evacuee Property Department

We are informed by our Evacuee Property Department representative that Mr. N. L. Bican, Manager of the WCCA Assembly Center, North Portland, Oregon, has received several inquiries as to the amount in cash that may be taken by each adult and minor that may be repatriated. If this information is available through this bank, we shall appreciate your informing us so that we may advise Mr. Bican accordingly.

Assistant Manager