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# GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

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### Introduction

We, the committee hope you will enjoy reading about Hunt Government as much as we were anxious to give the presentation. Although our committee started late we hope that we have the necessary information.

## Comparison Between the U. S. And Hunt Government

People always talk about democracy, but do you actually know the meaning of democracy? The word democracy is divided from the Greek words demo - meaning people and kratin which means rules, so those two words combined means government of the people, for the people and by the people. This in a larger sense means that instead of Kings, Emperors, Czars and Dictators, we have a president at the head with his cabinets chosen by the people through voting to govern our nation.

The United States is the only democratic nation now existing, but we are fighting the belligerent nations in order to conquer them and form a democratic world.

The general purpose of the Government is to defend people against aggressions, supports the courts of justice, regulates property rights

of individuals and determines the political rights and duties of citizens and the privileges of aliens.

Some of the things that the government does for the welfare of the people are making money which they use to buy their needs. And we have public schools where every child can attend. Also the purifying of water in reservoirs, running water, and good plumbing systems and the importing and exporting of goods to various states and nation. The welfare of the people also includes the building of roads, hi ways and postal systems. The also have organized the Red Cross, the orthopedic, old age pension and the relief fund for those who are out of work or too old for labor, or for those who are poor or crippled.

One way in which the U.S. is so different from other nation is that this country has so many different nationalities. Some of are Russians, Japanese, Chinese, English, German, Greeks, Indians,

Polish, Jews and many other combinations).

The reason why so many nationalities have made their homes in the United States was, first, when the pilgrims came to escape the cruel ruling of the King of England, who demanded high taxes and restricted certain religions. Others came to the U.S. because they heard stories about the rich soil and abundance of animal life and natural resources. Still others came as refugees from 1st World War. Even now refugees are coming from across the seas to find refuge and comfort in the U.S.

The different divisions of the welfare of U.S. are: The agriculture department who provides essential food for the nations import and exports, and helps families, raise, sell and transport crops. The Labor department form unions for better pay, train men for skilled labor and make it able for companies to have mass production. The transportation

department imports and exports  
various foods to all parts of  
the nation by trains, cars, and  
planes.

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## Stunt Government

You never heard of Stunt before in your life as a miniature community when you were in Seattle or Portland did you?

This community has just begun in 1942 when the Japanese people evacuated to Stunt.

The people are trying to make Stunt as much as possible like a model of the United States with their representatives and such. Of course we are not for along, but that is due to not having been here very long.

There are five kinds of people living here in this camp.

(1) There are the isseis, who were born in Japan and came to America before the Japanese Exclusion Act. This act means that the Japanese people cannot become American citizens. This

act was passed in 1924 and is still in effect.

(2.) The second group is the kebeis. They are American born Japanese who have had education in Japan.

(3.) The third group is the niseis who largely compose the Japanese race. They are American born Japanese who live in America and are naturally citizens of the United States.

(4.) The fourth group is the san-seis who are still quite young and are just like the niseis.

(5.) The fifth and the last group are not of Japanese ancestry. They are the Caucasians in this project who live here and who help us and this group includes the workers, teachers, assistants, directors and many others.

Mr. Harry L. Stafford is the Project Director and the Assistant Project Director is Mr. Schaper who has the authority to act in his place when Mr. Stafford is away.

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The various service division of this camp are:

(1.) Community Services which takes care of the camp activities like the Recreation Dept., Education, Religious Services, Community Activities and Social Services and Mrs. Townsend is the Head Division.

(2.) The Public Works Division like Sanitation, Construction, Roads and Irrigation work. Mr. Bacca is the head division.

(3.) The Transportation and Supply Division, which includes Mechanics, garage, warehouse and shipping works. Mr. Ray Bent is the head division.

(4.) Mr. Sebelov is the head division of Agriculture.

(5.) Mr. Lauren Peter is the head division of Medical Care.

(6.) Mr. Joseph Buson is the Supervisor of Employment Service which includes the Old Age and Unemployment Compensation, and outside employment,

and leaves and furloughs.

(7) Mr. John Essene is the head division of Community Enterprise which includes the "Co-op Board," Canteen, Shoe shop, Watch repair, Barber shop, Beauty shop, Flower shop, also the Mail Orders from Sears & Roebuck and Montgomery Ward, They also take orders for newspaper and magazines.

