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WEEKLY REPORT
ROSSIER RELOCATION CENTER
DECEMBER 4, 1943

GENERAL COMMENT BY PROJECT DIRECTOR

Week ending December 4, 1943

The chief event of the week was the arrival of the advisory relocation team composed of officials from the Washington office and the relocation field offices. This group arrived early on the morning of December 2, and met with the evacuee relocation committee, the chairman of the block managers, the chairman of the community council, and some of the administrative employees. The results of the first meeting with evacuee leaders were satisfactory. A frank discussion of the relocation problem was held, and different problems were discussed from the standpoint of field offices and the center residents. That afternoon there was a brief meeting for office workers; and that night a special meeting for all members of the community council and all the block managers. Approximately 50% of the block managers and councilmen attended, and the audience seemed well impressed with the program which was presented.

On Friday morning, December 3, conferences with individuals interested in relocation were held, and the relocation team again met with the evacuee relocation committee. There was a meeting for high school students that afternoon; and that night a general meeting for the residents of five blocks was held in one of the mess halls.

On Saturday, individual conferences were continued, and there was another meeting primarily for teachers, which was exceptionally well attended; and that night there was another general meeting for

five more blocks. The general meetings for the combined blocks were fairly well attended. The Friday night audience was a representative group, but the Saturday night meeting was attended mostly by younger people.

Up to this time, the work of the relocation team is making satisfactory progress, and it is thought that much good will result if the campaign follows the present trend. It is believed that this work will not result in an immediate rush of people who wish to relocate, but we are of the opinion that it will be very helpful in the long run. If it were not for the time of year, close to the holiday season, there would probably be an immediate increase in the number of relocatees. The general reaction to the two films shown has been good.

There have been no new developments with reference to the Co-op controversy, but the regular annual meeting of Co-op delegates is scheduled for December 7, and more information may be obtained after that date.

There is attached an advanced schedule of the activities of the relocation team.