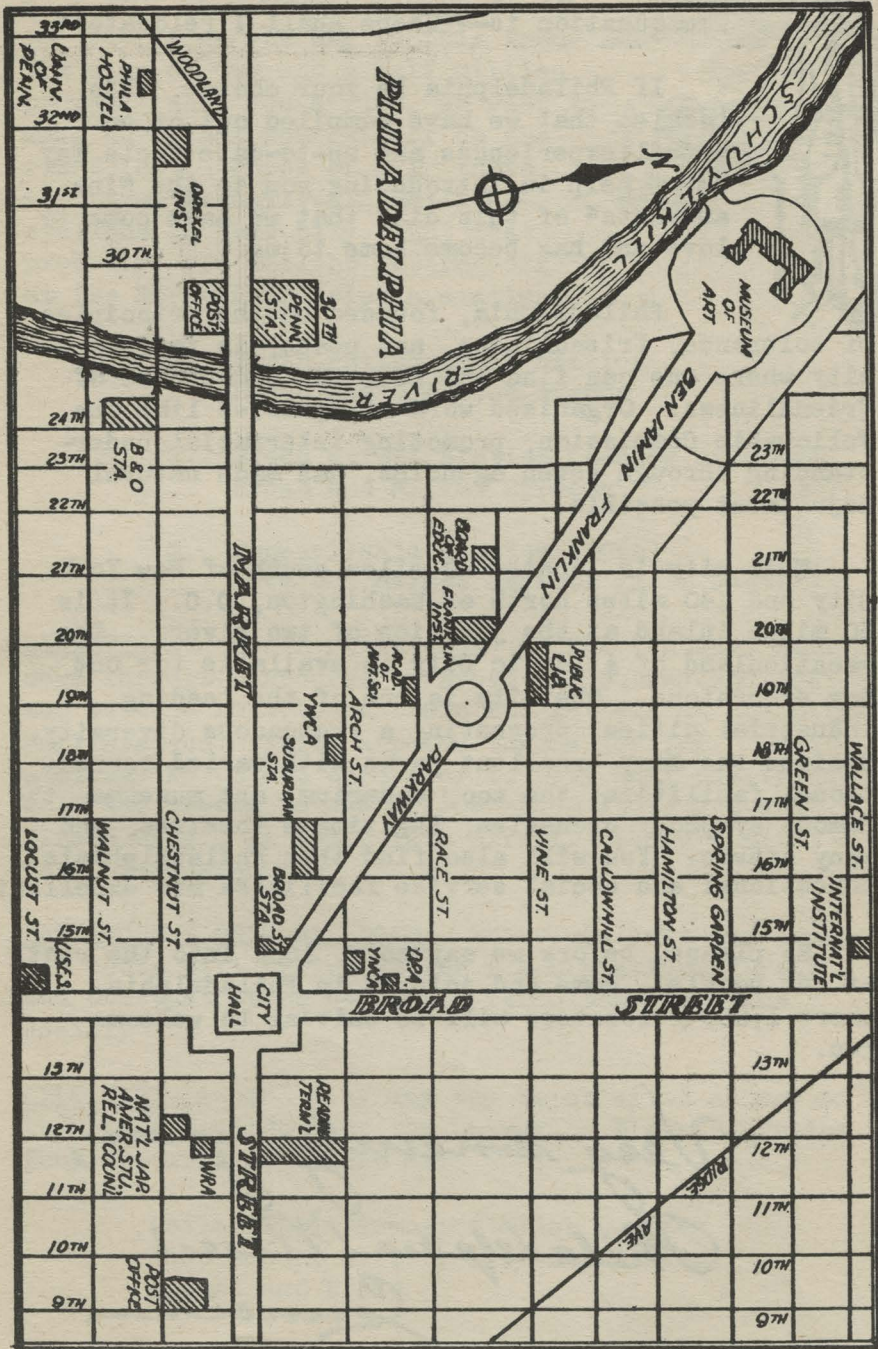




YOUNG PENN MEETS NISEI...PLANT'G FRIENDSHIP

# Philadelphia 1945

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Hi there!

## Greetings from Philadelphia...

The question is—"Where shall I relocate?"