(8) Mr. Russell Sprinkel is the head division of Fiscal which includes Timekeeping, Property, Contrability, Records - (Financial), Payroll and Procurement (Purchasing).

(9) Mr. Norris Hakamsten is in charge of Statistics and Records.

A. Statistics - (This is up to date - Jan 21, 1942.)

1. 31 short leaves
2. 140 indefinite leaves
3. 4 persons outside in hospitals
4. 3 Government detentions (were taken out for some reason or the other.)

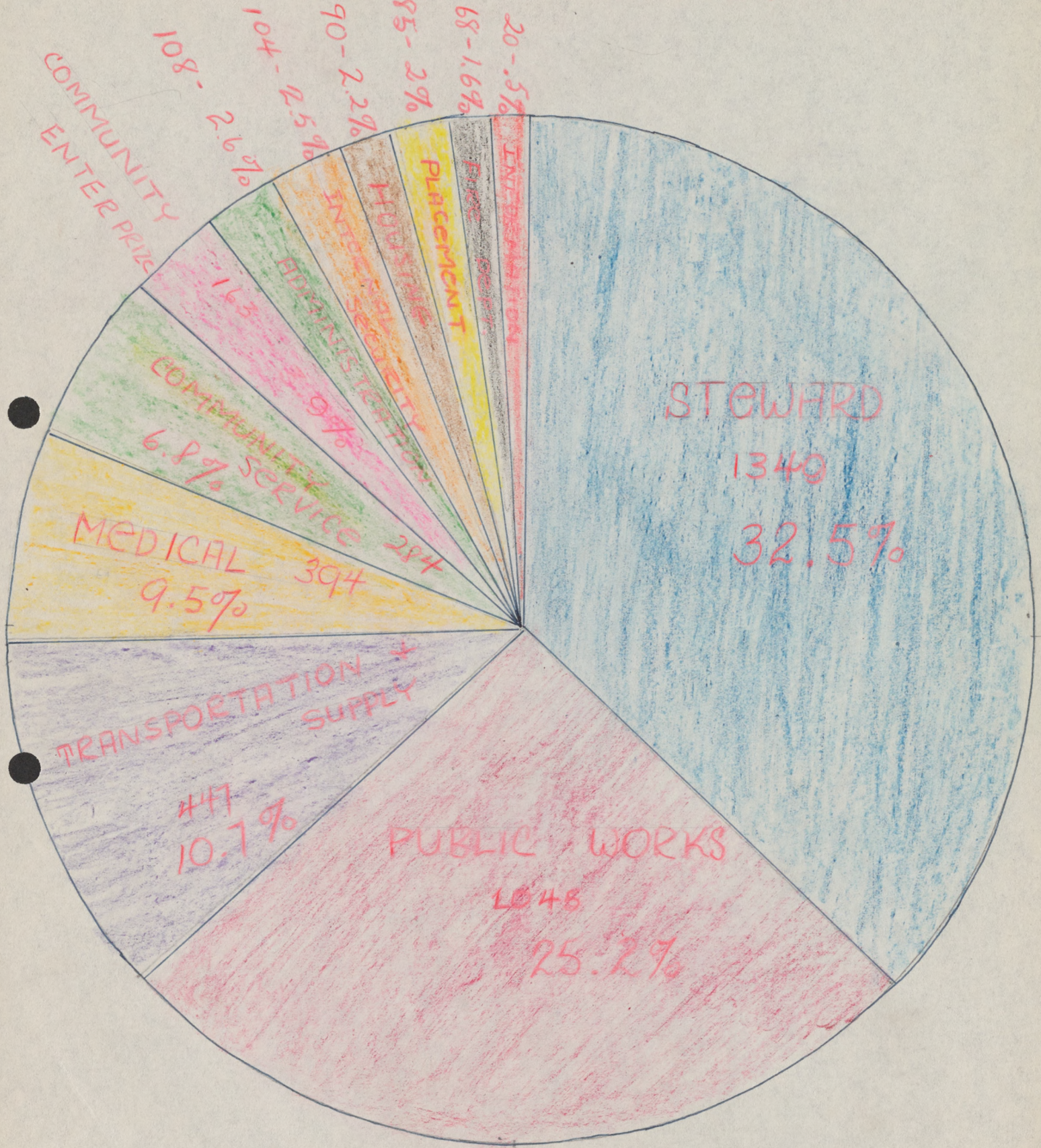
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3. 7 person commuting

