Manpower Rules governing labor placements, change of occupation by individuals and the desire for temporary employment, brought added duties to the farm labor department. Investigations of many of these requests had to be made in order to determine whether a release might be justifiably issued or denied depending upon age, health, and whether or not full production on the farm from which the person was being released would be maintained in his absence.

Close contact was kept with the USES office at Rice Lake and with Mr. Youngberg's office in Eau Claire with the result that our release program was carried out with a minimum of difficulties and a splendid working relationship with the USES office enjoyed.

During the two and one-half years, our records show that 286 releases were granted, 59 of which were permanent releases from agriculture because of age or a health condition and 227 temporary releases issued (winter months).

All releases (temporary) for men within draft age had to be cleared with Selective Service.