



Committee on Resettlement of  
Japanese Americans. Minneapolis  
Chapter records, 1942-1944.

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War Relocation Desk  
407 S. 4th Street  
Minneapolis, Minnesota  
May 11, 1943

MAY 11 1943

Mr. M. Korengold  
252 Nicollet Ave.  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Korengold:

I have the following letter from Mr. or rather, Dr. Pittenger, of  
Pittenger Dental Laboratories, Spexarth Building, Astoria, Oregon:

" Regarding Mr. Thomas Satoh, I feel sure he could more than earn whatever  
salary Mr. Korengold would pay him. If he were free to work in Portland  
or Seattle I am sure he could make more than \$50.00 a week in a dozen  
places.

" In a large modern dental laboratory he would have much to learn but he would  
soon get into the technic prevailing in that laboratory. If he were a finished  
dental laboratory technician he could command \$100.00 a week most anywhere on  
the coast. He has a lovely, high class wife, both are high school graduates,  
and two children."

"Yours Truly,

J. J. Pittenger, M. D. "

Mr. Satoh has written recently that he is interested in coming here,  
and we have been looking for satisfactory housing for him and his family.  
I shall be glad to hear from you further in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Lawrence D. Steefel  
Volunteer Placement Secretary.

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Mrs. G. F. Steefel:-

Regarding Mr. Thas Satoh, I feel sure he could more than earn whatever salary Mr. Koenigold would pay him. If he were free to work in Portland or Seattle I am sure he could make more than \$50.00 a week in a dozen places.

In a large modern dental laboratory he would have much to learn but he would soon get onto the technique prevailing in that lab. If he were a finished dental lab. technician he could command \$200.00 a week most anywhere on the coast. He has a lovely, high class wife, both are High School graduates, both Japanese and two children.

One of the worst curses in the U. S. today is not the Japs but employers that are too lazy to pay proper wages.

While they are damning John L. Lewis they should also damn even more, absentee coal mine owners that have been a disgrace to our glorious U. S. A. these last 75 years. Yours Truly,

J. J. Pittenger



WE CATER TO DISCRIMINATING DENTISTS

SAVE 35 TO 100 PER CENT BY PAYING CASH

## *Chicago* Dental Laboratories

Box 958

MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA  
telephone-Bridgeport 3804  
252 Nicollet Avenue

April 29, 1943

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Mrs. Genevieve F. Steefel  
% War Relocation Dept.  
407 So. Fourth  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Mrs. Steefel:

Received your letter and also applications.  
In your letter you mentioned getting some references  
from a dental laboratory, which I have been waiting for.

Now in both of these applications I note  
different amounts of money for the salary. It is very  
difficult to determine by the ability that is claimed  
by these technicians, but I really believe they set their  
salaries somewhat too high. As to their ability, it would  
be necessary for me to get references as to their produc-  
tion and their technic. In that way I would be more able  
to gauge their values.

I want to thank you for your interest.

Yours truly,

CHICAGO DENTAL LABORATORIES

*M. Korengold*  
M. Korengold, manager

MK/do



WRA

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
OFFICE FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT  
WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY  
842 Metropolitan Life Bldg.  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

DIVISION OF CENTRAL  
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

IN REPLY REFER TO:

May 11, 1943

MEMORANDUM TO: MRS. L. STEEFEL

FROM: C. L. WHITE, RELOCATION OFFICER

SUBJECT: APPLICATIONS

For your information and files, we are enclosing the  
applications of:

Ellen Kuyama, Poston, Arizona.....	Stenographer
Sakae Niguma, Minidoka Project.....	Steno-Bookkeeper
Betsy M. Fujimoto, Rohwer Project.....	Clerk-Steno.
Shinji Kosasa, Tule Lake Project.....	Pharmacist
Geo. Hiroyoshi Yokoyama, Gila Project..	Farmer, Fruit, or Statistical Technician

We shall appreciate whatever you can do for the applicants.

mk  
Enclosures



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May 12, 1943

Name

Available

Mr. Geo. Kenmotsu 19-3-8 Not here

Mr. Ben Masuda 3-9-B yes

Mr. Robert Kishita 27-3-B yes

Mr. Junichi Fukumoto 1-5-C yes



May 12, 1943

Name **MAY 15 1943** Available

✓ Miss Shiori Kajikawa 22-5-E	No
✓ Miss Louise Kimura 24-9-F	Yes
✓ Miss Chizuko Matsumoto 26-6-E	Yes
✓ Miss Ayako Morita 28-5-B	No
✓ Mr. Makoto Kimura 1-9-F	No

(Project to WRC filing)

May 12, 1943

Name **MAY 15 1943** Available

Mr. Hiromasa Nakagaki 33-11-A	Yes
Mr. Masataka Iyama 11-3-B	Yes
Mr. Ichiro Fukutome 5-10-A	Yes
Mr. Frank Fukuda 8-3-C	Yes

**MAY 24 1943**



*checked*





May 14, 1943

War Relocation Desk  
407 S 4th Street  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Sir:

We have full registration records for the men and women whose names appear on the attached card. It is necessary for us to know, however, whether they are available at the present time and whether they are still interested in applying for work in Minneapolis. Will you be so kind as to write "yes" or "no" as the case may be under "available?" on the list. Thank you

Mrs Lawrence Steefel  
Volunteer Placement Secretary  
Minneapolis, Minnesota



War Relocation Desk  
407 South Fourth St  
Minneapolis  
Minn.

May 14, 1943

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Available?

✓ Name  
Miss Rosemary Anzai 34-3-5 RELOCATED  
✓ Mrs Fukiyo Murase 5-3-5B RELOCATED  
✓ Miss Nancy Kanagai 14-8-2 NO  
✓ Mr. Moses Miyazaki 12-13-2 RELOCATED  
✓ Mr. Carl Kondo 33-11-3 NO  
✓ Mr. Richard Tanazawa 16-9-1 SEASONAL  
✓ Mr. Fred Kiraoka 4-3-1 RELOCATED  
✓ Mr. Wilfred Hara 30-11-3 YES  
✓ Mr. John Goichi Aono 29-2-4 RELOCATED

THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS



STAMPS

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Placement Office

Margaret

Margaret California

Center

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May 14, 1943

Name	Available?
✓ Miss Mae Kuroda 306-7D-3	<u>YES</u>
✓ Mr. George Ono 219-4-B	<u>YES*</u>
✓ Mr. James Sakamoto 211-9-D	<u>YES</u>

\*Mr. George Ono is now preparing to go to Minneapolis under the hospitality plan in accordance with the letter received from Mr. C. L. White.

Giles L. Zimmerman  
Chief, Employment Division

May 14, 1943

Name	Available?
Miss Masa Nishi 14-24-CD	<u>NO</u> ✓
Mrs Michiye Takaki 9-19-B	<u>NO</u> ✓
Mr. Willy Takaki 9-19-B	<u>NO</u> ✓

All of the above left the center except Mrs. M. Takaki.

Mrs Takaki does not wish to go Minn.

*[Handwritten signature]*



May 14, 1943

Name	Available?
Miss Miye Magota 2-8-A	<u>Yes</u> ✓
Miss Fumiko Otsuki 18-02-B	<u>No</u> ✓
Miss Sae Minokami H.S. Dep't	<u>Yes</u> ✓
Miss Tomiko Okura 3-08-A	<u>No</u> ✓



May 14, 1943

Name	Available?
✓ Mr. Fumio Tekano 33-5-D	<u>YES</u>
✓ Mr. Kazuo Ekinaka 61-4-A	<u>YES</u>

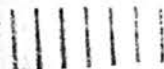
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Name MAY 15 1943 Available

Mr. Jack Kudo 5715-C	<u>yes</u>
Mr. Harry Fujii 3519-B	<u>no</u>
Miss Midori Makimoto 4615-C	<u>no</u>
Mrs. Harry Fujii 3519-B	<u>no</u>
Miss Sally Taketa 2819-C	<u>no</u>
Miss Sara Tanigawa 3501-D	<u>no</u>
Miss Fumi Kitahara 5302-B	<u>no</u>
Miss Helen Hayashi 4417-B	<u>no</u>
Miss Rose Katsari 715-A	<u>no</u>
Miss Shinozaki (Elva) 501-B	<u>no</u>

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Name MAY 15 1943 Availability

Miss Violet Tagawa 11-H-1B	<u>YES</u>
Mr. Masaji Morita 12H-6-B	<u>NO</u>
Mr. Mikio Fukunaga 10-H-3B	<u>YES</u>



*Long*  
*Phy*

Steffel

MAY 17 1943

MAY 19 1943

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Black 46-4-D  
Poston, Arizona  
May 12, 1943

Dear Mr. Swenson,

I, Walter Konomoto, am seeking for an outside job because I feel that I have a job to do on the outside. That is to work at anything in which I can use my trained knowledge, and thus release the labor shortage pressure that is prevailing all over the country. As only one of the many, it will not be much but I will have the satisfaction of knowing that I tried my best for the common cause and the ultimate goal. Living in Poston makes this desire very limited so I want to go elsewhere.



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It also affords vast opportunities for the betterment of myself as a citizen and I want to do my share of things done on the outside.

I received my education at Placer High School in Auburn, Calif., Compton Junior College in Compton, Calif., and the University of Southern California in Los Angeles, Calif.

I majored in architectural engineering and this<sup>is</sup> the line of work I want to follow in the future.

Prior to my evacuation, I was preparing for a Civil Service examination, but unfortunately, I had no chance to take it.

Coming to Poston on May, 1942, I have been working under

MAY 19 1943 (162)  
Mr. Papkin, construction engineer,  
in the Architectural Department.

Thank you for your kind  
attention in this matter and  
any aid that I can receive  
from you in obtaining a job  
will be very much appreciated.

Most sincerely,  
Walter Hanamoto

Procedures  
w. U.S. ES.

War Relocation Desk  
407 S. 4th Street  
Minneapolis, Minnesota  
May 12, 1943

Mr. C.H. Swenson  
Local Office Manager  
United States Employment Service  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Swenson:

Enclosed is a report of all franked mail sent from the War Relocation Desk during the months of March and April. Since Mr. Heald's secretary handled all clerical work of this type for the desk up to March first, all franked mail sent out previous to that date was tallied in the regular report.