10. Also in this project there are 100 appointed staff working, including approximately 50 teachers.

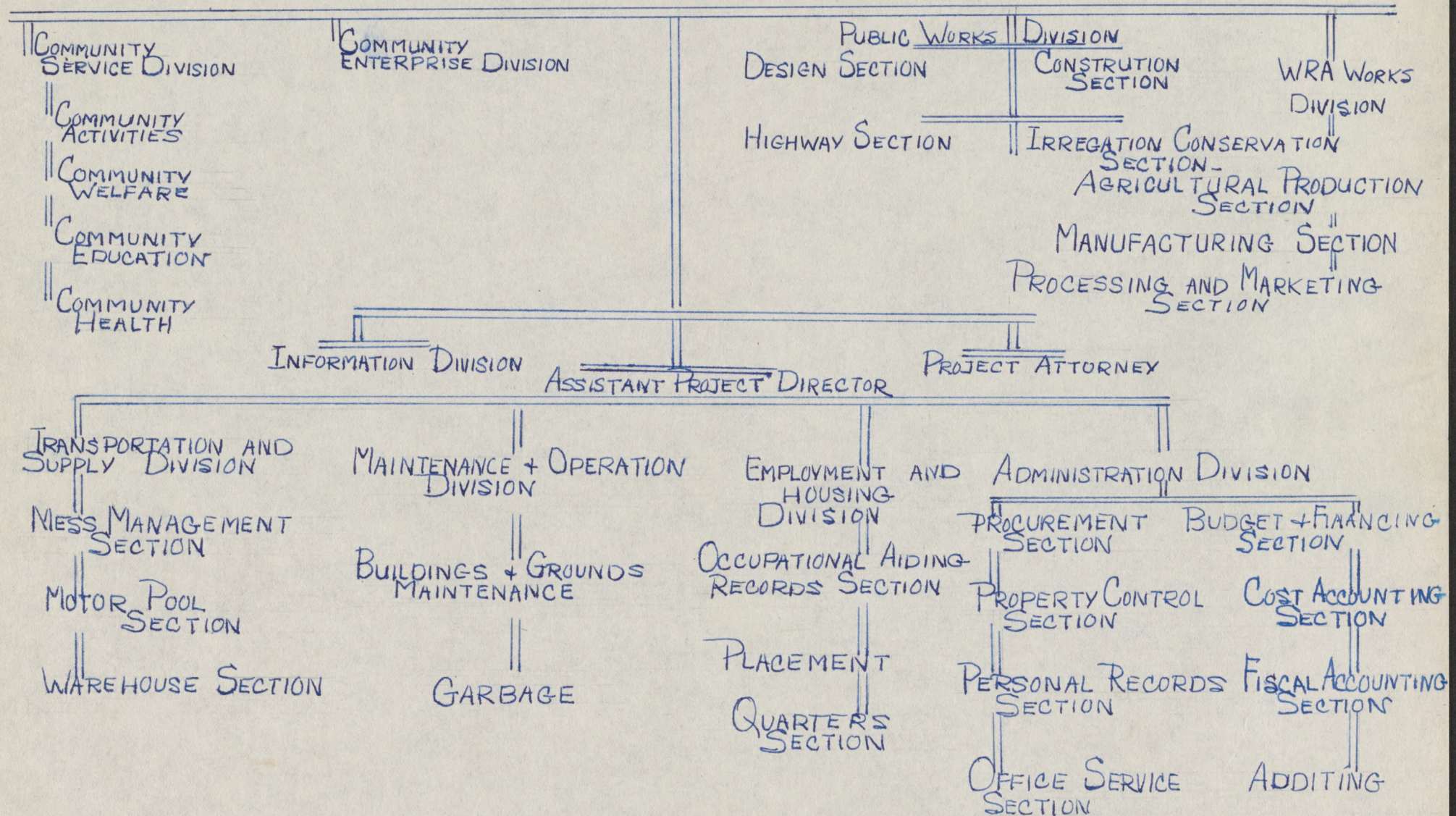
The general purposes of the heads of this community are to protect the Japanese from assault and battery.

Other purposes is to regulate the camp smoothly and to settle complaints. The purposes are almost the same as those of the United States.

# DIAGRAM OF EMPLOYMENT



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## Administration of Relocation Areas.

