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Mrs. Brown

Colorado River War Relocation Project
Poston, Arizona

January 3, 1943

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. W. Wade Head
FROM: Seiichi Nomura
SUBJECT: Activities in Unit I for the Week ending December 31, 1943.

The following problems and events are hereby noted:

During the week everything has been of routine nature. The block managers meeting has been of routine business.

Nothing of importance was taken up by the Local Council. The main discussion was that of the diet kitchen.

The Council acting on request from the Red Cross elected two members to the disaster-preparedness committee.

Seiichi Nomura
Unit I Administrator

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COLORADO RIVER WAR RELOCATION PROJECT
POSTON, ARIZONA

January 26, 1943

MEMORANDUM TO: John G. Evans, Administrator, Unit I

I do not know whether proper steps are being taken to search the baggage of all persons leaving Poston but from a property accountability standpoint such a procedure seems to be logical and reasonable.

Anyone who is not attempting to remove items of Government property from the project would, of course, have no objection to having their baggage searched; on the other hand for the protection of the accountable officer and the Property Custodian such a search would be a prime requirement and of necessity a routine matter.

I will appreciate it if you will discuss this matter with Mr. Kennedy inasmuch as I understand all leave is handled through his office and also with Mr. Reinhardt, Project Property Custodian, with a view to establishing a checking-out process at the earliest possible date.

cc: J. F. Reinhardt
Mr. Head
Mr. Kennedy

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A. W. Eppie
Chief Administrative Officer

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PROJECT FILE

Colorado River Relocation Center
Boston, Arizona

May 1, 1944

MEMO TO: Mr. Duncan Mills
Project Director

SUBJECT: Activities in Unit 1 for the week
ending April 29, 1944

The following events and problems are hereby noted:

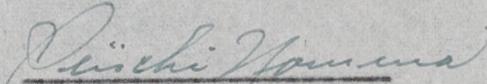
Matters taken up at the Block Managers meeting of April 25, were of routine nature.

The Executive Committee, of the block managers, met after the meeting to employ someone as Central Block manager, as Tom Sakai is leaving on a short term about the 15th of May. Mr. Kawashima former Chairman of the Executive Board was decided as a logical candidate. The executive Committee has for the past few days, been working to have Mr. Kawashima to accept.

The Block Manager of Block 32 tendered his resignation on the 25th. At the mass meeting of the block held on the night of 26th, Riichi Oyama was unanimously elected as block Manager. The Chairman of the Block Council officially notified this office on April 28th.

The Local Council held a special meeting on April 26th to discuss ways and means to move the waiting room used by the motor pool to the hospital for use of the T.B. patients.

The matter was given to a committee of five to make their report at the coming regular meeting of May 3rd.


Seiichi Nomura
Unit I Administrator

Colorado River Relocation Center
Poston, Arizona

May 8, 1944

MEMO TO: Mr. Duncan Mills
Project Director

SUBJECT: Activities in Unit I for the week
ending May 6, 1944.

The following events and problems are
hereby noted.

At the Block Managers meeting of May
2nd, matters taken up were of routine nature.
Mas Kawashima was introduced to take over
Tom Sakai's place temporarily.

The Local Council at their meeting on
May 3rd decided to move the shade used by the
Motor Pool, without tearing it down. The Unit
I Council is to volunteer for Saturday after-
noon. Saturday afternoon majority of the
Councilman appeared.

The Unit II Council is to work on May
13th and Unit III on the 14th.

cc: Mrs. B. Brown

Seiichi Nomura
Unit I Administrator

Colorado River Relocation Center
Poston, Arizona

May 15, 1944

MEMO TO: Mr. Duncan Mills
Project Director

SUBJECT: Activities in Unit I for the week
ending May 13, 1944.

FROM: Seichi Nomura
Unit I Administrator

The following events and problems are hereby noted.

At the Block Managers meeting of May 9th election was held for the new members of the Executive Committee, and also the housing committee.

Discussion was held with the Executive Committee on May 11th on the matter of the use of water. Memorandums were sent out to each Block Manager, regulating the use of water in fish ponds. Prohibiting the hours of 7:00 A.M. to 10:00 P.M. for the use of water in fish ponds.

The Unit II Council volunteered on Saturday A.M. to move the old Motor Pool shade to the Hospital and Unit III Council in the afternoon.

Unit I Council on Sunday May 14th completed the moving.



Seichi Nomura
Seichi Nomura
Unit I Administrator

Colorado River Relocation Center
Poston, Arizona

May 22, 1944

MEMO TO: Mr. Duncan Mills
Project Director

SUBJECT: Activities in Unit I for the week
ending May 20, 1944.

FROM: Seichi Nomura
Unit I Administrator

The following events and problems are hereby noted:

At the Block Managers meeting of May 16, the subject of the use of excessive water was brought up. Much cooperation was given by the residents but there are a few who disregard the instructions.

After a months trial, some regulations must be established for the use of water in the fish ponds. On the other hand some of the fish ponds should be condemned by the Health Department, the Block Managers Executive Committee assured full cooperation.

