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CURRENT RELOCATION OPPORTUNITIES AND HOUSING SITUATION, MIDDLE ATLANTIC AREA For Period Ending February 25, 1944

This is the second in the series of semi-monthly summaries on job opportunities and housing for the Middle Atlantic Area. Because of several changes in district offices in this area, this summary includes specific listings only for the district offices in New York City, Philadelphia, Pa., and Harrisburg, Pa.

As of March 1, 1944, Clement L. White of the Harrisburg, Pa., district office is being detailed to the Philadelphia office and will handle relocation in Harrisburg and Central Pennsylvania from there. All communications relating to relocation opportunities in Central Pennsylvania should be referred to Mr. White at Philadelphia The district offices in Mashington, D. C., and Baltimore, Md., are no longer included in the Middle Atlantic Area.

Early in March, a new district office in this Area will be opened in Rochester, N.Y. Claude C. Cornwall, at present Relocation Program Officer at the Central Utah Relocation Center, will be relocation officer in charge of the Rochester office. He will also be responsible for relocation in Syracuse and the farm areas in up-state New York. You will soon be notified of the exact address for the Rochester office.

As previously pointed out, the job offers listed in these semi-monthly summaries are principally intended to indicate some of the types of jobs available to evacuees. No attempt has been made to list all the jobs, or types of jobs, that can be secured by evacuees once they have arrived in this area for personal consultation with WRA placement specialists and USES interviewers and for interview by prospective employers. Inquiries regarding job opportunities, whether or not they are listed, will receive prompt and thorough attention.

Families planning to resettle in the New York, Philadelphia, or Rochester district are urged to give the appropriate relocation office at least two weeks' notice of their arrival and definite information about the date of arrival. When circumstances permit, one member of the family should come to the city first to prepare for the arrival of the rest of the family.

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A. CURRENT RELOCATION OPPORTUNITIES

1. Employment Opportunities for Evacuees:

The employment opportunities outlined in our summary of February 10 remain stable, except for an increase in stenographic openings for women at the \$35 weekly level, in the demand for skilled dental technicians, and in the need for experienced dressmakers by the couturiers who are now at the height of their season. There is still a very active market for clerical workers, beauticians, greenhouse workers, domestics, laboratory and dental New York District Page 2

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technicians, hotel and restaurant workers, dry cleaners and laundry men, hospital workers. Commercial artists have excellent employment opportunities. Architects, engineers, and men of executive business experience are still placed with difficulty. Working conditions are excellent. Cooperation between WRA and the USES and trade unions continues to be very good.

2. Job Offer Digest

MEN

SKILLED

Advertising Artists

Auto Nechanic

Boiler Fireman

Chauffeur

Chemist

Cooperative Store Manager

Dental Technicians

Machine Helper

Pressman

Pressman's Helper

Radio Service Man

Sales Clerks

Truck Mechanic

Upholsterer

UNSKILLED

Cook's Helpers

Dish Washers

Firemen (low pressure boilers) \$35 a week.

Must show samples. Salary open.

 $50\phi - 65\phi$ an hour. '55 a week, 48-hour week, must be experienced.

G115 a month and room.

360 - \$75 a month and maintenance.

65¢ an hour, 40-hour week; time and onehalf for overtime. Experienced.

Produce experience. 335 per week to start.

Experienced. 50 - 70 per week.

. 65¢ an hour.

38 a week. Princeton, N.J. Experienced. 47 per week plus time and one-half overtime. 40-hour week.

\$36 a week, 40-hour week; time and onehalf for overtime.

\$30 a week.

Cooperative store. Experience produce. 30 - 40 per week.

Bridgeport, Gonn. 355 a week, 43-hour wk. 38 a week, 5-day week.

360 a month and meals.

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Hospital Attendants50 a month aHotel & Restaurant Bus Boys30 a month aLaborers50ø an hour.Lapidary Morkers50ø an hour.Second Cook50 a week; aService Electrician (beginner)3100 a month.Shipping Clerks20 a week.Short Order Cook32 to 35 aStock Clerks50ø an hour.Waiters321.50 a week

Artificial Flower Makers

Assemblers

Beauty Operators

Comptometer Operators

Fine Sewing 2 Alteration

Finisher (cresses)

Librarian

<u>Nurse's Aide</u> <u>Pantry Girls</u> (hospital) <u>Power Lachine Operator</u> <u>Secretaries</u>

Stenographers

>50 a month and full maintenance 30 a month and three meals daily. 50ø an hour. >20 a week; experience not necessary. >50 a week and meals. >100 a month.

20 a week. 32 to 35 a week and neals. 50¢ an hour. 21.50 a week and tips.

WONEN

 $50\phi - 60\phi$ an hour for experienced workers; 40 ϕ an hour for beginners.

\$22 a week.

35 per week if trained.

Experienced. 30 - \$35 per week.

20 to "26 a week, 3 -hour week; time and one-half for overtime.

"20 a week, 40-hour week; time and onehalf for overtime.

Syracuse. College grad, with or without experience. 1200 per year.

.65 a month and full maintenance.

55 a month and full maintenance.

50¢ an hour, 40-hour week; time and onehalf for overtime.

35 a week, 5g-day week.

30 a week, 5 -day week.



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B. CURRENT HOUSING SITUATION

The housing situation in New York City has become tighter in recent weeks, but there are indications that more vacancies will be available in March and April. Although the situation is at least temporarily serious, it is not so acute as in defense centers where large war industries are located. Temporary housing in the form of furnished rooms can still be provided quite easily. However, furnished apartments in the medium rent bracket -- \$35 to \$70 monthly -- continue to be difficult to obtain. Unfurnished apartments are more readily available, but it is still necessary to allow several weeks to find adequate quarters. The New York staff has been greatly pleased by the fact that evacuees have been able to secure living quarters in a wide variety of different sections in the city. The staff is glad to aid evacuees in every way possible to find satisfactory housing and, in doing so, works in close cooperation with the city's housing agencies.

	FURMISHED		UNFURNISHED		
Type of Accommodation	Supply	Price Range	Supply	Price Range	
Temporary Single	Plentiful)1-5150 night			
Temporary Family	Scarce	7-10 week			
Furnished RoomSingle	Adequate	5-7 week			
Double	Adequate	36-310 week			(
1 Room Housekeeping Apt.	Scarce	\$40-\$70 month	Scarce	540-580 month	
3 Room Apartment (2 rooms & kitchen)	Scarce	355-385 month	Some available	35-\$75 month	
Single Family House (Suburbs only)	Scarce	360 & up month	Scarce	50 & up month	