

OWATONNA, MINN.

May 7, 1943

State of Minnesota Department of Agriculture Dairy and Food State Office Building St. Paul, Minnesota

Attention: R. A. Trovatten, Commissioner

Dear Mr. Trovatten:

On April 2nd we wrote you asking about the possibility of using some of the inmates of the Minnesota School and Colony at Faribault, Minnesota, as workers at a pee viner station this June and July.

We are wondering at this time whether you have any further information that you can give us regarding this possible source of farm help. We would like to have something fairly definite on this, and would appreciate your advice.

Very truly yours,

OWATONNA CANNING COMPANY

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STATE OF MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SECURITY DIVISION OF PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS

May 13, 1943

Owatonna Carning Company Owatonna, Minnesota

Attention: Mr. John Harmel

Dear Sir:

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Your letter of May 7, addressed to the Department of Agriculture, Dairy and Food, with reference to the possibility of using some of the inmates of the Hinnesota School and Colony at Faribault, Hinnesota, as workers at a pen viner station in June and July of this year, has been referred to this office.

We are forwarding this inquiry to Doctor Engberg, superintendent of the School and Colony, requesting him to contact you and make whatever arrangements are possible and agreeable.

Very truly yours,

Director

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CARL H. SWANSON DIRECTOR

STATE OF MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SECURITY DIVISION OF PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS

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Doctor E. J. Engberg, Superintendent Minnesota School and Colony Faribault, Minnesota

Dear Doctor Engberg:

We are enclosing a letter from the Owatonna Canning Company, Owatonna, with respect to the employment of patients from the school at a pea viner station during June and July of this year.

I am enclosing copy of my reply and suggest you contact Mr. Hammel if you think such arrangements can be made.

It is my opinion that care should be taken so that the patients be properly safeguarded against any accidents and they should be sufficiently compensated for this work and this compensation credited to the worker. The patients must not be exploited by such employment.



Dear Sir:

Mr. Carl H. Swanson, Director, Division of Public Institutions, has requested that I write you with reference to the possibility of using some of our inmates as workers at your Pea Viner Station in June and July of this year.

We have gone into this matter very carefully and find that there will be no inmates who can be spared for this type of work at that time, because of the help we will need from them in our own garden and farm operations.

Very truly yours,

E.J.Engberg, M.D. Superintendent

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cc - Mr. Swanson