At the Council's meeting of May 17th, much time was taken up on the subject of Movie shows.

On May 19th the Block Managers Executive Committee met and discussed the subject of Assistant Central Block Manager to be in charge of all block supplies and inventory of all government property in each block.

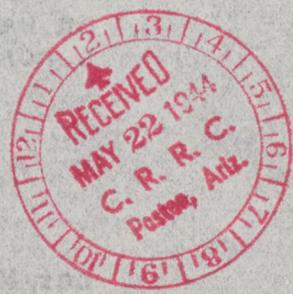
This matter was taken up with Mr. Burge on May 20th and an agreement was reached for such a position.



cc: Mrs. B. Brown

Seichi Nomura
Seichi Nomura
Unit I Administrator

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Colorado River relocation Center
Poston, Arizona

May 29, 1944

MEMO TO: Mr. Duncan Mills
Project Director

SUBJECT: Activities in Unit I for the week
ending May 27, 1944.

FROM: Seichi Nomura
Unit I Administrator

The following events and problems are hereby noted:

Matters taken up at the Block Managers meeting of May 23 were of routine nature.

The most serious problem confronting the Unit at the present time is the shortage of workers.

1. Girls for office work.
2. Agriculture Department. (truck farm)
3. Mess Hall workers. (a few blocks)

The Local Council held a special meeting of various chairmans, on May 25, to discuss on man-power shortage. It was decided that the Council to support the newley created Labor Commission.

The Labor Commission met on the 25th and the first step taken was to conduct a survey of present workers under each Division, for the purpose of temporarily curtailing those jobs which are not essential for the operation of the project.

On May 27th Units I, II, III met for general discussion.



Seichi Nomura
Seichi Nomura
Unit I Administrator



Colorado River Relocation Center
Poston, Arizona

June 5, 1944

MEMO TO: Mr. Duncan Mills
Project Director

SUBJECT: Activities in Unit I for the week
ending June 3, 1944.

FROM: Seiichi Nomura
Unit I Administrator

The following events and problems are hereby noted:

Matters taken up at the block managers meeting of May 27th, were of routine nature.

First business taken up by the Labor Commission on May 31st.

1. Survey of present workers.
2. Shortage of workers in various departments.

There is a serious labor shortage in Unit I. The reasons are as follows:

1. Seasonal Leaves
2. Draft age over 26 years of age are leaving on indefinite leave.

The survey shows that in Mess halls there is a shortage of about 57 workers.



Seiichi Nomura
Seiichi Nomura
Unit I Administrator

cc: Mrs. P.B. Brown

University of California
Berkeley, California

June 5, 1944

Dear Mr. [Name]:
I have received your letter of June 3, 1944, regarding the [subject].
The [subject] is being handled by the [department].
I will be glad to discuss this with you if you wish.
Very truly yours,
[Signature]

The following is a list of the [subject] [list items].
1. [item 1]
2. [item 2]
3. [item 3]
4. [item 4]
5. [item 5]
6. [item 6]
7. [item 7]
8. [item 8]
9. [item 9]
10. [item 10]

[Signature]



Colorado River Relocation Center
Poston, Arizona

June 12, 1944

MEMO TO: Mr. Duncan Mills
Project Director

SUBJECT: Activities in Unit I for the week
ending June 10, 1944.

FROM: Seiichi Nomura
Unit I Administrator

The following events and problems are hereby noted:

Matters taken up at the Block Managers meeting of June 5th were of routine nature.

Much discussed subject for the past two meetings of the Local Council being the sale of Poston produced food at the Rainbow market.

It is the opinion of the majority of the members that the sale price is much below market price as reported by the committee.


Seiichi Nomura
Unit I Administrator



Belmont River Protection Center
Boston, Mass.

June 12, 1944

Dear Mr. Dunsen: Mr. Dunsen,
District Director

Reference is made to your letter of June 10, 1944,
concerning the matter mentioned above.

The following information is being furnished to you
for your information:

The following events and conditions are
being reported:

On June 10, 1944, the District Director
received a letter from the Boston River
Protection Center, Boston, Massachusetts.

The letter mentioned above is being
referred to the Boston River Protection
Center, Boston, Massachusetts, for
their consideration.

It is the opinion of the District Director
that the information mentioned above
is being furnished to you for your
information.

[Handwritten Signature]
District Director
Boston River Protection Center



Colorado River War Relocation Project
Poston, Arizona

July 5, 1943

Memorandum to: L. L. Nelson, Unit I Administrator

There are attached hereto copies of the following:

1. Director Myer's letter addressed to all Project Directors dated May 1, regarding the surrendering of food rationing books by administrative personnel.
2. Copy of a memorandum addressed to you dated March 18, from this office regarding the subject.

In an informal discussion of this matter with you, you pointed out that the local Ration Board at Parker had approved allowing these books to be retained by the administrative personnel.

Upon analyzing the Director's letter it seems to me that all administrative personnel, who eat at our messes eight or more meals per week must turn over all War Ration Books since the instructions state that a person who lives in either Group II or III, Institutional Users Establishment (or in a premises maintained in connection with it) for seven consecutive days or more must surrender his War Ration Books.

