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PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

REPORT

POSTON 3

POSTON

ARIZONA

December 31, 1942



POSTON 3  
PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT  
PERSONNEL

GEORGE WADA, M.D.  
Public Health Officer

TERU TOGASAKI, M.D.

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PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

STATISTICS

AUGUST - DECEMBER

1942



Poston, Arizona  
SUMMARY  
of  
COMMUNICABLE AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES  
August to December, 1942  
Poston 3

Diseases	
Chickenpox	108
German Measles	1
Influenza	12
Measles	-
Mumps	1
Pneumonia	6
Scarlet Fever	1
Trachoma	2
Tuberculosis	26
Venereal Disease	
Gonorrhea	-
Syphilis	12
Whooping Cough	4
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Innoculations	
Diphtheria	448
Typhoid	751
Examinations	
Kitchens	-
School	
Physical	1215**
Dental	1119
Vaccinations	
Smallpox	2059

\* ~~inclusive to 1-4-43~~

\*\* Total does not include pre-school children examined in October by George Wada, M.D.



# COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

AUGUST

1942

Age	Measles	Influenza	Conjunctivitis
0 - 1			
2 - 4			
5 - 9	1*		1
10 - 14			
15 - 19			1
20 - 29			3
30 - 39			
40 - 49		1	1
50 - 59			1
60 -			
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Total	1	1	7

\*Exact age of Patient unknown



# COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

SEPTEMBER 1942

Age	Pertussis	Influenza	Conduactivitis
0 - 1	4		
2 - 4		1	
5 - 9		1	
10 - 14		1	1
15 - 19		2	1
20 - 29		1	1
30 - 39		1	1
40 - 49			
50 - 59		3	2
60 -			
Total	<hr/> 4	<hr/> 10	<hr/> 6



# COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

OCTOBER

1942

Age	Chickenpox	Pneumonia	Influenza	Conjunctivitis
0 - 1				2
2 - 4				
5 - 9	1			8
10 - 14				1
15 - 19				
20 - 29				1
30 - 39			1	1
40 - 49				2
50 - 59		1		1
60 -	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
Total	1	1	1	17



# COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

NOVEMBER 1942

Age	Chickenpox	Pneumonia	Influenza	Conjunctivitis
0 - 1				
2 - 4	1			1
5 - 9	5			3
10 - 14	40			
15 - 19	2			1
20 - 29	1			4
30 - 39				2
40 - 49			1	1
50 - 59			1	1
60 -		1	1	
Total	49	1	3	13



# COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

DECEMBER 1942

Age	Chickenpox	Mumps	Pneumonia	Conjunctivitis	Scarlet Fever
0 - 1	8				
2 - 4	28		2		
5 - 9	13		1	1	
10 - 14	3	1		3	
15 - 19					
20 - 29	3				1
30 - 39			1	1	
40 - 49					
50 - 59				1	
60 -					
Total	<hr/> 55	<hr/> 1	<hr/> 4	<hr/> 6	<hr/> 1



# CHICKENPOX

October 12, 1942 - December 31, 1942  
Revised Dec. 31, 1942

<u>WEEK ENDING</u>	<u>NUMBER REPORTED</u>	
October 12	<u>1</u>	1
First Outbreak		
November 14	13	
November 21	<u>5</u>	18
Second Outbreak		
November 28	27	
December 5	<u>15</u>	42
Third Outbreak		
December 12	6	
December 19	26	
December 21	<u>4</u>	36
Fourth Outbreak		
December 26	3	
December 31	<u>8</u>	11
Total		<u>108</u>



POSTON 3

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

SUMMARY OF TYPHOID INOCULATIONS

Completed here each month:

August-----	0
September-----	729
October-----	7
November-----	<u>15</u>

Total complete here----- 751

Incompleted cards

First dose completed-----	3
Second dose completed-----	14
Excused by Doctor-----	<u>7</u>

Total incompleted cards----- 24

775



Public Health Department  
Medical Clinic

Poston 3

Diphtheria Innoculations (Revised December 31, 1942)

September 23	3	
September 30	<u>2</u>	5
October 7	3	
October 14	61	
October 15	1	
October 28	<u>2</u>	67
November 4	255	
November 5	1	
November 10	1	
November 11	43	
November 18	32	
November 25	<u>32</u>	364
December 9	6	
December 16	5	
December 17	<u>1</u>	<u>12</u>

Total December 31, 1942

448



Public Health Department

Medical Clinic

Poston 3

Smallpox Vaccinations Given

December 23	1060
December 24	995
December 28	3
December 31	1
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Total Vaccinations Given December 31, 1942	2059