After March 1st instructions were for Mr. Wold's department to handle this. Perhaps it will be evident, from Mr. Wold's files, on which dates registration blanks and letters from his desk, were tallied in his department. I believe these were the 1st and third of March. If the mail reported here for those dates is subtracted you will have an accurate statement of the number of franked mail pieces, and the exact weight for each date.

I regret extremely that this error in your records resulted from a failure, on my part, to realize the necessity for clearing franked mail through the office. Since most of our mail is stamped, I was under the impression that I was being helpful in putting unfranked mail into the box along with the other.

I can assure you, however, that there has been no violation of the franking privilege otherwise. All mail leaving the Desk under the frank has contained no other material than USES-511s and self-Addressed stamped envelopes.

If this does not give you the assistance needed to set your records straight, please let me know. I wish to do anything possible to correct the error and take full responsibility for it.

With thanks for your courteous cooperation,

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Lawrence D. Steefel,  
Volunteer Placement Secretary,  
Minneapolis, War Relocation Committee.



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*Jap - Resettlement*

May 12, 1943

Mr. Toru Matsumoto  
Committee on Resettlement of Japanese Americans  
297 Fourth Avenue  
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Matsumoto:

Actual placement of Japanese Americans in Minneapolis is being done by a volunteer committee, and Mrs. Lawrence Steefel, a member of that committee, has assumed the major responsibility for the placements.

I am sending your letter of May 5 to her, and I am sure she will send the information you desire as soon as possible. Mrs. Steefel is a volunteer; she can give only part time to this work. Therefore if her reply is somewhat delayed, I am sure you will understand the reason for it.

I will also ask Mrs. Steefel to present the question of a subscription to "Pacific Citizen" when the Relocation Committee meets again. *(I hope this is O.K.) E.H.P.*

We are glad to hear from you and will welcome any suggestions or further information in regard to the relocation situation.

Very sincerely yours,

Edna H. Porter  
General Secretary

EHP:AGF

Copy of letter

Sec'y

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY

Application for Private Employment by Relocation Center Resident

Date May 13, 1943

Name Fujimoto, Betsy M.

Birth Date 1/23/21 Country Montebello  
of Birth Calif.

Block Number 17-11-E

Height 62" Weight 108 Sex F

Post Office McGehee

Citizen of U.S.? yes If alien give

State Arkansas

date of entry into U.S. \_\_\_\_\_

Position for which Applying Clerk Stenographer Social Security No. \_\_\_\_\_

Do you speak x read x write x English?

Draft Status \_\_\_\_\_

Do you speak \_\_\_\_\_ read \_\_\_\_\_ write \_\_\_\_\_ Japanese?

Marital Status \_\_\_\_\_

SHOW EDUCATION BELOW---If part time training is included, clearly indicate:

Type of School	Location---city and state, or country if not in USA	From Year	To Year	Kind of Course and Major Subjects	Graduated Yes--No
Elementary	Greenwood, Montebellow				
High	Montebellow				
Business or Trade School	Pasadena Jr. College			Secretarial	
University--- give name					Degree
Other Education or Training	Metropolitan School of Business			"	
Apprenticeship	Where Served			Trade and Industry	Completed?

List below your regular employment, showing last jobs first. List WRA jobs. Show self-employment and prolonged periods of unemployment.

From	To	Employer's Name, Address	Kind of Business	Your Title and Duties	Wage
Mo. 9	Mo.				
Yr. 42	Yr.	WRA Public Works Dept.		Secretary	
Mo. 6	Mo. 9				
Yr. 42	Yr. 42	WCCA Santa Anita Assembly Center's	Writers' Project	Secy.	
Mo. 12	Mo. 4				
Yr. 41	Yr. 24	City of Los Angeles	Bd. of Education	Clerk-Typist	1200
Mo. 2	Mo. 6				
Yr. 29	Yr. 40	Pasadena J.C. Social Science Dept.		Secretary	
Mo. 6	Mo. 12				
Yr. 40	Yr. 41	Oriental Wholesales Co.		Typist and Gen.	
Mo.	Mo.				
Yr.	Yr.				

If you seek work as a domestic, are you experienced as a cook?\_\_\_\_, with children?  
\_\_\_\_, care of grounds?\_\_\_\_, serving at table?\_\_\_\_, laundress?\_\_\_\_, general  
housework?\_\_\_\_. If you take shorthand, give present speed\_\_\_\_ Typing speed\_\_\_\_.

List tools you own in business or trade\_\_\_\_\_.

If you hold a business or professional license, give type, State in which valid and  
expiration date\_\_\_\_\_. List any farm, factory or  
office machines which you can operate\_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_. List any machines which you can repair or service  
\_\_\_\_\_.

Can you drive an automobile?\_\_\_\_\_ To what professional, technical or union  
organizations do you belong?\_\_\_\_\_ If you have supervised  
other workers, give number and describe your work briefly.\_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ Is your health good \_\_\_ fair \_\_\_ poor \_\_\_? List  
any physical defects or infirmities you may have\_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_. How do these affect your work?\_\_\_\_\_.

Have you ever been bonded?\_\_\_\_\_ Ever had bond refused?\_\_\_\_\_.

Use the space below to describe any special fitness which you may feel that you have  
for the particular job for which you are applying\_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Your signature\_\_\_\_\_

This form is supplied to you by the War Relocation Authority to aid you in telling  
the employer as much as you can about your qualifications for the job for which he  
is to consider you. The information asked above is the minimum most employers need  
to make a decision. A personal letter to accompany this form is desirable but not  
entirely necessary. Since in most cases you cannot give the employer the benefit  
of a personal interview, make your application as complete as possible. If a small  
photograph or snapshot is available, it will be helpful to enclose it. The employer  
should not be asked to return such a photograph.



Stenographer

## WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY

## Application for Private Employment by Relocation Center Resident

Date May 13, 1943Name Kuyama, Ellen

Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_ Country of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Block Number 329-8-B

Height \_\_\_\_\_ Weight \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_

Post Office Poston

Citizen of U.S.? \_\_\_\_\_ If alien give

State Arizona

date of entry into U.S. \_\_\_\_\_

Position for which Applying Stenographic

Social Security No. \_\_\_\_\_

Do you speak x read x write x English?

Draft Status \_\_\_\_\_

Do you speak \_\_\_\_\_ read \_\_\_\_\_ write \_\_\_\_\_ Japanese?

Marital Status \_\_\_\_\_

SHOW EDUCATION BELOW---If part time training is included, clearly indicate:

Type of School	Location--city and state, From or country if not in USA	Year	To Year	Kind of Course and Major Subjects	Graduated Yes--No
Elementary					
High	San Diego		3 yr.	Commercial	
Business or Trade School					
University---give name	San Diego State Col.	1941		"	Degree
Other Education or Training					
Apprenticeship	Where Served			Trade and Industry	Completed?

List below your regular employment, showing last jobs first. List WRA jobs. Show self-employment and prolonged periods of unemployment.

From	To	Employer's Name, Address	Kind of Business	Your Title and Duties	Wage
Mo. 4	Mo. 8	Santa Anita Assembly	Supply Office	Stenographer	
Yr. 42	Yr. 42				
Mo.	Mo.	Assistant to W.H. Wright, Prof. of Commerce in State College			
Yr.	Yr.				
Mo.	Mo.	Taught his classes in Office Methods			
Yr.	Yr.				
Mo.	Mo.				
Yr.	Yr.				
Mo.	Mo.				
Yr.	Yr.				
Mo.	Mo.				
Yr.	Yr.				

If you seek work as a domestic, are you experienced as a cook?\_\_\_\_, with children?  
\_\_\_\_, care of grounds?\_\_\_\_, serving at table?\_\_\_\_, laundress?\_\_\_\_, general  
housework?\_\_\_\_. If you take shorthand, give present speed\_\_\_\_ Typing speed\_\_\_\_.

List tools you own in business or trade\_\_\_\_\_.

If you hold a business or professional license, give type, State in which valid and  
expiration date\_\_\_\_\_. List any farm, factory or

office machines which you can operate Mimeograph machine, Burrough and Comptometer

Calculators\_\_\_\_\_. List any machines which you can repair or service

Can you drive an automobile?\_\_\_\_\_ To what professional, technical or union  
organizations do you belong?\_\_\_\_\_ If you have supervised  
other workers, give number and describe your work briefly.\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Is your health good \_\_\_ fair \_\_\_ poor \_\_\_? List  
any physical defects or infirmities you may have\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_. How do these affect your work?\_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been bonded?\_\_\_\_\_ Ever had bond refused?\_\_\_\_\_

Use the space below to describe any special fitness which you may feel that you have  
for the particular job for which you are applying\_\_\_\_\_

References: W. H. Wright, 5059 College Ave. San Diego

Miss G. C. Amsden, Barcelona Hotel "

Mr. & Mrs. C. Thudium, 1068 Cypress Ave. "

Rev. H. Rummel, 431 - 13th St. "

Your signature\_\_\_\_\_

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should not be asked to return such a photograph.

MAY 26 1943

COPY TO STEEFEL

Mr. C. L. White  
WRA Relocation Officer  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Mr. White:

Will you consider me an applicatn to do my part in the war effort, to be given the chance to prove my loyalty to the United States, and to meet the shortage of stenographers?

I have written to several WRA offices for a stenographic position, but my preference as to location is in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

I entered San Diego State College in September, 1941, until we were evacuated in March, 1942. I have been taking commercial courses through my three years in San Diego High School as well as in college. During my studies in college, I have been an assistant to Mr. W. H. Wright, Professor of Commerce. I taught his classes in Office Methods during the student's laboratory hours. The mimeograph machine, Burrough and Comptometer calculators, and the adding machine were the subjects which I had the experience of teaching. Also, I have done a great deal of shorthand dictation and transcription, and stencil cutting.

During my stay in the Santa Anita Assembly Center, April to August, 1942, I was a stenographer in the Supply Office. In this position I learned to make out many types of requisitions forms, and filing.

I refer to my permission the following: Mr. W. H. Wright, 5059 College Avenue, San Diego, California; Miss G. C. Amsden, Barcelona Hotel, San Diego, California; Mr. and Mrs. C. Thudium, 1068 Cypress Avenue, San Diego, California; Miss A. Sloss, 1419 Dale Street, San Diego, California; Rev. H. Rummel 431, 13th St., San Diego, California.

