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TEMPORARY COMMUNITY COUNCIL
POSTON #3

Location: 310-14-A

Meeting called to order at 8:25 P.M. - Mr. Haas Acting Chairman
Those present - Sheet No. 2

Lawyers to be present 3 times a week - date to be published later in the Press Bulletin.

Election of Officers: Mr. Harvey Iwata, Chairman; Kelly Yamada, Vice Chairman; Sam Rokutani, Secretary; Mr. Ed. Takahashi, Treasurer.

After a discussion on Officers, Kelly Yamada moved that Camp III have an officer to act as Secretary and another to act as Treasurer, Sam Rokutani second - motion carried. It was decided not to have an office for Sargeant-of-Arms.

Mr. Haas gave a brief resume as to how the Temporary Council came into being. On a memorandum dated June 5, a series of explanations and directions were given regarding the setting up of a Temporary Community Council. All regulations should have been set up by the Project Director, but in our Camp a staff of five lawyers from Camps 1 and 2 set up the regulations, which were approved by the Project Director. Although the Temporary Council can only make recommendations they are assured of the full cooperation of the Project Director and if he is unable to act upon the recommendation, if he feels that it is justified, he will then hand it on to someone who can do something about it.

Due to the fact that the Indian Service and the WRA coordinate together in the running of Poston we are assured of closer cooperation in administering our needs.

The WRA will soon issue a circular on community self-government which will contain a number of ideas which will help in starting the council. It was suggested that all recommendations be first taken to the Camp Administrator for his approval.

Mr. Haas stressed that one of the duties of the Temporary Council was to formulate plans for the permanent Council. All residents may be eligible on an appointive committee, but only citizens of the United States over 21 years of age may hold an office.

It was recommended that the Council could at any time call anyone in from the different Camps to assist in conducting the meetings or in giving assistance in solving problems which may arise.

Tuesday night was temporarily selected as the weekly meeting date; 7:30 P.M. at the old Post Office Building.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 P.M. by Chairman Iwata.

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The proposed plans of service charges above the cost of the parts replaced were:

1. Flat rate of \$.75 on all services using best judgment in cases of very minor adjustments such as tightening one wire, etc.
2. Use of a schedule of rates ranging from a minimum of \$.10 to a maximum of \$.50, the operators using best judgment in the charges made.
3. Service charge of \$.10 per hour

After a careful discussion of the three plans, it was arrived at that method 2 would be possibly the fairest means used.

Proposed charges to be made for new radios sold is 10% above the cost of the radio, the cost to include the actual price of the radio as well as transportation charges and any other charges added on. In regard to what prices to be charged for parts sold, it was thought that 10% below the list price of such parts would be the most favorable price.

The three parties who are to operate the shop agreed that as compensation for the use of the equipment they would be willing to accept 10% of the net proceeds of the services and parts sold. In other words if the entire proceeds of services and net proceeds of parts sold were \$100.00, the owners of the equipment would receive \$10.00 compensation.

Possibilities of obtaining old radios, revamp them and sell at a profit was discussed as well as places at which such radios were obtainable from.

In order that a more uniform plan of operations and charges may be arrived at between the three centers at Poston, a meeting of the radiomen is to be held on Monday, Sept. 7, 1942, at Poston #1 Community Enterprise Building at 10:00 A.M.

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QUESTIONS, ANSWERS AND SUGGESTIONS:

1. What are the plans in regard to stock room of parts?

Ans.: It is most likely that a stock room will be maintained in Poston #1 to which the other shops may send in orders. The three shops may work together in making suggestions as to what parts would be best to have in stock room.

2. Is it necessary to pay rental on the apartment to be used for the radio shop?

Ans.: It is a good idea to set aside a certain sum in the event rental is required. At present, this matter has not been as yet been brought up, but will probably know in the near future.

3. How can we obtain necessary equipment for the shop?

Ans.: It is best to talk matters over with Mr. Burge, who will do his best to make arrangements in regard to supplying lumber to make equipment.

4. How soon do you think we can start this shop?

Ans.: At present, Camps 1 and 2 are not ready to start, but hope that all three units may be able to start within a week.

5. Is there any possibilities of renting privately owned public address systems to the centers?

Ans.: Get in touch with Dr. Powell who might have plans of using such equipment.

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Meeting of the Temporary Community Council Poston 3 held on Tuesday, September 29, 1942, at Administration Building B Conference Room at 9:00 A.M. was called to order by Chairman Harvey Iwata.

Roll Call: All present at the meeting

Minutes of the previous meeting was read and approved.

Committee on Labor who attended meeting on the morning of September 28, consisting of Ed Takahashi, Mack Kadotani, and Masao Otani reported:

Discussions and information regarding camouflage labor were:

1. Major Georgia reported the army will supply the material and transportation from Parker to the three units at Poston
2. W. R. A. is to direct the camouflage plant.
3. Labor limited to citizens requiring about 936 for the three camps, 70% of whom will probably be women.
4. Employees include residents of Poston from the General Manager down. The Supervisor to be employed by W. R. A.
5. 20,000 masks will be furnished the camouflage workers and all the necessary comforts and conveniences for the workers to be supplied.
6. Discussion of wages, whether to be same as that paid other employees on the project or wages paid to other defense workers and compensation above those of project wages to be held in trust. No definite conclusions arrived at in regard to this discussion.
7. Meeting continuing to be held Wednesday, September 30, 1942, at 9:00 A.M. at Poston 2 to which same committee will go.

Mr. S. Shirazawa and Mr. Iwahashi of the Adult Education Dept. gave a brief resume on cooperatives and the cooperative movement:

Cooperative movement started for the reason that community enterprise was not sufficient to give voice to all the people. As a result of petition of the three camps, Mr. Wade Head granted authorization to people to start cooperative stores in Poston. Advantages and characteristics of cooperatives mentioned were:

1. Stretches out the dollar value
2. Both the isseis and niseis will have voice in the cooperative
3. Prices on articles can be decided upon by the members, how much margin above costs, and members will also know actual prices of such articles.
4. Members have the decision of how and when profits or surplus will be used.

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5. Each camp in Poston will have control of its own stores with own board of directors or trustees.
6. One central purchasing department for three camps and each unit will have authority to direct buying.
7. Entire system on share basis, probably be \$1.00 per share with very few limitations as in case of age. Each shareholder has one vote-no proxy in the cooperative system.
8. Any surplus can be used as directed by the members, whether for public purposes or for rebates, or for both.
9. About \$700,000 worth of business is the rough estimate made for a year in the three units combined.
10. More probability of getting better articles at lower prices.
11. Members will have say in selection of goods to be sold.
12. All books of the cooperatives will be open to the members for inspection and consultation at all times.
13. Community Council will have right to make recommendations, but board of directors of trustees will have direct control of the cooperatives.

Committee men Ed Takahashi and Sam Rokutani reported: According to Kaudy Mimura, Supply Department, procedure in requisitioning and getting supplies has improved a great deal and approval of requisitions during emergency cases may be had when necessary. Present set-up is that supplies must be ordered one week in advance; in other words, departments should have one week's supplies on hand.

Kaudy Mimura was requested to attend the meeting and voice his opinions and suggestions in improving the supply situation. The present procedure is to have departments turn in requisitions and he in turn issues requisitions all of which must be approved and signed by Mr. Burge in order to get release on any supplies from the warehouses. It seems there is no cooperation from the administration in getting supplies, as shown by following instances:

Requisitions for paint and seeds put in about 3 weeks ago, and matter was checked at head office in Poston 1, where no records could be found in regard to these requisitions having been turned in there.

Requisition for ropes turned in, but refused to be approved by administrator as not being necessary. Ropes to be used for tying down loads and roping off.

Purchase requests for goods not in warehouses and desired here at Poston 3 not being honored by the administration.

Charles Nakamura, Truck Dispatcher, made a request for additional trucks necessary to adequately serve a community the size of Poston 3.

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- 1 Supply truck with flat rack for supply distribution
- 1 Carpenter's Shop truck for hauling materials and finished articles.
- 1 Truck exclusively for use of Police Department, or preferably one car for emergency and night use.
- 1 Government mail truck for mail use only
- 1 Garbage truck for Poston 3 permanent assignment
- 2 Trucks to be kept in pool in events of breakdowns or emergencies
- 1 Ambulance to be used for home calls and in emergencies, in better condition than the present ambulance.

Charles Nakamura was asked to check upon number of vehicles available in Poston 1 and 2 and report same to the Council.

Letter of resignation from Ichiro Okada, Assistant Supervisor of Block Manager to Moris Burge was read to the Council by Councilman Kelly Yamada. It was decided by the Council to support Mr. Okada on his points brought up in that the administration has not cooperated with him and with the Block Managers for the best interests of the residents. The secretary was instructed to make copies of letter for each Councilman to study and formulate points to be brought up the meeting at which Mr. Burge will be present.

Sam Rokutani stated that Mr. T. Tsuruoka of the Art Department desired to paint pictures depicting camp life and sceneries and have the Council of Poston 3 present such pictures to Mr. Wade Head, Mr. Crawford, Mr. Evans, and Mr. Burge as from the community of Poston 3. Mr. Tsuruoka would like to have the approval of the Council on this matter. This matter was held pending until the next meeting.

The meeting was then adjourned by Chairman Harvey Iwata with instructions to meet on Wednesday, September 30, 1942, at 9:00 A.M. in Administration Building "B" Conference Room to continue business and discussions.

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Meeting of the Temporary Community Council Poston 3 held on Wednesday, September 30th, 1942, at Administration Building B Conference Room at 9:00 A. M. was called to order by Chairman Harvey Iwata.

By consent of the Councilmen, it was decided upon that minutes of the previous meeting will not be read in order to save time, but copies are to be typed for each of the Councilmen when office facilities have been completed.

A meeting to which Mr. Burge has been requested to be present for discussion with the Council will be held on Thursday, October 1, 1942 at the usual meeting place.

Chairman Iwata read report made by Charles Nakamura, Truck Dispatcher, of vehicles assigned to Poston 1 and 2. It was decided upon by the Council not to take any action in regard to demanding equal number as in Poston 2 in the light that Poston 2 does not have the number of vehicles expected.

Discussions and suggestions of the allocation of \$400.00 allowed to Poston 3 was held:

Allocation made by Community Enterprise Board of Trustees:	Allocation made by Temporary Community Council Poston 3:
Sumo - - - - - \$30.00	Boys' Activities - - \$17.50
Arts & Crafts- - - - 30.00	Drama- - - - - 15.00
Judo - - - - - 30.00	Girls' Activities- - 17.50
Outdoor Athletics- - 100.00	Buddhist Church- - - 10.00
Public Add. System - 30.00	Orchestra- - - - - 20.00
Library- - - - - 15.00	Reserve Fund - - - - 85.00
Total \$235.00	\$165.00

Motion made by Kelly Yamada and seconded by Akira Yebisu to accept above figures as final allocation. The motion was voted upon and passed by a majority of the Council present. Chairman Iwata is to check upon procedure to be taken in receiving the funds.

In regard to request to obtain additional medical service, Kelly Yamada stated that Dr. T. Togasaki will take active part on the medical staff after her return from Manzanar about the 10th of October. He brought to bear that average number of doctors to

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population caused by influx of medical men into armed service was approximately 5,000 people to one doctor. He made an appeal that registered nurse not on active duty be requested to assist with the medical staff at the base hospital where there is great need for medical nurses.

Persons recommended by various members of the Council to present to Mr. Wade Head, Project Director, for his approval to serve on organizing committee to draw up the constitution governing the three units at Poston were:

Mr. S. Shirazawa -- Adult Education Department
Mr. M. Matsumoto
Mr. K. Mayeda
Mr. Susumu Togasaki -- Chairman Industry & Manufacturing Committee
Mr. Harvey Iwata -- Chairman Temporary Community Council
Mr. Kelly Yamada -- Vice Chairman Temporary Community Council
Mr. Moto Asakawa
Mr. Yamashita
Mr. Frank E. Kagiwada
Mr. Sam Fujita -- Assistant Supervisor of Block Managers

Chairman Iwata requested that all Councilmen consider what committees and men to serve on such committees would be most advisable for Poston 3 and present their suggestions at the next meeting. Suggestions for committees are: Labor and Employment, Community Enterprise, Community Activities, Water and Irrigation, Law and Order, Judiciary, Education, Finance, Social Welfare, Housing and others.

Undecided business from previous meeting in regard to pictures painted by Mr. T. Tsuruoka to be presented to various heads as from the community of Poston 3 was agreed by the Council that approval is given. It was thought best to make such presentation at the Poston County Fair to be held on October 10 and 11. Kelly Yamada is to represent Poston 3 Council at the fair and make the presentations.

Councilmen Akira Yebisu and Roy Kunitake were appointed by Chairman Iwata to inquire into subscriptions on Press Bulletin and the necessities of such subscriptions to report to the Council.

Sam Rokutani and George Horibe are to look into the matter of pay checks for the August payroll and reasons of delay and when distribution is expected.

The meeting was then adjourned by Chairman Harvey Iwata.

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Roll Call: All present at the meeting.

Announcement made that administering of oath of office to the newly elected councilmen will be held at 7:30 P.M. at Block 306 Recreation Hall this evening, October 1, 1942. Presence of all Councilmen requested at the ceremony. Newly elected Councilmen were:

Block 322 - Jimmy Katsumi Takashima	88 votes
Block 323 - Kingo Ouchi	53 votes
Block 327 - Masato Roy Koga	92 votes
Block 328 - Takeo Yabuta	33 votes
Block 329 - Mabel C. Hibi (Mrs.)	130 votes
Block 330 - Moto Asakawa	77 votes

Mr. Moris, Burge, Administrator Poston 3, was present at the meeting upon the request of the Council.

Council: We understand that Mr. Albert Kaniye, Supervisor of Block Managers, was dismissed and that Mr. Ichiro Okada, Assistant Supervisor of Block Managers, has resigned. We feel that there is something radically wrong and would like to have some clarification on the matter.

Mr. Burge: The matter of handling of Block Managers Supervisor is administrative matter and outside of the jurisdiction of the Council, and items in Mr. Okada's letters are administrative matters. If the Council wishes to make recommendations, they can but it is not your position to make comments on this.

In the first place, the temporary Community Council was set up in the sense of a trial. In fact, the original statement of the W. R. A. is: "It will be necessary to have some experienced and some tangible evidence of the attitude of the evacuees of the governing power of the community."

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I came to help with the organization of the Community Council and saw the inception of the Council at Poston 1 and the trend taking place and in many ways, it is disappointing. It is easy to sit back and deal with detailed complaints and matters. The Council should deal with over-all matters and problems dealing with the people and with the Administration. It is extremely important since it is the first office that Japanese Americans have to exercise their self-governing powers and further future policies will rest upon their manner of filling the office. You have been in office about two weeks and it is doubly important for you to make recommendations or take action to really understand what's going on and how things are being handled. I can only tell you that for the last three months, the Administration has been doing everything within its power to get things and references of "crisis" and "war" are very true.

I have a letter here from Mr. Head concerning building materials. Mr. Head's own statement is that we should have better floors first instead of only linoleum on the floors. You should have some actual facts before going into criticisms and lead people into false feeling. The job is a terrific job, and can be done with the administration and the Council working together, and we can get to know each other and the difficulties we are up against.

I have been working for a long time on an attempt to make the project see that Poston 3 is just as much a part of the project as Poston 1. They have already launched a great deal of activities there, and consequently have required more. Mr. Gelvin and the department heads came to a better understanding as a result of a meeting recently.

Mr. A. W. Empie has been working on the distribution of supplies to all three camps and the only delay is the unloading of freight at Parker and the clearing of the supplies by the warehousemen.

Inability to get some things are the reasons for long delay. I have a letter from Mr. Empie taking action on which we are asking for materials and certain things we shall need, and he will arrange for a distribution of such things on hand. These are all

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results of a great deal of work and work that will take a great deal of time. We haven't been sitting back and letting things go along and we cannot do things unless we can work together.

I believe that there is an entirely different spirit in Poston 3 as there is in Poston 1, and I hope that you as a Council will lead the others and in following them. I have watched with great interest how the Council has developed in Poston 1 and I believe we can do much more. I am not going to discuss matters which fall within the administration which are details and which are related to one part of one division. I am perfectly willing to discuss over-all policies with you, but this matter is entirely within the jurisdiction of the Administration."

Council: We feel that the Administration is not giving full cooperation in order to get materials and supplies as much as we should in relation to Poston 1 and Poston 2.

Mr. Burge: If you had a better understanding of the purchase requisitions, you will find that many of the departments are making special requisitions for certain supplies and that warehouse people are not releasing such supplies except to that certain department. I have been confronted with the same problems, but I have known it is useless to sign requisitions that will not be filled and have our people go to Poston 1 and turned down.

This project is organized under certain departments: Community Service, Nell Findley; Engineering, Mr. Rupkey; Agriculture and Industry, H. A. Mathieson; Procurement, H. W. Palmer; and Mr. Empie. These departments have certain responsibilities and those who come under these departments are to go to them for supplies. The Administration is reorganizing the handling of supplies and this will clear up much of the things. When that is done, division of the supplies for here will be made.

Council: Do we have representatives or representative from Poston 3 in the supply department to see that we get our allowed amount.

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Mr. Burge: All divisions have representatives in Poston 1. For instance, Dr. Powell the entire project Recreation Department, Mr. Palmer the Timekeeper's office. Kaudy Mimura is merely a Supply man and have the actual bringing of requisitions to Poston 1 and getting the supplies here. Dr. Wada is the representative of the Medical Department who has in turn delegated his authority to Kelly Yamada, the Business Manager, who in turn makes demands upon Dr. Pressman at Poston 1 for supplies. If they cannot get such supplies, they should come to me.

Because of the warehouse organization, all of the supplies have been in Camp 1 and in the future to save transporation and make it easier for us here supplies will come down here and will have a Caucasian man in charge and our divisions will make requisitions to this warehouse.

The actual ordering will be done through the administrative organization in Poston 1, and they in turn will be responsible for the entire project. My position here is responsibility to Mr. Head. I have been pointing out the lack in the present program. I believe that it will now be clarified. Mr. Empie, "Plans made for redistribution of supplies in Poston 1, 2 and 3 and you will prepare list of supplies which you have immediate need for and steps will be taken to transfer to the warehouse at 1, 2, and 3 and arrangements will be made to distribute such supplies at the warehouses in the camp."

Council: Heads of various departments were never given full instructions of the duties of the departments. Naturally, they did not know where to turn to.

Mr. Burge: Caused by an inability of the various departments to cover their field. The fact that it hasn't carried over sufficiently is the fault of the over-all administration, and that is being changed as soon as possible.

Council: You implied that the Council can ask questions in regard to the various heads and departments, but you have the right to answer as you please. We want some of the facts in regard to Mr. Okada's resignation, but how can we lead the people in the proper way if we cannot get such facts. Mr.

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Okada's resignation is being asked and feeling of the people are going against the administration if they are not being explained.

Mr. Burge: There are going to be many acts of the administration that do not need to be explained, just as there are going to be acts of the Council which does not need to be explained. You are going to lead the people by concerning yourself with the real important questions that you are facing and give them leadership by getting such facts. Write me in regard to this matter. I feel there are many details for which there is no necessity of answer.