I believe that we should have a formal clearance from the local Ration Board authorizing the Project to allow the administrative personnel to retain their books. Should it develop that it is desired to collect these books this office still stands ready to have the Chief Steward's office or the Fiscal Division assist in effecting this collection.

AWE:jbp
cc-Mr. Gelvin
Attachment

A. W. Empie,
Chief Administrative Officer.

Mrs. Brown

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
Colorado River War Relocation Project
Poston, Arizona

December 13, 1943

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. w. Wade Head
FROM: Seiichi Nomura
SUBJECT: Activities in Unit 1 for week Ending
December 11, 1943

Following problems and events are hereby noted:

On December 7 at the Block Managers' meeting the following topics were discussed:

- a. Distribution of Christmas gifts.
- b. How to combat the cold epidemic by Miss Rood.
- c. Clean up week to be on Saturday, December 18.

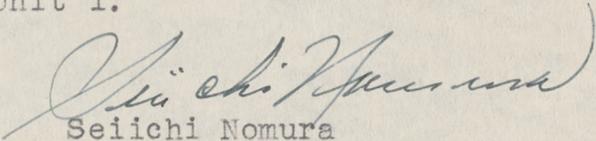
A notice was received from the Community Council to the local Council to make a survey of all the quota of each division. The members of this board to be made out of the following:

- a. Member from local Council
- b. Two from Block Managers
- c. One from the Executive Board
- d. One from the Employment Department

The first meeting will be held on December 13 to formulate the plan.

Plans were made for the dedication of the school buildings on December 21 at 7:30 P.M.

This above outline was in addition to the regular operation and administration of Unit I.


Seiichi Nomura
Unit 1 Administrator



Miss Brown

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

Colorado River War Relocation Project
Poston, Arizona

December 27, 1943

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. W. Wade Head
FROM: Seiichi Nomura
SUBJECT: Activities in Unit I for Weeks Ending
December 18, and 25, 1943

The following problems and events are hereby noted:

For the week ending Dec. 18 everything has been of routine nature. The Block Managers were notified of oil shortage for the coming two weeks and it caused unrest among a few residents. Most of the blocks have started a ration system of one gallon per day to avoid undue hardship.

Clean-up day seemed to be a great success compared to former clean-up days.

The Local Council after a week of investigation and negotiation with various parties concerned took over the scheduling of the Block 4 and 59 stage and assigned it to the Co-ordinator of Community Activities.

Discussion of the method of presenting a request to the Spanish Consul took place and a request from each block (issei residents) was brought to the committee of delegates who drafted the final petition. a copy of which is attached.

Week Ending December 25

Since the business transacted at the Block Managers' meetings has gradually become routine, questions were raised whether to have the meetings every other week. I instructed them that Block Managers' meetings should be held every week whether we had any new business or not in order to keep them together in one group.

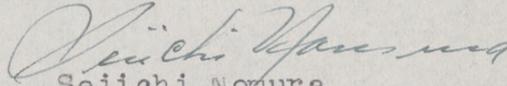


December 27, 1943

The plans for the diet kitchen on which I have worked as Chairman of the Council together with the Executive Board are at present temporarily stopped although the opinions of the majority of the residents are for the opening of such a kitchen.

I understand at the staff meeting last week it was decided not to open a new kitchen. As you will recall the translation of the petition to the Spanish Consul requested the opening of such a kitchen. I believe until further decrease in the population such a kitchen should be opened to release the congestion of hospital facilities.

This above outline was in addition to the regular operation and administration of Unit 1.


Seiichi Nomura
Unit 1 Administrator

Attachment: 1

Mrs. Brown

Colorado River War Relocation Project
Poston, Arizona

January 10, 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. W. Wade Head
FROM: Seichi Nomura
SUBJECT: Activities in Unit I for the week
ending January 8, 1944.

The following problems and events are hereby noted:

On January third, the Agriculture Department requested for more men to complete the fencing on the northside of the project to keep the cattle and horses from stamping and grazing on the "truck farm" crops.

At its regular meeting on the 5th, the Local Council decided to send one block gardener to help the fencing crew. A memorandum was sent to each block manager, from this office, to comply with the Councils request.

The first assignment of men was made on Friday Jan. 7th. Complying to the request twenty six men reported to work the first day and twenty seven on Saturday the second day. Very fine cooperation was shown by the blocks.

At the block managers meeting, Mr. Crawford and Mr. Hunter appeared and made a brief talk in regards to the work being done by their department.

An announcement was made by the Health Department to pound all the stray dogs and cats. Registration of all dogs and cats is to start in the near future by the owner.

Mr. Harper, of the Internal Security, appeared and stated that he will enforce the pounding of the stray dogs and cats.

