

Dust Storm in Baca County, Colorado, 1935



Ward, J.H., "Dust storm. Baca County, Colorado," 1935. [Courtesy of Library of Congress](#)

Dust Storm in Eastern Colorado, c.a.1936



Ward, J.H., "Dust storm. Colorado," 1936. [Courtesy of Library of Congress](#)

Heavy Black Clouds of Dust Over Texas Panhandle, March 1936



Rothstein, Arthur, "Heavy black clouds of dust rising over the Texas Panhandle, Texas," March 1936. [Courtesy of Library of Congress](#)

Destroyed Orchard in Cimarron County, Oklahoma, April 1936



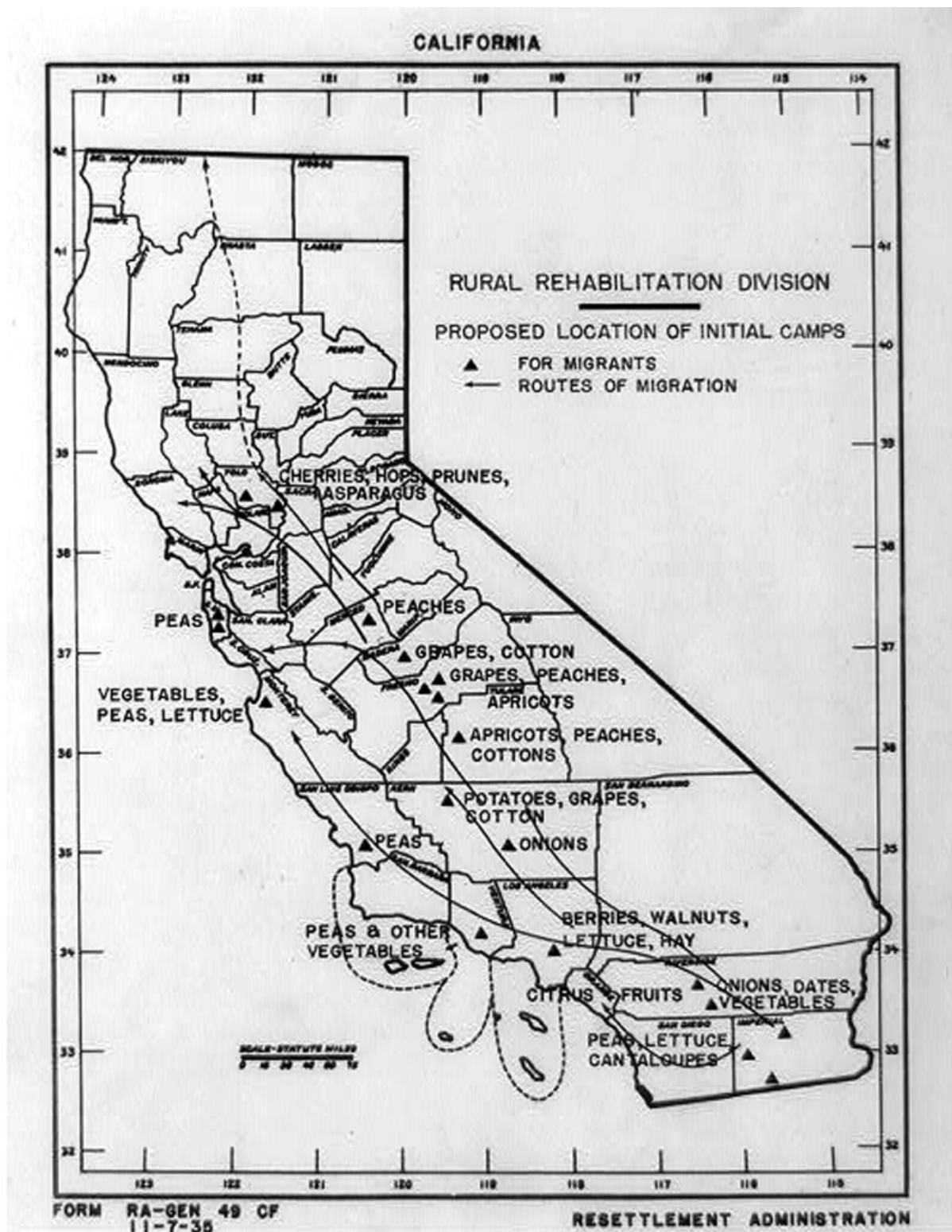
Rothstein, Arthur, "Orchard destroyed by drifting sand. Cimarron County, Oklahoma," April 1936. [Courtesy of Library of Congress](#)

