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DEFENSE

U.S. War relocation authority, Rivers

GILA RIVER COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.  
Rivers, Arizona



RESULTS OF THE SEMI-ANNUAL ELECTION  
HELD ON September 11, 1944

OFFICERS

President	<del>Kanekichi</del> Kinbachi Shibuya	64- 5-D	Butte
Vice-President	Teizo Yahanda	3-13-D	Canal
Treasurer	Shobei Sasaki*	20- 8-A	Canal
Secretary	Masato W. Kato*	34- 9-D	Butte

\*Re-elected

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

CANAL

Section I

Shobei Sasaki	20- 8-A	Term Expires Sept. 10, 1945	Re-elected
Teizo Yahanda	3-13-D	Term Expires March 10, 1945	Remaining

Section II

Soichi Nakatani	7- 7-A	Term Expires Sept. 10, 1945	Elected
Tsuneyoshi Fujimoto	25- 3-D	Term Expires March 10, 1945	Remaining

Butte

Section I

Genji Endo	33-10-C	Term Expires Sept. 10, 1945	Re-elected
Itsuei Takano	31- 9-D	Term Expires March 10, 1945	Remaining

Section II

Yoriyuki Sato	49- 4-A	Term Expires Sept. 10, 1945	Re-elected
Wataru Kawata	47-13-D	Term Expires March 10, 1945	Remaining

Section III

Shinpei Tanaka	64- 4-C	Term Expires Sept. 10, 1945	Re-elected
<del>Kanekichi</del> Shibuya	64- 5-D	Term Expires March 10, 1945	Remaining
Kinbachi			

CONGRESS OF DELEGATES

Canal

Section I

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Block # 3	Joichi Mizufune (Delegate)	3-11-C
	Tom Fujii (Alternate)	3- 1-C
# 4	Teizo Egusa (Delegate)	4-11-A
	Wasaku Kurotori (Alternate)	4-11-C
# 5	Takeshi Miyamoto (Delegate)	5-10-C
	Hidemi Seiji (Alternate)	5- 7-A
# 6	Hideo Yokoi (Delegate)	6- 8-A <sup>2</sup>
	Kazuo Odashima (Alternate)	6- 5-D



#16	Sakaye Moriya Niichi Imamura	16- 5-A 16- 4-A
#20	Hiroshi Hiratsuka Toyoji Inouye	20- 1-C 20- 2-A
#21	Uhei Suzumura Masuichi Nakatani	21- 8-A 21-12-C
#22	Tokio Shirakawa Takeo Tange	22-12-D 22- 9-B
#23	Masao Shinomoto Noboru Tomisaka	23-10-D 23- 1-A

Section II

Block # 7	Toshiharu Yamashita	7-10-C
# 8	Mokichiro Ishihara Totaro Shintani	8- 1-A 8-10-B
# 9	Ben Iida Shigeichi Mitsuyoshi	9- 6-C 9- 8-B
#10	Takato Hamai Kaori Kuramoto	10- 8-A 10-12-D
#24	Saichi Okada Irving Morishita	24- 5-A 24-11-A
#25	Sataro Hirai Unosuke Yamashiro	25- 9-B 25- 4-C
#26	Kenji Nishida Tatsuzo Yoshimoto	26- 1-B 26-12-C
#27	Kichibei Ito Seiichi Kako	27-12-D B <sup>1</sup> 27-Rec. A <sup>1</sup>
#23	Masao Shinomoto Noboru Tomisaka <u>Butte</u>	23-10-D 23- 1-A

Section I

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Block #28	Shuichi Kuwamoto	28- 4-D
Block # 7	Sataro Takeda	28- 5-A
#29	Tomitaro Isuzugawa Kikuichi Okano	29- 1-B 29- 8-D
#30	George Ikawa Roy Masai	30- 6-B 30- 3-D
#31	Toyotoshi Matsuzaki Kenji Yamaguchi	31-10-A 31- 5-A
#32	Tamotsu Aoki Iwakichi Hayashida	32- 9-B 32- 6-D <sup>1</sup>
#33	Ganichi Mura	33- 3-D
#34	Hideharu Fukuyama Zenpachi Kurakusu	34-14-B 34-11-A
#36	Konosuke Morishita Ichisuke Anano	36-11-D <sup>1</sup> 36- 5-D B <sup>1</sup>
#39	Sadaichi Minamoto Kuntaro Shinazaki	39-13-B 39- 2-D

Section I

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Block #28	Shuichi Kuwamoto	28- 4-D
Block # 7	Sataro Takeda	28- 5-A



#40	Sannosuke Madokoro Seisuke Mori	40- 4-B 40- 8-B
#44	Meijiro Sato Hisashi Fujimoto	44- 9-C 44-11-A
#45	Jim Kai Roy Kiyoji Okumura	45- 9-B 45- 1-C

Section II

Block #46	Matsuo Nagai Nobutaro Kawahara	46- 7-A 46- 3-A
#47	Kiyomatsu Wada Eiichi Taniguchi	47-11-D 47- 8-A
#48	Raitaro Inouye Toshikata Yamauchi	48-10-A 48- 3-C
#49	Masaji Okamura	49-11-C
#51	Toyosaburo Toyama	51-12-B
#52	Hanzo Kurihara Uhachi Hiroto	52- 1-C 52- 5-A
#54	Tokuichi Niimi Riichi Miyoshi	54- 8-D 54- 7-A
#55	George T. Esaki Kazuichi Shintani	55- 2-A 55- 9-C
#56	Hikuto Tom Kurokawa Kuichi Kodama	56- 1-C 56-14-B&C
#65	Eijiro Noguchi Roy Nakamura	65- 6-B 65-12-A

Section II

Block #66	Ataru Nakano Shiro Ishimaru	66-14-A 66- 1-C
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Section III

Block #57	Kiyomatsu Wada Eiichi Taniguchi	47-11-D 47- 8-A
#58	Toshitaro Ishikawa Kazuhiko Araki	57- 1-A 57-11-D
#59	Daisuke Omori T. Goto	58-11-A 58- 8-B
#60	Tsuruzo Hasegawa Shikazo Mano	59-16-B 59-10-C
#61	Yutaka Suzuki Y. Matsumura	60- 7-B 60- 6-A
#62	T. Sugano Eizo Morita	61- 4-DD 61- 9-A
#63	Yoshimitsu Honda Yoshitaro Nagayama	63- 1-A 63- 4-C
#64	Shigeki Ikeda	64-16-B&C
#72	Meijiro Hayashi Tadao Abe	72-12-B 72- 7-D

Section II

Block #73	Yanaginuma, George S. Masao Fujimoto	73-12-D 73- 7-C
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Section III

Block #57	Toshitaro Ishikawa	57- 1-A
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#74 S. Yamabe  
S. Yamaguchi