Seichi Nomura
Seichi Nomura
Unit I Administrator

Mrs. Bowen

Colorado river war relocation project
Poston, Arizona

January 17, 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. W. Wade Head

FROM: Seichi Nomura
Unit 1 Administrator

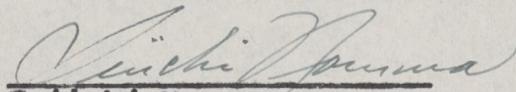
SUBJECT: Activities in Unit 1 for the
week ending January 15, 1944.

The following problems and events are hereby noted:

On January tenth, a conference was held in regard to the Infantile Paralysis Fund Drive, with Miss Kood, to bring the matter up before the block managers meeting. A report on last years epidemic was made by Miss Kood and Mr. Sakamoto as interpreter to the block managers at their meeting, on January eleventh.

A talent show held on Friday night at the School Auditorium as an educational program for the fund drive was a success.

At the block managers meeting it was decided to hold a "get-together" party of all the block managers for the night of January twenty-first. All the other matters within the unit was of routine nature.


Seichi Nomura
Unit 1 Administrator

Colorado River War Relocation Project
Poston, Arizona

January 24, 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. W. Wade Head

FROM: Seichi Nomura
Unit I Administrator

SUBJECT: Activities in Unit I for the
week ending January 22, 1944.

The following problems and events are hereby
Noted:

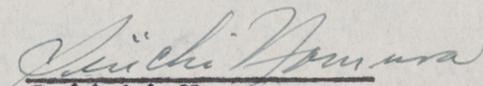
The Block Managers meeting of January 18th was
very short. About one hundred attended the
"Get-together" party which was a success.

The Council at their meeting on the 19th de-
cided to establish a committee composed of
two councilmen, two block managers, one from
the Executive board, one from the Community
Activities and one from the education, to
have control of all block recreational halls,
and to make assignments to all activities
which are deemed more beneficial for the wel-
fare of the Unit.

I believe the housing problem within the block
will be given to a committee for final decision
rather than the block managers who have control
at the present time.

Since relocation of certain members in a family,
one or two are occupying large apartments, which
will need readjustment.

The Selective service program as announced are
taken by some of the residents rather serous-
ly. I believe it will divide in two groups.
One group believing relocation will be advise-
able under the circumstances. The other group
to remain until called for active duty.


Seichi Nomura
Unit I Administrator

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Colorado River war Relocation Project
Poston, Arizona

February 1, 1944

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MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. Duncan Mills
FROM: Seiichi Nomura
Unit I Administrator
SUBJECT: Activities in Unit I for the
week ending January 29, 1944.

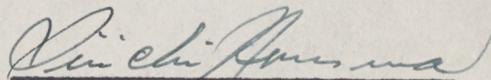
The following problems and events are hereby noted:

At the Block Managers meeting of January 25, it was decided to select a committee to handle all the difficult problems of housing, rather than to be handled by the block managers and the block council.

Heretofore all housing was handled by the block managers, but in some cases living together in one block made it very difficult to decide.

The Local Council held their first get-together party on the night of January 29th at Mess Hall thirty.

Mr. head leaving the project was expected by few before it was announced. Much conversation was going on in each block when he left for Washington, so the people rather expected it.


Seiichi Nomura
Unit I Administrator

Colorado River War Relocation Project
Tucson, Arizona

February 7, 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. Duncan Mills
FROM: Seichi Nomura
Unit I Administrator
SUBJECT: Activities in Unit I for the
week ending February 5, 1944.

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The following problems and events are hereby noted.

At the Block Managers meeting of February 2, 1944, the local Red Cross representative spoke about the Accident Prevention week. Request was also made to have one from each block to take up home nursing as twenty students were necessary in one class.

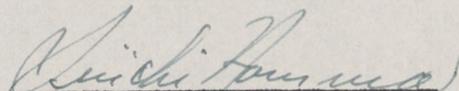
Selection for the recreation hall committee was made and block managers of block 30 and 32 were appointed.

Accurate block census as of February 2nd was requested by this office and completed by the 4th.

Also names and former Local Board number of all registrants between the ages of 18 and 37 inclusive was requested of each block, which is now about complete.

At the Local Council meeting of February 2nd, suggestion was made to transfer our block gardeners from each block to the agriculture Department. To avoid any serious dissatisfaction from the block managers, the executive committee is to work out a plan to have each block to send one evacuee from their respective block to help the Agriculture department.

This plan worked out satisfactorily and the block managers whole heartedly responded.


Seichi Nomura
Unit I Administrator

Colorado River War Relocation Project
Poston, Arizona
February 17, 1944

Mrs. Brown

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MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. Duncan Mills
FROM: Seiichi Nomura
Unit I Administrator
SUBJECT: Activities in Unit I for the
week ending February 8, 1944.

The following problems and events are hereby noted:

At the regular block managers meeting of February 8, beside routine work, a representative from the evacuee property department made an announcement as to procedure to bring in any property now stored. A report was also made as to the property destroyed by the fire in Camp II, on December 25, 1943.

One representative, was appointed to a committee to receive and distribute shoyu.

A representative was also chosen to conduct memorial services for the servicemen within the Unit.