If Philadelphia be your choice, this booklet that we have compiled out of our actual experiences and up-to-date facts may be of help in introducing you to the "ins and outs" of this city that we have come to love and has become home to us.



Philadelphia, founded on the principles of tolerance, friendliness, and peace, is truly a city where one can find and feel the atmosphere of friendliness. Organized work of agencies like the Fellowship Commission, promoting interracial understanding through seven agencies, has made natural adjustment possible.

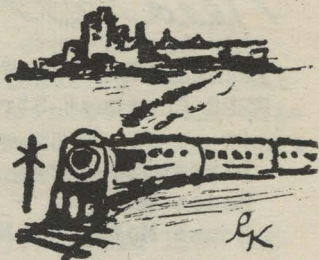
This city is located 90 miles south of New York City and 140 miles north of Washington, D.C. It is 60 miles inland at the junction of two rivers. The vacationland of Atlantic City is available for one day excursions. The city is one of the leading industrial cities, presenting a tremendous diversity. Besides the many excellent parks with varied recreational facilities, the zoo, aquarium, art museums, the famous symphony orchestra, legitimate theatres, and many others. You will also find that Philadelphia's educational and social service facilities are excellent.

So please, before we say more, look into the rest of our booklet, come and join us in Philadelphia where 1,000 relocatees will be waiting to welcome you.

Very sincerely yours,  
Philadelphia Nisei  
Council

# All Aboard!

You're on the way to this teeming city of two and a half million people. When you arrive, we want to make sure that you get off on the right foot. First of all, there are three Pennsylvania Railroad stations in this city. But most probably, you will be getting off at the North Philadelphia station.



1. North Philadelphia Station  
Broad and Glenwood Avenue
2. Broad Street Station (Center of City)  
Broad and Market Streets
3. Pennsylvania Station (30th)  
30th and Market Streets (Near Hostel)

**DIRECTIONS:** North Phila. Sta. to WRA (Subway) Walk down through concourse to Broad St. Subway Station and board a southbound train and get off at the City Hall Station. Fares are two tokens for 15¢. Use stairway No. 3 and escalator to City Hall courtyard. Walk two blocks to WRA office—Room 1107, Stephen Girard Bldg., 21 South 12th Street. Phone - Rit. 9420, Extension 150.

**BALTIMORE & OHIO RAILROAD:** Those who take the southern route will arrive at the B & O Station at 24th and Chestnut Streets—just a few blocks from the Hostel.

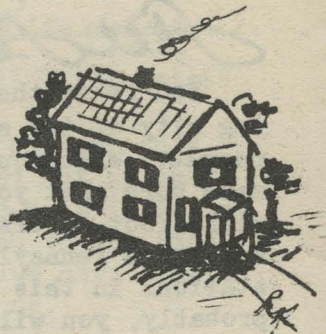
**CITY MAP:** A good city map may be obtained at any of the cashier windows of the Subway or Elevated Trains. They are also available at:

Philadelphia Transportation Company  
1405 Locust Street, Mitten Building  
Locust and Broad

# Need a Roof?

PHILADELPHIA HOSTEL - Eve. 7323  
3228 Chestnut Street, Phila. 4, Pa.

Director - Mrs. Esther Meyerding  
House Manager - Mr. S. Inouye  
House Mother - Mrs. S. Inouye



Accommodations are available  
for a single person or families.  
The rates for room and board are as follows:

- \$1.00/day for unemployed adults
- 1.50/day for employed adults
- 2.00/day for employed adults after ten days.

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Single detached houses are difficult to obtain  
either in the city or in the suburbs unless one is  
willing to purchase a house. However, small apart-  
ments, furnished or unfurnished are available through  
the classified advertisements in the newspapers.

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If you want some tips on housing, drop in and  
see Bob Fort, American Friends Service Committee. He  
is our one man housing committee who, in addition to  
his heavy duties in helping relocatees with personal  
problems, has given so generously of his time in  
contacting landlords and real estate agencies.

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Federal Housing Projects are now open to the  
relocatees who qualify. Families of servicemen and  
war workers are eligible. There are vacancies in  
Tincum Manor, Oxford Village, Lacey Parks, and  
Abbottsford Projects, all within commuting distance.  
One family has moved into Tincum Manor project loca-  
ted in Essington. They are occupying a five room  
unit including a kitchen, living room, and 3 bedrooms.