Dust Bowl Farmer in Cimarron County, Oklahoma, April 1936



Rothstein, Arthur, "Dust bowl farmer raising fence to keep it from being buried under drifting sand. Cimarron County, Oklahoma," April 1936. [Courtesy of Library of Congress](#)

Proposed Migrant Camps in California for Relocated Dust Bowl Families, 1935



"[Map of California by the Rural Rehabilitation Division showing areas where different crops are grown, proposed location of initial camps for migrants, and routes of migration]," 1935. [Courtesy of Library of Congress](#)

Dust Storm in Amarillo, Texas, April 1936



Rothstein, Arthur, "Dust storm. Amarillo, Texas," April 1936. [Courtesy of Library of Congress](#)

Oklahoma Farm Family on Highway between Blythe and Indio, California, August 1936



Lange, Dorothea, "Example of self-resettlement in California. Oklahoma farm family on highway between Blythe and Indio," August 1936. [Courtesy of Library of Congress](#)

Dust Bowl Family from Paris, Arkansas, Leaves on Highway No.1, June 1938



Lange, Dorothea, "On highway no. 1 of the "OK" state near Webbers Falls, Muskogee County, Oklahoma. Seven children and eldest son's family. Father was a blacksmith in Paris, Arkansas. Son was a tenant farmer. "We're bound for Kingfisher (Oklahoma wheat) and Lubbock (Texas cotton). We're not trying to but we'll be in California yet. We're not going back to Arkansas; believe I can better myself," June 1938.

[Courtesy of Library of Congress](#)

"Why We Come to California," 1940

WHY WE COME TO CALIFORNIA

Flora Robertson
Stator, 1940

Here comes the dust-storm
Watch the sky turn blue,
You better get out quick
Or it will spotter you.

Here comes the grasshopper,
He comes a-jumpin' high,
He jumps away across the state,
An' never bats an eye.

Here comes the river
It sure knows its stuff,
It takes our pigs and cattle,
An' leaves us feelin' tough.

California, California,
Here I come too,
With a coffee pot and skillet,
I'm a-comin' to you!

"Why We Come to California," 1940 (Transcription)

"Why We Come to California," 1940

WHY WE COME TO CALIFORNY
Flora Robertson Shafter, 1940

Here comes the dust-storm Watch the sky turn blue.
You better git out quick Or it will smother you.
Here comes the grasshopper, He comes a-jumpin' high.
He jumps away across the state An' never bats an eye.
Here comes the river it sure knows its stuff.
It takes our home and cattle, An' leaves us feelin' tough.
Californy, Californy, Here I come too.
With a coffee pot and skillet, I'm a-comin' to you!

"Dust Control Treatment of Center's Land Area Slated," June 3, 1943

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Job Openings

50 FEMALE--STUDENTS FOR PRACTICAL NURSES--Baltimore, Md. Students for one year course of practical nursing. Graduates eligible to take state board examinations in Maryland for license as practical nurses. \$40 per month plus cash allowance. Full board and residence, uniforms, laundry and medical care. (738)

MALE--VETERINARY--Cicero, N. Y. Care and treatment of sick animals. Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree preferred, or a man experienced in handling small animals. \$35 per week to start for a veterinary, \$25 per week for a layman. (739)

TEACHING DIETICIAN--Chicago, Ill. Hospital. Teaching class in dietetics and related duties. Must be member of American Dietetic Association. \$100 and up plus full maintenance. (740)

6 JAPANESE SPEAKING INSTRUCTORS--New Haven, Conn. The important factors are fluency in speaking the standard Tokyo dialect of the Japanese language, education, and personality. Reading and writing ability in the Japanese language, while desirable, is by no means essential.

Opportunity to attend a training course. \$150 per month to start. Those interested contact relocation office. (741)

FEMALE -- ADDRESSOGRAPH OPERATOR--Chicago, Ill. Run an addressograph machine and take care of a mailing list. \$110 per month. (742)

MALE--AUTOMATIC SCREW MACHINE OPERATORS--Cleveland, Ohio. 75¢ per hour for the first 30 days. \$1.40 per hour thereafter, providing the operator can set up his own machine and is experienced. Learners who have training in operating automatic screw machines will receive 65¢ per hour and will be upgraded as rapidly as they learn the trade. 52 hour week and time and a half is paid for all work over 40 hours. (744)

DUST CONTROL TREATMENT OF CENTER'S LAND AREA SLATED

JEEP SAVES HORSE

When your horse gets stuck in a drainage ditch, call a Jeep.