The local council called a special meeting on February 9, to elect a representative to receive and distribute shoyu etc. This committee met with the Project Director and Dr. Powell, at the Red Cross on Friday February 11, 1944.

The committee for (memorial) funeral service met on Friday with Mr. Nelson and Dr. Powell. The matter was referred to each Local Council to formulate plans and submit to the Community Council.

Members of the Selective Service Advisory Board was appointed, which is composed of Tom Sakai Block Managers Supervisor, Unit Administrator, Tom Sakai from the Local Council, Mr. Hayano of the Education Department, and Mr. Hunter of the Relocation Office.

So far very few registrants have had any question in regards to the selective service.

Seiichi Nomura
Seiichi Nomura
Unit I Administrator

Colorado River war relocation Project
Poston, Arizona

February 22, 1944

W. Brown
Burges
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MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. Duncan Mills
FROM: Seiichi Nomura
Unit I Administrator
SUBJECT: Activities in Unit I for the
week ending February 19, 1944.

The following problems and events are hereby noted:

Block Managers meeting of February 15th: The committee reported on receiving and distributing the shoyu, etc., which was unanimously accepted. Other work was of routine nature.

At the Local Council meeting the same subject was presented and unanimously passed.

The Council also drafted rules and regulations to evict block residents. Other work being of routine report.

The Unit Selective Service Advisory Board met with Mr. Crawford for questions and answers on Wednesday and Saturday morning.

Funeral Services for Sergeant Shiramizu of Unit II was held at Unit II Cottonwood Bowl on Saturday 1:30 P.M.

Unit I Administration was represented by Mr. Sumida of block 16. The Local Council was represented by Mr. Nagai.

Mass meeting for the selective service questions and answers was held at block 4 stage. The meeting was orderly and resolution was passed addressed to the President.

Seiichi Nomura
Seiichi Nomura
Unit I Administrator

Mrs. Brown

Colorado River War Relocation Project
Poston, Arizona
February 28, 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. Duncan Mills
FROM: Seiichi Nomura
Unit 1 Administrator
SUBJECT: Activities in Unit 1 for the week
ending February 26, 1944.

The following problems and events are hereby noted:

Monday February 21st, The Community Council called representatives of the three units to schedule a date for the relocation team for each of the Units.

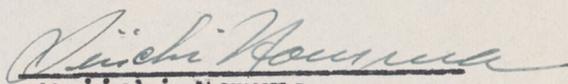
Representatives from the Local Council and the Block Managers met with Mr. Burge on the 23rd. Mr. Burge informed them that three telephone lines were available with one extension to each line. This committee met on the 24th and submitted the following blocks to have phones: Blocks 2, 4, 6, 54, and 36.

This office called a hearing under the regulations passed by the Local Council in Block 36's eviction case.

A special meeting of the Local Council was called on the 25th to approve the plans of placing the telephones. Also a meeting for the relocation team.

Unit Administrators and Block Manager Supervisor's of the three units met with Mr. Burge. Subject discussed: 1. Reduction in Block Managers staff beginning April first.

The Judicial Commissioners of Unit 1 were taken to Parker by Mr. Harper and Mr. Rowley to inspect the Parker Indian Jail.


Seiichi Nomura
Unit 1 Administrator

Mrs. Brown

Colorado River War Relocation Project
Poston, Arizona
March 6, 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. Duncan Mills

FROM: Seichi Nomura
Unit I Administrator

SUBJECT: Activities in Unit I for the week
ending March 4, 1944.

The following problems and events are hereby noted;

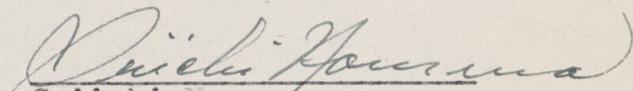
The Block Managers meeting of February 29th was short and matters that were taken up were of routine nature.

At the Local Council meeting of March 1st, a recommendation was made by Mr. Rupkey to have one day set aside as a holiday and have all the residents of Unit I go out and chase all the wild horses from the fenced areas. It was unanimously passed by the council.

The eviction case of Block 36 was heard by the twelve member board. A final recommendation was made to this office on March 3rd.

After giving Mr. Takahashi a chance to move voluntarily, I will make my recommendation after an elapse of a reasonable time if he refuses.

Excepting to a few questions on the Selective Service the Unit was quiet.


Seichi Nomura
Unit I Administrator

Mrs. Biron

Colorado River War Relocation Center
Poston, Arizona
March 13, 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. Duncan Mills
Acting Project Director

FROM: Seiichi Nomura
Unit 1 Administration

SUBJECT: Activities in Unit 1 for the
week ending March 11, 1944.

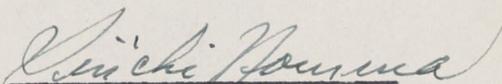
The following problems and events are hereby noted:

Red Cross made their annual fund drive appeal to the Block Managers at their meeting of March 7th, 1944.

The Local Council approved the Red Cross Fund drive at the meeting held March 1st.

All other business taken up was of routine nature.