# Need Sound Advice?

Those of us who have personally experienced the various phases of evacuation and relocation feel that we understand what is going on in the mind of the evacuee who now finds it necessary to make plans to leave the center and start life anew in some community.

Some of the questions to which you would like an answer would be "Are jobs plentiful?" "Will the people in the community accept me?" "Is housing available?" "What will happen if I lose my job or if there is sickness in the family?" "After the WRA is gone from the picture who will help us in case of trouble?"

In any community today we will find jobs plentiful though in some situations Issei may not be able to find the kind of job he prefers. The Japanese American in looking to the future will find it more realistic to accept a position with permanency rather than a higher paying temporary war job. The local United States Employment Service offices have all been very cordial to those who have gone to them for jobs.

You will find that community acceptance has been much better than on the West Coast as there is no organized group working against us. We are being accepted at work, at school, at play, and in the community as fellow Americans for our individual worth.

Housing as in any war-time community is difficult. It will take individual initiative and patience along with cooperation among ourselves to solve this problem. Government housing projects are being opened to us.

When trouble comes - and it comes in any time, in any family, regardless of jobs or opportunities or social change - there is a place in the community to which to turn. Financial assistance that bridges a crisis in the economic situation and at the same time helps clear up a basic difficulty gives people the best chance to go forward. There are permanent community agencies always willing to counsel and give assistance.

If an individual or a family is worried about personal or family problems, these agencies can give skilled help through their counseling services and specialized resources, including financial assistance.

**PHILADELPHIA DEPT. OF PUBLIC ASSISTANCE**

112 N. Broad

Miss Virginia Hauser

RIT. 8481

Handles the Resettlement Assistance Fund for Japanese relocatees.

**FAMILY SOCIETY OF PHILADELPHIA**

311 S. Juniper St.

Miss Betsey Libbey

PEN. 7900

Counseling and guidance to individuals and families through case work to overcome problems which if unmet may well disrupt their lives.

**AMERICAN RED CROSS**

Home Service Department

1316 Arch Street

Mrs. Fink

RIT. 9840

Service for men and women in the active service of the armed forces and their families for service-connected problems.

**LEGAL AID SOCIETY**

4 S. 15th St.

Mr. Stewart, Chief Counsel

RIT. 4118

Advice on civil legal problems for nominal fee.

**PHILADELPHIA FEDERATION OF CHURCHES**

Room 623

Land Title Building

RIT. 5820

Dr. E. A. E. Palmquist, Exec. Secretary

Inter-racial Department:

Dr. Elmer Schmitt, Chairman

Japanese American Committee:

Rev. Dewees F. Singley, Chairman

**UNITED STATES EMPLOYMENT SERVICE**

Main Office: Mitten Bldg.

1405 Locust St. KIN. 0800

Hours: 8.30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Mon. - Sat.

District Offices:

North Philadelphia, 1320 W. Erie Avenue.

Uptown, 2200 N. Broad Street.

Northeast Philadelphia, 4417 Frankford Avenue.

Germantown, 66 W. Chelton Avenue.

West Philadelphia, 3128 Market Street.

South Philadelphia, 703<sup>d</sup> S. Broad Street.

Upper Darby, 7032 Garrett Road.

**COME UP AND SEE US!**

**AMERICAN FRIENDS JAPANESE AMERICAN RESETTLEMENT**

1201 Chestnut Street

RIT. 9372

Robertson Fort, National Secretary

Bob Fort has been doing an All-American job for the relocatees of the city. Help on housing, personal counseling, and other minor details have been given to us wholeheartedly, aside from his work of national scope.

**INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE**

645 N. 15th Street

POP. 4229

Miss Marian Lantz, Executive Secretary

Miss Grayce R. Kaneda, Group Worker

Most of the Nisei activities are centered here and we consider it our headquarters. This agency has a full-time non-sectarian program for all nationalities of this city. In Miss Lantz we have a gracious and sincere friend who is personally interested in our adjustment. Grayce Kaneda will be available to discuss needs of evacuees and help in planning group functions.







Couple and  
3 children

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 7.50  
 15.00  
 3.75  
 1.20  
 2.20

\$175.25

Couple and  
2 adults

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WANNA COUNT YOUR PENNIES?