Council: We feel that we should have actual information in order to give the people the right leadership and do our best for the people. We feel that we should like to hear your side of the matter concerning Mr. Okada's resignation to clear up any misunderstanding. If you do not have the cooperation of the people you do not get much cooperation. You do not seem to care to meet the people and try to help them.

Mr. Burge: I am not concerned with the grievances of the people. Block Managers Supervisor is supposed to be acting on behalf of the administration. The Block Managers Supervisor is part of the administration and what he says is directly responsible to me. The essential difference between the Block Managers and the Council is that the Block Managers represent the administration and the Council the residents. Will you write me an official request for me in regard to the Okada resignation?

Council: In regard to different departments with Caucasian heads in Poston 1, 2 and 3, will these departments have them represented at meetings to talk over matters in regard to materials and supplies?

Mr. Burge: I imagine that will be the procedure, but because of the transportation difficulties, such meetings will probably be cut down considerably.

Council: Mr. Puterbaugh is supposed to look after the interests of Poston 2 and 3. There was some lumber that was supposed to be divided equally between Poston 2 and 3 but he took that lumber to Poston 2 without Poston 3

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receiving any of it. Kaudy Mimura called Mr. Puterbaugh down on that and he admitted it. In cases of this kind, where are we going to turn to in regard to having adjustments made?

Mr. Burge: I suggest that you write Mr. Popkins about it and ask him for an explanation. The solution is not in the details, but rather in the over-all organization of the departments now under reorganization.

I feel that I am representing you and that the whole reorganization is evidence that we are going to get something. It will partly depend partly on the supplies, on the activities, on the heads, and partly on the population. I imagine when this warehouse redistribution is made, many signatures will not be necessary and warehouseman will be able to act with authority. In regard to transportation of supplies, which will come under the same head, at the moment all the warehouses and transportation are out at Poston 1 since that is the distribution point. When we have a warehouse here we'll naturally have transportation for the warehouses. There will also be a redistribution of transportation in which they will take out trucks now in service, although it is more likely that we will have additional trucks for our needs.

No warehouse belongs to any one particular camp just now, but to the warehouse department and we are in a position to get our share and probably more than our share and needs. It takes a little time to get supplies moved down from Poston 1 to the other warehouses.

I think we will get more trucks, but I am also conscious of the shortage here. Above spending a tremendous time trying to get utensils and supplies which has to be purchased through the Department of Interior, it all takes time. In fact, in cases of emergency, I talked to Mr. Head and he send in a car with 4 blank purchase requests to Phoenix and got 500 each of eating utensils. Where possible, that is being done and you have no conception of the volume and details of certain procedures in a project like this. Government insists upon certain procedures where we have to get bids and we are bound by all of these limitations and also at present

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time there is a matter of priorities. The army does not consider that, it is necessary to have priorities here.

In regard to street lights, new switches are ordered for lights that will not go on. In the matter of water supply we are still working on an adequate water system, and so far we are the only camp in the project that did not have to go without any water supply for any length of time. No pressure in high pressure tanks due to lack of parts, but will be fixed when such parts get here. Sewage disposal will operate properly as soon as machinery gets here. We are not operating with the regular sewage disposal plant and things would have been different if this camp had been ready for you when you came.

Suppose we shall say on very short notice we should be getting about 500 more people here. We should have to adjust ourselves to circumstances and the very best we can, and I am sure you can do so and I am always glad to be of help to you.

Discussion followed in which it was decided that Kay Hanada is to draft a letter to present to the Council for approval and changes addressed to Mr. Burge for explanation and facts concerning Mr. Okada's resignation. Points to be stressed on were #1, 3, 4, 6, and 8 in Mr. Okada's letter. Secretary instructed to write Mr. Barrett in regard to use of 1941 Ford for Block Managers and Supervisor duties and in Red Cross flag emergencies.

Secretary instructed to send list of persons recommended by the Council to serve on organization of community evacuee government, to Mr. Wade Head, Project Director, as follows:

Mr. S. Shirazawa, Chairman Adult Education Department
Mr. Manroku Matsumoto, Chairman Department of Agriculture
Mr. Kanjiro Mayeda, Block 307
Mr. Susumu Togasaki, Chairman Industry & Manufacturing Dept.
Mr. Harvey Iwata, Chairman Temporary Community Council
Mr. Kelly Yamada, Vice Chairman Temporary Community Council
Mr. Moto Asakawa, Councilman
Mr. Yamashita
Mr. Frank Kagiwada, Insurance Counsel
Mr. Sam Fujita, Assistant Supervisor of Block Managers

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Ed. Takahashi, Mack Kadotani and Masao Otani of Labor Committee reported:

1. Employees of Caucasians on the project are to received same compensation as paid to employees on the outside. The employee himself will receive wages paid in the project and the difference will be put into trust fund.
2. Capable persons able to work but involuntarily unemployed will probably be put to work to make curios with pay to be put under the community cooperative program or community enterprise.
3. Clothing allowances and unemployment compensation will apply as of September 1, 1942, although such payments and issue may be made at much later date.
4. Merit rating board to be set up by the community council based on mark of approval and workmanship, more on order of Civil Service.
5. Fair Employment Practice Committee suggested to be set up as a means for workers to voice their grievances and try to correct conditions so there will be no abuse of workers. It is most likely Employment Department will have charge of this committee, although Community Council Labor Committee will have active part as well.
6. Minors between the ages of 14 to 18 years will be permitted to work on part-time positions with permits from the school authorities. The number of hours of work should with academic work equal to 40 hours per week.
7. Mr. Kennedy is to take matter up in regard to wages to be paid camouflage workers, whether on basis of wages paid on the project or basis of wages paid defense workers outside, with the W. R. A. and get regulations concerning same.
8. Clarification in regard to members of family doing outside work:
 - a. If the head of the family goes outside to work without returning to the project daily and leaves rest of family of whom no other member is capable of working, they will get necessary board, room and medical attention but will not receive clothing allowance or unemployment compensation.

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- b. If the head of the family goes outside to work without returning to the project daily and leaves rest of the family of whom one or more members is employed in the project, they will get board, room, medical attention, clothing allowance and unemployment compensation for other members involuntarily unemployed.
- c. If the head of the family goes outside to work returning daily to the project, and receives wages paid to other laborers on the outside, he will be responsible for the necessities of his family.

Announced by Chairman Iwata that next Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 6, 1942, at Administration Building B Conference Room at 9:00 A.M.

The meeting was then adjourned by Chairman Harvey Iwata.

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The meeting of the Temporary Community Council Poston 3 held on Tuesday, October 6, 1942, at Administration Building B Conference Room at 9:00 A.M. was called to order by Chairman Harvey Iwata.

Roll Call: All present.

Letter to Mr. Moris Burge, Administrator Poston 3, regarding points in Mr. Okada's resignation read and changes made. Secretary instructed to write same.

Discussion brought up in regard to subscriptions on Press Bulletin among points stressed were:

1. Administration should provide costs of operation since supervision by administration and means of conveying administration notices and messages.
2. Press Bulletin should be separate from Community Enterprise since it will most likely not be a profit-making organization
3. Administration will continue to furnish expenditures now being furnished to Press Bulletin
4. Possibilities of cutting down issues or pages and making available to people in general at administrative expense.

Report read to Council on set-up and functions of the Press Bulletin.

Councilmen Roy Kunitake, Akira Yebisu, and Moto Asakawa appointed by Chairman Harvey Iwata to report on the following:

- a. Government allocation of funds for the Press Bulletin
- b. Relationship of Press Bulletin and Community Enterprise
- c. Relationship between the Administration and the Press Bulletin
- d. Detailed report on expenses for daily operation of Press Bulletin using subscriptions, without subscriptions
- e. Report on advertisements and revenue expected
- f. Clarification of relation between Press Bulletin and Queen Contest votes and subscriptions

Boxing Club of Poston 3 requesting allocation of \$50.00 for equipment and supplies brought up. It was decided to table the matter until such request has been checked upon.

Discussion held on Advisory Board election, instructions, and qualifications and decided upon as follows:

REGULATIONS FOR ELECTION OF BLOCK REPRESENTATIVES TO
ADVISORY BOARD OF THE TEMPORARY COMMUNITY COUNCIL POSTON 3

1. Qualifications for Voters:

All persons eligible for enlistment in the War Relocation Work Corps, who are non-citizens, 18 years of age and above, shall be qualified to vote. Each Block Council shall compile a list of the eligible voters in its Block.

2. Advisory Board:

The Advisory Board shall consist of two representatives from each Roku

3. Qualifications for Block Representatives:

Each Block Representative shall be a citizen of Japan, over 21 years of age, and a resident of the Block which he represents, and shall not during his incumbency in office, be eligible to hold an appointive office in the Project Area.

4. Nomination:

a. Each Block Council shall nominate for the office of Block Representative no less than two persons from its respective Block. The names of such nominees shall be filed in the office of the Community Council not less than 7 days before election day. Closing day of nominations October 20, 1942.

b. Any qualified person may also be nominated for Block Representative by a petition signed by not less than 10 eligible voters. This petition shall be filed in the office of the Community Council not less than 5 days before election, October 22, 1942

5. Ballot:

a. The order of the names on each ballot shall be determined by lot.

b. Ballots shall be in the following form:

Place a cross (x) in the box opposite the name of one candidate	
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6. Voting:

a. Each Block Manager shall construct in his office a polling booth, properly screened to insure secrecy.

b. The polls shall be open on election day from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m.

- c. Each qualified voter shall receive a ballot from the election board at the polls and shall be allowed one minute in the polling booth to cast his vote.
- d. The voter shall fold his ballot and deposit it in a voting box which shall be provided in each polling place.
- e. Each candidate may remain at the polls on election day or have one representative present.

7. Election Board:

An election board shall be appointed for each block consisting of one member of the Block Managers' staff and one person appointed by the Block Council. At least one member of the board must remain at the polls during election hours. The duties of the election board shall be as follows:

- a. Supervise voting.
- b. Check votes against list of eligible voters.
- c. Count ballots and certify the count.
- d. Place votes in sealed envelope.
- e. Deliver sealed envelope to collector.

8. Collection of Ballots and Ballot Boxes:

The Block Manager Supervisor's staff shall collect sealed envelopes containing counted ballots, and the ballot boxes, and give a receipt for same to each election board. The staff shall deliver these articles at once to the Project Director who shall hold them for 30 days.

9. Notice of Election:

Notice of the date of election shall be posted in Block Manager's office, mess halls, and other convenient places.

10. Rokus:

For the purpose of this election the following Blocks shall constitute Rokus:

Roku 1 - - Blocks 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, (310)*

Roku 2 - - Blocks 316, 317, 318, 325, 326, 327

Roku 3 - - Blocks 322, 323, (324)*, 328, 329, 330

*These Blocks will not have representatives to the Advisory Board in this election.

11. The Election of Advisory Board:

- a. The Advisory Board shall consist of 6 members
- b. The Block Representatives of each Roku shall elect two members to the Advisory Board and one alternate who shall take the place of the member in case of his sickness, or disability, or in case of vacancy of office due to resignation or other causes.

12. Date of Election:

The election shall be held on October 27, 1942.

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The following Councilmen were appointed chairmen of the committees which will consist of three or more members depending upon the scope of field:

Law and Order-	- - - - -	Kay Hanada
Finance-	- - - - -	Sam Rokutani
Labor and Employment	- - - - -	Mack Kadotani
	- - - - -	Takeo Yabuta
Education-	- - - - -	Mabel Hibi (Mrs.)
Community Enterprise	- - - - -	Masao Otani
Community Activities	- - - - -	George Horibe
Food	- - - - -	Ed Takahashi
Housing-	- - - - -	Masato Roy Koga
Supply and Transportation-	- - - - -	Jimmy Takashima
Public Relations	- - - - -	Harvey Iwata
Public Health-	- - - - -	Kelly Yamada
Social Welfare	- - - - -	Akira Yebisu
Agriculture-	- - - - -	Kingo Ouchi
	- - - - -	Roy Kunitake
Industry and Manufacturing	- - - - -	Moto Asakawa
Judiciary-	- - - - -	

Mr. Uyeda, Head Carpenter, reported of the required tables of 666 for use in school, 405 has been completed and 261 still to be constructed. He asked that Council take action in regard to getting lumber to Poston 3 for those tables. Supply & Transportation Committee instructed to look into the matter. At the same time the committee asked to look into matter of prices of great difference on coolers sold to residents.

The meeting was then adjourned by Chairman Harvey Iwata.

Special Meeting
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Meeting of the Temporary Community Council Poston 3 held on Saturday, October 10, 1942, at Administration Building B Conference Room at 10:00 A.M. called to order by Chairman Harvey Iwata.

Roll Call: All Councilmen present, George Furuta of Employment Department, Susumu Togasaki and his staff of Industry & Manufacturing Department.

Evacuee Trust Fund--The W. R. A. has definitely come out with a circular stating that the Council could decide on what should be done with the evacuee trust fund.

Purpose of this meeting is to decide what attitude the Council of Poston 3 should take in regard to supplying laborers for cotton field work outside of the project, and also in regard to wages and disposal of the evacuee trust fund.

Proposition of Cotton field owners: There are several thousand acres of cotton outside of Parker for which there is a shortage of labor in picking. Mr. Douglas states he will pay \$3.00 per 100 pounds of picking, the same rate now prevailing in Arizona.

Mr. Wade Head, Project Director, has committed himself to Mr. Douglas saying that labor for cotton picking will be available from this project, and also that he would waive subsistence charges to laborers going out to pick cotton.

Opinions and points brought up in regard to above proposition:

1. In regard to waiving of subsistence charges by Mr. Head, everything has been on verbal promises and the Council wishes to have such statement in writing.
2. Due to the inexperience of Japanese labor in cotton work, the possibility is that they will earn only \$1.00 to \$2.00 per day, or conditions must be very poor, or there is a great shortage of labor.
3. As there is already a shortage of labor in the project itself, the best thing is to see whether there will be volunteers for this work. As tried in Gila Project to have laborers work in cotton fields, it has proved

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unsuccessful. Assumed reasons being: conditions were very poor under which laborers worked, \$3.00 per 100 pounds did not prove profitable to laborers, or there was general shortage of labor in the project and proposition not sufficient inducement to get laborers to work outside.

4. Cotton crop in Arizona is about half compared to crop in California, so \$3.00 per 100 pounds is too low wages for any profit. Should ask for \$5.00 per 100 pounds of picking.
5. Should have a labor committee here to handle labor propositions from outside and source of labor organized and in event deal is not favorable, such committee make negotiations or demands.
6. Incentive in beet work for laborers to leave camp entirely enough to get volunteers, but no such incentive in cotton work.

Discussion, points and opinions in regard to wages, subsistence, and trust funds:

1. Assuming subsistence has been waived, laborer receives wages paid in project and rest go into trust fund. This fund to be given to the entire Work Corps and persons working will be subject to participation according to rating. Tendency is to give those doing manual labor higher rating than those with clerical positions.
2. Question of what participation in the trust fund these cotton workers will have to be enough inducement to work outside. Suggestion 50% of rating participation.
3. Let the worker pay his own subsistence in camp, the government supporting the rest of the family, and what is left of his wages, let him keep.
4. Let the worker pay his subsistence which will be turned to the trust fund and the rest let the worker keep. Opinion voiced that government will never accept this proposition since in actuality the government will be supplying double allowance to this particular individual. Another point stressed is that if this plan is adopted, there will be an influx of laborers into cotton work and would consequently disrupt the labor set-up in the project.
5. If the project cannot furnish laborers for the cotton work, why make an attempt since there will be much more need for laborers in various undertakings within the project.

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6. Get ruling on subsistence charges and whether such ruling is handed down by W. R. A. and also whether project director has authority to waive subsistence charges.
7. Let the workers reside outside of the project, pay his own subsistence and keep the rest of his wages on the same basis as the beet workers.
8. Wait for cotton owners to propose more favorable wages.

Summary of points considered:

1. Labor shortage
2. Wage scale not high enough to be incentive
3. Laborers have no idea of trust fund participation
4. Laborers are not leaving camp
5. Laborers not accustomed to such manual labor, and also do not have to work
6. Let the cotton owners try to recruit the workers
7. More necessary to consider labor for camouflage unit since it is our own project rather than exert efforts toward cotton labor.
8. Have owners make more favorable proposition

CONCLUSION

The Temporary Community Council Poston 3 went on record as favoring the cotton owners go through the regular channels of letting them recruit workers, and bringing any propositions to the Labor Committee.

Secretary instructed to write Wm. Barrett, Transportation Poston 1 in regard to Caucasian teachers using official taxi for official and non-official visits, going to Poston 2 and 1 as well as to Parker.

Secretary also instructed to change last paragraph of letter to Mr. Burge, Administrator Poston 3, from present form to: "Your answer is requested at your earliest convenience."

Committee on Supply and Transportation reported details in regard to coolers sold to residents at unusually high prices. Reported that all victims are willing to accept refunds of

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\$10.00 and \$15.00 according to sizes and drop charges against Eddie Yamamoto, the seller, with the exception of one victim wishing to press charges. As a Council, it was decided to recommend that these various individuals accept such refunds and drop all charges against Eddie Yamamoto.

Letter from Dr. M. M. Nakadate addressed to Councilmen Koga read to the Council. Kelly Yamada, Chairman of Public Health Committee, instructed to look into the matter and report to the Council.

The meeting was then adjourned by Chairman Harvey Iwata.

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Meeting of the Temporary Community Council Poston 3 held on Tuesday, October 13, 1942, at Administration Building B Conference Room at 9:00 A.M. called to order by Chairman Harvey Iwata.

Roll Call: All present with exception of Ed Takahashi attending official meeting in Poston 1

Chairman Iwata called for reports from various committees:

1. Public Health Committee, Kelly Yamada
Dr. M. M. Nakadate is definitely now head of the department for Dental Hygiene. He will have his own staff assisting him and headquarters will be in connection with the Poston 3 medical clinic.

2. Press Bulletin, Moto Asakawa
Roy Kunitake
Akira Yebisu

Present plan of Press Bulletin is to make it a business concern under Community Enterprise. It will cost approximately \$2,000.00 to get necessary equipment and materials. Estimated that printing handled for the Administration and the Education Department will be \$900.00 per month. Advertisements expected to bring in revenue of \$550.00 per month. Original subscription cost of \$.30 per month will probably be reduced later, even to token cost of \$.05.

Under present set-up the entire editorial staff of the Press Bulletin, with the exception of 3 members to be paid by the Community Enterprise, will be paid by the Administration, the figure being about 50 persons.

In regard to possibility of having a Japanese section of the Bulletin, the press reports they are working on it at present.

Council decided to let Press Bulletin operate on plans made and make inquiries in regard to rates, changes in a month or two and also to make recommendations if necessary.

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3. Law and Order, Kay Hanada
Harvey Iwata
Jimmy Takashima

According to meeting of 25 to 30 persons held at Police Department recently to whom coolers had been sold by Eddie Yamamoto, Poston Express, they were willing to drop charges against Mr. Yamamoto upon his refunding \$10.00 on small coolers and \$15.00 on large coolers as well as he tender his resignation as head of the Express Department in Poston 1.