74-13-C  
74-10-C

Appointed Staff

Mrs. Gordon Brown

81- 7-A

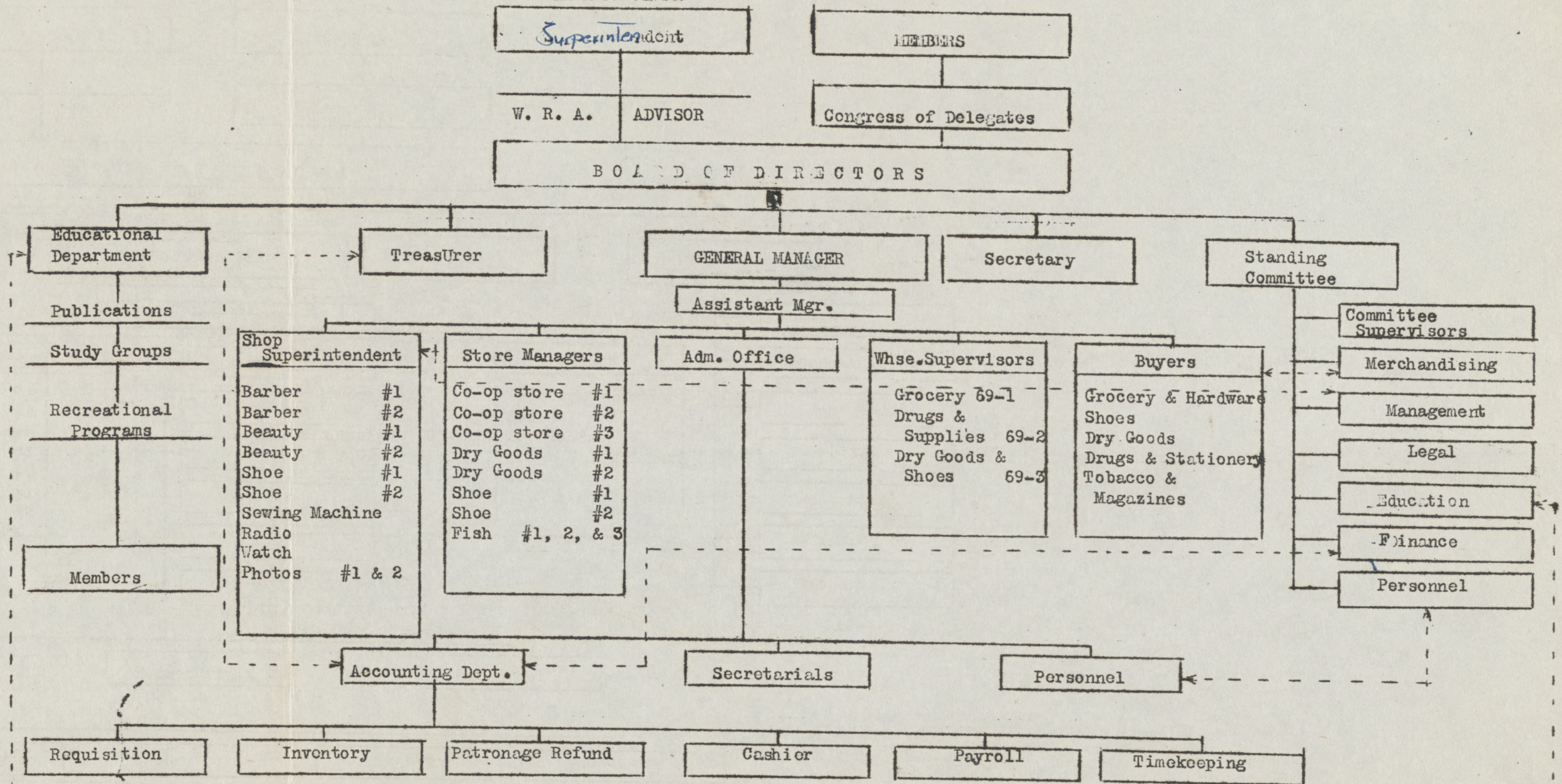
PRINCIPAL EMPLOYEES

General Manager	Bunji Ikenoue	36- 6-D
Assistant General Manager	Masao Sakai	30- 5-B
Butte Supervisor	Itsuei Takano	31- 9-D
Canal "	Kojiro Hamada	26- 1-A
Buyer	Sosaku Uchida	64- 4-C
"	Fred Suzuki	36- 1-A
Chief Accountant	Jim Kai	45- 9-B
Chief Cashier	Takeo Omatsu	22- 7-D
Patronage Department	Satoru Kebo	72- 2-B
Warehouse Supervisor	Konosuke Morishita	36-11-C
General Store #1 Manager	George Yama	4- 5-A
" " #2 "	Genjiro Kawaguchi	61-13-A
" " #3 "	Bill Tamura	66- 8-B
Ration " #4 "	Makin Kariyama	46- 8-B
Dry Goods Store #1 Manager	Noboru Fukuchi	21- 3-D
" " " #2 "	Kisuke Takamatsu	52-14-B
Shoe Store #1 Manager	Shizuto Shimoda	10-12-A
" " #2 "	Nisuke Tsushima	61- 8-A
Barber Shop #1 Supervisor	Hidemi Seiji	5- 7-B
" " #2 "	Fudesuke Okidate	48- 3-C
Beauty Shop #1 Supervisor	Sachiko Yokoyama	23-11-B
" " #2 "	Satsuki Yamagami	29- 8-C
Shoe Repair Shop #1 Supervisor	Chonosuke Hayashi	6- 2-C
" " " #2 "	Tokuma Tabata	54-13-A
Watch Repair Shop #1 & #2 Sup'r.	Noboru Nagayama	30-13-C
Photo Studio #1 & #2 Sup'r.	George Okamoto	25- 7-A
Dry Cleaning #1 & #2 Sup'r.	Jinnosuke Sameshima	28- 9-A
Dressmaking Supervisor	Kimi Hamamoto	51-14-C
Laundry Supervisor	Eizo Morita	61- 9-A
Fish Department Manager	Heibei Ryono	59- 1-B
Butte Supervisor	Itsuei Takano	31- 9-D
Canal "	Kojiro Hamada	26- 1-A
Buyer	Sosaku Uchida	64- 4-C
"	Fred Suzuki	36- 1-A
Chief Accountant	Jim Kai	45- 9-B
Chief Cashier	Takeo Omatsu	22- 7-D
Patronage Department	Satoru Kebo	72- 2-B
Warehouse Supervisor	Konosuke Morishita	36-11-C
General Store #1 Manager	George Yama	4- 5-A
" " #2 "	Genjiro Kawaguchi	61-13-A
" " #3 "	Bill Tamura	66- 8-B
Ration " #4 "	Makin Kariyama	46- 8-B
Dry Goods Store #1 Manager	Noboru Fukuchi	21- 3-D
" " " #2 "	Kisuke Takamatsu	52-14-B
Shoe Store #1 Manager	Shizuto Shimoda	10-12-A
" " #2 "	Nisuke Tsushima	61- 8-A
Barber Shop #1 Supervisor	Hidemi Seiji	5- 7-B
" " #2 "	Fudesuke Okidate	48- 3-C



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## RIVE P.S., ARIZONA





EXPENDITURES FOR STUDY OF CO-OPERATION

<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
6/28/43	Rochdale Institute 2 - 1 Year Subscriptions	2.00
6/28/43	Ohio Farm Federation 2 - 1 Year Subscriptions	1.00
6/28/43	Consumer Co-op Association 2 - 1 Year Subscriptions	.50
6/28/43	Eastern Coop League 2-1 Year Subscriptions	1.00
7/14/43	Allen's Press Clipping Bureau	5.00
7/16/43	Coop League of U.S.A. Books	1.89
7/24/43	Arizona Republic and Gazette Aug., Sept., and Oct. Subscriptions	5.25
8/21/43	Coop League of U.S.A. Books, Magazines and Pamphlets	35.56
8/11/43	Coop League Of U.S.A. Books	53.20
8/20/43	Gila News Courier	9.00
		<u>114.40</u>



GILA RIVER CO-OPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.  
Rivers, Arizona

November 1, 1943

Officers

Tahei Matsunaga	President
Hikotaro Kono	Vice-President
Masato W. Kato	Executive Secretary
Masumi Tajima	Treasurer
Kenji Kitasako	Educational Chairman

Board of Directors

Butte

Section I

		<u>Term Expires</u>
Masakichi Itabashi	32-12-A	March 10, 1944
Tahei Matsunaga	44-6-A	Sept. 10, 1944

Section II

Kichigoro Reusaki	48-14-B	March 10, 1944
Yoriyuki Sato	49-4-A	Sept. 10, 1944

Section III

Shinpei Tanaka	60-9-C	March 10, 1944
Yuhei Oshima	74-2-A	Sept. 10, 1944

Canal

Section I

Joseph I. Omachi	3-12-A	March 10, 1944
Shobei Sasaki	20-8-A	Sept. 10, 1944

Section II

Tsuneyoshi Fujimoto	25-3-D	March 10, 1944
Hikotaro Kono	9-1-D	Sept. 10, 1944

Congress of Delegates

Butte

Section I

S. Kuwamoto	28-4-D	
Alternate: F. Kawakami		23-1-C
Tomitaro Ishizugawa	29-1-B	
Alternate: Jack H. Kitashima		29-4-A
Hachiro Sakai	30-5-C	
Motojiro Iwata	31-10-B	
Susumu Koyamatsu		31-11-A
John I. Fukushima	32-11-D	
Hiyakuichi Murakami		32-2-C
Haruye Kuromi	33-11-C	
Genji Endo		33-10-C
Kazuo Kajiyama	34-3-C	
Uyemon Miyake		34-8-C
Yasuo Shimizu	36-8-C	
Hiroshi Wakiji		36-9-DD
Giichi Nakamura	39-1-C	
Frank Kurogi	40-14-A	
Sozo Ito	44-1-C	



Section II

Matsuo Nagai	46-7-A	
	Nobutaro Kuwahara	46-3-A
Wataru Kawata	47-13-D	
	Eiichi Taniguchi	47-8-A
Yoritaro Inouye	48-10-A	
	Tokutaro Moriwaki	48-12-C
Masaji Okamura	49-13-AA	
Kaichi Matsumoto	51-12-A	
	Tokuhashi Amai	51-12-C
Masayuki Hotta	52-8-C	
	Atsushi Horita	52-7-B
Riichi Miyoshi	54-7-A	
Teruo Ezaki	55-2-A	
Tom H. Kurokawa	56-1-C	
	Tadao Matsunaga	56-5-D
Eihiro Noguchi	65-6-B	
	James Tsujimoto	65-6-A
Ataru Nakano	66-14-A	
	Shiro Ishimaru	66-1-C

Section III

Toshitaro Ishikawa	57-1-A	
Torao Otake	58-4-C	
	Goro Yoshihashi	58-10-C
Kihei Tanaka	59-3-A	
	Toyohiko Nikaido	59-11-B
Utaka Suzuki	60-7-B	
	Teruo Wakita	60-7-D
Tokuhei Matsuzawa	61-10-B	
	S. Hayakawa	61-9-A
Yoshimitsu Honda	63-1-A	
	Yoshitaro Nagayama	63-4-C
Kanehachi Shibuya	64-5-D	
	Fusakichi Tsukahara	64-9-A
Chiezo Miyamoto	72-4-A	
	Yoshio Kadomoto	72-11-A
George Hori	73-5-B	
	Hisaichi Monden	73-5-C
Shigeo Yamabe	74-13-C	

CanalSection I

Teizo Yahanda	3-13-D	
	Eddie Kosugi	3-2-A
Teizo Egusa	4-11-A	
	Yaichi Muramatsu	4-14-C
Takeshi Miyamoto	5-10-C	
Shuhei Terasaki	6-13-B	
Sakaye Moriya	16-5-A	
	Ipppei Shimizu	16-4-B
Kiyoshi Tsuchiguchi	20-4-D	
Noboru Fukuchi	21-3-D	
Mitsuzo Yamane	22-9-A	
Kyutaro Fujimoto	23-3-B	
	Matsujiro Muramatsu	23-6-B

Section II

Isamu Oto	7-6-D	
Kenjiro Egawa	8-5-A	
Ben Iida	9-6-C	
	Yasujiro Ogami	9-9-B
Takato Hamai	10-8-A	
	Giichi Imada	10-9-C
George Fujiwara	24-4-A	
Sataro Hirai	25-9-B	
Kojiro Hamada	26-1-A	
	Kinshiro Gamon	26-7-A
Yoshio Kajitani	27-10-B	
	Y. Ito	27-10-B



GILA RIVER CO-OPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.  
Rivers, Arizona

November 1, 1943

Principal Employees

Principal Office 69-15

Bunji Ikenoue (vacant)	General Manager Assistant General Manager	36-6-D
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Purchasing Department

Sosaku Uchida	Hardware & Grocery	64-4-C
Jun Toguri	Dry goods	52-6-D
Fred K. Suzuki	Magazine, Newspaper, Tobacco, Supplies & Fruits	36-1-A
Harry M. Hasegawa	Stationery, Drugs & Toys	61-8-DD
George K. Hanasaki	Shoes	22-1-B
Benny Matsuura	Shopping Service	5-11-C

Board of Directors Office

Chieko Omura	Chief Steno.- Ex. Secretary	30-14-AB
Shizuye Kido	Chief Steno.- Ed. Chairman	59-7-B

Administrative

Chieko Tsuchiyama	Chief Steno.	60-3-D
Danniel Kawahara	Payroll Master & Sr. Timekeeper	22-7-D
Nobuo B. Asamoto	Sr. Accountant	9-5-C
Sachiye Sato	Sr. Accountant	32-12-B
Yoko Yamamoto	Sr. Cashier	72-13-D
Tetsuzo Mori	Sr. Requisition & Inventory Clerk	23-11-A

Maintenance

Yasushi Ishihara	Chief Carpenter	10-7-C
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Warehouse

Takeo Omatsu	Chief Receiver	22-7-D
Roy Y. Wakasa	Sr. Warehouseman #1 (69-1)	29-1-A
Toshio Kato	Sr. Warehouseman #2 (69-2)	21-13-D
Ray Akira Ishii	Sr. Warehouseman #3 (69-3)	58-3-D
Kiyoshi Takigawa	Sr. Distributor	3-8-B
Eugene Matayoshi	Sr. Truck Dispatcher	36-6-C

Operations

Canteen #1 (Block 4, Canal)

(vacant)	Manager	
(vacant)	Assistant Manager	
Irene H. Takayama	Sr. Cashier	25-7-B
Kimiko Sasaki	General Cashier	16-7-2B

Canteen #2 (Block 58, Butte)

Jurai Nakajima	Manager	40-4-B
(vacant)	Assistant Manager	
Frances Yamauchi	Sr. Cashier	48-3-C

Canteen #3 (Block 42, Butte)

Albert Yonemura	Manager	32-2-B
Shozo Mori	Assistant Manager	34-10-B
Takeshi Yoshida	Sr. Cashier	36-12-D



Dry Goods #1 (Blk. 16-11-A, Canal)

Hatsutaro Masaoka  
Gladys Sonoda

Manager  
Sr. Cashier

8-7-A  
25-6-A

Dry Goods #2 (Blk. 42, Butte)

Makoto Nakano  
Teru Hosaki

Manager  
Sr. Cashier

55-5-D  
48-3-A

Shoe Store #1 (Blk. 16-11-D, Canal)

George R. Hanasaki  
Shaw Yorisane

Manager  
Assistant Manager

22-1-B  
10-4-D

Shoe Store #2 (Blk. 42, Butte)

Roy H. Ishiwari

Manager

52-10-D

Fish Stores

(Store #1 Canal, Blk. 4; #2, Blk. 39 & #3, Blk. 47-Butte)

Sohei Yamamoto

Supervisor

6-9-D

Service Departments

(vacant)

Shop Superintendent

Barber Shop #1 (Blk. 16-10-D, Canal)

(vacant)

Manager

Barber Shop #2 (42-6-A, Butte)

Seisuke Mori

Manager

40-8-B

Beauty Shop #1 (16-10-A, Canal)

Tsuneko Kawada

Manager

24-11-D

Beauty Shop #2 (42-6-D, Butte)

Lillian Matsumura

Manager

36-7-A

Shoe Repair Shop #1 (16-12-D, Canal)

Albert Masashi Hayashi  
G. Hiroshi Nishioka

Manager  
Assistant Manager

6-1-C  
5-11-A

Shoe Repair Shop #2 (42-9-A, Butte)