Your considering me an applicant will be sincerely appreciated. Enclosed are four reference letters. I will be looking forward to hearing from you. Please address 329-S-B, Poston, Arizona.

Sincerely,

Ellen Kuyama (signed)

P.S. My brother Sgt. Paul Kuyama is doing his part for this country, serving in the U. S. Army Intelligence. He volunteered in April, 1941. Will you give me the chance to do my share too?



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COPY TO MRS. STEEFEL

29-9-F  
Minidoka WRA  
Hunt, Idaho

Mr. C. L. White  
Relocation Officer  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Mr. White:

From the Leave Section of the Minidoka War Relocation Authority Project, I received your name and was told to contact you with regard to the possibilities of obtaining a secretarial or bookkeeping position within your territory.

I am 23 years of age and have had approximately seven years of experience in secretarial work, bookkeeping, and office management. From 1939 until the time of evacuation, I had been employed as the office manager and head bookkeeper of the Cascade Produce Distributors, in Portland, Oregon. Previous to that I held the position of bookkeeper and secretary of the Rose City Produce Distributors and also as secretary of the Farmers Produce, Inc., both firms in Portland, Oregon.

As for my training, I have studied shorthand, typing and general accounting in high school and have had three months of shorthand, typing, and comptometer training at the Benhke Walerk Business College in Portland, Oregon, with a typing speed of 85 words per minute and a shorthand speed of 90 words per minute. I also attended St. Helen's Hall Jr. College, of the same city, which is an Episcopalian school for girls.

I am a member of the Centenary Wilbur Methodist Church in Portland, Oregon, and also a member of the Portland Y.W.C.A. where I took quite an active part in their various undertakings.

If there is any other information that is necessary concerning myself, I shall be only too glad to comply. Also I shall be able to furnish references if they are needed. I do hope to hear from you very soon regarding this matter and hope I am not inconveniencing you too greatly.

Sincerely yours,

Sakae Niguma (signed)

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY

Application for Private Employment by Relocation Center Resident

Date May 13, 1943

Name Tanase, Florence H.

Birth Date Age 26 Country San Francisco  
of Birth

Block Number 306-10-B

Height \_\_\_\_\_ Weight \_\_\_\_\_ Sex Female

Post Office Poston

Citizen of U.S.? \_\_\_\_\_ If alien give

State Arizona

date of entry into U.S. \_\_\_\_\_

Position for which Applying \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security No. \_\_\_\_\_

Do you speak x read x write x English?

Draft Status \_\_\_\_\_

Do you speak \_\_\_\_\_ read \_\_\_\_\_ write \_\_\_\_\_ Japanese?

Marital Status \_\_\_\_\_

SHOW EDUCATION BELOW---If part time training is included, clearly indicate:

Type of School	Location--city and state, or country if not in USA	From Year	To Year	Kind of Course and Major Subjects	Graduated Yes--No
Elementary					
High					
Business or Trade School					
University---give name	<u>U of S.C.</u>			<u>Licensed 1939 Pharmacy</u>	<u>Degree B/S</u>
Other Education or Training					
Apprenticeship	<u>White Memorial Hosp. pharmacy.</u>	<u>Where Served</u>	<u>summers '36, '37, '38</u>	<u>Trade and Industry</u>	<u>Completed?</u>

List below your regular employment, showing last jobs first. List WRA jobs. Show self-employment and prolonged periods of unemployment.

From	To	Employer's Name, Address	Kind of Business	Your Title and Duties	Wage
Mo.	Mo.	<u>WRA Col. River Project</u>	<u>Medical Clinic</u>	<u>Chief Pharmacist</u>	
Yr.	Yr.			<u>Pharmacist, Secy.</u>	
Mo.	Mo.	<u>Edw. T. Bishop, M.D.</u>		<u>Lab. Technician</u>	
Yr. <u>40</u>	Yr. <u>42</u>				
Mo.	Mo.	<u>Wm. E. Brown, M.D.</u>			
Yr. <u>36</u>	Yr. <u>42</u>				
Mo.	Mo.				
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Mo.	Mo.				
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\_\_\_\_\_. List any machines which you can repair or service  
\_\_\_\_\_.

Can you drive an automobile?\_\_\_\_\_ To what professional, technical or union  
organizations do you belong?\_\_\_\_\_ If you have supervised  
other workers, give number and describe your work briefly.\_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ Is your health good\_\_\_\_ fair\_\_\_\_ poor\_\_\_\_? List  
any physical defects or infirmities you may have\_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_. How do these affect your work?\_\_\_\_\_.

Have you ever been bonded?\_\_\_\_\_ Ever had bond refused?\_\_\_\_\_.

Use the space below to describe any special fitness which you may feel that you have  
for the particular job for which you are applying\_\_\_\_\_.

**References: Edwin T. Bishop, M.D., 5117 Breacrese Drive, Los Angeles**

**Mrs. Nannette Coggins, White Memorial Hospital "**

**A. Presseman, M. D. Director, General Hospital, Poston, Ariz**

**Alvah G. Hall, Dean College of Pharmacy, U. of SoCal.**

Your signature\_\_\_\_\_

This form is supplied to you by the War Relocation Authority to aid you in telling  
the employer as much as you can about your qualifications for the job for which he  
is to consider you. The information asked above is the minimum most employers need  
to make a decision. A personal letter to accompany this form is desirable but not  
entirely necessary. Since in most cases you cannot give the employer the benefit  
of a personal interview, make your application as complete as possible. If a small  
photograph or snapshot is available, it will be helpful to enclose it. The employer  
should not be asked to return such a photograph.



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May 13, 1943

Mrs. Lawrence D. Steefel  
Minneapolis Defense Council, Inc.  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Mrs. Steefel:

Under separate cover I have mailed you the outline of the course given under the auspices of the Council of Social Agencies.

I hope it is not too late to be of some benefit to your committee.

Cordially yours,

MARJORY C. WARREN, Supervisor  
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Mrs. Lawrence D. Steefel  
% Minneapolis War Relocation Committee  
407 So. 4th St.  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Mrs. Steefel:

In regard to your letter about Mr. Thomas Satoh, I am very sorry, but at the present time I have been fortunate enough to get the help that I was lacking, right here. So at the present time I have no opening.

If something turns up in the near future, I will be very happy to get in touch with you. Thank you very much for the interest you have taken in this. With my best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

CHICAGO DENTAL LABORATORIES

*M. Korengold*  
M. Korengold, manager

MK/do



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Forest Hall  
Northfield, Minn.  
May 14, 1943

Mrs. Lawrence D. Steefel  
War Relocation Desk  
c/o United States Employment Serv.  
407 S. 4th Street  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Mrs Steefel:

I reached Unity House without any trouble and had a very nice interview with Miss Weinlich.

It will not be till next Wednesday before she can give me a definite answer as to whether I will be able to work there this summer. It seems that she has to get the approval of the Board before she can do any hiring.

In case I should be turned down, don't you think I should have some sort of an alternative so that I will not be left empty-handed?

I do know that for my board and room I shall be required to work half a day either in the morning or in the afternoon.

I shall let you know the results as soon as I receive any word. Then we can make plans of the supplementary work that I would like to do.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

*Mayme Kishi*

Mayme Kishi

WRH  
UCD

May 14, 1943

Mr C.L.White  
842 Metropolitan Bank Building  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Mr White:

I find it hard to be thrilled other than spiritually by the characteristics of this job.

I am turning the letter over to you because it seems to me that the placement is out of the field of the Minneapolis Committee, and since the Reverend Nugent is to select the chosen ones it seems to me there is no further service we can render than the blessing of official clearance.

Right?

CFSteefel



## INDIVIDUAL RECORD

6-1683-bu-ct-pun-wp

1. Name: Last First Middle			OFFICE USE		14. Individual number:			OFFICE USE		
HAYASHI SAKAE - -					6466 - MAY 16 1943					
1a. Other names: (Include maiden name if a married woman)					15. Family number:					
Hayashi Sakaye (Other Spelling)					6466					
2. Relocation Center:		Address		Entry date		16. Sex:				
Tule Lake		3517 - C		6/24/42		1 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Male 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Female				
3. Assembly Center:		Address		Entry date		17. Race: Spouse's race:				
Walerga		1 - 18 - A		5/8/42		1 <input type="checkbox"/> White 1 <input type="checkbox"/> White 2 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Japanese 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Japanese 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Other 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Other				
4. Previous address: Street and number, or R.F.D. number			City		State		18. Marital status:			
500 V St.			Sacramento, California				1 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Single 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Married 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Widowed 4 <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced 5 <input type="checkbox"/> Separated			
5. Parents: Name of father; maiden name of mother			Country of birth		19. Relationship to head of family group:					
Father: Hayashi, Makoto			Japan		Son					
Mother: Kubo, Muneyo			Japan							
5a. Father's occupation: in U. S. Dry Goods Store Abroad - -					20. Birthdate:			20a. Age:		
6. Person to notify in case of emergency: (Relationship, name, and address)					4/29/20			22		
Father - Makoto Hayashi					21. Birthplace: (City, county, state or province, and country)					
3517 - C Tule Lake					Sacramento Sacramento County California					
7. Education:		Name and location		From— To—		22. Alien registration number:				
See #31										
Grammar school		Lincoln - Sacramento, Calif		9/25 6/31						
Junior high school		Lincoln - Sacramento, Calif		9/31 6/34						
High school		Sacramento - Sac'to, Calif		9/34 6/37						
Business school										
College		University of California		9/39 6/41						
Postgraduate		Berkeley, California								
7a. Degrees, educational specializations, honors, and significant activities: See #31					23. Attending school:					
(College): Commerce; Econ. Honor Students' Association;					1 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input type="checkbox"/> No					
Student Advisory Council; Japanese Student Club;					24. Grade:					
Circle C Society					College - 4					
8. Residence outside the United States:		Country		From— To—		25. Language: Speak Read Write				
		Japan		6/36 8/36		English..... <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Japanese..... <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> German..... <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Italian..... <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> ..... <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> ..... <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>				
9. Military or naval service:			Country		Branch		26. Major activity or status:			
			None							
10. Public assistance: None					27. Occupation:					
1 <input type="checkbox"/> Aid to dependent children 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Aid to blind 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Old age assistance					Pri. Retail Manager O-72					
11. Pension: None					Sec. Technical Work O-X7					
Source..... Amt. \$..... Pay period.....										
12. Height: (Inches)		12a. Weight: (Pounds)		13. Physical condition:		27a. ....				
64		120		No Major Defects		27b. ....				