In Mr. Takashima's conversation with Mr. Barrett, Mr. Yamamoto had not sent in his resignation, and according to Mr. Barrett, he will not consider Mr. Yamamoto's resignation due to fact he is a valuable man in the Express Department.

Secretary instructed to write Tep Ishimaru, Chairman of Temporary Community Council Poston 1, giving facts and asking them to take action in trying to obtain Yamamoto's resignation.

4. Labor Committee, Harvey Iwata
Mack Kadotani

According to meeting of Labor Committee held in Poston 2 on October 12, 1942, it was decided upon that particularly on this cotton labor proposition, workers who reside in camp and work outside of the project will get the maximum pay of \$19.00 per month under the W. R. A. and the remainder of the funds will be put into the Evacuee Trust Fund. There is no subsistence charge either for the worker or his family.

This was decided in accordance with Administrative Instruction #27, Section X, B which reads:
The Project Director shall secure the recommendations of the Community Council as to whether evacuees who accept private employment and reside within the relocation center shall be permitted to retain all wages after repaying to the War Relocation Authority the cost of subsistence for themselves and their dependents, or shall be required to deposit their excess wages in an Evacuee Trust Fund. The Community Council shall be asked to indicate which of the procedures should be adopted.

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Cotton growers are to furnish laborers with lunches and transportation, but due to inability to get service in Parker, lunches will be made by mess halls, and growers will pay for same.

Moto Asakawa asked permission of the Council to let Industry and Manufacturing Department print forms, in other words a small press office for printing forms, as one of the enterprises. Also Industry and Manufacture Department would like to obtain licenses from the Council for their enterprises.

The matter was turned over to the Law and Order Committee and Community Enterprise Committee to report on:

1. Whether wages paid to employees of these industries will be done by government as their expense, or whether such wages will be taken out of the Trust Fund, since profits from such industries are to be put into Trust Fund.
2. What is the policy of the W. R. A. in regard to profit-making enterprises on the project.

Memorandum from Tom Sakamoto, Supervisor of Block Managers, in regard to request for additional medical personnel in Poston 3. Secretary instructed to write Dr. Pressman making such request.

Akira Yebisu of Social Welfare Committee and Kelly Yamada of Public Health Committee instructed to check upon medical aid through Red Cross as well as on general set-up of Red Cross in Poston, its purposes, advantages, and membership.

Circular Letter No. 28 (Revised) read to Council permitting soldiers in United States Armed Forces to visit relatives and friends in Relocation Centers upon obtaining permits through respective commanding office and Western Defense Command, or have necessary information upon arrival to center to obtain admission.

Electrical appliances being taken up by M. P.'s in course of parcel, express and freight inspection will be turned into Block Managers' offices after obtaining release by Mr. Burge on such articles.

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Committee members named are: (to date)

Law and Order, Kay Hanada Chairman

Tomi Matsumoto, Block 329

Frank Kagiwada, Insurance Counsel

Mr. S. Shirazawa, Adult Education Dept.

Labor and Employment, Mack Kadotani and Takeo Yabuta, Chairmen

George Furuta, Employment Department

Ed Takahashi, Block 309 Councilman

F. Hayakawa, Block 306

Community Enterprises, Masao Otani, Chairman

A. Nagai, Block 316

S. Hatakeda, Block 316

K. Sumida, Block 326

Hi Takano, Block 308, Canteen Manager

L. Kaya, Block 329

Community Activities, George Horibe, Chairman

Susumu Takao, Block 326

Shiro Shiraishi, Block 306

Carl Taku, Block 306

Housing, Masato Roy Koga, Chairman

Bill Kuroda, Housing Department

Supply and Transportation, Chairman Jimmy Takashima

Kaudy Mimura, Supply Department

Charles Nakamura, Transportation

Larry Inouye, Construction

Public Relations, Harvey Iwata, Chairman

T. Yutani, Block 326

Public Health, Kaly Yamada, Chairman

Pat Nagano, Health & Sanitation Dept.

Dr. M. M. Nakadate

Dr. Wada, Medical Clinic

Education, Mrs. Mabel C. Hibi, Chairman

Mrs. Celia Takemoto, Block 306

Takeo Asakawa, Block 330

Lillian Ohye, Block 322

I. Harada, Block 316

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Question brought up just under what authority is Poston project, whether under Indian Service, W. R. A., or both and what authority both have. Secretary instructed to write request to Mr. Head, Project Director, for such clarification.

Request made by residents for individual tetra-chloride bulbs in each apartment. Secretary to write letter requesting for same.

Information received that additional truck or trucks will be assigned to Poston 3 for permanent use upon requisitioning of same by Mr. Burge. Council decided to let matter stand since brought up that Mr. Burge has already made such a request.

The meeting was then adjourned by Chairman Harvey Iwata.

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Meeting of the Temporary Community Council Poston 3 held on Tuesday, October 20, 1942, at Administration Building B Conference Room at 9:00 A.M. called to order by Chairman Harvey Iwata.

Roll Call: All present at the meeting.

Reports made by various committees were:

1. Labor Committee, Mack Kadotani and Ed Takahashi
Present plan is to have each Block Manager try to recruit one worker for the cotton picking. Wages are \$4.00 per CWT. The worker himself will receive the maximum cash advance of \$19.00 per month and the excess funds will be put into the Evacuee Trust Fund. There will be no subsistence charges made. Estimated that \$60,000.00 of labor in cotton work, including short staple cotton picking, of which \$40,000.00 will become part of the Evacuee Trust Fund.

EVACUEE TRUST FUND--It is up to the Community Council to decide how, when and to whom the fund will be allocated.
2. Law and Order, Kay Hanada
According to conversation with S. Togasaki, he will obtain license for the printing press which will be operated as one of the Industry and Manufacture enterprises. Kay Hanada to look further into the matter and report at the next meeting.
3. Social Welfare, Akira Yebisu
Organizer of the Red Cross in Poston 3, Tets Mori, has moved to Rivers, Arizona; therefore, information in regard to purpose, advantages and membership to be given at next meeting.
4. Tetra-Chloride Bulbs
Due to fact that distribution of these bulbs to individuals in Poston 1 and 2, such bulbs are not available as well to Poston 3 residents is reason given. Fire Chief Togioka requested to write inquiring if such bulbs are obtainable and stress advantages of such bulbs in prevention of probable disastrous fires.

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Allocation made by Community Enterprise
Board of Trustees, Poston 1 as follows:

Drama	\$24.00
(Already charged off against Poston 3 through Issei Shibai)	
Public Address System and Piano Repairs and Parts	35.34*
(Already charged off against Poston 3, and not available to Poston 3)	

Sumo	35.00
Judo	35.00
Boxing	24.00
Recreation	100.00
Total	<u>\$253.34</u>

Allocation made by Community Council
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Boys' Activities	\$17.50
Drama	15.00
Girls' Activities	17.50
Buddhist Church	10.00
Orchestra	20.00
Weight Lifting	27.00
Reserve Fund (Unallocated)	39.66
Total	<u>\$146.66</u>

Check received by the
Community Council Poston 3
amount of \$340.66 include:

Sumo	\$35.00
Judo	35.00
Boxing	24.00
Recreation	100.00
Unallocated	146.66
Total	<u>\$340.66</u>

*Community Activities
Committee is to check upon
this item and ask for ad-
justment made on this
matter since Poston 3 has
not received any benefits
from such articles.

Due to ruling that Department heads cannot hold office as serving
as member of a Community Council Committee, changes made in
committee memberships are: (to date)

Law and Order
Tami Matsumoto

Transportation & Supply
K. S. Kamada, Block 325
F. Sakata, Block - - -

Labor & Employment
Ed Takahashi
F. Hayakawa

Community Activities
Tom Masukawa, Block 318
Shizue Yamashita, Block 330

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Other members to serve on committees to be announced at the next meeting.

Letter in reply to one written to Mr. Moris Burge, Administrator Poston 3 on October 12, read to the Council. It was decided to accept contents as given in the letter.

Harvey Iwata, Kelly Yamada and Artist T. Tsuruoka are to represent the Temporary Community Council Poston 3 in appointing Mr. Wade Head, Mr. John Evans, Mr. Ralph Gelvin, Mr. James Crawford, Mr. Moris Burge, and Mr. John Powell as custodians of one painting each of various scenes of Poston 1, 2, and 3 for duration.

Subject brought up by Councilman Jimmy Takashima in which various members of the United States Army Signal Corps had at instances been public nuisances to the residents. Case: On Sunday, October 18, 1942, at Block 309 about 7:30 P.M. several soldiers riding in jeep proving being nuisances to young ladies passing by. Other instances in which intoxicated soldiers driving in erratic manner through Poston 3, especially late at night.

Clarification desired from Wade Head in regard to United States Army soldiers being within the camp when not on duty or after regular working hours and also molesting residents and being intoxicated. Harvey Iwata and Kay Hanada are to look into the matter and get such clarification.

Importance of informing Block Managers to tell residents not in any way to willfully take, destroy, or misuse property belonging to Indians on the reservation stressed. Also residents are not to assist themselves to any government property such as lumber, nails or other materials at any time, especially materials near government building projects.

Consent was given by members of the Council to hold a special joint meeting with the Block Managers of Poston 3 sometime next week, whatever date is convenient for both bodies. Chairman Iwata is to make the necessary arrangements and send out notices to that effect.

Subject of inability to secure workers on the Rubbish and Trash Detail brought up. Jimmy Takashima of Supply and Transportation is to check upon this matter and make report at next meeting.

Suggestion made in the event there are to be concessions at the Poston 3 Fair, that such activities be checked upon and

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considered as to necessity of such money-making concessions. Chairman Iwata is to consult Mr. Shirazawa, Adult Education Department, as to the nature of this fair--whether just an exhibition of arts and handicraft, or similar to that held in Poston 1 during October 17, 18, and 19. If the fair is to be just an exhibit, suggested to go ahead with present plans.

RESOLUTION

Motion made by Moto Asakawa and seconded by Kelly Yamada that: "The Temporary Community Council Poston 3 has gone on record as opposing any solicitation of donations and concessions in any events affecting Poston 3 as a community."

Discussion held, motion voted upon and passed unanimously by the members of the Community Council. Secretary instructed to send memorandum to this effect to Block Managers, all Departments and Organizations in Poston 3.

Discussion held on possibility of obtaining a Notary Public to serve in Poston 3. Harvey Iwata and Kay Hanada to check upon such possibility, requirements and expenses concerned.

The meeting was then adjourned by Chairman Harvey Iwata.

Minutes of the Joint Meeting
Councilmen and Block Managers
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Meeting of the Temporary Community Council and Block Managers, Poston 3, held on Friday, October 30, 1942, at 9:30 A.M. at Block 306 Recreation Hall was called to order by Chairman Tom Sakamoto, Supervisor of Block Managers Poston 3.

Roll Call: Block Managers all present with exception of two absent
Councilmen all present with exception of 6 absent.

Mr. Vernon Kennedy was introduced to the meeting by Chairman Tom Sakamoto. To quote him: "I have been talking to a number of representatives in Poston 3 and there seems to be a great deal of misunderstanding about the cotton picking set-up and the Trust Fund.

"Last Monday, there was a mass meeting of businessmen and residents of Parker. Mr. Gist, Director of Schools in Yuma was also present. The Cotton situation is very serious this year for the Parker Valley farmers, since it is a port of call every year by professional cotton pickers arriving by the 15th of October 300 and 350 pickers. This year, only 4 people came in as professional pickers, and unless something is done or someone picks the cotton, there will be a tremendous loss. Most of the cotton growers are pretty much small ranchers, and this year they have a chance to make a little money to offset the previous bad years.

"Cotton is a very vital crop in the nation today, and the only thing that will substitute for silk is long staple cotton. Therefore, the government has purchased all the long staple cotton so that the cotton has to be picked from the standpoint of the national war effort. Have a regular crew to pick cotton throughout the season. Due to the situation in Poston, it seemed difficult to recruit volunteers from the Poston project. The present plan is to recruit people in neighboring towns and cities to pick cotton one day a week--students, businessmen and employees are to work in the cotton fields one day a week. The suggestion is to have the people working in Poston do the same by going out into the fields to pick cotton by the units and in this way their working time basis will go on as usual.

"If we do something like that, I imagine by the time everyone in Poston has picked cotton, we will get the crop picked. Suggested that assignment be made by quads taking turn to go out into the cotton fields--taking one quad one day and the next quad the next day where families and friends can work together. This plan would not seriously disrupt the Poston routine.

"I am sure everyone would want to prove their loyalty to assist in the picking of a national crop to help the nation as a whole."

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"5 to 6 hours of work earns wages about \$1.50 apiece. I think the best way to handle that money with the exception of the school children, who are bringing up a school fund, would be to pool the money into a Community Trust Fund. The trust fund is simply a joint fund owned by the evacuees, controlled by the evacuees. The administration or project has not word to say about the Trust Fund, which will be deposited to the account of the three trustees of the Work Corps. It will be spent to the benefit of the community or it can be split up between the members of the Work Corps. It is your own money; there is no strings attached to the Trust Fund."

QUESTION--Kelly Yamada: "Certain profits or income derived from the industries would first have to go into the Federal Government Treasury and after the accounting costs have been determined, such profits will be turned over to the Trust Fund. Is that the truth?"

Mr. Kennedy--"Yes, it is true. Any profits from produces sold to the outside or any profits made from enterprises will go into the Trust Fund. The entire thing has to be cleared up as yet.

QUESTION--Jack Ota: Are the agricultural produces not to be marketed?

Mr. Kennedy--"Agricultural produces can be sold to other relocation centers or United States Army at prevailing prices, but the question is whether they will be sold to the project itself. The agricultural produces will not be put on the public markets if they are going to compete with ranchers who are already supplying the market. But if there is a terrific shortage of it, it can be sold on the public markets. It isn't definite that they cannot be sold."

QUESTION--Tom Sakamoto: "Suppose the profits are put into the United States accounts received and we are always in the red, how are we ever going to get out of red. What about charges and expenses made against this fund?"

Mr. Kennedy--"I do not know what they will charge as an overhead and what as an expense. The way we can put money into the Trust Fund is through cotton wages of which there is about \$65,000.00 in the 2,500 acres of cotton. Mr. Mathiesen and Mr. Head are interested in raising the standards of living in Poston. A lot will be cleared up in a day or so in regard to the Evacuee Trust Fund and what is to be charged against the evacuees in Poston. I hope we don't let the details of what's going to happen to agriculture interfere with cotton picking. It will be assisting the national effort and the ranchers."

QUESTION--Tom Sakamoto: The first consideration of the evacuees is money and not the secondary since there is a constant drainage of funds.

Mr. Kennedy: "The total earnings of one person picking cotton will not exceed \$5.00 and will not have sacrificed much. It is not a major sum to one individual and yet \$5.00 is a considerable sum multiplied by many \$5.00 will become to an enormous amount, and also do the community much good.

QUESTION--Tom Sakamoto: Is it definite that the council chose the Evacuee Trust Fund?

Mr. Kennedy: People who reside on the project and work for a private agency outside may:

1. Keep their wages and pay the project for their subsistence of themselves and their dependents.
2. They may receive the regular cash advances and their surplus earnings go into the Trust Fund. No subsistence charged against them.
3. Any proposal that the Community Council may wish to make.

The councils felt that it was not fair to have a few people make a great deal of money outside of the project without disrupting the Poston routine. There is an opportunity for a number of girls who want to do housework for various administration employees who have small children. Those girls can make the prevailing wages of \$12 to \$15 per week and they are not doing any harder work than those working in the mess halls and others. Wouldn't it over a period of time set these group of girls apart and first thing you know, you will begin to get a social rift and these few will make a lot of money while the rest of them will be working on the same evacuee level. So the councils decided that we should be fair and fair alike. The only way I can look at this social level in Poston as an emergency created not by ourselves, but more or less on a cooperative basis and if there are any suffering, we all take it. If there are any benefits to be gotten and possible chances of stepping up our living standards, all should have the same opportunity."

QUESTION--Tom Sakamoto: Why is it that beet workers are not charged subsistence to the members of family left here in the project, and why are the cotton workers required to pay subsistence for the rest of the family?

Mr. Kennedy: Those who are leaving the project take up all ties and have no responsibility to the project and they are no longer considered members of the Work Corps and are not therefore entitled to any benefits therefrom. They have decided to get permanent jobs on the outside and are not even obligated to return to the project. They are finished with the project and keep all the money they make.

QUESTION--Tom Sakamoto: What about the subsistence of members of family left behind?

Mr. Kennedy: The War Relocation Authority guaranteed to the people living in the project subsistence, medical care and education.

QUESTION--Tom Sakamoto: What about the members of family living inside the project. Why are not the same rules applying to them in the case of cotton pickers?

Mr. Jack Ota: Is it true that the various people going out to work and residing in the project in other centers are only paying subsistence for himself?

Mr. Kennedy: It is a War Relocation Authority ruling that those residing within the center and taking outside work must pay subsistence for himself and each of his dependents. If this is brought up to an issue, probably Mr. Head may make special allowances. I am opposed to the deal for the reason that in all fairness any advantages that may occur in the project will be paid to the merit workers. \$70 or \$80 net money I judge to give the right to the merit workers and they are the key people in Poston. The people on a steady cotton picking job should be the people whose services if lost to the community will be a minor inconvenience--such as some of the older people, some in other jobs. Is it right to permit someone who has not made any contributions to the community should get a profit of \$70 or \$80 net per month?"

"I offer the suggestion that people volunteer and go out to pick cotton. We are primarily concerned with the long staple cotton, but the short staple cotton are also bringing in a great deal of dough and we will be assisting the national effort and country. I wish to ask the group are you willing to go out one day every two weeks and pick cotton?"

Kelly Yamada: I feel that whatever I earn I should keep by myself.

QUESTION--Ichiro Okada: The Block Managers can go out, but how can I get over the incentive to the people in my

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block to go out and pick cotton. What about some people picking one pound and other picking 50 pounds if they all get only \$19.00?

Mr. Kennedy: I don't think it is going to help us if evacuees take the attitude we should not help the national war effort. Our country is at war and we are fighting for a democratic basis. We have to look at it in some very broad and human view. The future of the Japanese people in this country is going to be governed by what you people do in these relocation centers and the history of the Japanese will bear a lot of weight what conduct is taken in these centers. It is very important to conduct themselves in a very broad-minded and unselfish manner. It is important when the record goes down to say that the people of Poston in spite of feeling keenly the injustice of relocation conducted themselves in a very fine way and rose to the occasion nobly to the national war effort. I don't think it would be hard for anyone to go out 3, 4 or 10 days during the season and pick cotton and the little money they earn wouldn't hurt to be used for the community good. It does not make a lot of difference whether they make 50¢ or a lot of money. It is not a great task for the people of Poston to assume. The people of Parker are sympathetic and wish to help the people in Poston. Mr. Gist, Director of Schools in Yuma, wishes to develop athletic inter-relationships with the school in various other places and Poston.

As far as with the participation of work in Gila, it has not been very good. Either it was the fault of the residents, or the fault of the workers, or what, I do not know. In Gila, the man was allowed to keep what they earned with the 15¢ charge for lunch.

I don't pick cotton for wages, but I would pick cotton for a cause and do it willingly for some particular benefit.