Last Friday, members of the agricultural division's livestock unit received assistance from a Jeep when one of their horses became hopelessly mired in a ditch.

If the army vehicle hadn't been handy, work would have been delayed until a tractor located several miles away could be brought to the scene to extricate the horse.

CENTER TO USE FILLMORE JAIL

Arrangements have been made by the War Relocation Authority for use of space in the Millard County jail located at Fillmore, for use as the Project jail. Residents held awaiting trial or serving sentences imposed either by the Project Director or the Judicial Commission will be detained there. No jail has been erected on the Project and in the light of the low crime rate in the Center WRA authorities feel that the cost of a jail on the Project is not justified. WRA Release

Because irrigation alone will not permanently control the dust, the Public Works division and the Landscape section are concentrating on treatment of land in the Project, according to George McColm, associate agronomist.

Methods applied to dust bowl areas in the Midwest will be practiced here. The land will be plowed and listed so as to leave a rough surface which will prevent dust from being swept along by the wind. This treatment is expected to help prepare the land for leveling, irrigation, seeding, cultivating, and weeding.

Approximately 50% of the land area in each block will have to be treated.

The success of the dust control program depends entirely on the co-operation of the residents, McColm stated. He pointed out that in order to prevent the ground from being pulverized, residents should refrain from stepping onto treated territory.

They are asked to observe the signs, "Dust control area. Positively no trespassing will be permitted. By order of Internal Security."

COMMISSIONS FOR VOLUNTEERS NOT LIKELY, ROWALT STATES

LUMBER LOADERS--

Twelve residents from the Motor Pool and Public Works staff left Tuesday afternoon to load scrap lumber at the Utah Ordnance Depot in Salt Lake City. Most of this material will be used for improvements on agricultural projects.

Another group went to Salt Lake City last week on a similar mission and returned during the week end after loading 6 carloads of scrap lumber. Included in the lot were 4000 boxes to be used for the Project's farm vegetables.

Under present army regulations, chances of volunteers being offered commissions are remote, although those over 35 may be excepted, E. M. Rowalt, WRA Deputy Director, revealed. The situation as to doctors and dentists is not finally settled, but it is not hopeful.

The only way to earn a commission now for those under 35 is to enlist in the combat team and take the chance on earning an appointment to the Officer Candidate School. These regulations apply throughout the army and do not apply only to the Japanese American combat team.

“Dust Storm Headline Montage,” between 1935 and 1942



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“Migrant Mother” Florence Thompson with Her Children in Nipomo, California, February/March 1936



Lange, Dorothea, “Migrant agricultural worker’s family. Seven hungry children. Mother aged thirty-two. Father is native Californian. Nipomo, California,” February/March 1936. [Courtesy of Library of Congress](#)

Farmer's Son Playing on a Large Soil Drift in Liberal, Kansas, March 1936



Rothstein, Arthur, "A farmer's son playing on one of the large soil drifts which threaten to cover up his home. Liberal, Kansas," March 1936. [Courtesy of Library of Congress](#)

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Out of the desert's bosom, storm swept with wind and dust;
Out of smiles and curses, of tears and cries, forlorn;
Mixed with broken laughter, forced because they must;
Toil, sweat and bleeding wounds, red and raw and torn.
Out on the desert's bosom—a new town is born.

Dust clouds, like brown smoke, rise and swirl and blow.
From hidden lairs in icy crags, towering high,
Like hungry pack of wolves, the gale sweeps low,
Fangs sharp and bared, shrieking to the sky.
The guardian peaks emerge, serene and high.

Summer with long, parched nights and days;
And heaven's bowl a shimmering blue of heat;
The thirsty hills are choked. The sun's hot blaze
Before encroaching autumn, once more retreats.
King Winter reigns upon his icy seat.

A year is gone. A quickening in the air.
The desert stirs beneath the freshening rain.
The scent of sage, the wild rose perfume rare,
The tumbling brooks break forth in glad refrain.
Another spring—perhaps new hope, new life again.

"Big Dust Storm Hits Project Sun. Afternoon" Newspaper Article, July 19, 1943

GIRLS LEAGUE MEET TONIGHT

An important meeting of the newly-organized Girls League is scheduled for tonight at Recreation Hall 1408 from 7 p.m.

It is urgent that every member be there.

Lettermen's sweater will be shown and the type which is wanted will be voted upon. Also plans for a new softball league will be discussed.