On March 8th the Executive Committee of the Block Managers met and discussed the coming staff reduction to take effect April 1st. The unanimous opinion of those present was that one Secretary to each block was necessary.


Seiichi Nomura
Unit 1 Administrator

Colorado River War Relocation Center
Poston, Arizona

March 20, 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. Duncan Mills
Acting Project Director

FROM: Seiichi Nomura
Unit 1 Administrator

SUBJECT: Activities in Unit 1 for the week
ending March 18, 1944.

The following problems and events are hereby noted:

March 13th: A representative from the Agriculture Department and their office formulated the plans to chase the horses, etc., out of the fenced areas. Fifteen men from each block were requested.

Block Managers Meeting: Matters were of routine nature.

At the meeting of the Local Council, held March 15th, a committee of eight was chosen by the chairman, to find ways and means to hire all or part of those from the sewing project who will be terminated as of April 1st.

Not only the sewing Department, but other departments of the Community Activities Division, where it is possible to increase or charge a nominal fee so that the instructor will receive \$19.50, as cash allowance and clothing allowance.

I believe the plan will work out with out hardship, and will help these who are enable to do other project work, and for the elimination of private inter-prises.

The horse and cattle chasing worked out as planned on March 16th, without much disrupting other project workers.

Seiichi Nomura
Seiichi Nomura
Unit 1 Administrator

Mrs. Brown

Colorado River War Relocation Center
Poston, Arizona
March 27, 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. Duncan Mills
Acting Project Director *DM 4/3*

FROM: Seiichi Nomura
Unit 1 Administrator

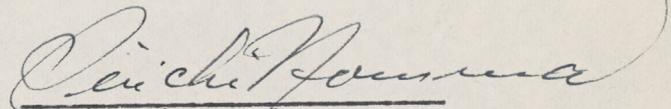
SUBJECT: Activities in Unit 1 for the week
ending March 25, 1944.

The following problems and events are hereby noted:

Matters taken up at the Block Managers meeting of
March 21st, were of routine nature.

The housing committee met for the first time and
reported the form on rules and regulations were
adopted.

The reduction of block managers staff to $3\frac{1}{2}$ under
the new set-up is the much discussed subject. I
believe in fairness to all concerned. It should
be 4 with the transfer of all the gardeners to
the Agriculture.



Seiichi Nomura
Unit 1 Administrator



Colorado River War Relocation Center
Poston, Arizona
April 3, 1944

Mrs. Brown

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. Duncan Mills
Project Director

FROM: Seiichi Nomura
Unit I Administrator

SUBJECT: Activities in Unit I for the week
ending April 1, 1944

JM #13

The following problems and events are hereby noted:

With the question of the block managers staff held over the week end, a special meeting was held March 27th for the answer from the project director. Upon receiving the memorandum dated March 27th and reading it to the managers, a majority of the block managers expressed their opinion to resign rather than to take the responsibility to instruct any of the janitors to be on part time. The situation seemed very serious.

The Local Council at their regular meeting held on March 29th, after receiving the reports from the block managers committee authorizing the chairman to appoint a committee of six. This committee met with the Project Director, Mr. Nelson and Mr. Rupkey.

The Block Managers request was presented by the chairman. After full discussion the request was granted.

The block managers held their meeting on March 31st at which they expected to be their last meeting. The chairman of the local council made the full report of the outcome of the meeting with the Project Director. Mr. Nelson came to the meeting and made his suggestions.

The final settlement as agreed was: that two janitors to each block to remain as it is until any one of them resign and at that time upon investigation by the block managers committee or the executive board, where there is not justification, the position will be replaced by a part-time worker.

The block gardeners to be transferred to the agriculture department to work with-in the block when there is not need at the agriculture department (for example, harvesting time, thinning or other work of the kind.)

Seiichi Nomura
Unit I Administrator



Miss Brown

Colorado River Relocation Center
Poston, Arizona

April 10, 1944

JM 4/11

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. Duncan Mills
Project Director

SUBJECT: Activities in Unit I for the week
ending April 8, 1944.

FROM: Seiichi Nomura
Unit I Administrator

At the block managers meeting of April 4th, all business conducted were of routine nature.

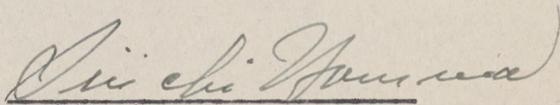
The Council at its regular meeting held April 5th elected five new members to the Community Council. Also passed was the block managers tenure regulations as follows:

1. Term of office to be six months.
2. Election to be held fourth Monday in April and October of each year.
3. Excepting as to those blocks already had their election in April.

The meeting of the Block Managers Executive Committee was held on the above regulations on Thursday April 6th. Legal opinion was given by Mr. Rawly as to the power of the Council to regulate Administrative Branches of services.

The matter is very questionable and controversial.

As Chairman of the Council these matters are still held with out presentation to the Project Director for approval, or as recommendation.


Seiichi Nomura
Unit I Administrator



Colorado River Relocation Center
Poston, Arizona

W. Brown. ~~Brown~~
~~Sturck~~

April 18, 1944

MEMO TO: Mr. Duncan Mills
Project Director

SUBJECT: Activities in Unit 1 for the week ending
April 15, 1944.