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## INDIVIDUAL RECORD

1. Name:			OFFICE USE	14. Individual number:			OFFICE USE
Last	First	Middle					
ICHIHASHI	WOODROW	TUTOMU		15591-A			
1a. Other names: (Include maiden name if a married woman)				15991			
2. Relocation Center:			Address	Entry date			
TULE LAKE			1501-B	6-2-42			
3. Assembly Center:			Address	Entry date			
NONE							
4. Previous address:			Street and number, or R.F.D. number	City	State		
893 E 11TH STREET			EUGENE	OREGON			
5. Parents:			Name of father; maiden name of mother	Country of birth			
Father:			ICHIHASHI, YAMATO	JAPAN			
Mother:			MAKI, KEI	JAPAN			
5a. Father's occupation: in U. S.			TEACHING	Abroad: -			
6. Person to notify in case of emergency: (Relationship, name, and address)							
FATHER - YAMATO ICHIMASHI							
7307-D			TULE LAKE				
7. Education:			Name and location	From	To		
JEE #31							
Grammar school	STANFORD GRAMMAR CALIF.		9-25	6-30			
Junior high school	CHANNING, PALO ALTO, CALIF.		9-30	6-32			
High school	PALO ALTO, PALO ALTO, CALIF.		9-32	6-36			
Business school	-		-	-			
College	UNIV. OF OREGON, EUGENE		9-40	8-42			
Postgraduate	-		-	-			
7a. Degrees, educational specializations, honors, and significant activities:							
(COL.) MAJOR - ARCHITECTURE, MINOR - ART. (H.S.) MAJOR - COLLEGE PREP. (CO.) JP. TRAINING DRAFTING							
(COL.) ACTIVITIES - PRESIDENT ALLIED ART LEAGUE (#31)							
8. Residence outside the United States:			Country	From	To		
JAPAN			2-33	9-33			
9. Military or naval service:			Country	Branch	From	To	
NONE							
10. Public assistance: NONE							
1 <input type="checkbox"/> Aid to dependent children			2 <input type="checkbox"/> Aid to blind		3 <input type="checkbox"/> Old age assistance		
11. Pension: NONE							
Source			Amt. \$	Pay period			
12. Height: (Inches)			12a. Weight: (Pounds)	13. Physical condition:			
71			140	NO MAJOR DEFECTS			
16. Sex:			1 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Male 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Female				
17. Race:			1 <input type="checkbox"/> White 1 <input type="checkbox"/> White				
2 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Japanese 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Japanese			3 <input type="checkbox"/> Other 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Other				
18. Marital status:			1 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Single 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Married				
3 <input type="checkbox"/> Widowed 4 <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced			5 <input type="checkbox"/> Separated				
19. Relationship to head of family group:			HEAD				
20. Birthdate:			20a. Age:				
12-22-18			24				
21. Birthplace: (City, county, state or province, and country)			PALO ALTO SANTA CLARA COUNTY CALIFORNIA				
22. Alien registration number:							
23. Attending school:			1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No				
24. Grade:			COLLEGE 4				
25. Language:			Speak	Read	Write		
English			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Japanese			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
German			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Italian			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
FRENCH			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
26. Major activity or status:							
27. Occupation:			Pri. MUSICIAN				
Sec. TECHNICAL							
27a. DRAFTSMAN							
27b. TYPIST							
27c. ARTIST							

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28. **Employment history:** (List *most* recent employment first and account for all periods of unemployment)

OFFICE  
USE

From—	To—	Employer, Business, Address	Position and Duties	Pay
3-43	-	WRA NEWELL, CALIF.	SLAUGHTER & BUTCHER	\$16.00
9-42	3-43	" " "	MUSIC TEACHER - BAND LEADER	\$16.00
7-15-42	9-42	" " "	ARCHITECTURAL DRAFTSMAN	\$16.00
6-2-42	7-15-42	U.S. ENGINEERS "	DRAFTSMAN	\$16.00
		BOB McFADDEN - DANCE BAND	TRUMPET PLAYER	\$5-NIGHT
		EUGENE, OREGON		3 HRS.
		STUDENT		

29. **Skills and hobbies:** (List skills other than those indicated in the above employment history. Include types of ability or experience such as carpentry, electrical work, auto and machine repair work, music, arts and crafts, etc.)

HOBBIES: RECORD COLLECTING, TENOR SAX, DANCING (BALL ROOM), ICE SKATING,  
SWIMMING, TENNIS, ALL SPORTS, READING  
SKILLS: TRUMPET PLAYING, TYPING, DRAFTING  
OCCUPATIONAL PREFERENCE: DRAFTING

29a. Social Security Account No. J43-14-9337

30. Religion. NON-SECTARIAN (CHRISTIAN)

31. **Additional information:** (Enter here additional information on any item for which adequate space is not provided. Indicate in the margin next to the item that it is continued here, and number each entry here according to the item number)

7- REED COLLEGE - PORTLAND, OREGON 9-38 TO 3-40  
12- DANCE BAND (TRUMPET)

Informant, if other than the registrant:

Date of interview:

Signature of interviewer:

MAY 6, 1943



## INDIVIDUAL RECORD

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1. Name: Last First Middle			OFFICE USE		14. Individual number:			OFFICE USE	
Tsukamoto Shigeo Frank					13720-A				
1a. Other names: (Include maiden name if a married woman)					15. Family number:				
					13720				
2. Relocation Center: Address Entry date					16. Sex:				
Tule Lake 4211-CD 7-11-42					1 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Male 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Female				
3. Assembly Center: Address Entry date					17. Race: Spouse's race:				
Tanforan 81-4 5-1-42					1 <input type="checkbox"/> White 1 <input type="checkbox"/> White				
4. Previous address: Street and number, or R.F.D. number City State					2 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Japanese 2 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Japanese				
2327 5th St., Berkeley, Calif.					3 <input type="checkbox"/> Other 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Other				
5. Parents: Name of father; maiden name of mother Country of birth					18. Marital status:				
Father: Tsukamoto, Tatsujiro Japan					1 <input type="checkbox"/> Single 2 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Married				
Mother: Araki, Mitsuru					3 <input type="checkbox"/> Widowed 4 <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced				
5a. Father's occupation: in U. S. Landscaping Gardening Abroad					5 <input type="checkbox"/> Separated				
6. Person to notify in case of emergency: (Relationship, name, and address)					19. Relationship to head of family group:				
Wife: Frances Tsukamoto					Head				
4211-CD Tule Lake					20. Birthdate: 10-18-11 20a. Age: 30				
7. Education: See #31 Name and location From— To—					21. Birthplace: (City, county, state or province, and country)				
Grammar school Enterprise, Florin, Calif. 9-20 6-26					Reno Washoe Co., Nevada				
Junior high school Burbank, Berkeley, Calif. 9-26 6-29					22. Alien registration number:				
High school Berkeley, Berkeley, Calif. 9-29 6-32									
Business school					23. Attending school:				
College Sacramento, Sacramento, Cal. 9-32 6-34					1 <input type="checkbox"/> Yes 2 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No				
Postgraduate Univ. of Calif. S.F. Calif. 8-33 6-41					24. Grade:				
7a. Degrees, educational specializations, honors, and significant activities:					Col. 4				
Col: Pre-legal, grad. of law, science, botany, zoology, chemistry, HS: Academic course, electrical shop, sheet metal shop					25. Language: Speak Read Write				
8. Residence outside the United States: Country From— To—					English <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				
None					Japanese <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>				
9. Military or naval service: Country Branch From— To—					German <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>				
None					Italian <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>				
10. Public assistance: None 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Aid to dependent children 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Aid to blind 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Old age assistance					26. Major activity or status:				
11. Pension: Source None Amt. \$ Pay period									
12. Height: (Inches) 66 12a. Weight: (Pounds) 132 13. Physical condition:					27. Occupation:				
No major defects					Pr Landscape Gardener 3-40				
Vision corrected by glasses					Se Bankkeeper 1-01				
					3rd. Technical Work 0-X				
					27a. Law Clerk 0-68				
					27b. Truck Driver 7-36				
					c. Auto Mechanic 5-81				

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28. **Employment history:** (List *most* recent employment first and account for all periods of unemployment)

29. **Skills and hobbies:** (List skills other than those indicated in the above employment history. Include types of ability or experience such as carpentry, electrical work, auto and machine repair work, music, arts and crafts, etc.)

29a. Social Security Account No. **558-18-9182** 30. Religion **Methodist**

31. **Additional information:** (Enter here additional information on any item for which adequate space is not provided. Indicate in the margin next to the item that it is continued here, and number each entry here according to the item number)

7. University of San Francisco..... San Francisco, Calif. 9-34 to 6-36

Date of interview:

Signature of interviewer:

7-23 1942

Frank N. Yamamoto  
26-53-RK



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War Relocation Desk  
407 S. 4th Street  
Minneapolis, Minnesota  
May 16, 1943

Miss Hisako Sue Odoi  
29-6-E, Minidoka,  
Hunt, Idaho

Dear Miss Odoi:

Miss Yuri Kobukata has told us that you might be interested in taking the examination in Minnesota for a license as Beauty Operator. We have already made the arrangement for another young woman who, after passing the examination in April is now employed here. At the present time we have calls in for four Beauty Operators. The hours are usual Beauty Shop hours, with one evening a week, in some cases, and the requirement that you have a half day off to balance the evening. The beginning pay is \$20.00 a week, with 50% commission when the salary is doubled in work done.

One very fine shop offers twenty to start, the tips are generous, and if you can specialize the pay is increased considerably. Living costs here are lower than on the coast, and therefore the salary range is also less.

There is a very nice group of Nisei girls here now. One of them, Miyo Sugi, from Pchwer is the girl of whom I spoke above. She is now working as a Beauty Operator.