QUESTION--Key Watanabe: Just what is the consensus of opinions in Parker regarding evacuee labor?

Mr. Kennedy: The opinion was very good toward the residents of Poston. 20 people who pledged to pick cotton on the condition that they would not work for that particular person who spoke against the evacuees saying: "I thought 20,000 people could get out of their cans and go to work." This man happened to be one of the growers from Dudley. People in Parker do not know the Japanese, in fact we are total strangers to the people here in this area.

QUESTION--Jimmy Takashima: Do the workers who go out to pick cotton be enlisted in the Work Corps?

Mr. Kennedy: No, not under this present voluntary basis.

QUESTION--Jimmy Takashima: Would the workers be benefited of the earnings made in the cotton picking or do they have to be enlisted in the Work Corps?

Mr. Kennedy: Those who work in the cotton picking will either be workers in the project or families of workers so they would in one way or another benefit by going cotton picking.

QUESTION--Kay Watanabe: In the case of bachelors who are not able to find work, but members of the Work Corps. Will the cotton picking benefit them?

Mr. Kennedy: Anyone who is registered and can't find work and is willing to work, are members of the Work Corps. Anyone in Poston who takes a position becomes a member of the Work Corps. Anyone who has not taken any work, but goes out to the cotton picking does not benefit, such as in the case of housewives going to pick cotton for a few days.

QUESTION: When can the money in the Trust Fund be distributed, or when can the participants get their benefits from the Trust Fund? Some people have the idea that Trust Fund distributions will not be made until after the war.

Mr. Kennedy: Distribution of the Trust Fund is determined by the Board of Trustees and they can distribute anytime they wish to do so, in fact, you may make a distribution every night after each day's work.

Mr. Kennedy left the meeting and discussion held in regard to Trust Fund and other matters between the Councilmen and the Block Managers.

Announcements made by Sam Fujita to Block Managers.

Housing Committee consisting of Kelly Yamada, Roy Koga, Jimmy Takashima of the Council asked to attend meeting in Poston 2 at 1:30 P.M., October 30, 1942.

The meeting was then adjourned by Chairman Tom Sakamoto.

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Meeting of the Temporary Community Council Poston 3 held on Saturday, October 31, 1942, at Block 306 Dining Hall at 1:30 P.M. was called to order by Chairman Harvey Iwata.

Roll Call: Ed Takahashi, Masao Otani, Mack Kadotani, Harvey Iwata, Kelly Yamada, Jimmy Takashima, Roy Koga, Kay Hanada, Takeo Yabuta, Roy Kunitake, George Horibe, and Akira Yebisu were present at the meeting.

Kelly Yamada reported on business transpired at the joint meeting of Councilmen and Managers of Poston 3 at which Mr. Kennedy spoke on the cotton picking deal. Kennedy's suggestion was that "each section of the camp go out one day a week and pick cotton and the money will go to the Evacuee Trust Fund." Questions asked in regard to subsistence and reasons why those going to beet work and leaving members of family behind did not have to pay subsistence while workers residing in the center and taking outside work had to pay subsistence for members of family or dependents as well as for himself. Mr. Kennedy's main objective was to try to get more workers to go out and pick cotton.

Block Managers wanted to know why members of the Labor Committee were empowered to have the authority to decide upon the Evacuee Trust Fund--that of letting such workers residing in the project and going outside to work to have cash advance of \$19 per month and surplus money go into the Evacuee Trust Fund--since they felt that the people should have been consulted first and then decided upon by the feeling of the people or residents.

Housing Committee met in Poston 2 on October 30, 1942, and discussions held in regard to letter sent to Mr. Head inquiring about better housing conditions. Since no satisfactory answer had been forthcoming, the committee went to Mr. Head. Also brought to his attention about more favorable housing conditions in Topaz, Utah. Points discussed and clarified were:

1. In regard to free issue of soap by the authority, it was shown in writing the ruling to the effect that free soap issue would be only in initial cases and after that, residents must get their own supplies. Mr. Head is attempting to have this ruling changed.
2. 5,000 stoves are to arrive about the 5th of November. Mr. Head would not promise that such stoves would be distributed at any certain date, due to fact that so many things have been side-tracked and uncertain.
3. Regarding the policy-making bodies of these relocation centers,

it was cleared up to the point where Indian Service and War Relocation Authority had the right to make policies, but according to Mr. Wade Head, the only connection the Indian Service had was Mr. John Collier who sits in on the advisory board of the WRA and fights for the rights of the minority groups. The Indian Service has no policy in making the rules regarding us. "I want you boys to understand that the Army has no use for the Japanese in the relocation centers," according to Mr. Head.

4. Linoleum--Had been ordered since the 6th of June and will come eventually but when it is hard to say. Also 125 carloads of lumber primarily for school use has been ordered, but what's left will be distributed to the residents.
5. Clothing Allowance--Clothing allowance applies retro-active to August 1, 1942, over and above the cash advances. Such allowances will probably be given out about the week before Thanksgiving.
6. In regard to delay of linoleum being installed in the mess halls, Mr. Head informed the committee that he now has the authority to go out and buy trucks, so that he will take care of such matters personally. Mr. Head stressed the fact that it was difficult to commit himself on anything in regard to equipment and supplies, since the army has been taking away a great deal of such equipment and supplies.

Letter from Mr. John Evans in regard to encouraging harmonious relationships between the evacuees and Caucasian employees on the project read to the Council.

EVACUEE TRUST FUND

Labor Committee of the Temporary Community Council Poston 3 and Chairman Harvey Iwata acted upon the behalf of the Council in deciding upon the Trust Fund. At that time the matter was brought up according to Mr. Head that if we should stay here 5 or more years, the people could go out at the end of the war peniless or with some funds to start again was the whole idea of the Evacuee Trust Fund. The matter of profits was not clear at that time, but according to Administrative Instruction #27 the profits will be given to the Work Corps and on the principles of that basis, it was thought a very good thing and decided upon.

Chairman Iwata expressed his willingness to take the responsibility of deciding without having at first bring the matter to the attention of the Council and residents for decision, but stressed the fact that at the time the decision was made, they were trying best to act in the best interests of the people of Poston 3.

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Also at that time matters had not been clarified about the expenses and costs and how they would be charged against the Evacuee Trust Fund.

According to Mr. Mathiesen, representatives from the WRA in Washington D. C. are expected down very near in the future to clarify many of the points which are doubtful in regard to the Evacuee Trust Fund and also expenses and charges to be made against the revenue of sales made by enterprises.

Topic was brought up by Kenneth Hirose, Press Bulletin, that there was possiblity that funds received from cotton picking will be turned into a block fund to be used as the block saw fit, according to Ted Haas, Project Attorney, and Mr. Kennedy.

It was decided upon by the Council that when the next call for volunteers to cotton picking is made, each block residents will be called to a block meeting to decide upon what action they wish to take.

Mr. Y. Nakamura, Manager of Poston 3 Canteen, was called in to explain about the soap sale arrangement. According to Mr. Nakamura it was very difficult to try to ration sale of soap to residents due to people wishing to buy in quantities. At present sale was limited to two bars per person, but proves unsatisfactory arrangement. Best suggestion made to permit Block Managers to ration sale of such soap from their offices if such arrangement is permissable with the heads of Community Enterprise. Report of this inquiry is to be made at the next Council meeting. Community Enterprise committee is to check upon this matter.

Instructions given to Councilmen to attend respective Advisory Board election meeting on Monday, November 2, 1942. Meeting in Roku I to be conducted by Harvey Iwata, Roku II Mack Kadotani, and Roku III by Jimmy Takashima.

Discussion held on prevailing prices being charged for shoe repair under Community Enterprise. It was pointed out that Community Enterprise must pay for \$9,000.00 of equipment and therefore explained for high prices until such equipment should be paid for.

Ruling given to Council in regard to soldiers being within the camp area. There is a soldier patrol every night on the outside road only. If any patrol came into the camp, report such jeep number either to Mr. Moris Burge, Administrator Poston 3, or to the Police Department Poston 3. Otherwise no soldiers are to be within the camp area at any time, day or night, unless strictly on duty.

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Chairman Iwata read section of the proposed Constitution in relation to representation in the Legislative Department. According to Poston 1, representation is to be by quads, one representative to each quad in the Council. Each Councilman was asked to think this matter of representation for Poston 3 over and bring suggestions to the next meeting.

Law and Order Committee asked to bring resolution to next meeting in regard to changing Poston routine from 8 a.m. to 12 Noon and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. to 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. and also recommendations of such changes to Councils of Poston 1 and 2.

The Labor Committee of Poston 3 Temporary Community Council is to discuss with Mr. Kennedy in regard to Block Fund of the Evacuee Trust Fund.

Instruction given by Chairman Iwata to meet at Block 310-9-A & B for the next meeting, November 3, 1942 at 9:00 A.M.

The meeting was then adjourned by Chairman Harvey Iwata.

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Meeting of the Temporary Community Council Poston 3 held on Tuesday, November 3, 1942, at Block 310-9-A, 9:00 A.M. as well as Block Representatives of the Advisory Board being present at the meeting was called to order by Chairman Harvey Iwata.

Roll Call: All Blocks represented at the meeting with the exception of Blocks 318 and 329.

All Block Representatives of the Advisory Board were present at the meeting. Chairman Iwata presented the following representatives of Roku I: Block 305, K. Hiramatsu; Block 306, M. Ozawa; Block 307, K. Mayeda; Block 308, I. Kubota; and Block 309 J. Ota. Councilman Mack Kadotani presented representatives of Roku II: Block 316, B. Suyeda; Block 317, Dr. Namiki; Block 318, K. Nakayama; Block 325, Mr. Doi; Block 326, S. Shirazawa; Block 327, B. Tanaka. Councilman Jimmy Takashima presented representatives of Roku III: Block 322, K. Umezawa; Block 323, S. Nomura; Block 328, W. Hasegawa; Block 329 Dr. Takeda; and Block 330, T. Yamashita.

Chairman Iwata at this time called for committee reports:

1. Community Enterprise Committee--Masao Otani
Councilman Otani with Canteen Manager, Y. Nakamura, checked at Poston 1 with Mr. Naito, Head of Distribution for Community Enterprise. According to Mr. Naito, soap distribution has been given out 4, 3, 3 basis for laundry soap and 2, 2, 2 basis on Toilet soaps. All other merchandise--groceries, dry goods and fountain supplies--are distributed on a basis of 2, 1, 1 with the exception of magazines of which Poston 3 is given 1/3 of the total as well as on tobaccos.
2. Law and Order--Kay Hanada
In compliance with instructions given at previous meeting, Law and Order Committee presented the following resolution to the Temporary Community Council for approval and discussions:

"Whereas the days are getting shorter and the mornings much colder, thereby causing much discomfort and numerous cases of colds among the residents of Poston 3, especially among the children in the grade schools as well as among the mess hall workers who now arise around 4 A.M., and

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"Whereas it is very difficult to get the young children of the first three or four grades up in time to eat their breakfast and get ready to attend school, the present schedule tending to cause many cases of tardiness, and

"Whereas from the reports we have received from the teachers of Poston 3 grade schools, it is the opinion of many teachers that the pupils are so cold during the first hour of study that they cannot concentrate on studying, and

"Whereas we believe that it will benefit the great mass of the residents of Poston 3 to utilize the hour between 5 P.M. and 6 P.M. for working conditions rather than the hour between 8 A.M. and 9 A.M., as there is plenty of sunlight at 6 P.M., and

"Whereas We believe that the chances of contracting most kinds of illness, especially colds and chapped skins, will be greatly diminished; and the chances of keeping up the body resistance and continued health of the residents will be greatly increased, and

"Whereas we believe that the activities requiring sunlight in our camp after working hours are concerned are at a minimum at this time as well as for the immediate future,

"We, the Temporary Community Council of Poston 3 do hereby resolve and recommend to have all working hour start at 9 A.M., have lunch served at 1 P.M. and have the working hour terminate at 6 P.M. instead of abiding by the schedule now in force, namely, working starting at 8 A.M., lunch at 12 Noon and work terminate at 5 P.M. Likewise, we recommend that school start at 9:30 A.M., dismiss for lunch at 12:30 P.M. and terminate class one hour later than is at present according to the grades.

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Motion made by Councilman Moto Asakawa and seconded by Councilman Jimmy Takashima to approve this resolution. Motion voted upon and passed by majority favoring it. Secretary instructed to send copies to Mr. Head, Poston 1 and 2 Community Councils, and Dr. Carey of Education Department, requesting that action be taken to change working hours as stated in the resolution.

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3. Law and Order Committee--Kay Hanada

About two weeks ago in an interview with Mr. S. Togasaki, Chairman of Industry and Manufacture Committee, he was to obtain the necessary license for operation of Printing Department. A few days ago, Mr. Togasaki asked the Community Council to take this matter up and obtain the required license. Kay Hanada instructed to look into this matter and report findings to Council at the next meeting.

4. Finance Report--Ed Takahashi, Treasurer, Community Council
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Requisitions and allocations given by Community Council to various departments read to the Council as follows:

	Requisition	Allocations
Arts and Crafts	24.71	30.00
Adult Education	66.30	-----
Art Department	37.50	-----
Boys' Activities	17.50	17.50
Boxing Club	36.80	24.00
Buddhist Church	15.00	10.00
Community Theatre Guild	31.09	15.00
Girls' Activities	35.79	17.50
Judo	-----	35.00
Music	20.00	-----
Orchestra		20.00
Poston III Library	120.84	15.00
Publicity Department	6.90	-----
Recreation	210.00	100.00
Sumo		35.00
Weight Lifting	27.00	27.00
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" "	17.00	

As a result of the investigation into the matter of charges made on Public Address system and Piano expenses, it was shown that the Public Address department had already been given the amount charged off. In regard to Piano expenses, Mr. Kasugawa assured the fact that such expenses charged off against Poston 3 will be given to Poston 3.

The next Community Enterprise allocation for the month of September is expected as soon as Mr. Fister releases the allocation checks. Allocation for this month is made strictly on the basis of percentage of sales in each of the three units.

5. Soap Distribution Sale--It was decided upon that Block Managers of Poston 3 are to handle the sale of soaps in Poston 3 in order that residents may get a fair distribution of such soaps. The quantity of distribution is to be left to the discretion of the Block Managers. Councilman Kelly Yamada instructed to inform Block Managers of this decision at their meeting, Block 306 Recreation Hall.
6. Public Health Committee--Kelly Yamada
In answer to Council letter of October 13, 1942, requesting for additional medical staff, Dr. Pressman assured Council that Dr. Matsumoto will be assigned to Poston 3 until the return of Dr. Togasaki.
7. RESOLUTION--"The Temporary Community Council Poston 3 has gone on record as opposing any solicitation of donations and concessions in any events affecting Poston 3 as a community." Discussion brought up to clarify the word 'concessions', whether to include all concessions regardless of types or to make allowances of certain types not harmful in character to the residents. Clarification made so that resolution to date reads as follows:

RESOLUTION

"The Temporary Community Council Poston 3 has gone on record as opposing any solicitation of donations and concessions in any events affecting Poston 3 as a community. All departments, organizations, or activities wishing concessions must have the approval of the Temporary Community Council Poston 3."

Secretary instructed to send such notices to all departments, organizations and activities in Poston 3.

COTTON PICKING

The Temporary Community Council Poston 3 went on record as endorsing the decision of volunteering for cotton picking be left to the various blocks. It was recommended that Councilmen hold block meetings to get the decision of the various blocks in regard to this matter, and bring such decision to the next Council meeting.

Information given to members of the meeting that revenue or wages from cotton picking will be put into a Block Fund, and it is entirely to the decision of the blocks to determine what this fund is to be used for or how such fund is to be allocated. The Evacuee Trust Fund is tabled for the time being.

FREE SOAP DISTRIBUTION

According to administrative circular, the War Relocation Authority is going to supply only the initial issue of free soap. Poston 1 and 2 have made resolutions requesting that the administration continue with free soap issues, laundry and facial soap. Motion made by Moto Asakawa and seconded by Jimmy Takashima to send a resolution to Mr. Wade Head, Project Director, stressing the importance of free soap issue to the residents as a necessity for daily living. Law and Order Committee instructed to draw up resolution for approval at next meeting.

Topic of necessity of obtaining at least one subsistence supply truck for Poston 3 brought up. It was pointed out that Poston 2 and 3 are sharing one truck assigned to the Steward while Poston 1 has two trucks and one car. Also suggestion brought up to send memorandum to Mr. Wade Head, Project Director, asking that department heads, particularly Caucasian department heads, be more efficient and cooperative in the course of their duties. The idea of combining with Poston 1 and 2 in attempting to replace some Caucasians working on the project for evacuee workers brought up for consideration. Councilman Jimmy Takashima instructed to inquire into the above situations and report such findings to the Council.

He is also to check upon:

1. How Poston 2 was able to obtain 3 new trucks. It is understood that Mr. W. Barrett was away on a vacation when they obtained the additional equipment.
2. Check upon how many trucks and cars have been assigned to Poston 1, 2, and 3.
3. Start investigations into transportation matters.

Additional members to serve on committees named were:

Law and Order--Chairman Kay Hanada
Roy Mizokami, Block 310

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Food Committee--Chairman Ed Takahashi
Roy Mizokami, Block 310
George Higuchi
Bill Hibama

Boy Scouts of Poston 3 has requested that the Temporary Community Council of Poston 3 sponsor their movement. Councilman Sam Rokutani made a motion seconded by Councilman Kay Hanada that the Temporary Community Council sponsor the Boy Scouts of Poston 3. Motion voted upon and passed all in favor of this movement.

Finance Committee--Sam Rokutani--asked to look into the matter of next wage distribution as well as upon the clothing allowances and how, when to be distributed.

Chairman Iwata called attention of the Council to the fact that Eddie Yamamoto case is still pending. Mr. Yamamoto has resigned as head of Express Department, but demands a hearing. The hearing is to be conducted by the Fair Practice Committee.

Councilwoman Mrs. Mabel Hibi instructed to check into cotton picking of various school students interfering with class schedules.

Chairman Iwata announced that due to various Block Representatives of Advisory Board not being acquainted with each other, it was difficult to choose two among those of the Roku. Therefore, all the Block Representatives will attend several meetings en mass and the matter of electing two for each Roku will be decided upon later.

Chairman Iwata asked that Councilmen and Block Representatives conduct a block meeting in their respective blocks in regard to cotton picking and report results of these meetings on Friday, November 6, 1942, at a special meeting at 1:15 P.M.

The meeting was then adjourned by Chairman Harvey Iwata.

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Meeting of the Temporary Community Council Poston 3 held on Saturday, November 7, 1942, at Block 310-9-A at 9:15 A.M. was called to order by Chairman Harvey Iwata. Block Representatives of Advisory Board were also present at the meeting.

Roll Call: All Councilmen present at the meeting with the exception of Block 323, 329, and 330 being absent.

Chairman Iwata at this time called for reports of various committees:

1. Law and Order - Kay Hanada

Resolution drawn up by Law and Order Committee read to the Council for approval and discussions and changes:

- a. Insert "climatic" for "atmospheric".
- b. Strike out phrase "if and when possible."
- c. Suggested to follow system in Poston 1 and 2 where petitions are being signed by individual residents in various blocks. Felt that Poston 3 council are truly representatives of residents, so this procedure is not necessary.