Tokuma Tobata

Manager

54-13-A

Telegraph Service (42-3-A, Butte; Ad. Bldg., Canal)

Hina Sakaji  
Tazuko Itow

Clerk  
Clerk

49-14-A  
59-10-A

Photo Studio #1 & #2 (Canal, 10-16-D, Butte, 42-5-D)

Masao Nakamura

Manager

54-7-B

General Repair Shop (42-9-B, Butte)

Noboru Nagayama  
Jack Y. Imada  
Daizo Muneno

Watch  
Radio  
Sewing Machine

30-13-C  
10-9-C  
72-4-B



# FIRE INSURANCE

THE RELIANCE INSURANCE COMPANY OF PHILADELPHIA

## Questions and Answers Relative to Personal Property

### Insurance

1. Who is handling the insurance at Gila?  
The Gila River Co-operative Enterprises, Inc.
2. With what company is insurance carried?  
The Reliance Insurance Company of Philadelphia. The Insurance Service Agency in Phoenix, Arizona is the authorized agent.
3. Are individual policies or certificates issued?  
A master policy is issued in the name of Gila River Co-operative Enterprises, Inc. Individual certificates are issued to each person carrying insurance.
4. How soon is insurance effective after application is made?  
When countersigned by the General Manager or designated agent of Co-operative Enterprises.
5. What personal property may be insured?  
Any household furniture and furnishings, household supplies, personal effects, and office and business furniture and equipment, owned by any resident residing on the Gila River War Relocation Project, Rivers, Arizona.
6. What does insurance cover?  
All direct loss and damage by fire.
7. What is the minimum amount of insurance one must carry?  
The minimum is \$200.00 per certificate.
8. What is the rate of insurance?  
The rate is \$1.25 on \$100.00 per annum.
9. Must all of the property of the insured be at one location?  
No. A part of the property may be located in the home and a part in the warehouse within the Gila River Relocation Center. The application must show where the property is located.
10. When must the premiums be paid?  
The premiums must be paid upon application.
11. What are the terms regarding cancellation?  
If certificates are cancelled by the insured under 60 days, the premium will be refunded on pro rata basis. If cancelled after 60 days, minimum premium of \$2.50 fully earned will be retained by the Insurance Company and balance paid back on short-term rate basis.
12. How are losses paid?  
Claims will be paid upon proper proof of loss and are payable to Gila River Co-operative Enterprises, Inc., for all interests, then forwarded to policy holder. Large losses involving several insureds or a large amount on an individual insured will be adjusted by the Fire Companies Adjustment Bureau, small losses adjusted on usual proof.
13. When will applications be taken?  
From January 4, 1944.
14. Where will applications be taken?  
Canal      Dry Goods #1      16-11  
Butte      Central Office      69-15

GILA RIVER CO-OPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.

RIVERS, ARIZONA



# 火災保險問答

ファイラデルフィヤ市  
リライヤンス保險會社

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比良転住所では誰が保險を取扱つてゐますか。

ヒラリバース消費組合で取扱つてゐます。

何と言ふ會社が保險をするのですか。  
ファイラデルフィヤ市のリライヤンス保險會社です。當センターのビジネス代理店であり、ファイラデルフィヤ市の公認代理人保險サービスに保險証又は証券を發行するのですか。

各被保險者に保險証又は証券を發行するのですか。  
親保險証をヒラリバース消費組合に發行します。而して被保險者各自に証券を差上げます。

保險は申込んでから何時より効力を生じますか。  
ヒラリバース消費組合の總支配人又は組合指定の代理人が証券に連署したる時より効力を生じます。

何んな種類の動産に保險が附せられるのですか。  
比良転住所に在る住人所有の家具、裝飾用器、供給品、家族所有品、事務所及商業用道具、器具等であります。

どの程度迄の保險をするのですか。  
直接火災によりて蒙る損害を保險します。

最小保險契約額は何程ですか。  
最小保險契約額は二百弗です。

保險するべき物件は皆同じ場所に置かなくてはなりませんか。  
當センター内であれば或物は住宅にあり、或物は倉庫に保管してある場合でも差支ありません。但し申込書に何々が何処にあると言ふことを明記して置く必要があります。

保險料は如何程ですか。  
保險料は百弗に付き一箇年の保險料一弗二十五仙です。

保險料は何時拂はねばなりませんか。  
保險料は申込と同時に拂つて頂きます。

解約に關しては如何なる條件が附いてゐますか。  
若し被保險者が六十日以内に解約する場合には最小保險料二弗二十五仙は保險會社に收得し、残りを短期保險率に依つて返金致します。

損害に對する保險金の支拂はどんな風に行はれますか。  
損害に對する請求が証明されれば先づヒラリバース消費組合に支拂はれます。而して組合より被保險者に支拂はれるのであります。

但し損害額が大い場合例へば多数の被保險者を含む時又は個人にても損害が大い場合には火災保險會社の調停員の手依りて調査の上精算されます。小さな損害の場合には普通の請求及び証明手續を取ればよろしいのです。

保險事務は何月何日頃から始めますか。  
千九百四十四年一月四日より始めます。

何所でお取扱ひになるのですか。  
第一館府は第一呉服店で

第二館府は六十九、十五の事務所取扱ひます。

ヒラリバース消費組合保險部



GILA RIVER CO-OPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.  
Rivers, Arizona

November 1, 1943

Principal Employees

Principal Office 69-15

Bunji Ikenoue (vacant)	General Manager Assistant General Manager	36-6-D
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Purchasing Department

Sosaku Uchida	Hardware & Grocery	64-4-C
Jun Toguri	Dry goods	52-6-D
Fred K. Suzuki	Magazine, Newspaper, Tobacco, Supplies & Fruits	36-1-A
Harry M. Hasegawa	Stationery, Drugs & Toys	61-8-DD
George K. Hanasaki	Shoes	22-1-B
Benny Matsuura	Shopping Service	5-11-C

Board of Directors Office

Chieko Omura	Chief Steno.- Ex. Secretary	30-14-AB
Shizuye Kido	Chief Steno.- Ed. Chairman	59-7-B

Administrative

Chieko Tsuchiyama	Chief Steno.	60-3-D
Danniel Kawahara	Payroll Master & Sr. Timekeeper	22-7-D
Nobuo B. Asamoto	Sr. Accountant	9-5-C
Sachiye Sato	Sr. Accountant	32-12-B
Yoko Yamamoto	Sr. Cashier	72-13-D
Tetsuzo Mori	Sr. Requisition & Inventory Clerk	23-11-A

Maintenance

Yasushi Ishihara	Chief Carpenter	10-7-C
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Warehouse

Takeo Omatsu	Chief Receiver	22-7-D
Roy Y. Wakasa	Sr. Warehouseman #1 (69-1)	29-1-A
Toshio Kato	Sr. Warehouseman #2 (69-2)	21-13-D
Ray Akira Ishii	Sr. Warehouseman #3 (69-3)	58-3-D
Kiyoshi Takigawa	Sr. Distributor	3-8-B
Eugene Matayoshi	Sr. Truck Dispatcher	36-6-C

Operations

Canteen #1 (Block 4, Canal)

(vacant)	Manager	30-14-AB
(vacant)	Assistant Manager	59-7-B
Irene H. Takayama	Sr. Cashier	25-7-B
Kimiko Sasaki	General Cashier	16-7-2B

Canteen #2 (Block 58, Butte)

Jurai Nakajima	Manager	40-4-B
(vacant)	Assistant Manager	
Frances Yamauchi	Sr. Cashier	48-3-C

Canteen #3 (Block 42, Butte)

Albert Yonemura	Manager	32-2-B
Shozo Mori	Assistant Manager	34-10-B
Takeshi Yoshida	Sr. Cashier	36-12-D



Dry Goods #1 (Blk. 16-11-A, Canal)

Hatsutaro Masaoka	Manager	8-7-A
Gladys Sonoda	Sr. Cashier	25-6-A

Dry Goods #2 (Blk. 42, Butte)

Makoto Nakano	Manager	55-5-D
Teru Hosaki	Sr. Cashier	48-3-A

Shoe Store #1 (Blk. 16-11-D, Canal)

George R. Hanasaki	Manager	22-1-B
Shaw Yorizane	Assistant Manager	10-4-D

Shoe Store #2 (Blk. 42, Butte)

Roy H. Ishiwari	Manager	52-10-D
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Fish Stores

(Store #1 Canal, Blk. 4; #2, Blk. 59 & #3, Blk. 47-Butte)

Sohei Yamamoto	Supervisor	6-9-D
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Service Departments

(vacant)	Shop Superintendent	
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Barber Shop #1 (Blk. 16-10-D, Canal)

(vacant)	Manager	
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Barber Shop #2 (42-6-A, Butte)

Seisuke Mori	Manager	40-8-B
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Beauty Shop #1 (16-10-A, Canal)

Tsuneko Kawada	Manager	24-11-D
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Beauty Shop #2 (42-6-D, Butte)

Lillian Matsumura	Manager	36-7-A
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Shoe Repair Shop #1 (16-12-D, Canal)

Albert Masashi Hayashi	Manager	6-1-C
G. Hiroshi Nishioka	Assistant Manager	5-11-A

Shoe Repair Shop #2 (42-9-A, Butte)

Tokuma Tobata	Manager	54-13-A
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Telegraph Service (42-3-A, Butte; Ad. Bldg., Canal)

Hina Sakaji	Clerk	49-14-A
Tazuko Itow	Clerk	59-10-A

Photo Studio #1 & #2 (Canal, 10-16-D, Butte, 42-5-D)

Masao Nakamura	Manager	54-7-B
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General Repair Shop (42-9-B, Butte)

Noboru Nagayama	Watch	30-13-C
Jack Y. Imada	Radio	10-9-C
Daizo Muneno	Sewing Machine	72-4-B



## CERTIFICATE OF MEMBERSHIP

AMOUNT \$1.00

No. 2327

# Gila River Cooperative Enterprises, Inc.

INCORPORATED UNDER THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION ACT

PAR VALUE \$1.00 EACH

THIS CERTIFIES THAT Student Body of Canal High School

is a member of GILA RIVER COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC. This certificate and the membership evidenced hereby are not transferable except as follows:

The member shall offer to sell this membership to the cooperative, and the directors shall have the power to purchase the membership by paying him its par value. If within 60 days of the original offer the cooperative fails to purchase the membership, the member may dispose of it elsewhere, subject to the approval of the transferee by a majority vote of the directors. Any would-be transferee not approved by the directors may appeal to the Congress of Delegates at its first regular or special meeting thereafter, and the action of the meeting shall be final. If such transferee is not approved, the directors shall exercise their power of purchase if and when such purchase can be made without jeopardizing the solvency of the cooperative.

Each member of the cooperative 16 years of age or over is entitled to one and only one vote, and no member may vote by proxy. Memberships are non-assessable and members are neither jointly nor severally liable for debts of the corporation.

This certificate and the membership evidenced hereby are subject to all the terms, conditions, and limitations of the Articles of Incorporation and By-laws of the cooperative and all amendments thereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the cooperative has caused this certificate to be signed by its President and Secretary and its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed this 14th day of October, 19 43.

*Masato W. Kato*  
SECRETARY

*Takeshi Matsumaga*  
PRESIDENT



WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY

Washington

November 13, 1943

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTICE

Subject: Manual Release No. 31

Distribution: Business Enterprises

Attached is the Manual Section on Business Enterprises,  
Section

30.7.1 to 30.7.11

This supersedes Administrative Instruction No. 26 and  
all its supplements, which may now be destroyed.