The following events and problems are here-
by noted:

At the Block Managers meeting of April 11th,
a report was made as to the action taken by the
Council on Block Managers tenure.

After much discussion the majoritys opinion
was that the Council had acted without authority.

April 11th, the Block Gardeners were called
by the Agriculture Department to work in the fields,
and the work continued all through the week.

Some block managers objected to the length
of services to be performed for the Agriculture
Department. At the special meeting held April 13th
this matter was made clear to the managers. It is
now understood that the sole control of the garden-
ers are under the Agriculture Department.

April 12th: The Block Managers executive committee
met with the Director for the discussion of tenure.

A special meeting was called on April 13th
for the discussion on tenure and recommendation
was made to the Director.

The Judicial Council met on April 13th with
the Director and future policies for all trials
were decided.

Seiichi Nomura
Seiichi Nomura
Unit 1 Administrator

Arizona State Highway Center
Phoenix, Arizona

April 15, 1944

Mr. W. W. ...
Phoenix, Arizona

Reference is made to the work done
April 12, 1944.

The following items are being
returned to you.

At the block meeting of April 11th,
a report was made as to the activities of the
Council on Agricultural Experimentation.

After the discussion the following opinion
was that the Council had acted without authority.

At April 11th, the block members were called
for the purpose of discussing the activities of the
Council and the work done through the week.

Some block members object to the
of service to be rendered for the activities
of the Council. It is stated that the
this matter was left to the members. It is
now understood that the sole control of the
the matter is the Agricultural Experimentation.

April 11th, the block members executive committee
retained the director for the discussion of the
matter.

A special meeting was called on April 11th
for the discussion of the matter and the
was held at the director's office.

The special meeting was on April 11th with
the director and future policies for all trials
are decided.

Very truly yours,
W. W. ...
Administrator



Colorado River Relocation Center
Poston, Arizona

W. B. Benge

April 24, 1944

MEMO TO: Mr. Duncan Mills
Project Director

SUBJECT: Activities in Unit I for the week
ending April 22, 1944.

The following events and problems are hereby noted:

Matters taken up at the block managers meeting of April 18th were of routine nature.

At the meeting of the Local Council of April 19th a request was made by the Community Activities Department for \$180.00 to be used for the coming Boy's Day track and field meet to be held May 7th, 1944. After much discussion \$100.00 was granted with instructions to obtain the balance from the Community Enterprise, in cash or goods for the prizes.

The Executive Committee of the Block Managers met April 20th for the purpose of ascertaining justification in the matter of one janitor for block two. No recommendation is filled with this office.

The three unit Administrators with their control of block managers, met with Mr. Haverland and Mr. Popkins in regards to block supply.

April 21st, the Executive Committee of the block managers met and discussed the matter of block 32's managers.

It was unanimously agreed and recommended to this office to hold a vote of confidence election April 28th. (memorandum of April 21st.)

cc: Mrs. B. Brown

Seiichi Nomura
Seiichi Nomura
Unit 1 Administrator

Colorado River Relocation Center
Boston, Arizona

May 1, 1944

JM 5/21

MEMO TO: Mr. Duncan Mills
Project Director

SUBJECT: Activities in Unit 1 for the week
ending April 29, 1944

The following events and problems are hereby noted:

Matters taken up at the Block Managers meeting of April 25, were of routine nature.

The Executive Committee, of the block managers, met after the meeting to employ someone as central Block Manager, as Tom Sakai is leaving on a short term about the 15th of May. Mr. Kawashima former Chairman of the Executive Board was decided as a logical candidate. The Executive Committee has for the past few days, been working to have Mr. Kawashima to accept.

The Block Manager of Block 32 tendered his resignation on the 25th. At the mass meeting of the block held on the night of 26th, Riichi Oyama was unanimously elected as block Manager. The Chairman of the Block Council officially notified this office on April 28th.

The Local Council held a special meeting on April 26th to discuss ways and means to move the waiting room used by the motor pool to the hospital for use of the T.B. patients.

The matter was given to a committee of five to make their report at the coming regular meeting of May 3rd.

Seiichi Nomura
Seiichi Nomura
Unit 1 Administrator

Colorado River Relocation Center
Poston, Arizona

Mr. Barge

May 8, 1944

JM 5/10

MEMO TO: Mr. Duncan Mills
Project Director

SUBJECT: Activities in Unit I for the week
ending May 6, 1944.

The following events and problems are
hereby noted.

At the Block Managers meeting of May
2nd, matters taken up were of routine nature.
Mas Kawashima was introduced to take over
Tom Sakai's place temporarily.

The Local Council at their meeting on
May 3rd decided to move the shade used by the
Motor Pool, without tearing it down. The Unit
I Council is to volunteer for Saturday after-
noon. Saturday afternoon majority of the
Councilman appeared.

The Unit II Council is to work on May
13th and Unit III on the 14th.