Motion made by Kelly Yamada and seconded by Sam Rokutani to accept resolution as now stands after changes and corrections. Motion voted upon and passed all in favor. Instructions given to send resolution to Mr. Wade Head, Project Director.

2. Law and Order - Kay Hanada

After checking upon matters of obtaining license for Industry and Manufacturing Department for Poston 3, Councilman Hamda reports that inasfar as Mr. Kennedy and Mr. Mathiesen knew, no license were needed. It is therefore up to the Council of Poston 3 to give a "go" sign.

Discussion:

- a. The Industry and Manufacturing Department desires license to cover entire activities. Taxing methods should not be made a major issue inasmuch as the purpose of Industry is to try to make money for the community and benefit of the residents of Poston.
- b. A temporary license should be issued to the Industry Department while considerations are being discussed as to provisions for permanent license.

Motion made by Kelly Yamada and seconded by Akira Yebisu that the Temporary Community Council Poston 3 issue a temporary license to the Industry and Manufacturing Department of Poston 3 as a whole until revoked by the Council. Motion voted upon and passed all in favor of this motion.

3. Cotton Picking Reports of Blocks:
- Block 305--4 or 5 volunteers to go cotton picking one day.
 - Block 306--23 volunteers to go one day of the week
 - Block 307--none to go cotton picking
 - Block 308--Block as a whole not to go cotton picking, but volunteers may go
 - Block 309--Same as Block 308
 - Block 316--6 volunteers to go cotton picking once a week.
 - Block 317--Boys' group wishing to raise fund. Fund to be turned over to Block Fund and part of whole of such fund to be given to this group.
 - Block 318--12 volunteers to go cotton picking once a week.
 - Block 325--Those wishing to volunteer can go.
 - Block 326--Block decided that all able-bodied male, regardless of age go out once to pick cotton. Women and children may also volunteer. Funds to be put entirely into Block Fund. 37 volunteers, but expect more. This applies only to long-staple cotton picking.
 - Block 322--15 volunteers to go cotton picking on purpose of making Block Fund. Such allocation to be decided later by Block.
 - Block 323--Same allocations as Block 322. About 25 volunteers.
 - Block 328--None going cotton picking.
 - Block 329--Representatives absent
 - Block 330--Representatives absent
 - Block 327--Same conditions as Block 305, picking once or twice a week.

Discussion brought up as to whether in cases various blocks decide to let cotton pickers keep their actual earnings instead of using the fund for block purposes, whether that would set up a precedent in events other outside projects come up. It was ~~alt~~ by a majority of the councilmen and Block Representatives that whatever decision of funds made by Blocks in this instance would not set a precedent for future outside project works.

Motion made by Councilman Rokutani and seconded by Councilman Yamada that the Council present to Mr. Kennedy the figures on number of workers or pickers from this camp and have him make the allocations when certain groups will go cotton picking. Motion voted upon and passed all in favor.

Each Councilman and Block Representative is to take the responsibility to act as or select foreman to be in charge of the cotton pickers for his respective block. Councilman Mack Kadotani instructed to notify Mr. Kennedy of the facts as stated in the motion.

It was stressed by Chairman Iwata that the Temporary Community Council Poston 3 as a Council encourages the idea of various blocks sending volunteers for the purpose of the Block Fund.

4. Transportation & Supply Committee--Jimmy Takashima
 1. Additional truck to be assigned to Steward of Poston 3. Mr. Townsend assured the fact that Poston 3 will receive one truck for mess hall use only.
 2. In regard to various departments, requisitions have been already made and such departments will eventually receive trucks.
5. Finance Committee--Sam Rokutani
Paymasters are still disbursing wages in Poston 1. It is not definite just when Poston 3 will be paid, but such payment will be done in cash.

Clothings allowance will be given for the Month of August the week before Thanksgiving.

Finance Committee instructed to investigate and assemble facts on present delay of wage payments, and on basis of such facts present a resolution or petition on improvements that can be made.

6. Transportation and Supply--Jimmy Takashima
 1. Inquire as to whether stoves have been received by the project, when such stoves will be distributed.
 - 2.

WAREHOUSE CREW

Facts presented to the Council that due to inefficient management of manager in Parker, about 20 cars on the siding with products and supplies becoming spoiled. Poston 3 does not have a regular warehouse crew at Parker, but Poston 3 night crew has been volunteering to work. Conditions were very unsatisfactory, causing such workers to abandon this volunteer work. It was pointed out that if Poston 3 Parker crew was working at Parker, Poston 3 would receive such goods belonging to Poston 3. Councilman Mack Kadotani instructed to look into this matter and report to Council at next meeting.

Councilman Kelly Yamada, Public Health Committee, requested to send a memorandum to Mr. Potts asking Fire Department to handle dust control around school area. In regard to school equipment, it was pointed out that chairs had been received for school use.

Councilman Horibe brought to attention of the Council that one instructor in Nagauta was conducting a private enterprise in camp charging fees of \$1.00 for children and \$1.50 for adults monthly. Decided that a memorandum be sent to Block Managers Supervisor, Tom Sakamoto, requesting that he issue a memorandum to residents that under Instruction #26, no private enterprises are permitted on this project.

Kelly Yamada, Public Health Committee, to look into matter of acquiring more blankets for residents.

Resignation of Councilman Kingo Ouchi, Block 323, read to the Council. Memorandum instructing Block 323 Block Managers to hold block election as soon as possible in getting successor to Mr. Ouchi.

Facts brought up in case of one resident of Block 323 being asked to purchase a certain type of medicine not in hospital stock. Such resident had understanding that WRA is to supply medicine free of charges. Councilman and Block Representative of Block 323 requested to bring in actual facts to next meeting where this matter will be discussed.

Suggestion made by Block Representative of Advisory Board that a member of the Administration should officially recognize the Advisory Board and perhaps address them. Suggestion assented by Councilmen and matter to be looked into by Chairman Iwata.

Question put to Council and Advisory Board for consideration in regard to representation of Isseis in the permanent form of Constitution--whether Issei Advisory Board was desired. Opinions voiced for and against having Issei Advisory Board. Reference made to petition by Gila project residents on issei representation. Such copies are to be distributed to members of the meeting and the answer of the WRA to this petition.

Education Committee, Mrs. Mabel Hibi, asked to look into the matter of school teachers conducting themselves in an unrespectable manner during school hours and also use of terms creating ill feelings between Caucasians and Japanese.

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Topic brought up the possibility of using Community Enterprise allocation, at least a part of which for relief work. It was pointed out that Miss Nell Findley of Community Services Division was at present in San Francisco to clear up matters on allocation of relief funds for benefit of residents in dire necessity. It was decided to table this matter until Social Welfare Committee reports on its findings. Also this committee is to look into possibilities of getting aid through Red Cross.

The meeting was then adjourned by Chairman Harvey Iwata.

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Meeting of the Temporary Community Council Poston 3 held on Tuesday, November 10, 1942, at Block 310-9-A at 9:15 A.M. called to order by Vice-Chairman Kelly Yamada in the absence of Chairman Harvey Iwata. Block Representatives of Advisory Board also present.

Roll Call: All Councilmen present at the meeting with the exception of Blocks 307, 323, 329.

Vice-Chairman Kelly Yamada at this time called for committee reports:

1. Law and Order--Kay Hanada

Facts in reference to Eddie Yamamoto case briefly given to the Council. Since Mr. Yamamoto had not resigned as promised to purchasers of coolers in return for dropping charges against him, purchasers sent petition to Mr. Wade Head to look into the matter through the Poston 3 Council.

Ted Haas, Project Attorney, gave the information to the Council that Eddie Yamamoto's resignation in the presence of Mr. Townsend and Ted Haas has been accepted, and also that his permit to go into Parker has been taken from him.

2. Law and Order Committee--Kay Hanada

Brief resume of facts concerning Okima vs. Nishiyama battery case given to members of the Council, as well as sentences accorded various members involved in this case. In this instance, the trial was held by Judicial Committee of Poston 2, due to there not being such a committee in existence in Poston 3. Letter of appreciation sent to Poston 2 Community Council for assistance in handling this case.

3. Labor and Employment--Mack Kadotani

In regard to warehousemen situation, according to conversation with Mr. G. Iwasaki, the reason why Poston 3 has no Parker crew is due to shortage of men. This matter has been brought to attention of Mr. Campbell who is trying to recruit warehousemen, but to date has had little results. Mr. Iwasaki stated there has been no strikes among these men as yet.

The situation to date is that General DeWitt has issued an order that no cotton picking by evacuees from relocation centers shall be done after November 11, 1942, Wednesday. Accordingly, a telegram has been sent to General DeWitt attempting to get an extension of date on this order. Therefore, cotton picking will continue until this order comes into effect, after which work will cease unless extension is received from General DeWitt.

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Ted Haas: The action of General DeWitt was due to an unfortunate situation existing in Gila Relocation Center. Permission was granted to the Gila residents to pick cotton about 50 miles from the center. Due to inability to get necessary work done within the project and necessity of army having soldiers around the exterior of the area, this order was result of conditions existing in Gila Relocation Center.

While in the case of Colorado River Relocation Center Los Angeles Times mentioned that permission had been given on October 6, 1942, to pick cotton on the outside. When the order came through forbidding picking of cotton after November 11, 1942, there were on the average of 200 pickers going out, more than could adequate transportation facilities be furnished to. After consulting Councilmen of Poston 1, 2 and 3, and in accordance with their wishes, a telegram was sent by Mr. Wade Head, Project Director, to General DeWitt that permission for evacuees to pick cotton in this immediate vicinity be extended.

Miss Cushman, Mr. James, and Mr. Kennedy as well as the various pickers have also asked for extension of date, as well as stressing the fact that relations are very fine here, about 200 workers had picked cotton during the last 10 days and that they wanted to continue with the picking.

4. Finance Report--Ed Takahashi, Treasurer
Poston 3 is to have received allocation from Community Enterprise amounting to \$391.50. Such allocation is being held up for few days due to question arising on Administrative Instruction #27, Supplement 2, which states that clothing allowances are retro-active to July 1, 1942. Under Administrative Instruction #27 in regard to employees of consumer enterprises, wages and clothing allowances are to be taken out as expenses of the consumer enterprises, and subsistence to employees and their dependents will be furnished by the War Relocation Authority until such time the Project Director determines that consumer enterprises are able to furnish same out of their enterprises.

Opinion held that clothing allowances of employees of community Enterprise and their dependents should be made by the War Relocation Authority.

Ted Haas--Personal Opinions:

The Law Department has O.K.'d the circular so from the legal standpoint, it is entirely within the law and jurisdiction of the WRA. Personally I feel that it is very unfortunate that the cash advance scale has been so low, I would have liked to have the people get as much as possible. I thought this cotton picking was a very good idea from the standpoint of bringing in additional money to add to the low set cash advance in the project. In regard to Community Enterprise, you are spending your own money. I feel that we should try as much as possible to decrease costs or expenses to be taken from the profits of the enterprise. From a personal angle, I prefer it is not so, but the WRA makes the ruling, so there is nothing that can be done about it.

Question raised in the event one member of the family works for the Community Enterprise and another in some other position, how will the clothing allowances be determined whether to be taken out of the Community Enterprise or WRA. If the various members of the family are working, each person will get their clothing allowance as an individual and separate as given to head of family for him and his dependents.

Ted Haas is to check upon whether any action has been taken by Community Enterprise in regard to this ruling.

5. Transportation and Supply--Jimmy Takashima

About 10,000 blankets had been shipped from Poston to Manzanar sometime during the summer and at present trying to have these blankets replaced for Poston residents.

Check upon stoves reveal that no stoves have been to date received either at Parker or Poston, according to information given by Mr. Wade Head's secretary and Mr. Reinhart's secretary. Tracers are being sent out to find out about these stoves.

According to Mr. W. Barrett, Transportation, if Mr. Joe Petta of Poston 1 and J. L. E. Burdick of Poston 3 jointly request for a truck to be assigned to Poston 3 Steward's office, such request will be accorded to Poston 3.

Information given in regard to Japanese literature being sent to Poston from Santa Anita Assembly Center. Mr. Laine had shipped 3 boxes of Japanese literature, but Mr. Felsted of Poston Warehouse has not to date received this matter.

6. Public Health Committee--Kelly Yamada
Facts of case where patient from Block 323 had to pay for Cod Liver Oil ordered especially by doctors of hospital and sold to patient at cost. It happened at that time that cod liver oil which had been ordered through WRA had not arrived and none in stock. Such article has arrived since, but at that time patient asked whether she wished to purchase same through special order, to which the patient assented. Conditions are becoming better in which all types of medicine will eventually be kept in stock at the hospital.
7. Social Welfare Committee--Akira Yebisu
Purpose and principles upon which Red Cross chapter started in Poston read to the Council. Additional information in regard to Red Cross given by Mr. Yebisu:
 1. There was to have been a membership drive in November of this year, but has been extended to next March
 2. Purpose of this drive is to raise approximately \$500.00 of which expenses as distributed: Poston 1, \$250.00; Poston 2, \$125.00; and Poston 3, \$125.00.
 3. To date about \$370.00 has already been expended and advanced by the heads of the Red Cross in Poston. One suggested way to raise money is by allocation made by Community Council of funds allotted through Community Enterprise. Poston 3 share of \$125.00 is to be raised by next March.
 4. Membership fee distributed:
 \$1.00---50¢ to national headquarters, 50¢ to Poston
 \$25.00---50¢ to national headquarters, \$24.50 to Poston
 Above \$25.00 membership fee more will sent to national headquarters.
 5. With the money raised, it is aim of Red Cross to buy first-aid kits, uniforms and shoes for nurses making home visits, supplies, etc.

It is the opinion of the various members of the Council that there should be special allowances made on membership fees as from those of the outside, due to low cash advances received here; and also that Red Cross in view of the financial aid given by Japanese to Red Cross previous to evacuation should be given aid and benefits in return.

Roy Koga is to check with main office in Poston 1 on this point, and also request the presence of Mr. Takahashi of Poston 1 Red Cross to be present at the next meeting to enlighten the Council on many doubtful points.

Subject of gas rationing, effective November 21, 1942, brought up and question of this would affect transportation conditions here at Poston 3. General belief was that more rigid rules would be enforced regarding transportation. Transportation and Supply Committee to find out more definite details in regard to rationing system to be used in Poston 3.

In regard to replacement of broken dining hall dishes, such matter is to be checked through Steward's office.

Explanation given as to why wage payments are delayed. Men who make actual payments are bonded to \$25,000.00 per day so that only up to that amount may be paid during one day to be covered by bond. Possibilities of wage payments by check encouraged and Finance Committee to check with systems used at Manzanar and at Santa Anita for ideas.

Councilman Moto Asakawa appointed by Vice-Chairman Kelly Yamada to check into matter of some residents formerly of Santa Anita not receiving clothing allowances coming to them.

Recommendations asked Councilmen and Block Representatives on ways and means of creating unity between young and old residents as well as to prevent occurrences of undesirable incidents in Poston 3:

1. Call block meetings with attendance of both young and old people and try to create a spirit of unity, so that the young and old will cooperate with each other in all matters concerning the block.
2. Put the responsibility upon Councilmen and make it part of their duty to educate people of their blocks.
3. Make the young people assume responsibilities or create centers of interest to occupy time and energies of young people so that they make do something constructive rather than destructive.

It was agreed that perhaps the last suggestion would be the most practical. Law and Order Committee instructed to draft a letter to Community Activities department requesting that they sponsor various activities for young men in particular ages between 14 and 25 which movement the Temporary Community Council Poston 3 approves.

Public Health Committee requested to check into facts of conditions existing in Poston 1 hospital where patients have been greatly inconvenienced by lack of bed toilet service other than at 4 hour intervals.

Councilman George Horibe to confer with Fire Chief Fien about getting permit to sprinkle site of community movies so as to prevent unnecessary dust and inconvenience to residents.

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Transportation and Supply Committee to request that drivers of mail trucks be more careful in driving in the blocks to prevent any casualties of small children as well as older residents.

Requests made by various blocks for Japanese bathing facilities brought up, but information given by Public Health Committee, Kelly Yamada, that the army sanitation department had definitely turned down such requests.

Necessity of early formation of Judicial Committee discussed:

1. Older residents of Poston 3 would be most advisable due to fact that they are more experienced in matters of handling human beings and if such men hand down any verdict, it would be respected.
2. Have both Isseis and Councilmen on the Judicial Committee.
3. Have one Judicial Committee to serve all three camps of Poston. This ideas was not thought as practical as others since it was quite impossible for one committee to handle all cases coming up in the three camps.

It was decided upon by the Council that until such time a Judicial Committee is formed in Poston 3, all cases requiring trial be handled by Judicial Committee of Poston 2. The Block Representatives of Advisory Board were asked to consider persons that may capably serve on this committee or other recommendations to be brought up at the next meeting.

Ted Haas gave a brief description of set-up of Judicial Committee in Poston 1 where Law and Order Committee was the Judicial Committee as well.

Law and Order Committee asked to give instructions in regard to electing new Councilman in Block 323.

Labor Committee requested to check about clothing allowances of the Community Enterprise employees and dependents.

The meeting was then adjourned by Vice-Chairman Kelly Yamada.

Meeting of the Temporary Community
Council and Block Representatives
of Advisory Board Poston 3

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Meeting of the Temporary Community Council and Block Representatives of Advisory Board Poston 3 held on Monday, November 16, 1942 at Block 310-9-A at 2:00 P.M. was called to order by Chairman Harvey Iwata.

Roll Call: All Councilmen present at the meeting with the exception of blocks 308, 327 and 330 being absent from the meeting.

Chairman Iwata at this time introduced the new Councilman of Block 323--Tom Mukai to the meeting.

Purpose of calling this special meeting was due to the fact that on Tuesday morning, November 17, 1942, this body will meet Dillon Myers, Director of WRA from Washington D. C. and therefore to discuss questions and points to be clarified:

1. Pertaining to the fence, the explanation given to the residents was to keep the cattle out. Ask for an explanation for the actual reason of the fence and whether this fence is to restrict any movements of the residents and also whether anything can be done to keep the fence from being put around the camp.
2. Get an explanation what right the United States Army has in putting a fence up around the camps when this center is under the authority of the Bureau of Indian Service.

Draw up a resolution stressing the following points in regard to the fence:

- a. Why the fence is being put up so close around the immediate site of the camp when it is to keep the cattle away from the vegetables. Most of the vegetables would be planted outside of the fence areas.
- b. Most detrimental effects on the morale and feelings of the residents and creates antagonistic attitude.
- c. In events of fire hazards, without hardly any gates how are the residents going to be able to get out?
- d. This is Indian reservation and different from other relocation centers so different consideration must be given. Is it the authority of the Army to put up the fence or the authority of the Indian Service?
- e. If future troubles are to be avoided, fencing the camp would tend to cause more trouble.

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- f. Is this the American idea of democracy to put a fence up around the people here?
- g. The Council resolve that there be no fence at all, because there is no necessity for a fence here in the first place.