I have just phoned the Minnesota Hairdresser Examining Board, 818 Hodgson Building, Minneapolis, and they tell me they will mail you an application blank for the examination.

If you are interested in coming on, we will arrange temporary work for you, if you wish to earn while you are waiting to take and pass the exam, and we can also arrange for you to take refresher work at one of the Beauty Schools here at a nominal cost for a week or two before the exam if you feel you need to brush up on your theory.

If you will write to me about your wishes in the matter, I shall be glad to do anything possible to help you.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Lawrence D. Steefel  
Volunteer Placement Secretary  
War Relocation Committee,

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War Relocation Desk  
407 S. 4th Street  
Minneapolis, Minnesota  
May 16, 1943

Miss Noriko Tamura  
3003-C Tulelake War Relocation Center  
Newell California

Dear Miss Tamura:

On the 10th of May I was told there is work at one of the department stores here in oil-tinting of photographs. The pay is \$18.00 week. The job is open to an applicant whose experience would satisfy the Department Head. They are not willing, however, to send a job offer out. They would be willing to see samples of your work.

If you were here, there might be other work of the same type opened to you. The work, in this case could be done in the store or at home. Will you please write me and tell me if you are interested in coming to Minneapolis? If so we will be glad to make arrangements for you to do so.

If I could have a statement of your education and work experience it would help a great deal. I am sending out a registration blank for the USES here and if you will tell me what experience you have had, I shall be glad to try to find employment for you.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Lawrence D. Steefel  
Volunteer Placement Secretary  
Minneapolis, War Relocation Committee



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APPLICATION FOR PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT BY RELOCATION CENTER RESIDENT

Name: Alice H. Goda

MAY 10 1943

Present Address: 4714-F, Tule Lake WRA, Newell, California

Birth Date: April 8, 1919

Birth Place: Marysville, California (Am United States Citizen)

Height: 5' - 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ "

Weight: 118

Social Security: 567-05-2193

Marital Status: Single

Education:

Elementary:	San Francisco, Cal.	1924-1927	
"	Marysville, Calif.	1927-1932	
High School:	Marysville, Calif.	1932-1936	Commerce
College:	Marysville, Calif.	1936-1938	Commerce A.A.
"	Marysville, Calif.	1938-1939	Post Graduate work

Experience:

Public Works Division - Tule Lake WRA, Newell, Calif. - 1942-1943

Position: Stenographer-clerk

Duties: Taking care of colony complaints.

Reason for Leaving: Leaving the Project for outside work.

Records Office - Tule Lake WRA, Newell, Calif. - 1942-1942

Position: Receptionist

Duties: Receiving and guiding colonists who have come to have their individual records filed.

Reason for Leaving: Completion of colony-wide statistics.

Police Station - City Hall, Marysville, Calif. - 1942

Position: Registration

Duties: Help with the Alien-Registration of Marysville.

Reason for Leaving: Completion of Registration.

City Hall - San Francisco, California - 1942

Position: Stenographer-Clerk

Duties: Receiving and filing applications for the Office of Civilian Defense of San Francisco.

Reason for Leaving: San Francisco evacuation of all Japanese.

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Mitsui & Co. - San Francisco, California - 1940 to 1941

Position: Secretary

Duties: Taking charge of correspondence, purchases,  
and sales of the Sundry Department.

Reason for Leaving: Outbreak of War.

Japanese Pavilion - Treasure Island, San Francisco, Calif. -1940

Position: Office Clerk

Duties: Office receptionist, switchboard operator,  
and general office duties.

Reason for Leaving: Closing of Treasure Island.

Western States Wholesale Co. - Marysville, Calif. - During School

Position: Comptometer Operator

Duties: Inventory work.

Reason for Leaving: Seasonal

Montgomery Ward Company, - Auburn, Calif. - During School

Position: Comptometer Operator

Duties: Inventory work.

Reason for Leaving: Seasonal

H. Hashimoto Company - Marysville, California - During School

Position: Cashier-clerk

Duties: Selling dry and art goods and notions.

Reason for Leaving: Seasonal - Christmas Seasons

References:

Mr. F. W. Slattery, Chief Engineer

Public Works Division

Tule Lake W. R. A.

Newell, California

Mr. Wm. E. Monahan

Registrar's Office

City Hall

San Francisco, California

Mr. Russell Harris, Attorney

913 California-Western States Life Building

Sacramento, California

Mr. Kenyon Gregg

King Avenue

Yuba City, California

Miss Louise Mayne, Retired Dean of Women

1034 Euclid Avenue

Berkeley, California

Captain Gene Gregg

930 - 11th Street

Boulder, Colorado

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Mrs W. Heiler

Green Lake Post Office  
6420 Green Drive  
R.F.D. #5  
Port Huron Michigan  
May 17, 1943

War Relocation Dept  
404 S. 4th Street  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Mrs. Heiler,

This is the reply to the letter of May 10, 1943.

You have asked me for information concerning our work so here it is, We are at the present time working as public in a convalescent home, located 35 miles from Detroit and 7 miles from Port Huron, Michigan. And our pay is \$65.00 a month with full maintenance.

We do like our job over here but we prefer working in the area of Minneapolis, Minnesota.

If it is too much trouble for you, we would like to have the two employers who do not live too far apart write me offers with a statement of our duties and work and pay.

Thank I remain

Sincerely yours

James J. Smith

Rich. Lane



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War Relocation Desk  
407 S. 4th Street  
Minneapolis, Minnesota  
May 17, 1943

Miss Mayme Kishi  
Forest Hall  
St. Olaf College,  
Northfield, Minnesota

Dear Miss Kishi:

From a conversation I have had with Miss Weinlich I am under the impression that the job at Unity House is assured. That the chance at the job for next fall, in case everything works out well this summer is also excellent.

I have talked to Miss Frost of B.F. Nelson Settlement House, (about twenty minutes away from Unity by Street Car) and she believes that there will be something there for you in the morning which will pay about thirty or forty a month. Will this take care of your needs for spending money over and above your living expenses?

Let me know when you are coming to town, and I will try to plan for an interview between you and Miss Frost.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Lawrence D. Steefel  
Volunteer Placement Secretary

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY  
842 Metropolitan Life Bldg.  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

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May 17, 1943

AIR MAIL

Mr. Harvey M. Coverley  
Project Director  
Tule Lake Project  
Newell, California

Dear Mr. Coverley:

Referring to your telegram on Peggy Osasa, we feel we can get her a very much better position if she can appear for interviews, than we can by handling the matter at long range.

For this reason we recommend her release on the hospitality plan under the sponsorship of the Minneapolis Relocation Committee. We think a committee member will provide hospitality until she can settle on an office position. There is the possibility that, due to several people coming on the same date, we might have to ask her to live temporarily at the Y.W.C.A. However, we feel we can take care of her satisfactorily and I hope she can be released on this basis.

Yours very truly,

C. L. White  
Relocation Officer

CLW:mk

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WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY  
842 Metropolitan Life Bldg.  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

May 17, 1943

AIR MAIL

Mr. Guy Robertson  
Project Director  
Heart Mt., Wyoming

Dear Mr. Robertson:

We are in something of a jam regarding job opportunities for Mary and Ruth Sanmongi. I understand they have accepted an offer from Mrs. Mundy of St. Paul which provides for only one of the girls. There are good opportunities for both of them in Minneapolis, so if they can conscientiously do so, they can take other jobs with which we can put them in touch here.

Probably the matter can be settled best with them on the spot for interviews. For that reason, I recommend their release under the hospitality plan, sponsorship of the Minneapolis Relocation Committee. Mrs. Steefel of the committee will entertain the girls in her home, on their arrival in Minneapolis. Will you please let us know their decision.

Sincerely,

C. L. White  
Relocation Officer

CLW:mk  
cc: Mrs. Steefel  
Chicago (2)



COPI TO MRS. STEEFEL

{ May 17, 1943 } Betsy Fujimoto  
Clerk - Steeno  
Wants #130-140 no.

17-11-E  
Relocation Branch  
McGehee, Arkansas

Mr. C. L. White  
Relocation Officer  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

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Dear Mr. White:

A number of people in the Relocation Centers are now being resettled, and many of my friends who are now in the army in Minnesota have encouraged me in writing to you for outside employment.

I am very much interested in applying for a position as a Clerk Stenographer in Minneapolis. Therefore, can you give me some information in regards to the Metropolitan Life, whether it is an Insurance Company or an Employment Office. What kind of a positions are opened to the people, and etc. My qualifications are briefly outlined as follows:

Name: Betsy M. Fujimoto  
Birthplace: Montebello, Calif.  
Weight: 108  
Citizen: American

Date of birth: 1/23/21  
Height: 5' 2"  
Address: 17-11-E  
Relocation Branch  
McGehee, Arkansas

Education:

<u>Major course</u>	<u>Graduate of</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>
General	Greenwood Elem. School	Montebello, Calif.	
College Prep.	Montebello High School	Montebello, Calif.	
Secretarial	Pasadena Jr. College	Pasadena, Calif.	
Secretarial	Metropolitan School of Business	Los Angeles, Calif.	

Experience:

Secretary      W.R.A. in the Public Works Dept. from 9/42-now. McGehee, Ark.

Secretary      W.C.C.A. in Santa Anita Assembly Center's Writers' Project from 6/42-9/42. Arcadia, California.

Clerk Typist:   Civil Service for City of Los Angeles, Board of Education from 12/41 to 4/42. Los Angeles, California.

Secretary      Pasadena J.C., Social Science Dept from 2/39-6/40. Pasadena, California

Typist and General: Oriental Wholesales Co., from 6/40-12/41, Los Angeles, Calif.

References:

Mr. J. F. Wynn      1917 S. St., Apt. 3, NW, Washington D.C.  
Miss G. Cox      222 S. Friends Ave., Whittier, California  
Mr. S. Seyarto      3855 Grayburn Ave., Los Angeles, California  
Mrs. H. Cox      844 Washington Blvd., Montebello, California

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Hobbies: Sports, sewing, knitting, listening to the radio.