Seiichi Nomura

Seiichi Nomura
Unit I Administrator

cc: Mrs. B. Brown

Colorado River Relocation Center
Poston, Arizona

May 15, 1944

MEMO TO: Mr. Duncan Mills
Project Director

SUBJECT: Activities in Unit I for the week
ending May 13, 1944.

FROM: Seiichi Nomura
Unit I Administrator

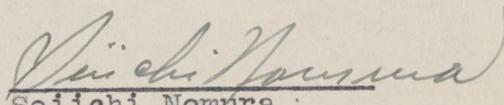
The following events and problems are hereby noted.

At the Block Managers meeting of May 9th election was held for the new members of the Executive Committee, and also the housing committee.

Discussion was held with the Executive Committee on May 11th on the matter of the use of water. Memorandums were sent out to each Block Manager, regulating the use of water in fish ponds. Prohibiting the hours of 7:00 A.M. to 10:00 P.M. for the use of water in fish ponds.

The Unit II Council volunteered on Saturday A.M. to move the old Motor Pool shade to the Hospital and Unit III Council in the afternoon.

Unit I Council on Sunday May 14th completed the moving.


Seiichi Nomura
Unit I Administrator

Colorado River Relocation Center
Poston, Arizona

Mr. Burge

May 22, 1944

MEMO TO: Mr. Duncan Mills
Project Director

DM 5/22

SUBJECT: Activities in Unit 1 for the week
ending May 20, 1944.

FROM: Seiichi Nomura
Unit 1 Administrator

The following events and problems are hereby noted:

At the Block Managers meeting of May 16, the subject of the use of excessive water was brought up. Much cooperation was given by the residents but there are a few who disregard the instructions.

After a months trial, some regulations must be established for the use of water in the fish ponds. On the other hand some of the fish ponds should be condemned by the Health Department, the Block Managers Executive Committee assured full cooperation.

At the Council's meeting of May 17th, much time was taken up on the subject of Movie shows.

On May 19th the Block Managers Executive Committee met and discussed the subject of Assistant Central Block Manager to be in charge of all block supplies and inventory of all government property in each block.

This matter was taken up with Mr. Burge on May 20th and an agreement was reached for such a position.

Seiichi Nomura
Seiichi Nomura
Unit 1 Administrator

cc: Mrs. B. Brown

Burge

Colorado River Relocation Center
Poston, Arizona

May 29, 1944

MEMO TO: Mr. Duncan Mills
Project Director

SUBJECT: Activities in Unit I for the week
ending May 27, 1944.

FROM: Seiichi Nomura
Unit I Administrator

The following events and problems are hereby noted:

Matters taken up at the Block Managers meeting of May 23 were of routine nature.

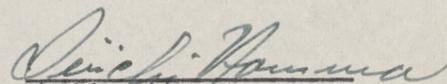
The most serious problem confronting the Unit at the present time is the shortage of workers.

1. Girls for office work.
2. Agriculture Department. (truck farm)
3. Mess Hall workers. (a few blocks)

The Local Council held a special meeting of various chairmans, on May 25, to discuss on man-power shortage. It was decided that the Council to support the newly created Labor Commission.

The Labor Commission met on the 25th and the first step taken was to conduct a survey of present workers under each Division, for the purpose of temporarily curtailing those jobs which are not essential for the operation of the project.

On May 27th Units I, II, III met for general discussion.


Seiichi Nomura
Unit I Administrator

Burgess

Colorado River Relocation Center
Poston, Arizona

June 5, 1944

MEMO TO: Mr. Duncan Mills
Project Director

DM 4/6

SUBJECT: Activities in Unit 1 for the week
ending June 3, 1944.

FROM: Seiichi Nomura
Unit 1 Administrator

The following events and problems are
hereby noted:

Matters taken up at the block managers
meeting of May 27th, were of routine nature.

First business taken up by the Labor
Commission on May 31st.

1. Survey of present workers.
2. Shortage of workers in various
departments.

There is a serious labor shortage in
Unit 1. The reasons are as follows:

1. Seasonal Leaves
2. Draft age over 26 years of age are
leaving on indefinite leave.

The survey shows that in Mess halls there
is a shortage of about 57 workers.

Seiichi Nomura
Seiichi Nomura
Unit 1 Administrator

cc: Mrs. P.B. Brown

Colorado River Relocation Center
Poston, Arizona

June 12, 1944

MEMO TO: Mr. Duncan Mills
Project Director

SUBJECT: Activities in Unit I for the week
ending June 10, 1944.

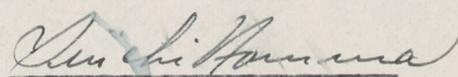
FROM: Seiichi Nomura
Unit I Administrator

The following events and problems are
hereby noted:

Matters taken up at the Block Managers
meeting of June 6th were of routine nature.

Much discussed subject for the past
two meetings of the Local Council being the
sale of Poston produced food at the Rainbow
market.

It is the opinion of the majority of
the members that the sale price is much be-
low market price as reported by the committee.


Seiichi Nomura
Unit I Administrator