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Former relief client refunds value of government aid.

A check for $15.00 from a former relief client in repayment for food supplied to him in the winter of 1934 is revealed today in the transmission of the check to Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau, Jr., by Harry L. Horkins, WPA Administrator.

Compelled to accept relief when a resident of Los Angeles County, California, in the form of groceries and meat, the former relief client has since rehabilitated himself in Alaska and it is from that territory he sent the following letter to Administrator Horkins:

"During the months of February and March, 1934, I received Federal relief in the form of groceries and meat to the approximate value of fifteen dollars through the Los Angeles County Welfare Department in North Hollywood, California, and I am enclosing check for that amount on the First National Bank of Fairbanks, Alaska. Since I am in somewhat better circumstances at the present time, I think it is no more than right that I should refund said amount. I was one of those (according to Mr. Landon) supported by the Government in idleness."