Magazines and newspaper I generally read:

Arkansas Gazette

Life Magazine

Mademoiselle

Before evacuation I have held a Civil Service position in the City of Los Angeles as a Jr. Clerk Typist for a salary of \$1200 a year. The approximate salary I would expect now is between \$130 - \$140 a month.

With the necessary experience and education as stated above, I feel that I am quite capable in filling a position as a Clerk Stenographer.

Yours very truly,

Betsy M. Fujimoto

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
OFFICE FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

DIVISION OF CENTRAL  
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY  
842 Metropolitan Life Bldg.  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

IN REPLY REFER TO:

May 17, 1943

MEMORANDUM TO: Mrs. L. Steefel  
FROM: C. L. White  
SUBJECT: Applications

We are enclosing the applications of the following  
evacuees who are interested in relocating in our area:

Toshie Jane Maeda, Minidoka, Statistical Clerk  
Frank Shigeo, Tsukamoto, Tule Lake, Landscape Gardener  
Amimoto, Kaoru, Heart Mountain, Welder  
Tsutomu Woodrow Ichihashi, Tule Lake, Draftsman  
Nobu Shimahara, Poston, Photographic work  
Alice H. Goda, Tule Lake, Stenographer  
Sakae Hayashi, Tule Lake, Retail Manager

We shall appreciate any assistance you can give to these  
applicants.

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2215 Park Avenue

Minneapolis

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MISS EMILY WEST, Head Worker

May 18, 1943

Mrs. Lawrence D. Steefel  
Volunteer Placement Secretary  
War Relocation Desk  
407 South 4th Street  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Mrs. Steefel:

In tardy reply to your letter about Taka Chono may I say first that we are going to like her very much and she is certainly a charming girl and as soon as she gets more confidence in herself and in her work she ought to be a great use to us.

You were asking about what she should do in the mornings. My real opinion is that what she needs most is some further training and especially the opportunity of observing or taking part in a really good kindergarten. I think it would be worthwhile if it could be worked out if her sister could get along without any more financial assistance from Taka. This would give Taka the opportunity of going to the University, if we could work out such a plan, or observe in a really good kindergarten. I know that our kindergarten here is very inferior, and I am constantly afraid that she will become fixed in the habits that are already existent here of handling the children. She should be having some worthwhile training experience instead of this one which is probably worse than nothing for her.

I had thought that if she were strong enough and knew enough about small children and kindergarten work she could be in charge here. I can see that she is not sure enough of herself yet, but I can see that she would make a good kindergarten teacher eventually, and I think that it is very important to help her in her experience and training to this end. Of

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course she has been ill ~~a great deal~~ <sup>some</sup> since she came here and maybe she isn't strong enough to carry anything beyond this job, and perhaps even this is too much for her. We shall just have to find that out as time goes on. I am very much interested in doing everything we can to help her because she is not only a trained person, but also an able person in this field. I should be glad to talk to you further about this if you think it would help any.

Yours sincerely,

*Emily West*

EW:er

Emily West  
 Head Worker

Suggest girl live at House - better sleeping & living  
 Rights - more independence. Can they support?  
 w'd Miss Wood's School come? University Closed.  
 9th.

MAY 19 1943 Miss West says Jo. Audum in B'd - also head of  
 Institute - wants to train - B'd w'd finance.  
 will send girl to observe but can go only as guest -  
 illegal as student. ∴ no credits. J.S.



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Community  
Contacts

War Relocation Desk  
c/o United States Employment Serv.  
407 S. 4th Street  
Minneapolis, Minnesota  
May 19, 1943

Reverend Raymond Bragg  
1526 Harmon Place  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Bragg:

I enclose the records of two Nisei girls. I send them at this time because you will probably be coming in contact with Unitarian leaders to whom such records would give valuable ammunition.

I am sorry Miss Weinlich, who is also a Neighborhood House Head Worker of fine standards, has not written me as Miss West has done. But in that case, also we have an offer from a responsible Board of Directors of financial support for needed education which we cannot use because the University of Minnesota is closed to Nisei.

There are no "haybes" here. We have two young women, promising, well-educated, now employed in Houses where executive positions lie ahead if we can open educational opportunities to them. The only Child Welfare Institute of top quality is on the University of Minnesota Campus. (Miss Wedd's S School is only a two year course, and both girls have had more college work at present than the maximum required by Miss Wood.) There are no courses at Macalaster and Hamline, at Carlton nor at St. Olaf's at the graduate level, which is what these girls need. (Taka was with six weeks of graduation when her course was interrupted by relocation to the Center.) The only Groups Leadership work of Graduate level is also on the University of Minnesota Campus.

I wish requests for the opening of our state Universities to Nisei could come from a wide geographic area, and from leaders in every walk of life. Unless this happens, we will continue to have Nisei needed in fields where there are great shortages, qualified for the work, kept at lower levels of service and development because of their being debarred from tax-supported institutions. It helps to have committees of National Organizations bring pressure. It helps even more to have, in addition, individual inquiries. We are told that the Board Of Regents here want to open the University to Nisei. The Secretary of the Navy however, has forgotten to rescind a request made at the time of a military emergency. German and Italian first generation citizens are free to take courses where secret research is pursued, as they should be. I hope there are other Unitarians who feel, as I do, that this oversight should be called to the attention of the Secretary of the Navy.

Sincerely yours,

Volunteer Secretary



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Block 215-13-E  
Poston, Arizona  
May 19, 1943

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Mr. C. H. Swenson, Manager  
U. S. Employment Service  
407 South Fourth Street  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Sir:

I am an American citizen, twenty five years old and single. I was born and raised in Salinas, California, receiving my grammar and high school education in that city. I continued my education at the University of California at Berkeley, California, where I majored in Electrical Engineering. I also had three months of supplementary training in a radio trade school.

With the completion of this course, the United Civil Service Commission gave me the following unassembled ratings:

Junior Electrical Engineer .....	84.00%
Procurement Inspector (Electrical Instrument & Radio)	
Associate .....	70.00%
Assistant .....	71.33%
Junior .....	72.67%
Engineering Draftsman .....	74.00%

Here in Poston, Arizona, I have been employed as surveyor under Mr. J. Hunt, Assistant Engineer. This job deals with the use of levers and transits and keeping surveyor's notes which I handle quite well.

When the call for volunteers for the Nisei Combat Team was announced, I volunteered my services, however, I was not accepted due to being underweight. However, despite this physical condition, I have always enjoyed good health, and it has never been a handicap to me. Other than the fact that I wear glasses for nearsightedness, I have no other physical defects.

While I am without actual experience in the electrical field, I have every reason to believe that my training, industriousness, and willingness to learn will make up for that deficiency. To vouch for the above statement and my character, I submit the following persons as references.

Mr. Elmer Martella, Manager of Krough's Drugstore  
156 Main Street  
Salinas, California

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Mr. J. Hunt, Assistant Engineer  
Camp I  
Poston, Arizona

Mr. Jas. D. Crawford  
Poston II Administrator  
Poston, Arizona

Mrs. Lee Hartshorn, grade school teacher  
324 No. Main Street  
Salinas, California

Mrs. B. Bellamy  
8 The Upland Road  
Berkeley, California

Any further information desired or required will be gladly furnished by writing to the above address. I will appreciate any assistance or information you can give me.

Thank you in advance for your courteous attention to this matter.

Respectfully yours,

Frank S. Endo  
FRANK S. ENDO



WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY

JUN 21 1943

Application for Private Employment by Relocation Center Resident

Date May 19, 1943

Name Pearl Yaeko Masuda

Birth Date March 15, 1922 Country of Birth Sacramento

Block Number 916 C

Height 5' Weight 90 lb. Sex Female

Post Office Tule Lake Project  
Newell, California

Citizen of U.S.? YES If alien give

State CALIFORNIA

date of entry into U.S. \_\_\_\_\_

Position for which Applying CLERICAL

Social Security No. 557-22-3563

Do you speak yes read yes write yes English?

Draft Status \_\_\_\_\_

Do you speak yes read fairly write fairly Japanese?

Marital Status \_\_\_\_\_

SHOW EDUCATION BELOW---If part time training is included, clearly indicate:

Type of School	Location--city and state or country if not in USA	From Year	To Year	Kind of Course and Major Subjects	Graduated Yes---No
Elementary	Sacramento, California	1927	1937	general	yes
High	Sacramento, California	1938	1940	Commercial Home Economics	yes
Business or Trade School	Sacramento Jr. College Sacramento, California	1941	prior to evacuation	Commercial	no
University--give name					Degree
Other Education or Training	Where Served			Trade and Industry	Completed?
Apprenticeship					

List below your regular employment, showing last jobs first. List WRA jobs. Show self-employment and prolonged periods of unemployment

From	To	Employer's Name, Address	Kind of Business	Your Title and Duties	Wage
Mo June 1942	Mo present	Dr. M. Francis Administration Bldg.	Head of Adult Education	Instructor of shorthand, typ. classes	\$16.00
Mo Jan. '42	Mo May '42	Mr. M. W. Cragun 1917 Argall Way Sacramento, Calif.	Librarian	Librarian at Sac'to Junior College	\$.40 per hr.
Mo June '41	Mo Dec. '42	Mr. F. W. Goff 2121 11th Avenue Sacramento, California	Instructor, Head Commercial Dept. Sac'to Sr. High	Assistant Instructor	\$.40 per hr.
Mo	Mo				
Yr	Yr				
Mo	Mo				
Yr	Yr				
Mo	Mo				
Yr	Yr				

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If you seek work as a domestic, are you experienced as a cook? yes, with children? yes, care of grounds? no, serving at table? yes, laundress? yes, general housework? yes. If you take shorthand, give present speed 100 Typing speed 70.

List tools you own in business or trade none.

If you hold a business or professional license, give type, State in which valid and expiration date none.

List any farm, factory or office machines which you can operate adding machine, typewriter, dictaphone, mimeograph, duplicator.

List any machines which you can repair or service

Can you drive an automobile? no To what professional, technical or union organizations do you belong? no If you have supervised

other workers, give number and describe your work briefly. co-ordinator for the Adult Commercial Education Dept. make requisitions, handle memorandum Is your health good X fair      poor     ? List

any physical defects or infirmities you may have none

How do these affect your work?

Have you ever been bonded? no Ever had bond refused? no

Use the space below to describe any special fitness which you may feel that you have for the particular job for which you are applying use of office machines.