Note that Section XIII of Administrative Instruction  
No. 26 (Supplement 5) is not incorporated into the  
Manual, since Government loans will no longer be re-  
quired for enterprises. Likewise, Section II of the  
Instruction (Temporary Enterprises) is omitted in the  
Manual as no longer applicable. Note the regulation  
on employment of enterprises staff, 30.7.8-B. Examin-  
ation of the enterprise accounts by the Project Direct-  
or (Section X of the Instruction) is no longer required;  
and the limitation to one enterprise at a center (Sec-  
tion III-B of the Instruction) has been lifted.

Leland Barrows (signed)  
Executive Officer



1. Business Enterprises are those enterprises at relocation centers which supply goods, wares, merchandise, personal services or entertainment to residents of the center. Such enterprises exist primarily to fill the needs of evacuees. They shall be operated by, and in the interest of, the evacuee population. Business Enterprises may produce, as an incident to their operation, materials and commodities used or sold in their businesses. The basic purposes of Business Enterprises may be stated as follows.

Purposes  
of  
Business  
Enterprises

- A. To aid evacuee residents of centers to obtain goods and services not provided by the War Relocation Authority.
- B. To enable evacuees to procure goods and services at as low a cost as possible.
- C. To provide a means whereby individual needs, desires, and tastes may be expressed and satisfied.

2. Business Enterprises may be organized at centers in the following forms.

- A. A Consumers' Cooperative is the form recommended for permanent business enterprises.
- B. Evacuees may elect to set up a Trust as an alternative to a consumers' cooperative. Trusts shall operate under the same rules and principles as cooperatives, except for the difference in form of organization. (See 30.7.10).
- C. Private enterprises for the sale at retail of consumers goods and services to center residents shall not be permitted.

Forms of  
Business  
Enterprises

3. Consumers' cooperative associations shall be operated according to the following principles.

- A. Unlimited voluntary membership available to all evacuees.
- B. Only one vote for each member, and no voting by proxy.
- C. Limited interest rates and restricted capital investment.
- D. The Board of Directors shall encourage members to plan expansion of services and the addition of new services, provided there is need for such expansions or additions in the community; and provided that they are planned and budgeted and that funds are available to support such activities.
- E. The various enterprises shall operate as departments or branches of the over-all association. There shall be kept in the central accounting and fiscal department for the entire association a separate, but complete, set of records for each department. The cost of maintaining the central accounting and fiscal department shall be shared equitably by all other departments.
- F. All enterprises may be patronized by non-members as well as by members.

Mandatory  
Principles  
for  
Cooperative  
Enterprises



4. The following policies are recommended for cooperative associations:

- A. Payment of patronage dividends wherever possible. This policy is especially recommended for enterprises engaged in the sale of goods, wares, merchandise and commodities.
- B. No credit business;
- C. Sales made at prevailing market prices;
- D. Provision by the cooperative associations of proper informational programs so that members may be regularly informed as to the operation of their association.

Recommended  
Principles  
for  
Cooperative  
Enterprises

5. The Board of Directors of a cooperative association shall conduct the Association's affairs in conformity with all applicable statutory requirements and the Association's Articles of Incorporation and By-laws. The following practices are recommended in the interest of efficient operation:

- A. Adequate records of all operations and meetings.
- B. Bonding of all responsible managers and all other persons handling the association's funds.
- C. Adequate insurance to protect the association from undue loss from any probable cause.
- D. Audit of all records quarterly for the first twelve months of operations and at least semi-annually thereafter. This audit is for benefit of the association and should be in addition to the audit prescribed in Section 30.7.9, Paragraph C.

Responsibilities  
of  
Cooperative  
Associations

6. Members of consumers' cooperative associations should have the following basic rights or responsibilities.

- A. Access to the records of the associations (including minutes of meeting and accounting records) at all reasonable times.
- B. Right to a hearing and representation by counsel before any properly called regular or special membership meeting prior to expulsion from membership.
- C. Proper notice of, and full voice with all other members in, membership meeting.
- D. Eligibility for any office in the associations.

Right of  
Members of  
Cooperative  
Enterprises

7. The WRA will render advisory and instructional assistance to the cooperative associations, but control of the associations will be vested in the members. This assistance shall include training in business and cooperative methods and advice and suggestions to the members and board of directors relative to efficient management and operation. Certain requirements upon the associations are laid down in this Manual, in Sections 30.7.3 and 30.7.9. Assistance rendered a cooperative association shall be contingent upon compliance by it with the requirements in Sections 30.7.3 and 30.7.9.

Relations  
Between  
Cooperative  
Associations  
and WRA



Assistance  
to  
Cooperative  
Associations

8. The WRA will render assistance to Business Enterprises at centers as follows.

A. Upon request of center residents, the WRA, through the Project Director, will aid in the organization of associations. This may include drafting proposed articles of incorporation or by-laws; or plans for setting up the administrative structure; also advice on financing, accounting practices, purchasing, merchandising, personnel training, methods of encouraging membership participation; legal services; information; and advice on consumers' problems.

Organization

B. WRA will furnish only subsistence to individual evacuees employed by a business enterprise. Cash allowances will be paid by the enterprise at the scale of wages and other compensation paid by the WRA to its evacuee employees. (See Section 50.5.9).

Subsistence  
to Employees

C. Business enterprises may occupy buildings constructed at centers at Government expense, but shall be charged a fair rental. This rental will reflect the expenses that would ordinarily be elements in the cost of goods sold if the enterprise were operated by the WRA. The rental rates prescribed include reasonable compensation for depreciation, maintenance, utilities, and, unless otherwise mentioned, heating. All rentals are based on completed buildings, winterized and equipped with stoves; but do not include cabinets, etc. If in a particular case the Consumer Enterprise has borne the cost of maintaining the exterior of the buildings, the rental rate under the applicable plan given below may be reduced at the rate of \$.0625 per square foot per annum for the period involved. If a Consumer Enterprise has borne some part of the cost of winterizing or otherwise completing the buildings, the facts should be reported to the Project Director with a recommendation that the free use of the buildings by the enterprise be authorized for an appropriate period of months. This recommendation should not delay the execution of a license agreement as provided in paragraph D, below. The rental rates shall be as follows:

Buildings

- (1) For each barrack-type building utilized as stores, warehouse or for office space:

Plan "A" - including heat, power, water, rubbish disposal, depreciation and maintenance - 28½ cents per square foot per annum.

Plan "B" - same items as Plan "A" but excluding heat - 23½ cents per square foot per annum.

Rates  
of  
Building  
Rental

If desired, separate agreements may be negotiated under one plan for store space, under another plan for warehouses, etc.

- (2) For building constructed by the War Relocation Authority specifically as stores for the Consumer Enterprises, add six cents per square foot per annum to each of the rates quoted above for the barrack-type buildings.

These rental rates have been computed in accordance with the following table:



Rental Table for 100' x 20' Barrack-Type Building

	Plan "A"	Plan "B"
Depreciation and Maintenance	\$ 350	\$ 350
Power, water, and rubbish disposal	120	120
Heat	100	"
Rental per annum	\$ 570	\$ 470
Rental per sq. ft. per annum	28 $\frac{1}{2}$	23 $\frac{1}{2}$
Rental per month(2000 sq. ft.)	47.50	39.17

- D. The Project Director shall, with the assistance of the Project Attorney, negotiate and execute a license agreement with the business enterprise for space to be occupied by the enterprises. The executed originals of the agreement shall be forwarded to the Director for filing with the General Accounting Office. License Agreement
- E. The WRA shall be reimbursed for wages and other compensation paid employees of business enterprises prior to March 1, 1943. The enterprise shall also reimburse WRA for occupancy of government buildings prior to March 1, 1943, at the rates prescribed in paragraph C, above. If the enterprise is financially able, the entire payment should be made in cash. Otherwise, the obligations for rental attributable to the period prior to March 1, 1943, may be covered by a Loan Agreement executed by the enterprise on Form WRA-166, providing for liquidation of the obligation on or before March 1, 1944, and secured by a chattel mortgage pledging the assets of the enterprise as collateral for the loan. Interest at 3% per annum will be charged on the unpaid balance. The Project Director should also secure a promissory note on Form WRA-167 signed by appropriate officers of the business enterprise. Reimbursement for Prior Assistance
- F. Government materials other than structures will also be furnished business enterprises, when available, on the basis of a fair return to the Government, as follows: Other Government Material
- (1) Large equipment of a durable nature, such as barber equipment, shoe repair equipment, tailoring and laundry equipment, may be either sold or rented to business enterprises. Large Durable Equipment
  - (2) Small equipment and tools with depreciate readily or require continuous accountability because of issuance to individuals, or which may be lost or expended, should be sold. Small Equipment
  - (3) Equipment, fixtures and implements which are installed as permanent attachments or parts of a building, or whether through the nature of installation or attachment are rendered not readily salvageable without excessive loss of value, should be sold. Fixtures
  - (4) Expendable materials should be sold. Expendable Equipment
- G. The War Relocation Authority shall receive reasonable compensation for the repair or maintenance of both Business Enterprise-owned equipment and materials and such government-owned materials and equipment used by the Business Enterprises as shall have been made available to the enterprises pursuant to Paragraph F. Repair of Equipment



H. The rental of equipment should be accomplished through the negotiating of a lease-contract stipulating the rate and period of rental. The period of rental may be for the duration of the emergency or for a specific lesser time but the agreement shall provide that either party may terminate it upon giving 30 days' notice. The agreement shall contain conditions concerning (1) installation, (2) removal, (3) repair and maintenance, and (4) responsibility in the event of destruction, in order that the Government's interests will be protected. The agreement shall also provide that the property may not be sub-leased. The rate of rental shall be negotiated by the Project Director. Such rental charges should reflect (1) condition of equipment, and (2) rate of depreciation, considering appraised value and average longevity under normal usage. The value of equipment and materials for sale or rent, and of repair or maintenance furnished by the Authority, shall be determined by the Project Director. If the Project Director is of the opinion that the best interest of the Government warrants utilizing the specialized knowledge of a qualified, independent appraiser, such services should be secured from other government agencies if available. If not available, such service may be contracted for.

Rental  
Procedure

I. Income derived from the sale or rental of properties and materials shall be deposited as Miscellaneous Receipts.

Receipts

9. The following rules shall be observed by all Business Enterprises organized at Relocation Centers.

Requirements on  
All Business  
Enterprises

A. Evacuee employees of the enterprise shall be hired by the board of directors. Personnel Management may be requested by the board of directors to render assistance in recruiting employees. The enterprise shall pay its employees cash allowances in accordance with the scale of cash wages and other cash allowances established for WRA evacuee employees. Subsistence will be furnished Business Enterprise employees by the Authority. (See 50.5.9)/

Employment

B. Under the terms of a special license issued by the Treasury Department, each cooperative enterprise must at once forward two of the copies of its audits to the appropriate Federal Reserve Bank.

Audits

C. A reserve fund of at least 30% of the total capital assets of the enterprise must be established. This reserve fund is to be accumulated by setting aside at least 10 % of the net surplus - savings and earnings, until the fund reaches this percentage. Thereafter, the enterprise may continue to set aside 10% of its net surplus - savings and earnings as an additional reserve fund. If applicable State laws require larger reserves, such larger reserve shall be established. The cash position of all enterprises must be no lower than 2 to 1. That is, current assets must be twice the amount of current liabilities. Furthermore, patronage refunds paid out to members may not exceed 25% of the net operating profit until a rate of 3 to 1 has been established. This is necessary in order (1) to obtain merchandise, (2) to facilitate payments of equities to evacuees permanently leaving the Project, and (3) to place the business in a sound financial position.