Report of the committees were made at this time:

1. Transportation & Supply--Jimmy Takashima
Gas rationing was originally to have gone into effect November 22, 1942, but has been postponed for another month. Gas rationing in Poston will be carried on in the same basis as on the outside. Plans are to ration gas by the various departments and each of the departments is responsible as to how the gas is used.

Request was made to Mr. Townsend, Head of Supply and Transportation, to get a truck assigned solely for Poston 3 steward's use. Instead an order was given to Dispatcher Charles Nakamura to let the steward use a truck in the pool--which consists of 3 trucks and are usually being in constant use. Council was asked to take action in trying to get a truck for the steward's use.

Motion made by Kelly Yamada and seconded by Akira Yebisu to send a resolution to Mr. H. Townsend, Head of Supply and Transportation, requesting assignment of a truck to Poston 3 steward's office for his sole use.

Stoves after investigation have not been received in Parker or in Poston.

2. Public Health Committee--Kelly Yamada
More frequent bed service to patients in Poston I hospital were badly handicapped by the great lack of nurses and nurses' aides as well as due to the lack of bedpans and urinals--presently shared on the basis of 3 patients to each equipment. Dr. Pressman is doing best to try to give better service to the patients.

Memorandum to be sent to Dr. Pressman to have Dr. Matsuoto here in Poston 3 under present time until Dr. Togasaki returns to Poston 3.

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3. Supply & Transportation Committee--Jimmy Takashima
- a. In regard to requesting the Fire Department to sprinkle the grounds to avoid excess dust, instructions had been given to the department that fire apparatus should not be away from the building at any time. Suggestion was made to use ordinary garden hose to sprinkle the grounds.
 - b. Interview with Dispatcher Charles Nakamura resulted in his promising to give instructions to drivers to be more cautious when driving within the blocks.

Matter was then brought up that in the interview with Mr. Myers tomorrow that petition be made for funds for the Recreation Department. Stress the necessity for recreational facilities of the young people here.

Also matter of requesting for clothing allowances to all the residents regardless of working or not as an essential be made, since clothing is just as necessary to human living as food and housing. Clarifications desired at same time on when public grants will be given, whether clothes issued to date will be deducted from clothing allowances, clothing issues to workers, etc.

Councilwoman Mabel Hibi brought up the fact that there was quite some indecision as to where the school building is to be located. Sites contemplated were:

- a. Original site by the warehouses.
- b. Site where land is being cleared for agricultural purposes.
- c. Site lying just outside of Block 306.
- d. Site lying outside of Block 306.

It seemed that unless a decision is reached soon, such materials for school buildings will probably be turned over to the other two units. Meeting then opened for discussion:

1. Let the school remain in Block 324 where it presently is and use such funds for recreational facilities and supplies.
2. Place the school buildings at the original site planned by the engineers.

Attention had been called in regard to activities of various school teachers on the school premises. It seems certain teachers were overheard using the term "Japs" and indulging card playing, smoking. Education Committee asked to check into this matter more fully.

The meeting was then adjourned by Chairman Harvey Iwata.

Meeting of the Temporary Community
Council and Block Representatives
of Advisory Board Poston 3

November 18, 1942

Meeting of the Temporary Community Council and Block Representatives of Advisory Board Poston 3 held on November 18, 1942 at Block 310-9-A, at 9:00 A.M. was called to order by Chairman Harvey Iwata.

Roll Call: All Councilmen present at the meeting with the exception of Block 330 being absent.

Chairman Iwata at this time introduced Mr. Jounoguchi, Advisor of Block 307, successor to Mr. K. Mayeda, who had resigned from that position.

Chairman Iwata then gave a brief resume of Mr. Myers address and the questions asked and answers given at that time.

Report was then made by Chairman Iwata as member of the clothing committee meeting held in Poston 1 on November 17, 1942 with Miss Nell Findley:

During the months of July, August, and September all residents regardless of members of the Work Corps or not will receive clothing allowances for the months he had been a resident of Poston for 15 days of the month or more. In other words, Poston 3 residents are as a whole to receive clothing allowances for the months of August and September. The Block Managers are to handle the filling in of the Basic Family Cards and the Welfare Department to handle the making out of the clothing allowances.

Clarification was made as to the status of deductions for clothing issued to date. At present the ruling is that clothing issued prior to October 21, 1942 will not be deducted from the clothing allowances and clothing issued later than that particular date will be deducted. Miss Findley is attempting to try to get this ruling changed so that all clothing issued to date will not be deducted from the clothing allowances.

There has been various donations of recreation materials from CAUCASIANS from the outside to Poston 3. According to information received, the Press Bulletin is not permitted to publish such donations. Community Activities Committee to investigate into this fact and report same at the next meeting.

Matter brought up by Chairman Iwata in which the Temporary Community Council and Block Managers are requested by George Furuta, Chairman of the proposed Xmas Bazaar, to act as sponsors of this particular event. The bazaar is to be put on by various departments in Poston 3 and whose funds or profits are to be used solely to give a Xmas Party for children of 12 years and under and for welfare distribution to the needy in Poston 3. The event entirely is to be that of selling

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merchandise and foodstuffs and definitely no games of chance to be permitted. Mr. Furuta is contemplating raising about \$300 profit to take care of all the expenses of the party and welfare distribution.

Social Welfare Committee requested to acquire more facts about this bazaar and report at the next meeting.

Report was made that the reason why electric lights are not being put up in the streets was due to electric wires being frozen in the warehouses. Supply and Transportation Committee to look into this matter. The committee is also to get clarification of who are permitted to use present bus facilities.

In regard to information to be given to the residents of Mr. Myers' address, it was decided to give information that would be of interest to the residents--such as wage scale, clothing allowances, Trust Fund, charges against community Enterprise, etc.

Nomination Committee consisting of Mr. Umezawa, Mr. Kubota and Mr. Suyeda to nominate or recommend persons to serve on the Judicial Committee reported that they were still in the process of considering candidates.

The meeting was then adjourned by Chairman Harvey Iwata.

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Temporary Community Council
and Block Representatives of
Advisory Board of Poston 3
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Meeting of the Temporary Community Council and Block Representatives of Advisory Board held on Tuesday, December 1, 1942, at Block 310-9-A Councilroom, at 9:30 A.M. was called to order by Chairman Harvey Iwata.

Roll Call: All Councilmen present at the meeting with the exception of Block 325 and 330 being absent from the meeting.

Chairman Iwata called for reports of the committees:

1. Treasurer's Report--Ed Takahashi
First allocation check from Community Enterprise \$340.66
Second Allocation check from Community Enterprise 391.55

Allocations made to date read to the meeting.

2. Christmas Bazaar--December 11, 12, and 13, 1942
The Christmas Bazaar is to be sponsored by the Block Managers of Poston 3 with the approval of the Community Council of Poston 3. According to the plans made by Chairmen George Furuta and Sam Fujita, the Temporary Community Council Poston 3 will have charge of Recreation Hall 318--toys, candies and cigarette departments during the bazaar.
3. Social Welfare Committee
The Block Managers are filling in the Basic Family Cards for clothing allowances for the months of July, August and September and the Social Welfare Department are handling Form No. WRA-93--Clothing Allowance Orders. Work is progressing as fast as possible, but it is not still definite as to when clothing allowances will be issued to the residents.

Discussion was then opened for Community Council participation in the Christmas Bazaar during December 11, 12, and 13, 1942. As stated by Councilman Mack Kadotani, all the details of booth constructions and equipment will be taken care of by the Block Managers, Construction Department and the Maintenance Departments. The only work to be done by the Council was the displays and sales. Community Enterprise Committee and Mack Kadotani appointed by Chairman Harvey Iwata to look into the arrangements of booths and working personnel of this bazaar.

Discussion brought up to status of two members of the Emergency Committee--Messrs. Kagiwada and Fujisawa--on the Planning Committee due to the fact that the Emergency Committee has been formally dissolved.

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It seemed the general opinion of the Council and Advisory Board that it would be best to get a clarification of their status before proceeding with the work of the committee. Committee members at present are:

Councilmen:	Kay Hanada and Jimmy Takashima
Advisory Board:	M. Ozawa and S. Shirazawa
Block Managers:	Toru Ikeda and Ichiro Okada
Emergency Committee:	Frank Kagiwada and Mr. Fujisawa

Matter brought up in which one of the evacuee carpenter employed on the project through no fault of his accidentally lost two fingers and whether that individual was entitled to compensation insurance or any other individuals under same circumstances disabled by accidents while working. Labor Committee to check into this matter with Project Attorney Ted Haas and Mr. Kennedy.

Advisor Shirazawa brought up that he had met Mr. Nagai in Poston 1 the day previous and that Mr. Nagai had asked for an opportunity to address the Council, Advisory Board, Block Managers and Emergency Committee in regard to Poston I's position and basis in agreeing to having a trial in Poston for Mr. Uchida. Assent given to this request by majority of meeting and will be held at Block 306 Recreation Hall at 2:00 P.M., December 2, 1942.

Suggestion made by Advisor Shirazawa that some means of appreciation should be shown by the Council and Advisory Board for the efforts and cooperation given them by the Block Managers and Emergency Committee in the recent disturbance. Motion made by Councilman Jimmy Takashima to hold a reception to show our appreciation. Motion voted upon and passed in favor. Decided upon to hold reception on Tuesday evening, December 8, 1942, at Block 310 Dining Hall at 7:30 P.M. The following persons named to have charge in arranging this reception: Kelly Yamada, S. Shirazawa, Mrs. Mabel Hibi, May Tanaka, Dr. Namiki, Ed Takahashi, K. Umezawa, Mr. Sueda and Mr. Jonnoguchi.

Treasurer Ed Takahashi and Community Enterprise Committee--Masao Otani to look into the matter of new budget allocations.

Advisor Hasegawa brought up the fact that in some other relocation centers, residents have been paid through the Month of October and clothing allowances have been paid to date. Mr. Hasegawa requested to get actual instances and confer with Masao Otani and Ed Takahashi who are to check as well on what actions are being taken to bring cash advances and clothing allowances payments up to date.

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With the assent of the members present at the meeting, it was decided to change time of regular Council meeting to 2:00 P.M. every Tuesday instead of 9:30 A.M. every Tuesday.

The meeting was then adjourned by Chairman Harvey Iwata.

Meeting of the Temporary Community Council
Block Representatives of Advisory Board
and Block Managers Poston 3

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Meeting of the Temporary Community Council, Block Representatives of Advisory Board and Block Managers of Poston 3 held on Tuesday, December 8, 1942 at 2:00 P.M. at Block 306 Recreation Hall was called to order by Chairman Harvey Iwata.

Law & Order Committee--Kay Hanada--presented the following report to the Council:

About 3 weeks ago, several 8th grade school boys attending school had formed into a gang and caused trouble among other children. Some of the incidents occurring were:

- a. One boys was beaten up, resulting in numerous bruises
- b. One boys who had a birthmark on his neck underwent rather rough treatment on that spot by these boys using their pocket knives trying to scrape off the birthmark
- c. Instance where one boy was made to remove his trousers in class--presumably when the teacher was not in class. Another instance where another boy was made to remove trousers on the school grounds.
- d. One student made to sit on desk in class upon a threat of a beating. When questioned by teacher, boy said he was told to do so, whereupon this boy was beaten after class.
- e. Especially younger and weaker boys were forced to play unwillingly upon the threat of a beating in rough football games resulting in bruises.
- f. Destroyed the chair of one boy because he did not take it home as the boys demanded.
- g. Forcing weaker children to do things they are unwilling to do.

Discussions and opinions were then opened as to what actions or solution can be arrived at to settle this matter.

1. About 5 or 6 members from the Council and Advisory Board form into a committee and see each of the parents personally, and try to have the parents influence the boys in regard to this matter.
2. Have a committee of councilman, block manager and issei advisor make periodic visits to the classes and playgrounds and observe what is going on.
3. Have the Council take the matter up personally with Mr. Potts and try to have something done about it.
4. Pressure from the Council would indicate to the parents it is serious enough to try to influence the children's behavior
5. The point to be considered on this matter is that such things must not happen in the future, since many of the parents of the victims are considering taking matters into their own hands. In other words, try to avoid any trouble arising in Poston 3.

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6. Representatives from the Council, Advisory Board, and Block Managers with parents of the boys go to the school and try to impress upon the students of the 8th grades the importance of not causing trouble in school and on the playgrounds.
7. Mr. Potts should be notified of this occurrence and advice given or recommendations given for more supervision of recess periods and during the classrooms.
8. Get the parents and boys involved and tell them about this so that both the boys and the parents will understand the seriousness of the situation.
9. Form a committee of Council, Advisory Board and Block Managers representatives and also Councilman, Advisor and Block Manager of the respective block of the boys see the parents personally to try to influence the boys as well as to see Mr. Potts to try to get some cooperation.

It was decided upon by the assent of the members present to form a committee of representatives of the Council, Advisory Board, Block Managers and respective Councilman, Advisor and Block Manager of the blocks of the boys to see the parents of the boys and Mr. Potts in regard to this matter. Committee appointed were:

Councilmen: Harvey Iwata, Kay Hanada, Mrs. Mabel Hibi
Advisor: S. Shirazawa
Block Manager: Tom Sakamoto

CAMOUFLAGE FACTORY PROJECT

Minutes of the Camouflage Factory Meeting with representatives of the Council, Industry, Employment, Block Managers, Santa Anita Camouflage Workers, Mr. Mathiesen, Mr. Kennedy and Mr. Burge, held on December 5, 1942 was read to the meeting.

Points brought up were:

1. Plan I, it says no clothing allowances will be paid, but the point is whether medical attention and education will still be provided to the workers?

Yes, Medical attention and education will still be provided to the workers.

2. In the event there are two members from the family working in the camouflage factory, are both members deducted \$25.00 each for subsistence charges?

3. In the event the head of the family is working on another job in the project and the wife is working in the net factory, would the \$25.00 subsistence deduction be made?

Yes, the \$25.00 subsistence deductions will be made regardless of whether the head of the family is working on another job.

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4. If the head of the family is working in the camouflage factory, according to Plan 3 and 2, the worker and his dependents will get clothing allowances. Suppose only a member of the family is working in the project and not head of the family, would the entire family if they are dependents get the clothing allowance? How about in the case of another member of the family working on the project and one in the camouflage. Under whom would the dependents get the clothing allowance?
5. Suggestion was made that all the ballots of vote on camouflage project be pooled consisting of ballots of Poston 1, 2 and 3.
6. In the event the Trust Fund idea is accepted, will there be a separate Trust Fund in each of the three units, or will one Trust Fund apply to the three units?

It was decided to consider the points of the camouflage project as given and also wait for more clarifications on various points before being presented to the residents of the blocks.

Matter brought up by Councilman George Horibe in regard to donations of food being asked by events to various mess halls and asked whether any remedy can be made to stop such donations. The matter is to be taken up with Mr. Burdick by the respective blocks.

Chairman Harvey Iwata due to necessity of attending another meeting left the chair to Vice-Chairman Kelly Yamada.

A suggestion was made by Block Manager Jay Nishida that the Council present a resolution to the Administration to have the time schedule set half an hour later than it is at present. Discussions held for and against this suggestion. Motion was then made by Councilman Kay Hanada to present a resolution to the Administration to have time schedule set back one-half hour, starting work at 9:00 A.M. Motion seconded.

Proposal was then presented that this matter at first be taken up with the Mess Department and Poston 1 without whose cooperation the change cannot be made.

Motion then made by Block Manager Fred Katsumata that the previous motion be tabled for the present time. Motion seconded, voted upon and passed unanimously in favor.

Councilwoman Mrs. Hibi asked if measures can be taken to move the fence on the southern boundary, which will be three hundred feet from the road, further, as many people would like to farm in that area. Also, the residents would like the number of wires on the fence reduced to two strands which is considered sufficient to keep the cattle out, and it will permit the residents to go in and out through the fence more easily.

The meeting was then adjourned by Vice Chairman Kelly Yamada.

Meeting of the Temporary
Community Council, Block
Representatives of Advisory
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December 15, 1942

Meeting of the Temporary Community Council and Block Representatives of Advisory Board of Poston 3 held on Tuesday, December 15, 1942 at Block 310-9-A at 2:00 P.M. was called to order by Chairman Harvey Iwata.

Roll Call: All blocks were present with the exception of Blocks 318, 325 and 330 being absent from the meeting.

Chairman Iwata at this time called for committee reports:

1. Law and Order Committee--Kay Hanada
According to the discussion held on the evening of the appreciation party of the Council, Advisory Board, Block Managers and Emergency Committee, it was decided to let the matter of 8th grade boys stand until after the Bazaar. But since quick action was necessary, a committee of Kay Hanada, Mrs. Mabel Hibi and Yoshio Mamiya saw Mr. Potts Mr. Tashiro and Mr. Tsuneyoshi and showed the letter.

Since it was in regard to school matter, the school staff felt it was best to let the school handle this matter by first approaching the boys on the matter. If this failed upon the consent of the Council, they wished to call in the parents of the boys to try to get some action from them. The committee of 3 felt this would be the best action to be taken.

Kay Hanada this morning checked upon the matter by interviewing some of the victims and the parents of the victims as well who reported that conditions have improved a great deal. Conversation with Mr. Potts was that all the boys had been given a good talking and expression of hope that they would get along harmoniously with each other.

Also ruling had been made that all knives being carried on students while on school premises would be taken away from them. There seems to be some objection by the students on this matter.

Discussion brought up that it was probably best to let the Parents and Teachers' Association handle this matter about asking students to leave their knives at home.

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2. Labor & Employment Committee--Mack Kadotani
According to Mr. McIntyre, since the employees on the project are under the WRA and on the federal payroll, the Federal Compensation Laws will apply to all persons injured or disabled on this project. Form No. 92 should be filled out by those applying.

Discussion was then opened for camouflage factory project:

1. Suggestion made that all the votes for 3 units be pooled
2. Make a counter-proposal for wages equivalent in outside defense work, or for at least \$1.00 or \$1.25 per hour.
3. Ask for 1¢ per square foot.
4. We should not turn down the camouflage net factory because even if wages are low, that is one source of bringing outside money into the project and would benefit the people in general.
5. The Council should not take any definite stand as to whether they are for or against the camouflage factory. We should have a joint meeting with the Block Managers to get points straightened out as to how such matter is to be presented to the various blocks.

It was decided upon by the meeting to hold a joint meeting with the Block Managers at their next regular meeting, Friday, December 18, 1942, at Block 329 Recreation Hall.

3. Treasurer's Report--Ed Takahashi
In Poston 2, the Community Council gives a lump sum of the Community Enterprise allocation to the Community Activities Department for division. Suggestion was made that Poston 3 Community Council also take the same procedure.

Report was made that \$360 will be left for allocation after previous allocations have been paid in full and after deducting expenses.

Motion was made by Kelly Yamada and seconded by Akira Yebisu that the Community Council appropriate \$250 to the community Activities Dept. for division. The Community Activities Department is to send statement of allocations to the Council. Motion was voted upon and passed in favor of this motion.

Matter of renting mimeograph machine for duplication purposes brought up. Possibilities of renting machine from G. Ikuta and San Diego Church brought up. Roy Koga to check upon the matter and report at the next meeting.