Your Signature

Pearl Masuda

This form is supplied to you by the War Relocation Authority to aid you in telling the employer as much as you can about your qualifications for the job for which he is to consider you. The information asked above is the minimum most employers need to make a decision. A personal letter to accompany this form is desirable but not entirely necessary. Since in most cases you cannot give the employer the benefit of a personal interview, make your application as complete as possible. If a small photograph or snapshot is available, it will be helpful to enclose it. The employer should not be asked to return such a photograph.

Dear Mrs. Steefel:

Miss Weinlick has asked  
me to report for work on  
June 14. Till then I will  
spend ~~the~~ my time at  
Amache Colo. If there are  
any messages my address will  
be ~~1017 E~~; Amache. Colo.

My family will keep me  
busy till the day I leave  
for home. ~~Will~~ <sup>will</sup> it be  
possible for me to interview  
with Miss Frost after I come  
back to Minneapolis?

I can't seem to find any time  
between now + when I have to  
come down. <sup>B</sup>40-30 a month will  
be wonderful.

Sincerely,

Mayme Kishi

Ans  
5-21-43  
July 10-12  
I will  
write  
you  
soon  
Love  
Mayme

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THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS



Mrs. Lawrence Stiefel  
407 S. 4<sup>th</sup> St.  
Relocation Clerk  
U.S. Employment Office  
Minneapolis, Minnesota



Mr. Holland  
Barr Bldg  
Wash DC  
Depe Sirs.

May 18, 1943  
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My wife and I, 25  
and 24 years old respectively,  
are graduating from St. Olaf  
this spring, and we are  
interested in the possibility  
of working in Japanese  
re-location centers after  
school is out. We have heard  
that there is a shortage of  
workers in these camps, and  
we would appreciate any  
information that you  
could give us on the subject.  
We have no children.

Sincerely

Roger Headington  
608 St. Olaf Ave.  
Northfield, Minn.



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS



National Employment Bureau  
Washington Ave! (?)  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

St. Olaf College  
Northfield, Minn.  
May 20, 1943

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Dear Mrs. Stegel,

Just thought I'd inquire  
as to whether those two positions  
are still open: at the Y. W. C. A.  
and the girls' residential district.

On May 28<sup>th</sup> I will be finished  
with my final examinations.  
The reason I had requested  
June 5 as my starting day was  
that I had made plans to  
visit my roommate for a few  
days. However, if it should  
be more convenient that I  
begin any earlier, I could  
easily do so. If you desire  
me to begin even as early as  
June 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup>, please let me  
know, and I will be glad to  
come into Minneapolis then.



But if plans are carried out and I have the opportunity to visit my roommate, I wonder if you could have my room secured for me so that I may send my luggage, before visiting my girlfriend. If this could be done I will not have to return to Northfield again prior to beginning my work.

I would be very grateful for whatever arrangements you may make for me.

I am anxiously awaiting your reply.

Sincerely,  
Mary Kayano

WPA  
War Relocation Desk  
407 S. 4th Street  
Minneapolis, Minnesota  
May 21, 1943

Mr. Clement L. White  
842 Metropolitan Life Building  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Mr. White:

I have had a conversation this morning with Father L.W. Forrey, 1228-4th St. S.E. Minneapolis. Father Forrey is Chaplain at the University of Minnesota. He has a large house at the address given where he occupies an apartment on the upper floor. There are fourteen rooms, and the house is a meeting place and Center for students at the University.

Father Forrey could use either a man or woman, or even a couple. Should a woman be employed her work would be that of cook, and she should be competent, housekeeper, and able to take charge of laundry, mending, the supervision of weekly cleaning, etc.

A man could work in either as all-round handy man to keep up the lawn, keep windows and other cleaning up, and, generally, maintain the house.

If a man were qualified, he could serve as houseman, handling cooking, be in charge of laundry, etc etc, such as clothes pressing etc.

The ideal arrangement would be to have a couple more interested in the home and security than in a high wage, who would feel themselves a part of the house and its purposes and who would plan their own time and keep the apartment, services and yard and house in good order.

Father Forrey says that he wishes to help these people if he can, and offers the work in that spirit. A man, woman, or couple not very strong, or even slightly handicapped by the need to do light work could handle the situation because not all the rooms need attention every day, and adjustments could be made to them.

As we talked, it occurred to me that if there has been Catholic contact in the Centers, or if you know of a Catholic priest in one of them we might find Nisei or Issei who, if they are Catholic would wish to undertake Father Forrey's work, as much for the sense of sharing in it, and for the association with him as for other considerations. They need not be young, and they could be Issei.

I send this in writing so that you may send it on to any Catholic contacts you have made. I should add, however, that the Nisei need not be Catholic. The idea of finding Catholics was an afterthought, as we talked.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Lawrence D. Steefel  
Volunteer Placement Secretary

c to Fr. Forrey



bPA  
War Relocation Desk  
407 South 4th Street  
Minneapolis, Minnesota  
May 21, 1943

Mr. Roger Headington:  
608 St. Olaf Ave.  
Northfield, Minnesota

Dear Mr and Mrs Headington:

All inquiries concerning service in the War Relocation Centers  
should be addressed to Mr. Dillon Myer, Barr Building,  
910-17th Street, Washington, D.C.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Lawrence D. Steefel  
Volunteer Placement Secretary



May 21, 1943

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Dear Mrs. Steefel:

This is to confirm our telephone conversation regarding the meeting of representatives from the Subcommittee on Placement and Community Adjustment of the Minneapolis War Relocation Committee, to be held Tuesday, May 25th.

We will meet in the 2nd floor Parlor at the YWCA at 4 o'clock.

Frank Reese  
Chairman



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS



Mrs. Lawrence Steefel  
2808 W. River Road  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

12 Hutton Lane  
Colorado Springs  
Colorado  
May 22, 1943

W. R. & Employment Service  
c/o U. S. Employment Office  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

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Dear Sir:

Until 2 months ago, I was an evacuee in the Gila Reclamation Center at Rivera, Arizona. Then through a friend, I got a domestic job here and was released.

I haven't been satisfied with the work and yet other types of work are not available. The wages here are extremely low also. A week ago I met a Japanese-American soldier's wife who came here after her husband was transferred here from Camp Savage and she told me of the many opportunities a Japanese has in Minneapolis. She mentioned how office positions are available and that even in defense plants, one is able to secure a job. I would like work of some kind other than housework or waitress work and



2. wondered whether there are any such jobs available.

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If in the office line, I would have to take work like filing, as I type very little, though I am attending business college to brush up on my typing, and I do not know shorthand. I have had office experience in the relocation center where we had to type clothing allowance orders, checked them, filed them, posted etc.

Are there any jobs where experience isn't necessary? Are there jobs where the employer is willing to train a girl?

I have graduated high school and attended a State College in California for  $1\frac{1}{2}$  years. I took a college preparatory course in high school majoring in languages, biological science and English - also a history major. At college I minored in English with a major in Pre-nursing and Sociology. I am 20 years old and am a citizen of this country. Maybe the above will help you some in knowing along what lines my interest lies.

Would it be possible for you to

3. list some of the jobs available much like the way it is done in relocation center papers?

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I would consider a position that would pay over \$75 a month. If there are two like places open, I would appreciate it if you can indicate it, as a friend of mine would like to go to Minneapolis with me should anything turn up. Her qualifications are like mine).

A prompt reply would be appreciated very much.

Sincerely yours,  
(Miss) Ruth Kono



C O P Y

5/11 Sent

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Gila Relocation Center  
Block 74-7-A  
Rivers, Arizona  
May 23, 1943

Mr. C. L. White  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

JUN 4 1943

Dear Mr. White:

I am an American citizen of Japanese ancestry who wishes to seek employment outside residing in the Gila Relocation Center. Since I am looking for a position with a company which holds out a future for a person of my experience, I wish to cite the following qualifications:

Business Experiences: During the last seven months, I, being an evacuee, worked and am still working for the WRA as a cost accountant in the Cost Account Unit taking charge of the cost ledger, the appointive payroll, and making summary of the cost distribution into various divisions and activity accounts. Previous to this I have worked for six months for the War Relocation Administration Civil Control as an accountant in the Finance and Records Section at the Stockton Assembly Center, Stockton, California, making entries in the inventory cards.

Education: I am a graduate of the College of the Pacific, Stockton, California, with the class of 1942, majoring in Business Administration. My major was accounting and my minor, economics. I also attended the Humphreys Business College for three months in 1942 taking up bookkeeping machine work and typing.

Personal Data: Age 23; unmarried; excellent health; 5 feet and 1-1/4 inches; weight 110; am classified as a volunteer for the WAAC.

References: I can refer you, for information as to my ability and my character to: Dr. Fred L. Farley, Dean of College of the Pacific  
Miss Grace E. Ward, College of the Pacific  
Mr. Ralph I. Millet (formerly Supervisor of the Finance and Records Section, Stockton Assembly Center), 245 Powell St., San Francisco, Calif.  
Miss Elizabeth M. Humbarger of the English Dept. Stockton High School, Stockton, California.

I should be glad to hear from you at your earliest convenience.

Yours very truly,

(signed) Miss Virginia Inouye



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Jerome Relocation Project  
Denson, Arkansas  
May 24, 1943

Mrs. Laurence D. Steefel  
War Relocation Authority Committee Desk  
407 S. Fourth Street  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Mrs. Steefel:

I have been told that you are a voluntary worker aiding the War Relocation Authority resettle those of Japanese ancestry now in the various centers. As one nisei, I wish to express my appreciation.

Although I plan to attend school this summer--Hamline University, Macalester College, or Marquette University--I wish very much to work until that time. I wonder if it would be possible for you to find temporary work for me.

I am a nineteen year old girl with limited skills. I was graduated as valedictorian in June, 1941, from the San Diego High School, San Diego, California, where I was active in extra-curricular affairs. I completed a semester at the University of California in Berkeley, and attended for six weeks, until evacuation, the San Diego State College.

When mass evacuation of the people of Japanese ancestry took place on the West Coast, I was taken to the Santa Anita Assembly Center. There I worked for four and a half months as a teacher for fifth grade pupils (up to the time school was discontinued) and for one month and a half as an office machine operator in the finance department (until relocated). I type at the rate of about 50 words per minute and take dictation at the rate of about 80 words per minute. I also use the adding and calculating machines.

