

RELOCATION SUMMARY

PARCEL NO: 21-4

OCCUPANT: Mrs. Edna Gordon

NEW ADDRESS: 8255 N. Hurst

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon moved to 3947 N. Commercial in March, 1957, and soon thereafter replaced the house's sidings, roof, and gutters. Following her husband's death, Mrs. Gordon moved into the basement apartment, and rented out the other two floors.

Mr. James Frazier first contacted Mrs. Gordon on October 14, 1965, and explained to her the procedure necessary in order to sell her property and move to another location. She works as a domestic, and had not been able to follow up on the three lists of available housing provided by the Commission. At about the time the PDC purchased her property (November 12th), Mrs. Gordon was involved in a car accident. This accident further hampered finding another home. Mr. Frazier urged her on December 2nd to find something before her rent-free tenure expired January 11th. The day following his visit, she examined a one-bedroom house just north of Columbia Park, which she then rented following Mr. Frazier's inspection. Mrs. Gordon moved on December 11, 1965, and on the 22nd the Commission paid her moving bill of \$110.25.

On June 13th, Mr. Lawrence Monk, PDC Relocation Worker, visited Mrs. Gordon in her new home. She had liked both her former home and community in Albina. Her brother, Greene Asberry, had lived 1½ blocks from her. However, she prefers not to mix with her neighbors very much, and had no deep attachments to anyone living in the Park Site, and so when she moved she had little incentive to stay nearby. This may be influenced by the community's awareness that the court found her innocent of the death of her husband a few years ago, following an argument involving alcohol in which he was killed.

Mrs. Gordon feels that the ANIP Park should not have been placed where it is, but should be farther north toward Jefferson High School, "where the area is really run down." In fact, she sees no need for the Park at all. Further, she did not want to move from the home she was purchasing: "It seemed like I was fighting against something and knowing I would lose. If I would buy again, I would just lose again." And so she has rented her new home, rather than purchase it.

Mrs. Gordon says that her neighbors are quite and leave her alone. She is in a mixed neighborhood, and her neighbors are friendly enough when she meets them on the street or in the yards. She likes the area with its quiet streets,

and her yard has no sidewalks so that children on tricycles stay on the other side of the street.

Mrs. Gordon now lives some distance from any of her former neighbors. The closest are a couple in Columbia Village some ten blocks away, who are elderly and were not closely acquainted with her. Her former tenants, Mrs. Opal Tarrant (now Clark) and the Ray Waggoners, live nearly three miles from her and have not been in touch with her since their move.

Mrs. Gordon does not meet the qualifications for a Relocation Adjustment Payment.