Councilman Ed Takahashi, requested that Council take action into obtaining dieticians' iceboxes for the various mess halls which is reported to be in the warehouse at Poston 3. Request is also made for another reefer in which to store meats properly to prevent spoilages. Aprons and uniforms for kitchen workers are asked for.

Request also made for obtaining pea jackets for school teachers.

Councilman Jimmy Takashima, requested to check into the above matters and report at the next meeting.

Matter brought up by Councilman Takeo Yabuta that due to the fact that residents in Block 328 have relatives in Poston 1 and Poston 2, they requested that some sort of taxi service be provided for such visits to relatives. At the present time, only official visitors are permitted to obtain transportation on the regular buses. It was thought the best solution was to have a schedule so that rationed number of non-official visits to Poston 1 and 2 may be made on the regular buses. Councilman Jimmy Takashima to check on this matter as well as on the blanket order of gas rationing applying to all departments, since it was felt that such rationing should be made on the necessity of some departments.

SOCIAL WELFARE

Councilman Akira Yebisu stated that according to Miss Phyllis Kamiya of the Social Welfare Department, she is planning upon having an old people's home in Block 310-2-C & D. The purpose is to have the old people who cannot adequately take care of themselves and also without relatives or anyone to look after them see that they are taken care of. There are evidently sufficient volunteer workers under WRA payroll to look after the older people. At present the location is being occupied and therefore this project cannot be started right away. Matter to be checked upon by Chairman Harvey Iwata.

Councilman Moto Asakawa presented the boy's side of the misunderstanding that occurred in Block 326 Dining Hall on Sunday, December 13, 1942. According to the boys, the police were very arrogant in their attitude, especially Police Chief Ken Sato who demanded that the boys speak Japanese since they were Japanese.

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According to facts presented by Councilman George Horibe, who had witnessed the incident, it seemed that 4 or 5 boys tried to take away a bottle of pop someone was already occupying, and that started all the trouble. The kids became rather rambuncious. Attitude of the police in this state was not to try to scold the boys, but to try to stop the trouble.

The meeting felt that this incident was not so serious and it seemed that the matter had been settled to satisfaction, so no action was recommended be taken on this matter for the present.

BAZAAR

Chairman Iwata asked for recommendations or suggestions of the Council in regard to bazaar welfare distribution:

- a. Reserve some fund for future emergency welfare cases. It was voiced that this would be advisable and arguments presented that setting aside such a fund would cause criticisms from various residents. Some thought that in that the bazaar had been given on the basis that such funds are to be distributed, it was best not to have a fund set aside.
- b. It is up to the Councilman, Block Manager and Advisor to determine who are the ones to receive assistance by the bazaar funds.
- c. Suggestion of the welfare distribution committee is to present all the bachelors above 50 years of age with cigarette money as Xmas present. Opinions voiced in that there were a great number of men above the age of 60, it would be best to draw the line at 60 years and above. If there are any cases where men below 60 years of age need assistance, such persons should be given special assistance.
- c. If there are any reserve funds, turn such funds over to the Social Welfare Department.
- d. Divide the fund equally among all the blocks and let the blocks themselves do their own welfare work. This idea was not thought to be very practical due to the fact that there are more needy cases in some blocks and hardly any in other blocks.

Mr. S. Shirazawa of the Advisory Board presented in Japanese the requests made by the isseis in Poston to the Spanish Consul, Hon. F. DeMat. Letter sent to the Spanish Consul read to the meeting by Chairman Harvey Iwata. Points in the letter explained by Mr. Shirazawa and Mr. Hasegawa. Changes were made in regard to requesting for reconstruction of sewage disposal plant.

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Suggestion brought up by Advisor Shirazawa that removal of the fence around the immediate area of the camp was due largely to the efforts exerted by the Administration; therefore we as the Council and Advisory Board of Poston 3 on behalf of the people should at least send a letter of appreciation to the Administration. This suggestion was given general assent to and secretary instructed to send letter to that effect to Mr. Wade Head, Project Director.

The meeting was then adjourned by Charman Harvey Iwata.

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Special
Meeting of the Temporary Community
Council, Advisory Board, Police
Department, Gerald S. Wumino and
Boys & Parents

December 16, 1942

Meeting of the following members held at Block 310-9-A on Wednesday, December 16, 1942, at 11:30 A.M. was called to order by Chairman Kelly Yamada in the absence of Chairman Harvey Iwata:

Councillmen: Kelly Yamada, Mack Kadotani, Jimmy Takashimas, Akira Yebisu, George Horibe, Tom Mukai, Mabel Hibi,

Advisors: S. Shirazawa, K. Umezawa, T. Yamashita, Mr. Hiramatsu

Policemen: Chief Ken Sato, K. Manaka, S. Oda, T. Tajiri, G. Kageyama, Jack Sakai, Mas Iwaihara, H. Uyeke, F. Morikawa, Y. Tanouye, Rio Abe, Ben Mayeda, Carl Shogi, Thomas Tsunori, Frank Yonekura

Boys: William Tsunoda, Nobu Honda, Kiyoshi Nakamura, Charles Iguchi, Carl Kaneyuki, Chester Kaneyuki, Willie Okamoto, Tetsu Hinaka

Others: Mrs. Fumino Honda, R. Kushino, Iwao Ishino, Togo Yamauchi, Tak Hamaguchi, Takeo Asakawa, Joe Ohashi, Gerald S. Wumino

Chairman Yamada asked Mr. Nobu Honda to present his version of the incident to the meeting:

Mr. Honda: Saturday noon, December 12, Joe Ohashi said that they needed diswashers at Block 316 Mess Hall and so we worked. As a result he gave us work-cards permitting us to the dance at Block 327 Recreation Hall and to the refreshments at Block 326 Mess Hall. There were about 16 boys in this particular group. We sat down and ate one plate, and while we were eating, the place gradually filled up, but there were still lots of places unoccupied.

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It happened that 30 Squares fellows had finished one place and moved down to a second plate near us, leaving one place between this group and theirs. Some of the fellows from our group thought it was all right to eat the remaining plates so while eating, a fellow from Camp 1 came over and took a full bottle of pop from in front of one of the boys and put an empty one there. There were other fellows from Camp 1 at the other table who snickered and thought it was funny. Therefore as we were finished and going out the door, an explanation was asked of this particular fellow from Camp 1 for this action. The other party said that you boys should not have drunk two bottles. Why was the police from Camp 1 here when there was no reason for their being here? When Ken Sato came up, he took sides with the Camp 1 people.

Ken said something in Japanese so I said, "why in the heck don't you explain it in English?" As soon as I said that, there were some kibeiis present who started yelling "yatare, yatare". One big fellow in a tan sweater grabbed Charlie Iguchi by the head and hit him in the mouth. Charlie maybe took a swing at this fellow that hit him.

Yoshio Mamiya came in and broke this up. We all went outside and Kats Manaka was trying to get the general viewpoint. Ken Sato said that he would like to get the fellow that told him to talk English since he would like to beat the heck out of him.

Next day we heard that Ken Sato was looking for these boys in regard to this matter. That's all I know.

Ken Sato: "I had come in with Gerald Munino and was sitting up toward the front eating. I didn't notice anything unusual until there seemed to be a commotion at the door. Therefore I got up and went into the midst of it to stop the trouble. I said in Japanese: 'We're all Japanese and on account of one bottle of soda, it is not worth talking or fighting about.' I said this in Japanese because there were quite a number of issels and these boys being Japanese, I naturally thought they would understand Japanese. The boys here know that I stopped the fight and didn't take sides with the Camp 1 police. When I got outside, I heard them saying that Ken Sato talked in Japanese and I don't remember saying that 'I would beat the heck out of the boy who told me to talk in English.'"

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Nobu Honda: He knows that we were niseis. I don't see why he does not speak in English.

Kelly Yamada: There are rumors going around that you are going to beat up the police.

Nobu Honda: Why did Ken Sato take sides with the Camp 1 police people?

Ken Sato: I did not take sides with the Camp 1 police, I just went in there to stop the fight or there would have been plenty of broken bones. I spoke Japanese because there were isseis there and naturally I took it for granted that Japanese would know Japanese.

Policeman: About 20 fellows were gathered at the exit door and Ken knew there would be a fight so he said in Japanese: "Don't fight over a bottle of soda pop." I really think that if it wasn't for him, there would have been a big fight.

K. Tsunoda: After we started to go home, Ken Sato came out and hollered something at us in Japanese.

K. Sato: I said, "We are Japanese, so why don't you know Japanese". What I want stopped are rumors that the camp 3 police started the whole trouble.

Nobu Honda: What I couldn't understand was that after I heard his explanation, I never thought that a police officer would take sides with any group. It isn't in the code of police to take sides. He blamed the whole trouble on us.

Policeman: He never took sides. He only said that there was no necessity, that it is not necessary to fight over one bottle of soda.

Ken Sato: I did not take sides with any group. All I said was that there was not necessity of fighting over one bottle of soda.

Nobu Honda: You said that you are a Jap and I am a Jap, and why shouldn't you talk Japanese. You told us that it was our fault and you took sides with the people from Camp 1. I think it was all right on our part to get an explanation from the Camp 1 fellow why he did such a thing.

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Tetsu Himaka: From what I hear the Boston 3 police told the square 20 boys to stay back and when they give the signal go into the fight.

Ken Sato: If such a thing was said, it was not the Camp 3 police. It might have been a Camp 1 policeman.

Moto Asakawa: This trouble is an accumulation of what has been going for some time and we are here to get the details and the matter cleared up, and where we can give or take we have to do so to get along together.

Ken Sato: This matter came up because the removal of two policemen from the force has been asked. If this was just a recommendation or a suggestion, it is public already.

We left the 327 Recreation Hall. Gerald Wumino and I walked over to 326 Mess Hall and set up in front. When the boys were going out, they were pointing at this one fellow from Camp 1 Police Department and what I heard was that they were arguing over a bottle of pop. So I went to Nobu Honda and told him don't fight over a bottle of pop in Japanese. I felt that the issues present should hear as well, so I said in Japanese. Right away, Honda said, "Why in the heck don't you speak in English", and right away trouble started. People were swinging and some grabbing bottles and I got into the midst of it and stopped it. They all went outside.

Kata told me that these boys were arguing because Ken Sato spoke Japanese and so I told them that "those who cannot speak Japanese are tsunaranai mono."

Joe Ohashi: I personally invited the Police Department of Camp 3 and they in turn invited the Camp 1 police. I let the boys in since they helped with dishwashing during the bazaar. They all did not have the work cards because I was short, but I personally told them they could come in.

Nobu Honda: We were invited guests and they started all the trouble there.

Question was then brought up as to whether all the persons present in the 326 Mess Hall that night had been invited or had any right to be there.

Joe Ohashi: All the workers in the bazaar, regardless of how many were invited to the party that night.

Mr. Yamashita of Block 330 was asked to explain what discussion was held in several of the Blocks in Room 3 in regard to this particular incident:

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Mr. Yamashita: Practically all the facts related here were also given at the block meeting. We all had the general idea of trying to settle the matter as peacefully as possible and try to do away with hard feelings. According to the story I hear, and something we must be very careful about is that this incident is not just a fight, but something which been accumulating for quite some time. We must all remember that we are young people on one side and that it is the police who have their certain rights and powers endowed upon them as police of this camp. We must remember that they are trying to keep law and order and should impress this upon the boys' minds. We have all been put together in this camp not of our own accord, and it is our duty to get along as harmoniously as possible. We must have the spirit of cooperation and remember that fights do not get us anywhere.

Moto Asakawa: Some of the fellows in our Roku, everytime the cops pass by, they call them "chosen jin and chanko" and you fellows are just taunting the policemen to do something about it.

Nobu Honda: Can any policeman take violence when some person talks back and has the policeman authority to hit anyone. It seems to be that a policeman has certain code to live up to as policeman.

Ken Sato: In this case, the policeman from Camp 1 was off duty and not subject to police codes when off duty.

Kata Manaka: Camp 3 boys and Camp 1 fellows did not know each other and when the one particular person was pointed out as taking the bottle, anyone would think there was going to be a fight. I'm not saying whether Ken was right or wrong in using Japanese, but the way I thought was that Ken Sato stopped the fight and did not take sides with the Camp 1 fellows. If Ken Sato had taken sides with the Camp 1 fellows, we police and I would have been in there fighting too. What we should do, the Council can do about it is to get to know the groups and we can get together and talk it over nicely. I think the Council could work a little more toward that effort.

Ken Sato: I think the Council should take a hand in this matter.

Concerning these 5 fellows tried by the Judicial Commission in Camp 3, they blamed me for Miller stepping in. I wasn't even in Camp 3 at that time.

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I was down in Camp 1 and left word that if anything came up to get me down there. They called Miller to Camp 3 and I didn't know anything about it. We could have patched this up ourselves.

The other night I went up to Camp 1 and talked to Mr. Head, Calvin, Burge and others there and told them that from now on Miller is only to act as advisor to the police department and he is not to step in here at Camp 3 unless I ask him to step in.

Mr. Umezawa: I was told that I had brought up the matter of the trouble to the Council, but I did not bring such a matter up myself. Just as Mr. Yamashita says, young people are very hot-headed and we should take that into consideration when dealing with them and the young boys should remember that the police have certain authorities and you should cooperate with them.

Nobu Honda: In the certain incident that occurred on Halloween night where a person was picked up after being beaten and kicked by the police. Those things should not happen and they are here to protect the people and should try to handle matters in peaceful means, and not use violence.

Mr. Uyeki of the Police Department related his version of this Halloween incident:

Mr. Uyeki: That Halloween night some boys took a bench from around the area of the golf club. The owner asked the police to get it back. The boys were told to return the bench, but they just dropped it and started to run away. Naturally Mr. Abe and I pursued them and finally caught them and asked them to come into the police station. One fellow in particular wanted to fight, so I warned them that since I was judo man they would be taking the risk of broken bones and injuries. He still wanted to fight, and we went at it. I got one of my judo grips on him and subdued him. The other fellow just gave in then.

I then asked them to come to the police station. They still acted as if they wanted to run away, so we had to bring them to the station by force. They were put into the cells and later the matter was settled peacefully with Mr. Wumino, Mr. Sakamoto and others.

At the time I asked them to come to the station they were mad and not thinking clearly and wanted to resist by fighting.

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Charles Iguchi: He said I was not thinking straight because I was mad. It started by my taking the bench and since the manager called at me, I put the bench down and went away. These 10 people came after me, and I did not know that they were cops and therefore I wanted to call a fight one by one. When one of them told me he was a judo man, I told him I gave up and didn't want to fight. But he started to twist my hand and since it hurt so much I slid to the ground and this other guy kicked me and after that I was all shot. But the judo man was still yanking my arm and would not let go until I was thrown into the cell. They locked me up and since I had to go to the latrine so he accompanied me. On the way I told a group of boys about this and soon afterwards this was settled and I was let out.

Ken Sato: You boys know that no charges were made against you at that time and all the records were dropped from the police book. In fact, I tore out the pages myself from the records. This matter was to be forgotten, so let's not talk about it any more.

Mr. Umekawa: When incidents, come up everyone has a tendency to become hot-headed about things.

Ken Sato: You know for yourself that anyone in Camp 1 and Camp 2 will tell you that I always lean back and I have been very lenient toward you fellows. I am asking you to cooperate with me and we don't want any hard feelings. We're all here because we're Japanese and no use having trouble among here and we should try to get along together while we are here. We don't know how long we'll have to be here in this camp.

Nobu Honda: You have Japanese speaking members on the police force and I think you should have members who can all speak English.

Ken Sato: We have to have isseis and kibeis on our force since there are kibeis and isseis in this camp.

Nobu Honda: I think the policemen should act as police officers and not as individuals. I think the police should always accommodate people who cannot speak Japanese.

Frank Yonekura: I think anyone should come into the police station when asked and should not make any resistance, but should take things very peacefully and try to be cooperative in all matters.

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Mr. Yamashita: We should all try to cooperate with the police who have their certain authority and powers vested in them and people should respect that authority. Young people should try to do everything possible in not doing anything that is wrong and behave themselves and also respect the authority of the police. As to whether the police are doing anything wrong, the community will handle this matter so young boys, do not try to take matters up into your own hands.

Jimmy Takashima: We don't want to have troubles as we have had before and before we criticize the police, we should look back on what they have done to help the people. If there are any people in the police department who are not living up to the standards of the police, there will be means taken to try to correct them. The people should cooperate with the police. They have their duties here and we should respect their authority.

Ken Sato: You people know that we try to cooperate and help the people here in camp as much as we can. After all we were all put here and no use having hard feelings. We'll try to cooperate and help the people here and we'd like to have the boys cooperate with us. If there is anything I can do for your boys, just let me know. I'm always glad to help.

Rio Abe: I think something like a parent's association should be formed to give the police advice and counsel in regard to how juvenile cases should be handled.

Mr. Umezawa: We must bear in mind that in Boston 1, there are Caucasian heads who are very technical about cases, but here in Camp 3, the police has been trying to keep such matters settled here in Camp 3 itself.

Joe Ohashi: These boys are all swell fellows and they never have been involved in any trouble until they came here, and I know they will help and cooperate with the police department.

Kelly Yamada: If there are no more discussion to be brought up, I think the police and the boys should shake hands and get to know each other and cooperate with each other.

The meeting was then adjourned by Vice-Chairman Kelly Yamada.

Social Welfare

Meeting of the Temporary Community Council, Block Representatives of Advisory Board, Block Managers, of Poston 3

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Meeting of the Temporary Community Council, Block Representatives of Advisory Board, and Block Managers of Poston 3 held on Friday, December 18, 1942 at 2:00 P.M. at Block 329 Recreation Hall was called to order by Chairman Tom Sakamoto, Supervisor of Block Managers.

Report of the Xmas Bazaar welfare distribution committee given by Harvey Iwata:

Members of the welfare distribution committee are: Dr. Namiki, Block 317; K. Mayeda, Block 307; T. Yamashita, Block 330 Tom Sakamoto, Block 306; and Harvey Iwata, Block 307.

The purpose of the committee is to decide who and what way would be the best to help the needy people. We would like to get from the Councilman, Advisor and Block Manager of the respective blocks a list of the needy families. It is a difficult and touchy problem, and with the cooperation of the representatives, we felt that we can get a good survey on the blocks. We also thought that many of the bachelors are needy, and although we cannot give assistance to all the bachelors, we wanted to get a complete survey. I don't want you to get the impression that we intend to give help to all the people 50 years of age and over. This depends upon the audit of the survey and audit of the accounts of the bazaar and profits of the event.

We may have to start the age of 60 and over, but just for our information, we want to start at 50 years of age and over. If however, there are people at the age of 50 who need special assistance, please indicate by putting a notation that this person needs help then ordinary.

We thought that money was probably the very best form to give such assistance. I would like to have some suggestions:

1. Most of the bachelors would gamble the money away.
2. Instead of giving the whole amount at one time, give them small amounts in installments.
3. Give it to them in form of tobacco or some material form.

Suggestion was made that welfare distribution be made at the same time, if possible during Xmas Eve, that the toys are distributed to the various children. In this way, such distribution can be done in the most inconspicuous way.

It was decided to leave matter to acquiring needy family list to the various blocks to work out themselves.

