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Agency History
The Committee to Survey the Agricultural Labor Resources of the San Joaquin Valley was created by Governor Earl Warren in response to resolutions requesting such a study from the Central Valley Empire Association and the San Joaquin Valley Supervisors Association. The Committee was charged to make a complete survey of all aspects of the seasonal labor problem in the San Joaquin Valley and to recommend short-range and long-range solutions for dealing with it. The fifteen-person committee met from March to December 1950 when it submitted its recommendations. The Committee's records include documents relating to: organization; meetings; five public hearings; correspondence; state agency reports; background reports; farm labor centers; publicity; and the final report to the Governor.
1. ORGANIZATION FILE. 1950.

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Physical Description: 1ff.
Scope and Content Note
Arranged as follows: Background information, purpose of Committee; Organization chart;
Biographical abstracts; Resume of Executive Director.

Folder F3845:2-3.

2. MEETING FILES. 1950.

Physical Description: 2ff.
Scope and Content Note
Arranged chronologically.
Agendas, copies of letters sent, minutes, and transcripts relating to the Committee's
meetings. The meetings include discussion of: organization; personnel; research reports; the
hearings; and Committee findings and recommendations.

Folder F3845:4-15.

3. HEARING FILES. 1950.

Physical Description: 13ff.
Scope and Content Note
Arranged chronologically.
Transcripts, statements, pamphlets, brochures, and reports relating to the Committee's five
public hearings. Each hearing usually includes local statistical reports concerning:
production; employment; welfare; nutrition; health; Mexican aliens; labor camps and
housing; education; and the opinions of local officials, farmers, and laborers on the local
conditions and problems.

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Fresno, June 20, 21, 1950.

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Folder F3845:7, 7a, 8.

Bakersfield, Aug. 1, 1950.

Physical Description: 3ff.

Folder F3845:9-10.


Physical Description: 2ff.


Corcoran, Aug. 3, 1950.

Physical Description: 3ff.

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Physical Description: 2ff.

Folder F3845:16.

4. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S CORRESPONDENCE. 1950.

Physical Description: 1ff.
Scope and Content Note
Arranged chronologically.
Letters received and copies of letters sent from the Executive Director of the Committee.
The letters relate to: the development of the research staff; some of the activities of the
Executive Director; resolutions on farm labor of the California Farm Bureau Federation; the
budget of the Committee; information on relief rolls in the Southern San Joaquin Valley;
Committee testimony before the President's Commission on Migratory Labor; statements
and complaints of the National Farm Labor Union of the A.F. of L.
5. BACKGROUND INFORMATION AND DATA. 1942-50.

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Physical Description: 8ff.

Scope and Content Note
State Agency Reports - Arranged as follows by department or company. All are dated 1950 unless otherwise noted.

Folder F3845:17
Department of Agriculture - Characteristics of California's Agricultural Economy.

Folder F3845:17
Department of Education - The Education of Seasonal Agricultural Workers in the San Joaquin Valley.

Folder F3845:17
Department of Employment - Employment Statistics for the San Joaquin Valley; Labor Force; Migration Patterns; Unemployment Insurance Coverage for Agriculture; Guaranteed Wage Plans for Agriculture; California Annual Farm Labor Report: 1949.

Folder F3845:18-19
Department of Industrial Relations - Child Labor; Digest of the California Child Labor Laws; Labor Contractors; The Role of Labor Contractors; Housing; Housing in the San Joaquin Valley.

Folder F3845:20-21
Department of Public Health - Maternal and Child Health in the San Joaquin Valley, as Related to Seasonal Agricultural Workers' Families; Report to the San Joaquin Valley Agricultural Labor Resources Committee; Summaries on 28 Infant Deaths in Fresno & Kings Counties.

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University of California, College of Agricultural - Wages and Earnings of Agricultural Labor in California With Particular Reference to the San Joaquin Valley.


6. OTHER BACKGROUND DATA. 1942, 48, 50.

Physical Description: 2ff.

Folder F3845:23
United States Department of Agriculture - Migration and Settlement on the Pacific Coast, 1942; The Agricultural Labor Force of the San Joaquin Valley, California: characteristics, Employment, Mobility, 1948.

Folder F3845:24
Industrial Survey Associates - Industry in Stockton; Industrial Payrolls for Turlock.

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7. FARM LABOR CENTERS. 1950.

Physical Description: 1ff.

Scope and Content Note
Arranged chronologically.

Letters received, memoranda, and newspaper reprint relating to the physical conditions, and repair of labor camps in California; also relating to the transfer of physical authority to the Federal Housing Authority as per Public Law 475, 81st Congress, Title II, Section 205.

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8. PUBLICITY. 1950.

Physical Description: 1ff.

Scope and Content Note
Arranged chronologically

Newspaper clippings, press releases, radio scripts, and speech relating to the Committee's work progress, hearings, and to California agriculture.

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