For those people who have large families and wish to budget carefully, we suggest the following places for your marketing:

SOUTH PHILADELPHIA STREET MARKETS: Christian and 9th Streets and on.

Fresh fish and meat, all kinds of vegetables and fruits, and other commodities sold on the streets at almost half the cost of city grocers in most instances.

JOS. A. WURSTER: 817 Vine Street, Wal. 3847

This is a wholesale grocer where we get our sack of rice, barrel or gallon of shoyu, and jar of aji. Other items can be bought in large quantities also and there is delivery service.

# To Church on Sunday

The Philadelphia Federation of Churches is vitally interested in the religious life of the newcomers to this city. As the people are settled, they are contacted by the nearest church and urged to attend and participate in all of its activities.



Nisei have been welcomed into many of the churches here. A few have become church members, three are singing in a choir, a number are in Sunday School classes, others are teaching and one is a church secretary.

A Young Buddhist Association has recently been organized under the leadership of Koshi Miyazaki and Michi Kawanaka. They hold meetings and sponsor socials for the Bussei of this area. A delegation from this city recently attended the Bussei conference held in New York City.

To meet the needs of the Issei, a Japanese language church has been organized on non-sectarian basis. Services are held on alternate Sunday afternoons, 2:30 p.m. at Fellowship House, 1431 Brown St. Rev. M. Nishimura, Bokko Tsuchiyama, and Roy Hasegawa rotate in preaching. Once a month get-togethers are held on a Saturday night at the Asbury Methodist Church.

For those who wish to meet fellow nisei Christians, there is the Nisei Christian Fellowship which meets every Saturday, 8:00 p.m. at the W.C.T.U. Hall, 1921 Arch St. This group has Bible study and speakers on alternate evenings. Roy Hasegawa, Yasushi Wada, Kayo Asai, and Yoneo Ishihara are active members.

Being in the midst of Quaker influence many nisei have found their way to the Friends Meetings where they have come to appreciate the Friends' approach in their relation to God and man. Silent meditation and its demand upon inner resources has been a refreshing and stimulating experience.

# *Nisei Activities in Philadelphia...*

The Philadelphia Nisei Council was first formally organized in June, 1944 under the leadership of Lafayette Noda to aid Issei and Nisei resettlers with their problems of relocation and integration into the community life. As the needs arose, various committees such as hospitality, housing, social, employment, counselor-minister, and business opportunity committees were formed to work on specific problems confronting the resettlers. These committees have worked diligently in the background to aid our progress.



Some of the activities sponsored by the Council are monthly dances, forums, musical tea, picnics, dancing class, and get-together parties. From the beginning International Institute has been the center of our activities where most of our meetings and socials are held.

The Council is also sponsoring the "Penn-Notes" a monthly newsletter in English and Japanese to keep the resettlers of this area informed of the various activities.

Many relocatees are today representative to other organizations in the city such as:

American Friends Service Committee, Social and Industrial Section - George Sakai  
Committee for Equal Job Opportunities - Ichiro Hasegawa

Council of Social Agencies - Grayce Kaneda  
Hostel Committee - Yasuo Abiko, Yone Watanabe  
Inter-Club Council of International Institute - Chieko Shigekawa

Philadelphia Federation of Churches - Grayce Kaneda  
Hiroshi Uyehara, K. D. Uchida  
Philadelphia Young Friends Recreation Committee - Fuji Fujikawa

# Increase in Knowledge...

We know that many of you are seeking schools which offer excellent courses at low cost. Students should be aware of the fact that cost of education in the East as compared to the West is quite a bit higher.



The following is a list of some of the colleges and universities in the Philadelphia area and their approximate tuition per year. In parenthesis are the approximate enrollment of Japanese Americans since evacuation:

University of Pennsylvania (3)	\$380
Temple University (23)	\$275
Drexel Institute of Technology (2)	\$340
Philadelphia College of Pharmacy & Science (4)	\$320
Bryn Mawr College (2)	\$500
Haverford College (4)	\$400
Swarthmore College (13)	\$400
Bucknell University (2)	\$300
Franklin & Marshall College	\$350
Beaver College (3)	\$350
Lafayette College	\$400
Ursinus College (1)	\$350
Wilson College (2)	\$375
Women's Medical College (7)	\$450

## Junior Colleges:

In general, unlike those of the West Coast, the junior colleges of the East are fairly exclusive resident schools with a high tuition cost.