Reserve  
Funds

Cash  
Position



- D. Reports shall be made monthly to the Director by the Project Director on the condition of the business enterprise in each center. These reports shall be made out by the Business Enterprises Superintendent on Forms WRA-233 and WRA-234, and must be placed in the mail not later than the 20th of each month for the month preceding. Reports
10. In the absence of a properly incorporated cooperative, a trust is acceptable as a means of administering a business enterprise. However, it shall be the policy of WRA to encourage formation of incorporated co-operatives and to regard a trust as an expedient to formalize temporary organizations. Trusts
11. Should the residents of a relocation center decide that a Credit Union is essential, necessary or convenient to the needs of residents, they may apply to the Project Director for assistance in its organization. The Washington office will assist Project Directors in this connection, upon request, with plans for organization, suggested articles of incorporation, by-laws, and procedures. Credit Unions

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Supersedes A.E. #26



GILA RIVER COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.  
Rivers, Arizona

ATTENTION TO PATRONS:

Patronage receipts for the period of \_\_\_\_\_  
will be called in by Co-op delegates or other authorized agent.  
Please comply with the following instructions:

1. Turn in receipts SEALED in an envelope as illustrated below  
by \_\_\_\_\_.

Cert. No. _____	No. of Sales Rec. _____
Patrons Est. Amt. _____	
Name _____	
Address _____	

2. Be sure that patronage receipts are arranged neatly in bundles with amounts facing upward. Receipts can be held together by tying with string.
3. Separate receipts into groups of denominations which occur frequently. For example, assemble all 5 cents slips into one group, all 10 cents into another, and so on. All remaining may be arranged into one group.

御買物高記録作成

(一) 今度は一ヶ月分は御買物領収券を集めます。  
(二) 月日までに各區の本組合の代表者又は指定の取極人まで御届け下さい。  
(三) 買物領収券は上下裏表を混同せぬ様に取揃へて下さい。さい、又同額の領収券例へば五仙は五仙、十仙は十仙の領収券を一つの束にして、糸で結び、正確に御計の上状袋に納め封印して下さい。状袋には見本の如く會員証券番號、買物領収券の數、買物高の合計、姓名及び現住所を御記入下さい。

組合員証券番號 _____	御買物高 _____
合計金額 _____	
姓名 _____	
住所 _____	



GILA RIVER COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC  
LIST OF SALES RECEIPTS RECEIVED

Period \_\_\_\_\_

[illegible]



GILA RIVER CO-OPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.

PATRONAGE RECEIPT

No. \_\_\_\_\_

Certificate No. \_\_\_\_\_

Total Receipts \$ \_\_\_\_\_

For Month of \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

GRCE-X S-#829

Verified by \_\_\_\_\_



## PATRONAGE RECORD

Date entered Rivers \_\_\_\_\_

[illegible]



## PATRONAGE RECORD

Moved to \_\_\_\_\_

Date entered Rivers\_\_\_\_\_

[illegible]



\$ \_\_\_\_\_

REVOLVING FUND

No. \_\_\_\_\_

Series A

# CERTIFICATE

OF

**GILA RIVER COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.**  
RIVERS, ARIZONA

THIS CERTIFIES that the patronage refund account of \_\_\_\_\_

(Membership Certificate No. \_\_\_\_\_) with the Gila River Cooperative Enterprises, Inc. of Rivers, Arizona, is hereby

credited with the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ DOLLARS

which shall bear interest from date at the rate of three per cent per annum.

This certificate represents the amount of patronage refunds allocated to the above named patron for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1943, and may be retired or transferred only upon delivery to the Cooperative properly endorsed. The Board of Directors of the Cooperative may, from time to time, and at any time, pay off or retire, fully or on a pro rata basis, or secure a release or satisfaction of this certificate, or to compromise or settle any indebtedness between the holder hereof and the Cooperative. The Cooperative may defer payment of this certificate or any portion hereof for a maximum period of three years.

This certificate is not negotiable and any and all provisions hereof are subject to all the terms, conditions and limitations of the Articles of Incorporation and By-laws of the Cooperative and all amendments thereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Cooperative has caused this certificate to be signed by its Treasurer and its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed the 30th day of June, 1943.

GILA RIVER COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.

(SEAL)

By \_\_\_\_\_

Treasurer



APPLICATION FOR DOMESTIC SERVICE

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby make application to the Gila River Cooperative Enterprises, Inc. for domestic service on the following basis:

1. Rates of Charge:
  - a. \$50.00 per month (8 hours per day).
  - b. \$27.50 per one-half month (4 hours per day).
  - c. \$.40 per hour.
2. The minimum service charge is equivalent to 3 consecutive hours per worker per day, or \$1.20.
3. To sign the Release Agreement.
4. To fill out a questionnaire as requested.
5. To make all payments to the Gila River Cooperative Enterprises, Inc. for services rendered upon presentation of the monthly statement.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_



QUESTIONNAIRE (DOMESTIC SERVICE)

I. Please check the rate you desire to pay:

- a. \$50.00 per month (44 hours per week)
- b. \$27.50 per one-half month (22 hours per week) \_\_\_\_\_
- c. \$.40 per hour (3 hours minimum) \_\_\_\_\_

II. Please indicate number of hours per day and per month:

- a. How many hours per month \_\_\_\_\_
- b. How many hours per day \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Do you wish to hire regularly \_\_\_\_\_ hours every Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, etc. \_\_\_\_\_
- d. What day or days of week preferred:
  - 1. First choice \_\_\_\_\_
  - 2. Second choice \_\_\_\_\_
  - 3. Third choice \_\_\_\_\_
- e. Indicate whether a.m. or p.m. or any other specific period \_\_\_\_\_

III. What type of work do you desire:

- a. General housework \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Laundry \_\_\_\_\_
- c. Cook \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Child care \_\_\_\_\_
- e. Other work (indicate specifically) \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_



RELEASE AGREEMENT  
(Laundry Service)

In consideration of the agreement of the Gila River Cooperative Enterprises, Inc., to perform laundry service for me and members of my immediate family living at the Gila River Relocation Center at such prices as shall from time to time be established and placed in effect for such laundry service by the said corporation, I hereby agree to release and do release said corporation from any and all liability, claims, demands, suits and actions whatsoever arising out of the performance of such laundry service by the corporation, whether the same be for loss, damage, destruction, or injury to any article or articles or any portion of any article or articles delivered to the corporation for such laundry service and whether said loss, damage, destruction, or injury shall result from the wilful or negligent act of the corporation or any of its servants, agents, or employees or from circumstances beyond the control of the corporation or from any other cause whatsoever.

Subscribed by me under seal this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 1944.

\_\_\_\_\_  
L.S.

WITNESS \_\_\_\_\_



RELEASE AGREEMENT  
(Domestic Service)

In consideration of the agreement of the Gila River Cooperative Enterprises, Inc., to furnish to me and for my benefit and for the benefit of the members of my immediate family living at the Gila River Relocation Center workers to perform domestic service of whatsoever nature in my home or such other place as I may designate at said Relocation Center, including, but without limitation as to the type of service, housemaids, cooks, child nurses, general houseworkers, cleaners, and "sitters" for rates of pay which shall be established from time to time and placed in effect at said Center by the corporation, I hereby agree to release and do release the corporation from any and all liability, claims, demands, suits and actions whatsoever, which may arise from the furnishing of such services and the furnishing of workers to perform such services, whether the same be for personal injuries, property injury, loss, damage, or destruction, affecting my person or property or the person or property of any member of my family or other person who shall be in or upon any property within my possession or control at the time such services are being rendered, and whether the said personal injuries, property injury, loss, damage or destruction shall result from the wilful or negligent act of the corporation or any of its servants, agents, or employees or from circumstances beyond the control of the corporation or from any other cause whatsoever; I hereby further agree to indemnify and hold harmless said corporation from any claims, demands, liability, suits, or actions for any injury or loss arising out of or resulting from the furnishing of such domestic services to me and my family by the said corporation.

Subscribed by me under seal this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1944.

\_\_\_\_\_  
L. S.

WITNESS \_\_\_\_\_



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GILA RIVER COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.

Rivers, Arizona

June 23, 1943

There will be a special meeting of the Congress of Delegates as follows:

Date: July 31, 1943 - Saturday

Time: 1:15 p.m.

Place: 69-15, the principal office

Purposes: 1. Adoption of amendment to the Articles of Incorporation proposed by the Board of Directors on June 23, 1943.

2. Monthly report.

3. Any other business that may come before the meeting.

The proposed amendment to the Articles of Incorporation adds Subsection ~~(k)~~ to Article III thereof and is as follows:

ARTICLE III

(k) Anything in this Article and the succeeding Article to the contrary notwithstanding, the powers of this corporation under any license issued to it to transact business in the State of Arizona as a foreign corporation shall be limited to the sale of goods and commodities of all kinds and the furnishing of services of all types solely and exclusively within the area of the Gila River Relocation Center, near Sacaton, Arizona, as such area is or shall hereafter be defined by the United States, its departments and agencies, and such activities and operations shall continue in said area and State only so long as said Relocation Center shall be maintained of persons evacuated from restricted military zones as a war measure; and the foregoing voluntary limitation of powers shall not be deemed to prohibit the corporation from acquiring, by purchase or other lawful means, goods, wares, merchandise, commodities and materials or from doing all things necessary or appropriate to the selling of goods and furnishing of services at said Relocation Center during its administration by the United States Government or any branch or agency thereof.

We urge you to be present.

Masato W. Kato  
Secretary



GILA RIVER COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.  
RIVERS, ARIZONA

ATTENTION TO PATRONS:

Patronage receipts for the period of May 1 to June 30, 1943 will be called in by Coop delegates or other authorized agent.

Please comply with the following instructions:

1. Turn in receipts SEALED in an envelope as illustrated below by July 10.

Cert. No.	No. of Sales Rec.
Patrons Est. Amt.	Date entered this center
Name	
Address	

2. Be sure that patronage receipts are arranged neatly in bundles with amounts facing upward. Receipts can be held together by tying with string.
3. Separate receipts into groups of denominations which occur with frequency. For example, assemble all 5¢ slips into one group, all 10¢ slips into another, and so on. All remaining may be arranged into one group.
4. Be sure to place one member's receipts into one envelope. In other words, one envelope to one member.
5. DO NOT FORGET to put down the date-month and year entered this center. This is very important.

御買物高記録作成

(一) 今度は五月と六月分の御買物領収券を集めます。  
(二) 七月十日までに各區の本組合の代表者又は指定の  
取扱人まで御届け下さい。  
(三) 買物領収券は上下裏表を混同せぬ様に取揃へて下  
さい。又同額の領収券例へば五仙は五仙、十仙は十仙  
の領収券を一つの束にして、糸で結び、正確に御計算  
の上、状袋に納め封印して下さい。状袋には見本の如  
く、會員証券番號、買物領収券の數、買物高の合計、當  
住所に入つた日附、姓名及び現住所を御記入下さい。  
(四) 購買者は各人別々の状袋に納めて封印してくださ  
い。  
(五) 購買者は當住所に御入りになつた日附を忘れぬ様  
に記入して下さい。之は記録作成上是非必要であり  
ます。

組合員証番號	領収券枚數
合計金額	比良軒住所へ 入付年月日
姓 名	
住 所	



# MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CONGRESS OF DELEGATES

July 31, 1943

The special meeting of the Congress of Delegates was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by the Chairman, Tahei Matsunaga, on July 31, 1943 at the principal office of the corporation.