After coming to the Jerome Relocation Center, I worked as a clerk in the cost unit and then as a field worker and writer in the documentary section. At present I am working under a social science analyst. My hobbies are reading, writing, sketching, and listening to good music.

I stand five feet one inch high and weigh about 115 pounds. I have excellent health and consider myself presentable in appearance.

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Although I have not had domestic work experience, I am willing to take a job along that line. I am neat and clean and willing to learn. Should I go to Hamline or Macalester and should the place where I might work be close to the campuses, I might stay on as a part time worker for board and room and an allowance if this set-up would be satisfactory to the employer and the school.

I shall appreciate your letting me hear from you as soon as possible. I do hope you will be able to find a place for me right away.

Thank you very much.

Yours very truly,

*(Miss) Ikuo Kuratoni*

where filing, and general clerical work is called for. The pay is \$80.00 a month to start with, and if you have other skills there is a chance for advancement. It would be necessary for you to be interviewed, however, as offices do not hire sight unseen. That does present a problem of travel and the expenses involved.

For the most part office work is pretty highly skilled in its demands and most of the girls we have placed have had stenography and shorthand, and sometime bookkeeping as well.

The above pay is too small to attract girls with these skills, and consequently the work is now open.

Will you please ask your friend to write to me, and both of you fill out the blanks I am sending you. I would be interested to know whether you can finance a trip to Minneapolis, and also whether if the office work does not open you are interested in domestic work. The pay is from \$60 to 75 a month according to experience and responsibility.

I shall be waiting to hear from you,

Miss Ruth Kono  
12 Hutton Lane,  
Colorado Springs

Sincerely yours,

Mrs Lawrence D. Steefel  
Volunteer Placement Secretary

Dear Miss Kono:

Your informant was mistaken in telling you that there are jobs open in defense plants here. This is an area of unemployed, many of whom are still leaving the city to go to other parts of the country for work. To date I have known of almost no openings for Nisei in the defense plants here.

As for office work. I happen at the moment to have two positions open where filing, and general clerical work is called for. The pay is \$80.00 a month to start with, and if you have other skills there is a chance for advancement. It would be necessary for you to be interviewed, however, as offices do not hire sight unseen. That does present a problem of travel and the expenses involved.

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Mrs Lawrence D. Steefel  
Volunteer Placement Secretary

War Relocation Desk  
407 S. 4th Street  
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PLAN DEVELOPED FOR OUTSIDE WORKERS

Project Leave Officer, Ralph Drenen, reported today the development of a new plan which will make it possible for more evacuees to leave the center on indefinite leave in advance of receiving definite job offers.

Where a WRA relocation officer feels that he could place more people than are now coming into his area, he supplies the Project Leave Officer with information about the number of workers needed, the types of jobs open, wages, housing, cost of living, and other pertinent information about the community. The Project Director is then authorized to issue indefinite leave to evacuees whose skills seem to fit the request made by the relocation officer. Upon arrival in the community, evacuees will be helped by relocation supervisors and the local officer of the U. S. Employment Service to locate specific jobs.

Experience with hostels prompted WRA to develop this plan, it was learned. A wider range of employment opportunities is ordinarily available through personal interview on the spot. It is expected that any evacuee who leaves the center under this plan will secure employment within a few days.

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Miss Iduko Kuratomi  
31-5-B Jerome Relocation Center  
Denson Arkansas

Dear Miss Kuratomi:

I am interested in your plans for college this summer. I think the most important thing for us to know is the date you plan to enter either college you will attend.

Both are fine colleges, and I raise the question with you as to whether you might not do best to try to find work for room and board in the college itself. Many students do that. There are many advantages. The hours are definite, and there are no household situations requiring special consideration and extra time. There is also the question of transportation. It is costly in time and money. In our very cold climate it is also a great hardship to wait on the corners for street cars.

If you would like a job in a home I am sure we can arrange one for you not too far from the colleges. The usual plan is four hours a day for room and board, and sometimes for carfare as well. The work consists of assisting with dishes, dusting, cooking and care of children usually. Usually the girl puts in an hour or so in the morning preparing breakfast and when she comes home she helps prepare dinner, sometimes helps the children with baths, takes care of them if the parents are out, and does dishes after dinner.

In the colleges the students do waitress work, switchboard work, sometimes simple clerical work. This is on the same hourly basis, but I believe that since there is no carfare the arrangement is for four hours a day only five or six days a week. I am not sure about this latter.

If you do your work on the campus you can more easily get to the library in the evening, and you are freer to take part in student activities.

I hope this answers your questions. As to temporary full time work, that depends on when you plan to arrive here, and when your college work starts. If you will let me know these things I shall try to arrange full time work for you for the interval during which you will be available.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Lawrence D. Steefel  
Volunteer Secretary, Minneapolis War Relocation Committee



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Minneapolis, Minnesota  
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Miss Biewer  
Minnesota Hospital Service Association  
2388 University Ave  
St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Miss Biewer:

I am sending along a few records of applicants for work in this area, to see if they interest you. Within a day or so I expect a young woman who has had several years of experience in office work, Stenography, Bookkeeping, typing, and if you are interested I shall suggest that she get in touch with you.

Miss Osaso's is the record of the girl we are expecting soon.

I hope George Tsuchiya is coming along nicely.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Lawrence D. Steefel  
Volunteer Placement Secretary,  
Minneapolis, War Relocation Committee



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407 S. 4th Street  
Minneapolis, Minnesota  
May 26, 1943

Miss Biewer  
2388 University Ave  
St Paul, Minnesota

Dear Miss Biewer:

This record just came in, and am sending it on, in case you are interested.

Mr. Mikio Fukunaga

24 yrs, 5' 8" 157 lbs. American Citizen, born Los Angeles California, Single

Graduate, B.S. University California. Major: Business Administration,  
Minor: Accounting

5 yrs experience as Junior Manager in a Wholesale Produce concern  
H and F Co. Inc. 7525 Central Ave Los Angeles  
duties: Salesman, kept books, worked any type calculating machine, posting,  
machine, filing, typing, general office. (This is a big chain store organization  
office.)

reported available as of May 16, and interested in coming to Mpls.

If you are interested we can have this boy come on, or you could correspond with  
him. He is addressed at:  
10-E-3B Granada Relocation Center  
Amache, Colorado.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Lawrence D. Staefel  
Volunteer Placement Secretary  
Minneapolis War Relocation Committee

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Mrs. Stiefel  
War Relocation Board  
407 S. 4th St.  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Mrs. Stiefel,

Quite some time ago I wrote to you inquiring about a position preferably in a Childrens Institution, or an orphanage. Although it has been over a month since my inquiry I have not received any reply from you.

As I have been anxiously awaiting your reply, I am wondering if anything has or will materialize for me or if I should give up my present ideas and look for something in another field.

Please let me know if there are any possibilities for me.

Thanking you for your kindness and early reply, I am

Very truly yours,

*Yoshioka Nakamura*

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Y. W. C. A.  
Industrial Department  
1130 Nicollet Avenue  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Attention of Miss Gertrude B. Stanley, Industrial Sec'ty

Dear Miss Stanley:

I have made inquiries before and was deeply grateful to have received a favorable letter from you on March 23, 1943.

Explanatory to the night letter sent on the 26th of May, I wish to make reservations at the Y. W. C. A for sometime in the very near future. As to the exact date, I cannot say until I have received my indefinite leave. According to the present WRA ruling to secure this indefinite leave, I must have an written statement from you that Y. W. C. A. will be my residence until I secure an employment and find a permanent place.

Enclosed is an exerpted copy from the Poston Chronicle which I believe will help to clarify the status.

I hope that I may be worthy of your thought and kindness in helping relocate myself. May I hope in the near future to thank you personally for your aid.

Deeply grateful for your kind attention, I remain

Very gratefully yours,

*Mae M. Kuroda*

Mae M. Kuroda

(Sent 5/11)

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Porton, Arizona

May 28, 1943

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Mrs. Stiefel,

Through the suggestion and recommendation of Miss Virginia Swanson, I am prompted to write to you for application blank for work outside. As to any preference I cannot state. I am not a skilled or a professional man which limits the realm that I can pursue. In short I shall tell you of the background which I have had in order to help hasten the process.

I am twenty eight years old, single, male, five feet four inches tall and one hundred ten pounds in weight. As for the education the B.S. in commerce from the University of California is my highest accomplishment. Prior to vacation from Terminal Island, California, the following are my working experiences: retail produce market clerk, fish canning packer, gardener, manager of a grocery store and a proprietor of a dry goods store. In Porton I have worked in several capacities. They

an adult education worker, assistant pastor of Boston  
Christian Church, promoter of textile work in the industry  
department and today I am a public school teacher  
of the twelfth grade senior English and social  
science classes.

Whether these qualities would help any, I do not  
know. I do hope, however, that you can help me in  
finding me work most suitable. I am not scared  
to work, even menial task is all right, but wages  
must be on the standard that can be livable without  
too much handiing. My income before ranged from  
\$25 a week to \$210 a month. Without further  
comments I close this letter trusting that you will  
assist me, promising to accept offer if reasonable.

Yours sincerely,  
Sadanki Asai



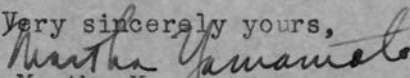
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Dear Mrs. Stiefle:

After thinking over the job you offered me at Minnesota Hospital Service Association - 2388 University Avenue - Saint Paul, Minnesota. I've decided not to take it, because of the salary and inconvenience of getting out there.

I appreciate your help of trying to place me in a better job greatly. Thank you very much.

Very sincerely yours,

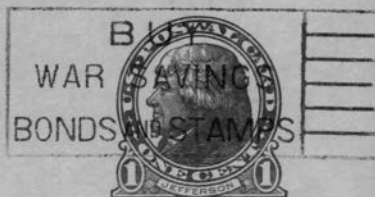


Martha Yamamoto  
2001 Girard Ave. So.  
Minneapolis, Minn.

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THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS



c/o Mrs. Stiefle

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Minneapolis, Minn.