## Vocational and Industrial Schools:

- Spring Garden Institute (2)
- Moore Institute of Art, Science & Industry
- School of Industrial Art (1)
- Taylor Business School (6)
- Temple University Night Day schools in Business, Secretaryship, College Preparatory (4)
- Wilfred Academy of Hair and Beauty Culture (2)

Philadelphia Public Schools:

- 14 Evening Schools - general courses at the youth and adult levels.
- 1 Standard Evening high school
- 4 Vocational schools - day and evening courses
- 180 Elementary schools
- 24 Junior high schools
- 16 Senior high schools
  - Girls High School ) For boys and girls of
  - Central High School ) high scholastic standing.
- 1 School for Crippled and Handicapped
- 39 Day Nurseries and Day Care Centers
  - 2 to 12 years old
  - \$1.50 to \$3. per week

The boys and girls attending the public schools of Philadelphia have made wonderful adjustments and many new friends. They have found acceptance among the students. Many of these Japanese Americans have made fine records and have taken various positions in school activities. Each neighborhood has a school and one can usually walk to school or commute without difficulty.

**NATIONAL JAPANESE AMERICAN STUDENT RELOCATION COUNCIL**

Mrs. Betty Emlen, director

Nao Takasugi, placement

1201 Chestnut Street, Room 514 RITtenhouse 9372

The national headquarters of the National Japanese American Student Relocation Council is available to local resettlers. The staff of the council will be very glad to help any of the relocatees in their selection of college or university in this area. Up to date information and catalogues of practically all the schools throughout the country will be furnished upon request.

You are invited to drop in to talk with the staff and use its facilities. Nao Takasugi is in charge of the local Speakers Bureau placed in this office to facilitate the public relations work. Requests from various organizations in Philadelphia and its many outlying areas are filled.

*Yum... Let's Eat!*



FOR THAT DATE . . .

- BALALAIKA - 1705 Sansom Street - (good vegetables)
- BOOKBINDERS - 215 S. 15th Street - (good sea-food)  
125 Walnut Street
- CHINA ROYAL - 18th and Chestnut
- CRAVIS - 224 S. Broad Street
- FAR EASTERN - 907 Race Street - (best Chinese food)
- FISHER'S - 3545 N. Broad Street
- ESSEX HOTEL - 13th & Filbert - (pleasant and quiet)
- HOFFMAN HOUSE - 1214 Sansom Street
- HOMESTEAD - 1522 Walnut Street (Food a la home style)
- MICHAUD'S - 1512 Walnut Street
- RALPH'S RESTAURANT - 760 - 9th Street - (steaks)
- RUSSIAN INN - 1213 Locust Street
- TURIN GROTTO - 1221 Chestnut - (good Italian food)

INEXPENSIVE - FOR EVERYDAY LUNCH . . .

- HORN AND HARDART - all over town
- EWART'S CAFETERIA - 15th and Chestnut
- THOMPSON'S - 1208 Market Street
- CHILD'S - 1425 Chestnut Street

FOR AFTER THEATRE SNACKS . . .

- WALTER'S - 221 S. Broad - (very expensive)
- HAMBURGER HEAVEN - 1415 Locust - (hamburger with all  
the fixin's)
- SHUBERT'S SANDWICH SHOP - Broad and Spruce

These are only a few suggestions which we have to make. The real adventure in eating comes in finding a place to your liking on your own.

# Let's Have Fun!

Philadelphians have always been a critical audience and as a consequence, many of the Broadway productions have their premieres in this town. If a production goes over here it is bound to have a successful Broadway run. Some of the recent ones are Billy Rose's "Seven Lively Arts," "Bloomer Girl," "The Cherry Orchard," "The Voice of the Turtle," etc. Follow the theatre reviews in the daily press - if they give a good review, you can't go wrong, whether for the legitimate stage or for movies.