The following delegates were present:

BUTTE:	Name	Block	Name	Block
	S. Kuwamoto	(28)	E. Tanaka	(51)
	M. Iwata	(31)	T. Kurokawa	(56)
	M. Itabashi	(32)	G. Hayashi	(57)
	M. Nakamura	(34)	G. Yoshihashi	(58)
	S. Matsumura	(36)	K. Tanaka	(59)
	G. Nakamura	(39)	S. Tanaka	(60)
	S. Kamiya	(40)	K. Shibuya	(64)
	T. Matsunaga	(44)	E. Noguchi	(65)
	N. Kuwahara	(46)	A. Makino	(66)
	K. Reusaki	(48)	C. Miyamoto	(72)
	Y. Sato	(49)	G. Hori	(73)
CANAL:				
	T. Egusa	(4)	S. Sasaki	(20)
	B. Iida	(9)	F. Kosugi	(21)
	T. Hamai	(10)	Y. Kajitani	(27)

The blocks absent from Butte were: 29, 30, 33, 47, 52, 54, 55, 61, 63, and 74. From Canal were: 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 16, 20, 22, 23, 24, 26, and 25. The percentage of members present: 57 per cent.

The great number of absences is due to the fact that notices of this meeting were sent out 30 days in advance in accordance with the District of Columbia laws. It was suggested that in such event notices of reminder should be sent out to the delegates a few days prior to the meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting of the Delegates held on the 26th of June were read both in English and Japanese, corrected and unanimously approved by the body.

After due discussion and consideration, the following amendment to the Articles of Incorporation of the Gila River Co-operative Enterprises, Inc. adding Subsection (k) to the Article III thereof duly proposed by the Board of Directors on the 23rd of June, 1943 and at least thirty days written notice thereof having been duly given in accordance with the District of Columbia laws, was duly moved, seconded and unanimously adopted by the body on behalf of the corporation.

## ARTICLE III

- (k) Anything in this Article and the succeeding Article to the contrary notwithstanding, the powers of this corporation under any license issued to it to transact business in the State of Arizona as a foreign corporation shall be limited to the sale of goods and commodities of all kinds and the furnishing of services of all types solely and exclusively within the area of the Gila River Relocation Center, near Sacaton, Arizona, as such area is or shall hereafter be defined by the United States, its departments and agencies, and such activities and operations shall continue in said area and State only so long as said Relocation Center shall be maintained and administered by the government of the United States primarily for the housing, subsistence, relocation, detention or maintenance of persons evacuated from restricted military zones as a war measure; and the foregoing voluntary limitation of powers shall not be deemed to prohibit the corporation from acquiring, by purchase or other lawful means, goods, wares, merchandise, commodities and materials or from doing all things necessary or appropriate to the selling of goods and furnishing of services at said Relocation Center during its administration by the United States Government or any branch or agency thereof.



Motion was made, seconded and unanimously passed that the President and Secretary of the corporation be authorized and instructed to forward the amendment to the Recorder of Deeds of the District of Columbia for filing and to obtain a certified copy thereof and file same with the Corporation Commission of the State of Arizona as soon as possible.

The following reports for the month of July were made:

1. Five per cent (5%) educational reserve, as approved by the delegates at their previous meeting, has been reduced to three per cent (3%). The reason for such move being for the benefit of this corporation particularly in relation to the State of Arizona.
2. The Miscellaneous License #25769 issued to this Corporation as provided in Section 44, D. C. Cooperative Association Act was received. Feb. 23, 1943 to Feb. 23, 1944 was the period issued.
3. The License (GRANTED UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 8389 of April 10, 1940, AS AMENDED AND THE REGULATIONS ISSUED THEREUNDER) No. W. 1992 effective July 3, 1943 issued to this corporation was received from the Treasury Department of the U.S.
4. Arizona State Corporation Commission has taken no action to cancel the state license of this corporation pending vote on the amendment to the Articles of Incorporation. Favorable decision may be given to this corporation.
5. The House Bill #187 although declared unconstitutional by the Superior Court in Maricopa County is still in effect. Hardware, ice, and other merchandise are not available in Arizona. Establishment of insurance service, dry cleaning service and other services are still pending.
6. The WRA requested this corporation to undertake freight and transportation service and chiropractic and other medical services but they were rejected by the Board.
7. Requests were made by the CAS for this corporation to take over certain "money involving" activities. The matter is under consideration; advice and suggestions were asked by the members.
8. The matter pertaining to the organization of the Sr. High Co-op by the student body is also pending and suggestions upon the matter was also requested.

The educational chairman reported upon his committee's extensive study group program. It was reported that Butte will be divided into four sections, namely one for the high school, three for blocks, and two for Canal blocks, the initial meeting to begin on August 2d. Delegates were asked to give full support.

The appointment of Bunji Ikenoue as the new general manager was officially announced. He reported as follows:

1. In complying with the WRA recommendation, the peak of 310 employees has been reduced to 272 of whom 148 are being paid \$16 and 124 \$19 in contrast with the previous 174 \$19 class and 98 \$16 class employees.
2. With approval of the Board of Directors, cash register receipts will be issued from all service departments commencing August 2nd, simultaneously the barber service fee of \$ .15 will be increased to \$ .20.
3. Since the army does not permit any evacuee to operate cameras (this center together with Manzanar, Tulalake, and Poston are still in the military zone), from August all finishing will be done by evacuees. Taking of pictures and developing of negatives to be done by photographers in Phoenix. This new arrangement would cut the prices considerably.
4. Also with the approval of the Board, one dry goods buyer was sent to the Midwest. On the last trip less than \$400 was spent on



expense for the 50 days' buying trip. More than \$26,000 of goods were purchased.

The election of Kichigoro Reusaki as a new Board member succeeding Raihachi Esaki from Section II, Butte was officially announced.

General discussion followed thus:

question: Publication of monthly statements have been very irregular and late. Can you manage to put out each statement by the 15th of the following month?

answer: Yes, we shall do our best and you are reasonably assured that the process is being improved; however, some of the handicaps must be realized. First, the audited statement by the C.P.A. for March was not ready as late as June 26th although the books were kept up to date; hence, the statement could not be made. Second, almost all accountants including the chief accountant have relocated and they are extremely difficult to replace.

question: Why can't you declare cash dividends?

answer: This, we would like to do but at present this corporation owes some \$26,000 including advanced rents, clothing allowances, wages, equipments, etc. up to February 28, 1943 and which must be paid in full before cash dividends can be made. It is the WRA instruction. We feel that there is sufficient surplus at the end of the fiscal year, June 30th, to carry on the future business and any surplus accumulated after the fiscal year can be used for the payment of the loan. For that and many other legitimate reasons, dividends for this period have been declared to be 3% interest bearing revolving fund certificates.

question: What is a revolving fund certificate?

answer: It is the evidence of the corporation's indebtedness to the patrons who have turned in their cash register receipts. For example, if you are issued a revolving fund certificate of \$5.00 for your patronage dividend you are merely loaning your \$5.00 until the corporation will have enough funds to conduct its normal course of business. Realizing the approaching of segregation and the speeding up of relocation, it is the sincere intention of the Board to make possible the redemption of certificates as quickly as possible when financial condition permits it.

question: There are many complaints concerning sales clerks. Why don't you conduct a monthly meeting of employees, for instance, educate them about the status of employee and patron, courtesy, etc.?

answer: It is a very good suggestion. We will consider the matter immediately.

question: How are patronage refunds calculated and how long will it take?

answer: In the calculation of patronage amounts, it must be borne in mind that absolute accuracy in the totaling of each member's patronage receipts can be attained only by painstaking effort, patience and time. The next step involves the totaling of all purchases made by all patrons and this grand total is the basis from which the amount of your patronage refund will be calculated. Also, careful consideration must be made of that period prior to February during which time no cash register receipts were issued to patrons. The method of calculation of patronage refunds for this period will be based on the average monthly purchases since February and application of that average for each month the patron resided at this center prior to February. All these things are speedily being done but it may be another month before certificates can be issued.



question: Patrons complain that prices are high. Can they be reduced?

answer: It is our intention that goods and services be rendered as cheaply as possible and you are assured that everything will be done to meet your request. In the past sufficient working capital was required to conduct a course of business. It must be realized that now in comparison with the prewar period, cost of goods is much higher and frequently unbelievable. Due to the temporary setup of the relocation centers and also to the shortage of supplies, credit buying is almost impossible. Almost all goods must be purchased with cash and that requires a lot of money. Furthermore, practically all purchases must be made a month or two in advance in order to meet the constant demands. After the fiscal year, the adjustment of prices may be possible.

The treasurer released the financial statement for June 30, 1943 (see the attached mimeographed statement).

All other matters being discussed and cleared, the meeting was adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by

*Masato W. Kato*  
Masato W. Kato, Secretary



### 臨時代表者會

◎臨時代表者會千九百二十三年七月三十一日午後二時組合本部に於て議長松永多平開會を了す

◎人員點呼 出席人員ビウト二十一名、カナル六名出席総數二十七名。欠席人員ビウト三名、カナル十三名欠席總數二十二名

◎多數の欠席者を生じたる理由はデストリックオブコロンビヤ法に依り開會三十日以前に通知狀を發したる爲め多數代表者の記憶を失したるによるものと思ふされたる。斯る場合開會數日前に注意書を發達すべしであるとの進言があつた

◎ある六月二十日開催の代表者會議事録日英兩文にて朗讀す満場一致にて承認

◎憲章修正 ある六月二十三日開催の理事會を通過せる憲章修正案「第三條ケ一項追加はデストリックオブコロンビヤ法に準し開會三十前に文書を以て通知狀を發したる後本日開催の代表者會に於て正式に慎重なる討議を決定の結果満場一致を以て通過す

### 憲章修正 第三條ケ一項追加

本章及後章の何れの條項に抵觸の有無に關せず、アリゾナ州廳より下附せる營業鑑札によつて他州の會社として本組合のアリゾナ州内に於ける營業權限は米國政府又は代理人によりて設置せられたるアリゾナ州サカト、所の近くに住するに轉住所内に居住する人々に對し専ら物品の配給及諸種の奉仕の提供をなす事に限定す而して斯る本組合の商行為の存續期間は元と米國政府が戰争中定めたる一方針に基き軍時地域より退去を命じ禁足したる人々の衣食住の安定を圖る目的の爲めに設けられたる前記轉住所の管理存續期間中とする。但し前記任意の營業權の制限は米國政府、分省、又は代理人によりて管理存續期間中、當轉住所に在る人々に對し物品の配給及諸種の奉仕に必要な物品又は物資の買入に對して何等の拘束を受ける事なし

◎勅議通過 本日代表者會を通過したる修正憲章登録の爲めデストリックオブコロンビヤの證文登記所へ送達。該公証



謄本取寄せ。茲にアリゾナ州會社監督局に同憲章修正の登録を可及的迅速になす權能を組合長松永次平及書記長加藤正人に委任す

◎會計報告 田島會計は千九百四十六年六月三十日迄の會計の概要を報告す

◎議長は七月中の事業の概要に附左記の報告をなす

(1) 教育基金として五歩の積立金をなす事を前代表者會に於て承認を得たのであるが其後種々の関係事項に付考慮を重ね、特にアリゾナ州對本組合の營業權問題に最善の結果を齎すべく考慮の末教育基金を三歩に減少する事に改定せり

(2) 七月二十日の附を以てデストリク オブ コンビヤより雜糧營業鑑札第二五七六九を受領す

(3) 七月三附を以て大藏省より特別營業鑑札四一九九二号を受領す。右は千九百四十六年四月十日発布の行政令第三八九号に基くものとする

(4) 目録人の或種の高取利を拘束するアリゾナ州新法二八七に對しては原告池田氏によりて試訴提起中の処過ヨマリコバ郡上等裁判所に於て憲法違反の理由にて原告の勝訴に期す。然れども目下州大審院に上告中にて最後の判定を見る迄は或種の高取の仕入及火災保険ドライクリーニング等の新企業開始に對しては依然支障となつて居る