PEEWEE LEAGUE STOPS REVEALED

As of July 14, the Pirate Jrs. and the Fighting Tigers are in a two-way fight for the Pee Wee League championship race.

The schedule is at the half-way point.

PEE WEE LEAGUE

	W	L	PCT.
Pirate Jrs.	5	0	1.000
Fighting Tig.*	4	0	1.000
Avalon Jrs.	4	1	.800
Pacer Babes*	3	1	.750
Block 42	3	2	.600
Avalon Babes	2	3	.400
Cardinals	1	4	.200
Half Pints	1	4	.200
Rangers*	0	4	.000
Tiger Cubs	0	4	.000

TEN-HI UNDEFEATED IN LEAGUE RACE

Setting a stiff pace in the Old Men's Industrial Softball League are the powerful Ten-Hi lads, being the only undefeated team, as of July 16th.

INDUSTRIAL SOFTBALL LEAGUE

	W	L	PCT.
Ten-Hi	8	0	1.000
Royal 4-Flush	7	1	.875
Johnny Walker	4	3	.571
Bottle-Necks	4	3	.571
#4 Spuds	4	4	.500
3 Stars	4	4	.500
Ward II Topp	3	3	.500
68 Old Timers	2	5	.285
Esquires	1	6	.142

BIG DUST STORM HITS PROJECT SUN. AFTERNOON

What started out to be a fine hot Sunday afternoon gradually turned into cloudy weather and then in the late afternoon, as the ball game between the California-Oregon All-Stars and the Tule Lake All-Stars was in the eighth inning, the worst dust-wind storm in the history of Tule Lake roared between the barracks and across the open stretches.

The thousands of people at the ball park scattered like stampeding cattle when the dust was seen rolling toward the field and when the storm did strike, the Project was blacked-out by the dust for about 30 minutes.

LOCAL ALL-STARS DUMP CALIFORNIA TEAM; WARD 3 WINS AGAIN

Tule Lake All-Stars chalked up their second straight victory over an outside semi-pro team when they defeated the California-Oregon All-Stars by a 16-8 count yesterday afternoon in a game which was stopped in the eighth inning by a terrific dust storm.

Sunday evening the Ward III city all-star champs eked out a 7-6 win over the Bussei All-Stars.

Complete details for both games will be published tomorrow.



TULEAN DISPATCH
Monday, July 19, 1943

CITY TENNIS TOURNAMENT SET FOR JULY 31-AUG. 1

Tule Lake's first all-city Tennis Tournament has been definitely set for the week-end of July 31-August 1.

Tournament will begin on Saturday at 1:30 p.m. and will be throughout Sunday.

Events to be held will be men's singles and doubles tournament.

Racket wielders may enter at the following places: Ward 1--Sab Murayama, 1415-B; Ward 2--Les-ter Matsuomoto, Block 28; Ward 3--Howard Hida, 3507 -D; Ward 4--Ken Takemoto, Block 20; Ward 5--Tod Na-kae, Block 48; Ward 6--Frank Matsumoto, 5616; Ward 7--Ken Takemoto, Block 20.

Entry fee will be 25¢ for singles and 15¢ each for doubles. Deadline will be Monday, July 26.

Chairmen of the event are Ted Nakae and Tokichi Matsumoto.

Prizes will be awarded the champions and runner-ups.

All tennis players are urged to take part in the contest. Stellar players

from the Northwest and California should make this tourney an interesting affair.

BLK. 25 GIRLS COP AMERICAN TITLE

Block 25 slaughtered the Block 67 Hi-Liners 24-8 last week to cop the girls' American League diadem.

The game started off wildly as in the first inning, the winners punched across 8 tallies on 4 hits while the Hi-Liners made 4 runs. Block 25 extended the margin to 13-4 in the second and from there on the outcome was never in doubt.

The National champs, Block 41, will tangle with 25 this week in a two-out-of-three series for the city girls softball title.

SIX BATTERS IN PEEWEE LEAG.

K. Kawasaki of the Avalon Jrs. is setting a high batting average in the Pee Wee League with high .722 with 13 hits in 18 trips to the plate. Close behind in second place is T. Hamamoto of the Pacer Babes with 7 hits in 10 tries for an even .700.

The top six are:

	AB	H	PCT.
Kawasaki, Av. Jr.	18	13	.722
Hamamoto, Pa. Ba.	10	7	.700
Mukushima, R.	4223	15	.652
De, Pirate Jr.	15	9	.600
ani, Pacer Ba.	14	8	.571
Kawasaki, Av. Ba.	9	5	.555

as of July 14.