Broad general concepts have been laid down for all the relocation centers. The communities will be as nearly self-governed, self-contained and self-sustaining as possible. The project residents will perform a majority of all community service. They will engage in agriculture, <sup>& industry producing</sup> commodities for their own use and for the War Effort of the nation. The over-all administration or in all the superior position will be provided ~~post~~ by the War Relocation Administration and such external protective services as are necessary by the United States Army. The evacuees will be provided shelter; food, medical and hospital care, education and recreation. They will have freedom of religion. Fam-

(Ad. Relocation Areas) cont.

ilies will, of course, be kept together. The pattern is designed so that the evacuees will be able to pursue a resemblance of a normal life, rear and educate their children and to engage in productive occupations in the relocation centers.

In general, the work pattern for the evacuees consists of five general classifications. These are:

1. Services necessary for the operation and maintenance of relocation communities.
2. Production of agriculture commodities for their own good and for sale to or through the Office of Lend Lease Administration to provision the United States.
3. Manufacture of various needed projects and the nation.
4. Useful public works such as the development of land for irrigation, reclamation, etc.
5. Private employment outside the project under conditions laid

(cont.)

4. Useful public works such as the development of land for irrigation reclamation, etc.

5. Private employment outside the project under conditions laid down by the H.R.A.

The range of types of employments will be very similar to that in a normal community. All evacuees who are employable and more than 16 years of age both men and women, may apply for employment. There will be much work for clerks, stenographers, machinists, nurses, reporters, accountants, doctors and lawyers. Individuals will have the opportunity to work at the occupation for which they are most fitted by trainings and experience. Additional opportunities will be provided. (1)

To adapt old skills (2) to acquire new skills and new techniques.

The H.R.A., I think, is doing every thing so that it would be as pleasant for us as possible.

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## The Internal Security Division of Hunt Idaho

The police of this camp and those outside are similar in all ways except that the force in here try to maintain and punish people as frequently as possible.

The police force co-operates with the firemen in many ways. If there is a riot or a fire in a theatre or crowd the police joins forces with the firemen. They also help the firemen in fire drills. The police force also checks up on lost and found.

Internal Security is a responsibility of the Project Director. Each project has at least one Caucasian Internal Security Staff officer. The chief is responsible for organizing, recruiting, training, and supervising an adequate internal police force. The force is responsible for enforcing regulations adopted by the community council.

Any member of the Division regardless of rank, are subjected to suspension from duty, reduction in grade, or dismissed from the Division if he violates any of the rules set before him.

All contraband found in the possession of evacuees, will be stored or confiscated. Officers shall consider as contraband any of the following:

- a. Firearms
- b. Ammunitions
- c. Short-wave radios
- d. Radio transmitting sets
- e. Signal devices
- f. Cameras etc.