(5) 目下手續進行中の本組合の憲章修正に關してはアリゾナ州當局よりは其後何等正式の通牒に接せず

(6) WRA 當局は本組合の手によりて運送業及カイコプラクテース治療奉仕の經營方を申込んで来た。調査の結果重役會にて拒否せり

(7) 従来C.A.S.の經營に属せし或種の事業の經營方を本組合に依頼して来た。然し此の問題に付ては目下調査研究中にて未だ何等決定を見ず。但し多數の會員の意見が提出されん事を希望する

(8) ハイスクール上級學生會の消費組合組織に經營に關して相談を受けて居るが目下研究中にて未だ具體的決定を見ず

◎教育部長の報告。教育部青年コープ研究會を組織し、ビウトを四班に分ち其内の一班をハイスクルの學生會とし



他の三班は本組合の班別制による。カナールを二班に分ち  
 之も本組合の班別制による。八月二日より班別によりて研究  
 會を開催し積極的活動を開始す各代表者の援助を  
 希望せり

◎新任總支配人池の上文治の就任を代表者會に紹介す  
 總支配人は左の營業報告をなす

(一)人事部の刷新 W.R.A.の新方針に準應し従来の本組  
 合従業員三百十名を二百七十三名に減少す。従来百七十四名に  
 月給十九弗。九十八名に十六弗を仕拂しが今後百二十四名に月給  
 十九弗。百四十八名に對し月給十六弗を仕拂ふ事に改定せり

(二)奉仕部は重役會の承諾を経て来る八月二日以後は他の  
 高品購買の場合と同様一般顧客に對し領收券を發給す  
 散髪料の値上げ従来の十五仙を八月二日以後二十仙に改定す

(三)寫真部 ビラー、ポストン及マンザナールは依然西部軍  
 事地域に屬するの理由を以て軍令は依然日系人の寫真器  
 使用を禁止して居る故に今の処日系人の寫真撮影は不可能に  
 期せり。今後フニックスの白人寫真師に現象を托し仕上  
 げを日系寫真師より行ふ事とせり。従来の値段より  
 遙かに安價にて命令に應ずる事が出来る

(四)仕入部。重役會の承認を得て兵服物仕入の爲めチカゴ  
 セントルイス方面に再び購買員を派遣せり。前回派遣員  
 は此方六千弗餘の高品を仕入れ四百弗以下の費用を要せり  
 ◎新任理事、過般再轉任の理由の爲辭仕せる江崎雷八氏の  
 後任として第三班より今度龍崎吉五郎氏当選す

◎一般討議茲に質問、應答

(一)質問、月次會計報告の發表が遅延に過ぎ、不規則に流が  
 れるよふであるが。出来れば毎月の會計報告を翌月の十五日  
 頃迄に發表して貰ひ度です

答。其点に付ては重役會としても甚だ遺憾として居ます

去る二月廿日組合組織は完成し資産負債の引渡しが行われた  
 際一般會員の利益を保護する爲めに公認會計監査人を  
 雇ひ正確なる會計報告書作成を委頼したのですがそれが  
 豫想外に午間取り六月廿七日に漸く完成したのです

それが爲其後の月次報告の作成に滞り居たのが一



つの理です。も一つの理由は再轉位の爲め會計部の従業員の後勤の多き事であります。

然し今では帳簿も整理されましたから今後の月次會計報告は迅速に発表する事が出来ると思ひます。

(二) 質問 何故に購買者に對し現金の割戻金をしたないのですが  
答 現金の割戻しは本組合の希望する処であります。左記の

二つの理由の爲め現金の割戻しは出来ないのであります。

其一は組合のWRAに對する負債即ちWRAが振替へて居る給料、被服料、家賃等計万六千餘円を全部返済する迄は現金の割戻しは出来ないと思ふWRA本部より指令が来て居るからです。

其二は、今度の會計年度に於て割戻金として発表致しました純所得金は凡てを現金にて代表するものではありません其内には高田、器具及現金が公口まわつて居るのであります。然かも其現金は現在の処本組合の運轉資金として是非なくてはならぬものであります。今迄現金割戻しを實行せんとすれば営業を停止し解散の手續を取らねばならぬと思ふ事になります。

前記の故に今度は年三歩利子附運賃資金証券(通常會社の社債と同じ)を発行致します。

六月三十日の會計報告によれば組合の現金在高は組合に必要なる運轉資金として充分であります。から今後は運轉資金以上の剩餘金ある場合には第一にWRAの負債を返済し其後の剩餘金は順次運轉資金証券仕拂に充て當てる事になると思ひます。

質問。運轉資金証券とはどんなものですか  
答。運轉資金証券は購買者に現金割戻しの代りに発行する社債であります。購買者に對する一時的負債の証券であり、例へばあなたが五円の運轉資金証券を所有して居られる事は組合が運轉資金証券仕拂に充分なる剩餘金を有するに至るまで組合に暫らく貸して置かれると思ふ事であります。

質問 組合の商店が横着であるとか不親切であるとかの不満が顧客の間に非常に多いですが、なぜ毎週一度は店員を集めて店員の心得に對して教育しないのですか。



答それは誠によい注意と思ひます。直に実行する事に致しなすよ  
質同購買者に對する割戻金は如何に計算されますか而していつ迄まで  
かかりますか

第一番に右購買者の購買高を正確にし次に全購買者の総額を計  
算致します。又には非常なる努力と忍耐と多くの時日を要します  
更に特別の考慮を注意を要する事は今年の二月次期の買物に對  
しては領収券を出してありませんそれが去年の七月廿三日より

今年の二月中旬までの購買者に對する割戻金の基準は  
本年の二月中旬より六月三十日まで各購買者の一ヶ月間の平均購  
買高と当轉住所滞在日数によりて計算致します。前記購  
買者への割戻金の計算は只今急速度を以て致して居ます。が運轉  
資金証券発行に至るまでには尚ほヶ月間位の時日を要する事と思ひます  
質同組合の物品の賣値が外部のそれと比べて高い様ですが今少しく安  
くする事は出来ませんか

各物品の配給でも奉仕提供でも出来る。又安價に用金に應ずる事に非  
常利的本組合の使命であり方針であります。それで出来る顧客の此の  
要求を乞ふたすべく最善の努力を致します

然れども此際皆様の理解と協力を仰ぎ度い諸  
比で該物價が高くあり或る物を相像以上に高くなつて居ます。(二)当轉住  
所が邊陲の地に在る爲めに運賃が比較的高いのと。アリゾナ州税等の

関係する或る商品が外部より高い場合もあります。(三)元來本組合  
無一文にて高買を始めたのだから運轉資金念出の必要があつたのです

(四)物品の拂抵や轉住所内の再轉住問題等の爲めに物品仕入にはす  
べて現金を要します。同時に顧客の用金に應ずるには二ヶ月間の先買  
を乞ふ必要があります。それと多くの現金が沈滞する譯です。後

本組合の會計年度六月三十日迄の會計報告も出来ましたので後  
来の事業の成績に照らし將來の方針を定める時機に達しましたので同様  
の意見を充分考慮の内に面談し近い内に各部門を代表する聯合

協議會を開き出来る範圍に於て可成顧客の希望に添ふ様に改  
善致し度いと思ひます

◎右の外組合營業の改善に付種々熱心に討議意見の交換が行已  
れたり  
午後五時三十分開會



DEFENSE

U.S. War Relocation Auth. Rivers

GILA RIVER COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.  
Rivers, Arizona

September 2, 1944

Delegate: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

SEMI-ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Date: September 11, 1944 - Monday  
Time: 8:00 o'clock P.M.  
Place: Each Respective Mess Hall  
Purpose: 1-Business Reports  
2-Election of Delegate and Alternate

Important Instruction

Full name, address, and number of votes received for each newly elected Delegate and Alternate should be notified in writing on the following day to \_\_\_\_\_, Board member of your Section \_\_\_\_\_ or to the Executive Secretary at 69-15.

The following listed informations are for the purpose in guiding your report:

MARCH - 1944

The semi-annual membership meeting was held and new Delegates were elected.

Also new Board members and officers were elected.

The Audit Report for the Semi-Annual period of July 1, to December 31, 1943 was completed by two auditors from the North West Cooperative Auditing & Service Ass'n.

The total amount of adjustments made by the auditors was approximately \$1,000. The examination showed very sound financial condition. The ratio of current assets against every \$1.00 of liabilities (This is not to be confused with the \$1.00 membership fee) was 3.59 to 1. For the previous fiscal year, it was 2.38 to 1.

Also splendid progress was made in comparison to the previous fiscal year:

BALANCE SHEET

	December 31, 1943	June 30, 1943	Increase or Decrease
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Cash	\$ 59,299.03	\$ 75,594.83	Decreased
Merchandise Inventory	101,021.82	78,914.81	Increased
Total Current Assets	166,861.75	172,761.42	Decreased
Fixed Assets	20,301.41	19,042.31	Increased
Total Assets	190,309.73	195,017.43	Decreased



# 消費生活組合

○期日 一九四四年九月十一日(月) 午後八時

○場所 於各區食堂

○目的

1 營業報告

2 正副區代表選舉

(當選せる正副區代表の氏名住所得票数を班重役又は組合事務所に報告せらるべし。)

## 營業報告抜萃

○一九四四年三月 組合總會を開き各區代表者の選挙を行ふ。之れに続いて新代表は重役を送出。重役は役員を互選せり。

○一九四四年七月一日より全十二月廿一日迄の會計状態を公認會計検査官の精査を受く其結果帖法上調整すべきもの約二十萬の少額なりき。尚右の検査官に依り財産状態の極めて健全なる事を証明せられたり。  
即ち十二月末に於ける資産と負債との比は三五九

対一なり。之れを前會計年度の二三八対一に比すれば非常なる發展なる事を知るべし

## 貸借対照表

○資産之部

	四十四年三月末日	四十四年六月末日	増減
現金	五九、二九、〇三	七五、五九、四八	一
商品仕高	一〇、〇二、八二	七、八九、四八	一
合計	一六六、八六、一七五	一七二、七六、一四二	一
固定資産	二〇、三〇、四一	一九、〇四、三三	一
資産總額	一九〇、三〇、九七三	一九五、〇一、七四三	一

○負債之部

商品未払	一七、六三、七三五	一八、三六、七三五	一
借入金未払	一六、三〇、四九八	二六、三〇、四九八	一
契約未払	一四、一〇、〇〇	四、九四、五一	一
未払	六五、五二、一五	七、一六、四一八	一
負債總額	四六、四八、三〇二	七二、五四、〇九五	一
會員費	五九、四二、〇〇	七、四五一、〇〇	一
純収入	六三、〇四、八八四		一

○營業成績

売上總額	四二四、五〇、九四	一〇〇%
売上原価	三〇四、八八、七八	二八、一八%
經營費	六一、八一、八八九	一四、五六%

營業利益	五七、七九、四一七	一三、六二%
雑収入	五、二五、四六七	一、二三%
雑益	六三、〇四、八八四	一四、八五%

○同年四月

三四五の三日間アマチに於て第二回組合聯合大会を催され當組合より三名出席す。

1 各組合より重要なる情報交換せらる

2 センター組合聯盟定款を審議決定す

(シローム組合より石鹼一貨車購入)

(アイスクリーム販賣開始)

WRAへの借金及び利子合計二万六千三百四十九円八仙を支拂ふ

○同年五月

(ドライクリーニング開業)

華府の元より組合に対し所内白人の爲に家庭働人周旋に関する指令来る。右に關し重役会は拒絶せるも後程止むを得ず指令に従ふことになる。

○同年六月

裁縫部を四二一-Bに開設す

代表者会より十名を選び七月(二兩日)に亘って行はる、組合棚卸を監督せしむ

本會計年度の純益処分率を左の如く定む



	Amount Redeemed	Interest Paid	Total Paid
Canal.....	\$14,135.57	\$ 459.32	\$14,594.89
Butte.....	23,533.52	762.04	24,295.56
<u>Total</u>	<u>\$37,669.09</u>	<u>\$1,221.36</u>	<u>\$38,890.45</u>

Highest paid per block:

Canal.....	Block #23	\$1,268.81
Butte.....	Block #51	\$1,195.02

Highest paid per individual:

Canal.....	\$83.79
Butte.....	\$90.21

Least paid per individual: .08¢

#### AUGUST - 1944

Big August Sale was held 7th to 19th inclusive.