## OTHER RECREATIONS:

### Bowling:

Arcade - 1812 Chestnut

Walnut - 3634 Walnut

Wm. Penn - 3619 Walnut

### Amusement Parks:

Willow Grove Park - Willow Grove

Take Broad Street subway to Olney and then take bus to the Park.

Woodside Park - at Ford Rd. & Monument Ave.

Take E bus from 69th St. Terminal or take the Park Trolley (connecting with PTC routes 7, 8, 9, 38, 49, 43, and 61).

## PLACES OF INTEREST:

### The Aquarium:

Just north of the Art Museum on the East bank of the Schuylkill. More than 4,000 specimens.

### The Benjamin Franklin Memorial:

20th and Franklin Parkway.

4,000 scientific action exhibits.

### Fels Planetarium:

Demonstrations, lectures given.

### Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts:

Broad & Cherry

Water color show each Fall and oil show, Winter.

### Philadelphia Museum of Art:

Head of Franklin Parkway at 25th.

### The University Museum:

33rd and Spruce



**The Rodin Museum of Art:**

Franklin Parkway at 22nd.

Houses the Mastbaum collection of Rodin sculpture, drawings and water color.

**Zoological Gardens:**

34th and Girard.

Oldest in America. 2,000 birds, reptiles, mammals.

**Academy of Music:**

Broad and Locust.

Center of music for over a century. Home of the famed Philadelphia Orchestra, under Eugene Ormandy,

**Philadelphia Art Alliance:**

251 So. 18th Street.

Active center for art life. Paintings and sculpture exhibits.

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*We'll Be Seeing You!*

Incidentally, those of us who worked on this pamphlet realize that it does not answer all of your questions but we did try to keep in mind the questions we had upon relocating ourselves. We had a grand time doing this and hope you will find some use for it.

Hiroshi Uyehara - Editor

Grayce Kaneda

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c/o International Institute

645 N. 15th Street

Philadelphia 30, Penna.

To inquire about local happenings, contact:

Grayce Kaneda

International Institute

POFlar 4229

645 N. 15th Street

つた時、又家々誰かが病氣になつた時

どうしようかし「W. R. A. がなくなつた

後萬一の場合誰に頼る事が出来る

であらうかし、私共之等の重大な問題

を透視し一々具體的に解答し兼ね

ますけれども、W. R. A. の仕事を続け

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団体及社會奉仕の団体が協力し出

来るだけの援護を附與する具體

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詳しく説明してある如く本市には非

常に多くの公衆援助の団体があり

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為に與へられた種々の便宜を利用する

事が出来ます。

貴村再轉住希望の方に本市を照會す

る為に此の小冊子が貴村二世協會の努力によつ

生れました。少しでも諸兄の参考になればと願

ふものであります。

貴村二世協會

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河の向ふはニューギージーで、近く農家

に邦人一世家族の方々も大部見えて

居ます。シーブルック農場には今千人

以上の一二世が就働して居られます。

費府を中心にしてデラウエヤ河の対岸

カムデン及近くのチェスターを合せた此

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の中心地であらゆる種類の工場があり

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及事業經營の見込があると信じ

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題の他に諸兄が豫期せざる將來の

出事に就いても深く懸念して居られる

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あるでせう。

貴府は紐育と同じく世界各国から寄

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エカーハフレンド派一の中心地ですかウ一

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多数の白人の方々が個人的に一世二世

の友となつて我々の向上發展を援助

して下さいます。

其の為当市は他の

大都市と異なつて工業業及商業

の大中心でありなばウホームの環境に

満ちてゐると言つてよいでせう。

貴府に於ける二世の活動範圍は

相當に多方面で何れも腕次第です。

一世は特殊技能者の外は普通労働

者です。夫婦にて白人家庭入りをも

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事業を根底から回復され、住みなれた

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住所閉鎖を前にして近くセンターを

引あげて東部轉住か、西部歸還を

色々お思案中の諸兄の憂慮を深く

同情致します。若し轉住地として費

府を御選びになる様でしたら、私共

は当市に於ける経験から諸兄の復旧

更生の爲に出来るだけの援助を致

したいと思ひます。

費府とはどんな市か、白人社会から

同胞に対する待遇は如何か、他の市と

比べて日系同胞の活動範囲は如何か、

当市の戦後工産業は如何か、同胞の

商賣及事業經營の見込は如何か、