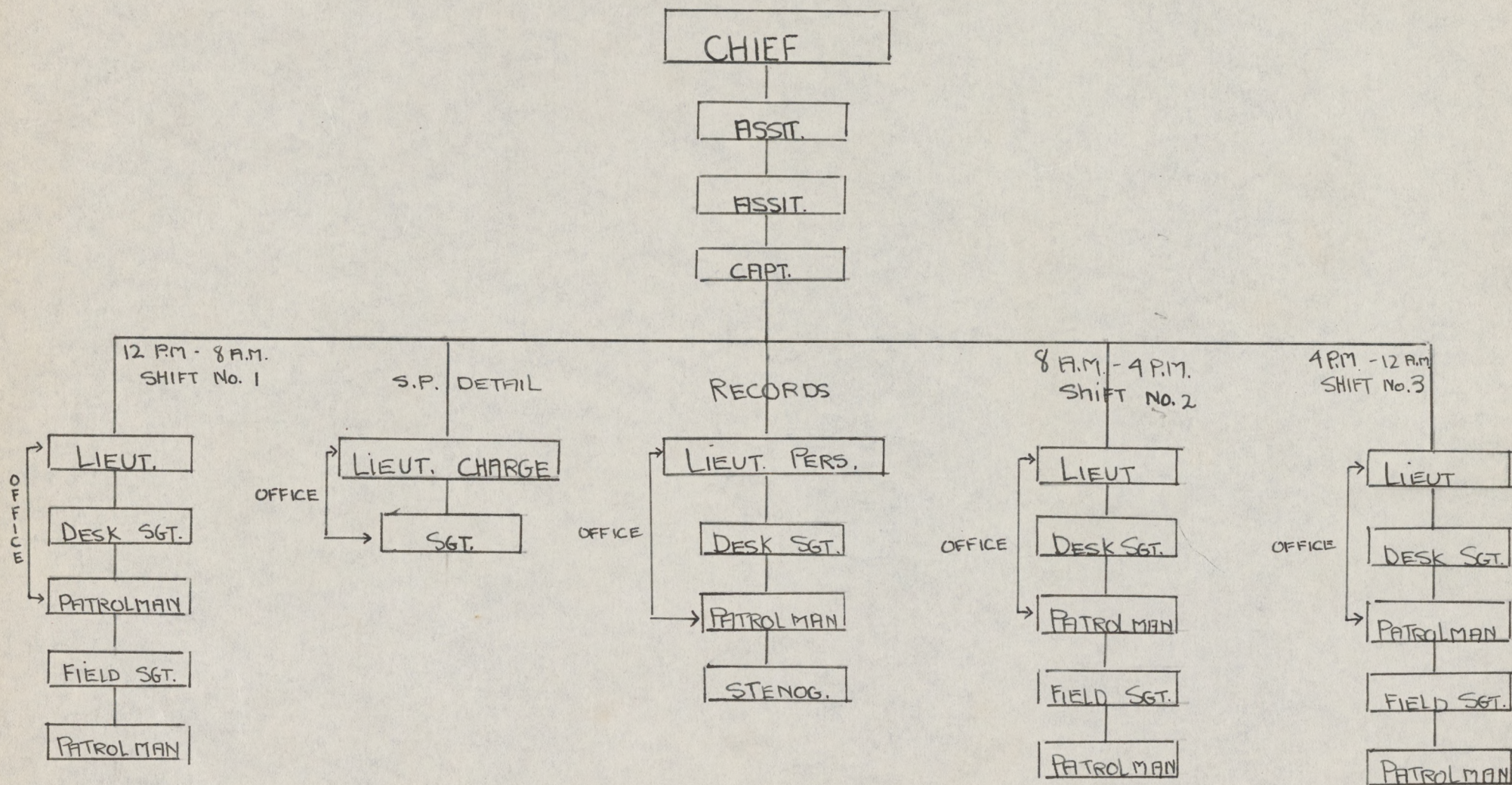
The Military police are assigned to the center for the purpose of preventing entrance and exit of unauthorized persons and to prevent evacuees from leaving the center without proper authority. To accomplish their missions, they are assigned to patrol duty outside of the fences. In case of disorder, such as, fire or riot, the Project Director, Assistant Director, and the officer in command of the Internal Police, is authorized to call upon the Military police for assistance within the center. The commanding officer of the Military police is responsible for the blackout of the Relocation Center.

The police force also take care of arrests, insanity cases, prisoners, police records,

and report writing. The duties and services mentioned so far are few compared to what the police force really has to do.

So far this camp has not shown any sign of riot or fire, but if there is I am certain that we have a strong police force to come to our aid.

# INTERNAL SECURITY DEPT.



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## Legal Aid Office

At approximately 2:30 o'clock, Chiyeko Ishida and I walked into a busy office located at 23-6-CO, the Legal Aid Office. Mr. Moore sat at his desk and greeted us with a cheery "hello", then asked us several questions concerning our Core Class. Thus, he proceeded with interesting facts concerning the Legal Aid Office.

I act as a attorney-lawyer for the project director and also act as a lawyer for the residents in this Minidoka Camp. There are insurance directors and tax directors in this office. People come here to this office to ask questions concerning properties left in Seattle or Portland, leaves, taxes, required charges, insurance, and legal properties. He help them as much as possible," said Mr. Moore.

## Legal Aid Office (cont.)

He went on talking about the government of all the cities and other facts. He told us that he is also the prosecuting attorney and that he gives every person with criminal offense will be given a fair and equal trial. So far there has been any such criminal offenses except for two minor ones which has already been taken care of by them.

The persons who are working under Mr. Moore is as follows: Mr. Clarence Gray, assistant attorney; Mr. Kinomoto, who takes care of taxes; four stenographers; one messenger; and last but not the least, Gasuto Koyama, a notary public.

"Please drop in again. If there are ~~any~~ questions you wish to know, I'll be glad to answer them," said Mr. Moore as we slowly went out of his office.

The End.

## Conclusion

We honestly hoped you enjoyed our presentation. We give many thanks to the Caucasian directors and assistants who took their precious time and who were so kind in giving<sup>w</sup> this information.

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