New membership drive for residents transferred from Jerome Center was held:

Canal.....	115 New members
Butte.....	402 " "
	517 Total membership certificates issued to Jerome residents.

The annual audit report for the fiscal year July 1, 1943 to June 30, 1944 was completed. Enough printed copies of the reports were ordered for each Delegate. The copies will be available around the 15th of September.

The examination showed:

Very healthy financial condition.  
Current ratio of 4.66 to 1 - for the previous fiscal year, the ratio was 2.38 to 1.  
Cash in bank was \$94,615.  
Total amount of adjustment made - \$1,938  
Cash overage of \$8,114 was found due to:

1. Checks held for collection may not have been recorded.
2. Or, cash receipts from stores may not have been recorded. (These conditions are due namely because of a rapid change in personnel)

The auditors are coming back in October to determine the source of the overage.

Total savings for the fiscal year is \$108,835 which will be distributed as follows:

General Reserve	\$27,208.76
Educational Fund	1,632.53
Remaining to be refunded to patrons with Revolving Fund Certificates, Series B	79,993.79

GILA RIVER COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.

By

*Masato W. Kato*

Masato W. Kato  
Executive Secretary



# MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF THE MANAGING COMMITTEE

June 4, 1943

## SUBJECT: Dry Cleaning

The meeting of the Managing Committee was called to order by Raihachi Esaki, chairman of the committee, at 9:30 a.m. June 4th at 69-15. The purpose of the meeting was to obtain information from experts to formulate definite plans to establish a pressing plant in the center. Each member present introduced himself as follows:

Board of Directors: Raihachi Esaki, Taihei Matsunaga, Shinpei Tanaka, Yuhe Ohshima, Yoriyuki Sato, and Ken Kitagako, Education Chairman.

Management: Bunji Ikenoue, Fred Suzuki, and S. Matsumura.

Guest Dry Cleaners: Messrs. Sameshima, I. Amano, Morito Nakano, A. Azuma, Takeshi Suzuki, I. Okude, T. Imbuye, S. Shimazu, Hayashida, and Mrs. Monji.

The chairman of the committee briefly stated the purpose of the meeting.

Mr. Ikenoue reported that a number of cleaning wholesalers in Phoenix have been contacted and as a result the Delux Dry Cleaning Company, 706 S. 3rd Street and the Billmore Dry Cleaning Company, 908 N. 7th Street have agreed to handle all washing provided pressing facilities are set up in this center. Of an estimated 2,000 pieces of suits and dresses at 85¢, \$700 would go to wholesalers and \$1,000 would remain as gross earnings.

After discussion, the following inquiries were answered:

1. How much dry cleaning would be done if this facility is established?
2. Answer: First three months would be extremely busy and probably would require a rationing system. After that period demand for older people would decrease and for younger people it would be constant.
2. How many suits can be handled?  
Answer: Based upon a \$19 a month salary and two shifts of 4 hrs. each, the average number of suits pressed per individual would be about four. If press machines are set up, 160 suits per day and 960 pieces per week would be pressed.
3. If 5 machines are set up, what personnel would be required?  
Answer: 10 pressers - 2 shifts of 4 hours each  
2 markers and counters  
2 menders  
2 ironers  
1 cashier  
1 driver to Phoenix which is already provided  
1 checker
4. What space would be required?  
Answer: about half of a barrack or 12 beams.



Bunji Ikenoue asked if any of the members present has a pressing machines to rent or to sale to the cooperative. Mr. Sameshima (23-9-A) said that five out of ten machines leased to wholesalers in Los Angeles are known to be unused at present. He said that he would be glad to make arrangements to get them if he could. Mr. Hayashida (33-13-B) said that he has one machine in storage which may be available.

The following committee men were appointed by the chairman of the committee to investigate the availability of pressing machines among the residents; that is, to find out specifically who has machines to rent or to sell: Messrs. O. Matsumura, I. Amano, and S. Sameshima.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by

Masato W. Kato  
Executive Secretary



GILA RIVER COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.  
Rivers, Arizona

MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE MEETING  
ON THE APPOINTED PERSONEL STORE  
December 22, 1943

The Special committee meeting was called to order by the Chairman of the committee of the staff store, Bunji Ikenoue, on December 22, 1943 at 10:30 a.m. at the Board of Directors Office at 69-15.

Those present were Mr. Wolter, Mrs. Brown, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Thomas, and Mr. Ott, representing the staff members; Mr. Matsunaga, Mr. Ikenoue, Mr. Kono, Mr. Mori, and Kato, representing the Gila River Cooperative Enterprises, Inc.

Mr. Ikenoue, the Chairman explained the delay on the opening of the staff store as follows:

- 1-The W.R.A. has not as yet furnished the equipments necessary to open the store.
- 2-Probably due to lack of clarifications between the W.R.A. and the cooperative, lumbers and other materials could not be obtained until recently.

He, however, assured the body that carpenters are speedily building shelves and counters, and making necessary re-modelings. Most of the merchandises have been ordered and due to arrive within a few days, that the store may be opened before the end of this year.

Mr. Ikenoue reported further as follows:

- 1-In order to meet the initial cost and expenses of the opening of the store, all rationed goods will be sold at or near the ceiling prices. All other non-rationed and other goods that are being sold in the canteens will be sold at prevailing market prices or equal to the prices charged at the canteens.
- 2-Orders for fresh meat and fish will be taken Mondays and Wednesdays at the staff store. These orders will be filled on the following Wednesdays and Fridays respectively. Form will be provided asking each patron to designate first, second, or third choice in order to assure satisfactory services.
- 3-As soon as refrigerators are provided by the W.R.A. the cooperative will do its utmost to carry *spiced* meats, milk, butter, and cheese if available and other similar foods in the store.
- 4-For the benefit of the staff members, who reside in Canal, some arrangements may be worked out whereby they may phone in



orders so that these may be delivered to canteen #1 or another designated place.

The Secretary of the corporation also made the following reports regarding the issuance of the membership certificates to the prospective staff patrons:

1-In accordance with the By-laws any resident, evacuee or appointed personnel 16 years of age or over, is entitled to become a member of this corporation. However, in order to eliminate unnecessary bookkeeping and the payments of the extremely high taxes on membership certificates issued, it is appreciated that one person or the responsible member of each family becomes a member of the corporation.

2-Membership Certificates may be issued individually by paying \$1.00 membership fee, or collectively by furnishing us the list of names and addresses together with their membership fees.

After discussion and consideration, Mrs. Brown was unanimously appointed to prepare the list from which membership certificates may be issued.

Mr. Wolter reported the appointment of the committee members as follows:

Mrs. Brown - - - - - Public Relation  
Mr. Taylor - - - - - Management  
Mr. Thomas and Mr. Ott - - - - Equipments and Supplies

Mr. Ott and Mr. Thomas assured the body that they would try all means to furnish refrigerators for the staff store.

After due discussion and consideration the body unanimously approved the rental charge of \$30.00 per month payable to the W.R.A. for the warehouse 69-5 to be occupied by the staff store.

And also after due discussion and consideration, it was agreed and adopted with unanimous consent of the body that the store to provide the necessary needs and services to the appointed personnel and their families be operated on a self supporting basis. That the rental charges, the initial investment expenses, and all other maintenance and operating expense of the establishing, maintaining, and operating the said store shall be charged to this particular store.

Regarding the patronage refunds for the appointed personnel, there was some indication that some part of the refunds declared to them might be donated for community use.

With unanimous approval of the body, Mr. Wolter and Mr. Ikenoue were designated contacting men for the staff and the corporation respectively regarding matters relating to the staff store.

All matters being discussed and cleared, the meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent at 12:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted  
By Masato W. Kato, Secretary

*Masato W. Kato*



*Mr. McVey*  
*JUL 15/44*

MEETING OF APPOINTED STAFF MEMBERS  
OF COMMUNITY COOPERATIVE

Place: Staff Recreational Hall  
Chairman: Hugo W. Wolter

The meeting was called for 7:30 p.m. but was not called to order until 8:00 p.m. Present: 12 members; in addition, Mr. Gordon Brown as representing the Cooperative Management.

Mr. Wolter, Chairman, opened with a general talk in which he explained briefly that this meeting was called to discuss coordination between patrons among the Appointed Personnel and the Cooperative Management. On behalf of the membership, he expressed thanks to the Committee which has acted up to date on the excellent organization and coordination which it had performed.

Mrs. Brown stated that a permanent committee was necessary. There had arisen a number of factors causing dissatisfaction with the services rendered by Store No. 4. For example, the supply of vegetables was scanty and unsatisfactory. The supply of meat was suspended because of lack of refrigeration. A number of factors, including unexpected purchases by the resident community of certain articles, rendered it difficult to rely upon the store for certain household necessities.

It was also necessary to elect a delegate to the Cooperative Congress of Delegates. Ideally, it would be correct to elect two delegates from the Appointed Personnel, one from Butte and one from Canal, but the Secretary of the Cooperative had explained that it would be advisable to elect one only for the time being.

The Chairman called for nominations for the delegate for the Cooperative Congress of Delegates. Mrs. B.F. Runyan and Mrs. Gordon Brown were nominated. Voting was by ballot and Mrs. Brown was elected.

It was moved and seconded that an assistant and/or alternate to the elected delegate be also elected with the further proviso that this assistant



and/or alternate be a resident of Canal. The motion was carried. Mrs. McVey was nominated. No further nominations were made. It was moved, seconded, and carried that the nominations be closed. Mrs. McVey was, therefore, elected unanimously.

It was moved and seconded to elect a committee of three from Butte to take up matters from the point of view of patrons with the Cooperative Management. The delegate and the alternate were to sit on this committee ex officio.

As an amendment to the above motion, it was moved that a Committee of three be elected without reference to place of residence and that the delegate and alternate be ex officio members of this committee. The amendment further moved that this committee could be expanded at the wish of the members.

The amendment was carried. As it was, in fact, a substitute motion, it was declared a motion and replaced the original motion.

Nominations for the Committee were then called for by the Chairman. The following were nominated: Mrs. McAlpine, Mrs. Nichol, Mrs. Runyan, Mrs. Jackson, and Mrs. Strickland. The election was by ballot and the following were elected: Mrs. McAlpine, Mrs. Runyan, and Mrs. Jackson.

It was moved, seconded, and carried that the terms of the delegate, the alternate, and the Committee members run concurrently with the term of the regular delegates of the Community Cooperative.

These elections created bodies to carry on the work of the previous Committee which was accordingly declared dissolved.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Committee arrange for regular meetings with the General Manager of the Cooperative and with the Manager of Store No. 4. It was further moved that these meetings be arranged weekly because of the present dissatisfactions of patrons; and was further moved that these weekly meetings could be reduced to fortnightly meetings when and as the difficulties



were reduced, at the discretion of the committee. The motion also instructed the Committee to arrange the first meeting in the very near future.

Discussion disclosed that the intent of the above motion was to insure continuous coordination of patrons' needs and Cooperative services until everything was running smoothly, and that even when matters were running smoothly, that the meetings be not discontinued, but the intervals could be longer.

As there was no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

G. Gordon Brown  
Acting Secretary