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Letter read by Harvey Iwata addressed to Council, Advisors and Block Managers requesting approval of these groups to form a Poston Young Men's Association, as well as of the Administration. Purpose of this association as stated in the letter was to cultivate better knowledge of English culture and literature as well as to have an organization for young men. Discussion held on this matter.

Motion was then made by Block Manager Yoshio Mamiya that the body present at this meeting go on record as approving the formation of the Poston Young Men's Association. Motion was seconded by Block Manager Ichiro Okada. Discussion was then held on this motion in which opinions expressed that since the purposes of this organization were not too clearly stated, it would be best to have a definite clarification before approving of such an organization. Opinion were also expressed that such a precaution was not necessary. Mr. Mamiya then withdrew his motion seconded by Mr. Okada.

Motion was then made by Councilman Kay Hanada and seconded by Kelly Yamada that this body send a letter to Mr. Susumu Takao requesting a representative or representatives of this proposed organization to present the purposes of this groups and if possible to bring a rough constitution to present to this body.

Chairman Iwata called for a vote on this motion--it was passed with majority of the meeting in favor of this motion.

Announcement made that a joint meeting of the Temporary Community Council, Advisory Board and Block Managers be held next Tuesday, December 22, 1942, at Block 306 Recreation Hall at 3:00 P.M.

Camouflage

According to Mr. Mathiesen and Mr. Kennedy, since Poston 1 is still in the process of reorganizing its political and legislative bodies. It was felt that it would be best to wait a while before going ahead with the camouflage net project--at least until a recognized official body has been formed in Poston 1 with whom to make negotiations.

J. A. C. L.

Due to misunderstanding, wrong or misleading rumors have been spreading in regard to the action taken by some members of the J. A. C. L. at Salt Lake City at a recent convention concerning the 4C Selective Service classification of the citizens. Mr. Togasaki in answer to a request, presented the following information.

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Mr. Susumu Togasaki: I don't know how to explain things to you people outside of the fact that we did not go to Salt Lake City to represent the people of Poston, or voice the opinion of the whole body of niseis politically, or try to assume a lot of responsibility. I would like to clarify also the fact that the resolution, or to put it strictly on record, it was a recommendation if we argue it technically, and it is not much difference--a request of the J. A. C. L. We felt it was injustice and discriminatory putting the niseis into the classification of 4C, which is considered enemy alien and neutral aliens.

People have brought it to our attention--Caucasian people who have been fighting for us in Washington D. C., who have done back to the East, Middle West and even in California, fighting this evacuee problem--that if this 4C classification was left as it is there might be some tremendous post-war opening for such organizations as the Native Sons, and other anti-Japanese organizations to further their own ends by using this 4C classification to say that since the Japanese-American citizens didn't think enough about their citizenship, that they left it alone, that they don't care enough to fight for it, here's a good chance that they approved it without protest.

That is one view that was expressed and another view together with the American people wanting to help us out by telling us about it, and if we give them a chance to fight for us by showing the American public that after all these niseis are true and trying to do their best under the circumstances, although they have been stepped on that they still have that faith in democracy. The body felt that they could not let down the American Caucasian friends.

Another angle is that the Western Defense Command with General DeWitt is very anti-Japanese and seems to feel that as a measure for safety and protection, they are doing everything possible to make it hard for us to regain our status and on account of that we have to suffer for that.

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The Assistant Secretary of War, McCloy in Washington D. C. is very sympathetic and very favorably inclined and has felt that a grave injustice has been done to us and has been fighting right along the decisions that have come out of San Francisco, and felt that, at least his office has felt, that a thing like this might help the people in the resettlement program.
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We all felt that we were placing ourselves in a spot. The gravity of the situation and everybody that was going back would be put on the spot and actually knew that it meant a tremendous sacrifice in personal feelings against us. We felt that in future years and if we did not put ourselves on a spot that something had to be done in order to show the American people that there are people who are sincerely trying to help.

One way of looking at it might be that I do feel that perhaps the resolution should have read J. A. C. L. is trying to swallow the whole thing and act for the whole niseis, although I have heard criticisms that it was not right for the J. A. C. L. to make such a statement. I would like to make it clear and would appreciate your clarifying to the people you come into contact with. We did not try to go up there and tell them we were representing Poston and the same goes for the other centers.

It happened that an emergency meeting had to be held for the coming budget and carry on problems of resettlement and spent money investigating the sugar beet work and on account of all these things had to look at the overall aspect and this budget problem came up and well as the 4C problem. According to the furor that has been created, in the three units here, I am at a loss to face this problem with outside of an explanation to you people how it happened and why it happened.

The whole thing started with the 4C classification. There is a discussion the possibility of having that used as a double-edged policy to try to take away our citizenship after the post-war period and no matter how we face it, we are up against a blank wall. If we turn one way, we get jumped on and if we turn the other way, we get stepped on. I know the camp has been talking quite a bit about it and I am not trying to place the blame on anyone else, and I feel just as responsible as anyone else that we did send this recommendation of 4C changed. However, on the other side, even we are placed in jail, even if we have been given the wrong deal, we still have our citizenship rights and which we cannot utilize to our fullest extent, we are going to fight on until we get back our rights not only for citizens, but also for the rights of our parents.

There are many things which have gone by--intangible things which we cannot explain, which we cannot publish, that has been to the advantage of the Japanese evacuees which always rebounds by some flag-waver and more stringent regulations are placed upon us and all the good we have been trying to do is left off the records and some other things are being taken up.

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Message was brought to Chairman Harvey Iwata from Poston I requesting that a representative group from Poston III meet with representatives of Poston I and II at Poston I on Saturday afternoon, 2:00 P.M. to discuss camouflage net project. Representatives to attend the meeting from this body were:

Council: Harvey Iwata
Jimmy Takashima
Ed Takahashi

Block Managers: Sam Fujita
Toru Ikeda

Advisory Board: T. Jonnoguchi
I. Kubota
S. Shirazawa

The meeting was then adjourned by Chairman Harvey Iwata.

Meeting of the Temporary Community
Council and Block Representatives
of Advisory Board Poston 3

December 22, 1942

Meeting of the Temporary Community Council and Block Representatives of Advisory Board Poston 3 held on Tuesday, December 22, 1942 at Block 310-9-A at 2:00 P.M. was called to order by Chairman Harvey Iwata.

Roll Call: All Councilmen present with the exception of Block 330 being absent from the meeting.

Chairman Iwata at this time introduced the new members: Takashi Sato, newly elected Councilman of Block 308 Masashi Hayakawa, newly elected Advisor of Block 306

Chairman Iwata then called for committee reports:

1. Transportation and Supply--Jimmy Takashima
 - a. Iceboxes for various block kitchens
According to information given by Ed Takahashi, iceboxes will be distributed to the various kitchens in the near future.
 - b. Clothing for workers, teachers, cooks
Jackets, cooks' uniforms and other clothing are in process of having forms prepared. Miss Findley is trying to get the staff to O.K. giving clothing free of charge through the Welfare Department, about the 17th and 18th.
 - c. Transportation of unofficial visitors
According to Mr. Townsend, there are some non-official visits being made, but he is not able and does not think it necessary to make special arrangements. If the public demands it, he will probably be able to put additional equipment on for this purpose. He felt that arrangements to ration non-official visitors could not be worked out properly and may result in too many non-official visitors.
2. Social Welfare Committee--Akira Yebisu
 - a. Clothing issues to workers
Probably will be issued to workers after January 1
 - b. Clothing allowances
No final time or definite time has been yet indicated as to when clothing allowances will be given. Records are still being worked on as yet.
 - c. No definite policy has been set as to who will receive clothing allowances for the period of October, November, and December, but working on the assumption that all will receive clothing allowances. Possibilities are that specific instructions may come to the contrary.

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c. Old People's Home--Harvey Iwata

According to Mr. Burge, since there are several organizations contemplating the same idea, he hoped that one central organization would present specific plans so that he would be in a position to take action on this matter. Therefore, Social Welfare Department was recommended to present specific plans in regard to the old people's home to Mr. Burge and Miss Findley for their approval.

CAMOUFLAGE NET FACTORY

A committee from Poston 3 went to Poston 1 on Saturday afternoon, December 19, 1942, to formulate plans to be presented to the people and due to the fact that the representatives of Poston 1 did not have full authority to vote upon important issues, it was decided that one representative from each unit meet with Mr. Kennedy on Wednesday morning, December 23, 1942, to formulate plans of presentation.

Points definitely decided upon at the meeting were:

1. Voting shall be by secret ballots--
Actual voting to be done in the various blocks by secret ballots, ballots to be counted for number and put into sealed envelope and taken to one central place where the voting counts will be taken. All 3 unit votes will be counted at one central place.
2. Two separate votes:
 - a. Vote by the general public to decide whether to accept or reject the camouflage net factory.
 - b. Vote by the Work Corps on what plan of fund distribution to be adopted.

Meeting was then opened for discussion, and points raised to be presented at the meeting on Wednesday, December 23, 1942, at Poston I:

1. Community Council Poston 3 has gone on record as endorsing voting age on camouflage net factory approval or rejection at 16 years of age and over.
2. In regard to voting upon distribution of funds, whether that should be decided upon by the Work Corps or by those who are eligible to work in the factory only.

At this time, Mr. Franklin Sugiyama of Temporary Community Council Poston I Chairman requested that Poston 3 Council select one delegate to represent Poston 3 on an observation

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trip to Gila Relocation Center camouflage net project. The purpose was to try to get a clearer picture of conditions and operations of the camouflage project to present to the people.

Councilman Jimmy Takashima was unanimously elected to represent Poston 3 as delegate on the observation trip to Gila Relocation Center camouflage net project.

Memorandum from Mr. Wade Head, Project Director, in regard to dangerous flying over Poston 3 read to the meeting. Secretary instructed to send memorandum to Mr. Wade Head that two pursuit planes flew over Poston 3 south to north, at 9:40 A.M., Sunday, December 20, 1942, about 30 to 50 feet above the barracks.

Motion was made by Kelly Yamada and seconded by Mack Kadotani in compliance to Mr. Head's request to send a resolution to the effect that all important streets in Poston 3 be oiled. Motion voted upon and passed with majority in favor of this motion. Councilman Kay Hanada instructed to draw up resolution to this effect.

Suggestion presented by Mr. Burge through Chairman Iwata that Poston 3 go on records as opening its meetings to the public and that Caucasian Administrative staff members be permitted to attend such meetings. Chairman Iwata asked the opinion of the meeting on this matter. Also opinion asked in regard to suggestion that present Council office be moved to Barrack 8 in Block 310 in order to accommodate large groups.

Discussion was held and the opinion most favored by the meeting is to hold meetings as have been in the past, with the exception that a formal invitation be sent to Mr. Burge and Caucasian Administrative staff members to attend meetings when they so desire. This was thought best in order not to create any feelings of doubt among the residents by holding some meetings as closed and other meetings as open to the public in general.

Committee of 3 Advisors--S. Shirazawa, I. Kubota and K. Umezawa presented the following names as members to serve on the Judicial Commission of Poston 3 for approval of the Community Council:

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First Selection: Dr. I. Takeda
Manroku Matsumoto

Second Selection: Meguru Ozawa
Frank Kagiwada

Councilman George Horibe brought up the request of various residents asking they be permitted to get representatives to go to California to inspect their properties. Councilman Kay Hanada instructed to check this matter over with Ted Haas, Project Attorney.

The meeting was then adjourned by Chairman Harvey Iwata.

Meeting of the Temporary Community
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Meeting of the Temporary Community Council and Block Representatives of Advisory Board Poston 3 held on Tuesday, December 29, 1942, at Block 310-9-A at 2:00 P.M. was called to order by Chairman Harvey Iwata.

Roll Call: Blocks 305, 306, 307, 308, 316, 317, 326, 328, 329 and 330 being present at roll call. Blocks 309, 318 and 322 being tardy. Blocks 323, 325 and 327 being absent from the meeting.

Chairman Iwata at this time called for committee reports:

1. Camouflage--Mack Kadotani

At the meeting with Mr. Kennedy and a representative from each of the 3 units on December 23, 1942, it was decided that since Plan #2--where the worker receives project wages of \$16 and \$19 and turns the rest of the earnings over to the Trust Fund--was not considered fair to the workers themselves, it was struck out entirely and not to be presented to the people at all. In its place Plan #4 was adopted--that of same basis as Plan #3 only in that bonus instead of being flat amount of \$10.00 will be raised according to production. For instance, if the worker produces:

15,000	square feet per month--bonus	\$10.00
20,000	" " " " -- "	15.00
25,000	" " " " -- "	20.00
50,000	" " " " -- "	45.00

Also Plan #4 provides that all of the blocks in the unit, numbering 70 in all will receive each \$50.00 per month for the Block Fund out of the Trust Fund. In so far as the distribution to the various members of the Work Corps is concerned, it will be done so on a merit or point system. The Fair Practice Board and the Employment Department are to determine the merits of all the workers.

According to the plan of the committee, the drawing up of the actual report to be presented to the Councils for approval and discussion are withheld until the report of the observation trip to Gila Relocation Center camouflage net project has been given to the committee.

Points definitely clarified were:

- a. Does the camouflage worker (single man) being deducted \$6.00 for clothing allowance from his earnings, in turn receive \$6.00 for his clothing allowance, or the regular WRA clothing allowances of \$3.50?

Answer: \$6.00 is only an average figure taken in present-

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ing the figures to the project, but the actual deduction for clothing allowance from his earnings is only \$3.50 and he will receive \$3.50 for his clothing allowance from the WRA.

- b. In case Trust Fund plan is adopted, does expense of book-keeping come from the Project (WRA)?

No, the expenses of bookkeeping comes out of the Trust Fund. Present plan is to have the Fair Practice Board keep such books, who in turn is being paid by the WRA.

- c. Can citizens with 4C Selective Service classification be eligible to work in the camouflage factory?

According to Mr. Kennedy, they are citizens and will be considered as such in regard to the camouflage net project.

- d. Can each crew receive their average of amount weaved.

Yes

- e. In case Trust Fund plan is adopted, does this plan apply only to the camouflage work?

Yes, Trust Fund being adopted on the camouflage only applies to the camouflage.

- f. Definite assurance that the contractor will pay for the non-weavers, on the basis of the average amount weaved by the garnishers.

Yes, the contractors will pay the non-weavers definitely.

Secretary instructed to write letter to Mr. Theodore Haas, Project Attorney in regard to why citizens are being classified 4C which is regarded as classification given to all neutral and enemy aliens and also whether any citizen with 4C classification is permitted to work in camouflage net project.

2. Law and Order Committee--Kay Hanada

In regard to whether evacuees are permitted to send representatives to California to see their property, according to Mr. Ted Haas, Project Attorney, the WRA is rather reluctant in giving permits for such purposes. Such individuals may file applications with the Leave Officer and Mr. Kennedy to try to send representatives. If the purpose is to go for complete liquidation, such a thing is more likely to be permitted. There is a WCCA office in San Francisco whose field representatives make trips to examine properties, and if any particular person wishes to have property looked over, they should contact this office.

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It was then pointed out that such field offices would only look after properties left in the custody of the Federal Government and not after private properties.

Instances in which due to lack of police vigilance, private properties had been unnecessarily destroyed or removed was brought to the attention of the meeting. Councilmen requested to bring actual facts to the next meeting upon which action may be taken by the Council.

3. Supply and Transportation--Jimmy Takashima
Letter from Mr. Snelson, Chief Steward to Mr. Burdick, Poston 3 Steward, read to the meeting by Chairman Harvey Iwata in reference to duplication of position of Steward in Poston 3 by Mr. Burdick and Mr. Kitagawa and suggesting that Mr. Kitagawa be given opportunity to find another position.

Since circumstances upon which this letter was based is not apparent to the Council, it was felt that no action should be taken on this matter until complete investigation had been made. Accordingly committee of Supply and Transportation, Employment requested to inquire into the matter working with the Fair Practice Board.

Secretary instructed to write Mr. Snelson asking him to withhold any action until Council had completed their investigation into the matter.

Chairman Iwata presented his resignation as Chairman of the Temporary Community Council to the meeting. He felt that since he had accepted the office of General Manager of the Department of Agriculture, which in itself was a position of great responsibilities and demanding his undivided efforts, he felt that he could not justifiably fulfill both positions efficiently.

Vice-Chairman Kelly Yamada then assumed the chair and opened the meeting for discussion. After deliberation, it was decided with the consent of Chairman Iwata that the Council be given reasonable time to consider the matter. Motion made by Councilman Jimmy Takashima and seconded by Councilman Akira Yebisu that the Council be given two weeks' consideration in the matter of resignation of Harvey Iwata as Chairman of the Temporary Community Council. Motion voted upon and passed with majority in favor of this motion.

Chairman Iwata then again assumed the chair. He stated that Councilman Ed Takahashi of Block 309 had resigned from that position effective as of January 1, 1943. Due to the fact that the resignation of Councilman Takahashi leaves vacant the office of Treasurer and also the resignation of Councilman Rokutani of Block 308 about a month ago leaving vacant the position of Chairman of Finance Committee, it was felt that it was necessary to elect someone for these two positions, combining into one office.

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Nominations were then opened for office of Treasurer and Chairman of Finance Committee. Jimmy Takashima was unanimously elected as Treasurer and Chairman of the Finance Committee of Temporary Community Council Poston 3.

Matter brought up by Councilman Asakawa where attention was called to "Quarantined" signs being not strictly observed by members of the families whose apartments have been quarantined. Report was made by Councilman Yamada that the Police Department have been instructed to try to enforce the quarantine.

Councilman Mack Kadotani inquired as to the reason why meats delivered to the kitchens are not in good condition. He pointed out that at times it was necessary for the cooks to dispose of quantities of meats due to spoilages. According to Ed Takahashi, all meats are in good condition when leaving the iceboxes for the kitchens. He felt it was the carelessness of the drivers in tramping over the meats which caused spoilages. He stated that he had tried to stop such carelessness, but could not get favorable results.

It was decided that the Temporary Community Council write Mr. Wade Head, requesting that some action be taken to better matters in regard to meat spoilages.

Advisor S. Shirazawa, speaking for the Advisory Board, asked the opinion of the Council whether some action should be taken in regard to the recommendation made by the J. A. C. L. at Salt Lake City to the government asking for a reclassification of citizens from 4C which is regarded classification given to neutral and enemy aliens. The advisors felt that an amendment should be sent to that recommendation asking that at the same time the reclassification is made, the rights of the Japanese American citizens be fully restored to them. Also the fact that Poston 1 and 2 had passed a resolution to this effect brought up by the Advisors.

Discussion held on this matter, and since information received by Chairman Iwata and Advisory Board were of entirely different nature on the same subject, it was decided to have a committee investigate fully into Poston 1 and 2 actions taken by the Councils and report to the next meeting. Chairman Iwata appointed the following to serve on that committee:

Councilmen: Kay Hanada, Moto Asakawa, and Akira Yebisu
Advisors: Mr. Nomura, Mr. Jonnoguchi, and Mr. Kubota

Letter from various residents pointing out the inadequacies of Poston 1 hospital to the Council read, especially in reference to the recently deceased Mrs. Koga of Block 309. Councilman Kelly Yamada of Public Health Committee requested to look into the matter.

The meeting was then adjourned by Chairman Harvey Iwata.