BIRTHS IN POSTON #3,  
AUGUST TO DECEMBER 31, 1942

Total Births 30

Boys 13

Girls 17

43.33%

56.67%

1. Yamada, Terrence	306- 5-C	Sept. 5, 1942	m
2. Kakoda, Jean Itsuko	317- 3-D	Aug. 17, 1942	f
3. Morishita, Kazuo	326-14-H	Sept. 8, 1942	m
4. Takahashi, Teruko	307-14-D		m
5. Kajioka, Yogi Collin	317-13-F	Oct. 2, 1942	m
6. Uota, Ken	325- 3-D	Oct. 29, 1942	m
7. Mimura, Harley Jr.	325-13-E	Sept. 24, 1942	m
8. Sakaguchi, Diane	316- 3-C	Nov. 3, 1942	f
9. Ikemura,	328- 2-B		m
10. Fukamizu, Tomako	330- 4-D	Oct. 26, 1942.	f
11. Sakai, Larry	306-14-E	Oct. 31, 1942	m
12. Kanno, Patricia	308-11-D	Nov. 2, 1942	f
13. Iwata,	307- 4-A		m
14. Furuta, Wilmer	323-13-H	Nov. 21, 1942	m
15. Saruwatari, Stella	316- 2-C	Nov. 27, 1942	f
16. Sadaki, Stanley	318-13-H	Nov. 6, 1942	m
17. Matsuhara, Ronald	323-14-A	Nov. 17, 1942	m
18. Yamamoto, Barbara	322-14-C	Dec. 2, 1942	f
19. Ikeda,	307-10-D		m
20. Iwo, Haruo	329-13-H		f
21. Sato, Kiyo	329-14-G	Nov. 14, 1942	f
22. Kagawa, Ritsuko	326- 4-D	Nov. 5, 1942	f
23. Chiba, Hisae Ann	328-13-C	Dec. 12, 1942	f
24. Okamoto, Fumiye	326-11-D	Dec. 5, 1942	f
25. Yoshioka, Mitsuko	318-10-B	Dec. 22, 1942	f
26. Taguchi, Masao Walter	326-12-B	Dec. 31, 1942	m
27. Watanabe, Carol Hanaye	326- 2-B	Dec. 13, 1942	f
28. Morishita, Maeona	322- 3-A	Dec. 14, 1942	m
29. Shoji, Carroll	316-13-H	Dec. 27, 1942	f
30. Hirata, Lynda	327-10-D	Dec. 20, 1942	f



DEATHS

AUGUST TO DECEMBER 31, 1942

1. Kurihara, Kumaki	69	305-12-D	9/12/42
2. Okino, Umekichi	69	316- 9-B	12/1/42
3. Mikasa, Nukichi	58	316- 6-A	12/3/42
4. Umeda, Masaru	8 mos.	309-12-D	12/20/42
5. Koga, (Mrs.) Tsuya	45	309- 3-C	12/25/42
6. Matsunaga, Daisaku	75	327-13-H	12/29/42



PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

NOTICES

POSTON III

ARIZONA



September 18, 1942

Memo To: Block Manager

From: Public Health Department, Camp 3 Medical Clinic

Subject: Typhoid Inoculation

Following is a list of those who have not yet finished their triple typhoid inoculation. Please make any corrections and return the sheet.

The next inoculation will be given Wednesday, September 23, 1942, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Name	Age	Barrack No.	No. shots still to be taken
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October 10, 1942

Memo To: Block Manager

From: Public Health Department, Medical Clinic  
Camp 3

Subject: Schick Test Reading

The following children must report to the Clinic Monday, October 12, 1942, for their Schick Test reading. These children should have been in earlier, so please make sure that they come promptly.

List of names

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October 13, 1942

To: Block Manager  
From: Kelly K. Yamada, Business Manager  
Subject: Second Diphtheria Inoculation

All children who had their first Diphtheria Inoculation on September 23rd are asked to come to the Clinic on Wednesday, October 14th from 1 to 4 p.m. for their second inoculation.

All children who had positive Schick Test reaction and who have not had their first inoculation are also asked to come for their first inoculation.

Note: ONLY CHILDREN AFFECTED BY THIS NOTICE ARE TO COME.

KKY/ys

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October 15, 1942

To: Block Manager  
From: Kelly K. Yamada, Business Manager, Medical Clinic  
Subject: Schick Test

All children 12 years and under, who have not had their Schick Test and who are not taking Diphtheria Inoculations at present, are asked to come to the Clinic on Friday, October 16, from 1 to 4 p.m. for their Schick Test.

Block Managers will please conduct a survey and notify children affected by this order personally.

KKY/ys

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October 21, 1942

Memo To: Block Manager

From: Kelly K. Yamada, Business Manager  
Medical Clinic, Camp 3

Subject: Block Census

Will you please send a copy of your block census to the Clinic as soon as possible.

The census is for the Public Health Department records.

KKY/ys

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October 27, 1942

Memo To: Block Manager

From: Public Health Department, Medical Clinic  
Camp 3

Subject: Diphtheria Inoculation Survey

Will you please ask the parents of the children listed the following questions:

1. If the children listed have had their Diphtheria Inoculations, find out where and when.
2. If the children listed have not had their Diphtheria Inoculations, would they please bring their children to the Clinic on Wednesday, October 28th, from 1 to 4 p.m. for their Schick Test.

List of names

Note: Children over 6 months of age should be given Diphtheria Inoculations.

Please return this list immediately with the answers.

GW/ys

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October 27, 1942

Memo To: Block Manager

From: Public Health Department, Medical Clinic  
Camp 3

Subject: Second Diphtheria Inoculation

Will you please notify personally, the parents of the following children, to have their children come to the Clinic on Wednesday, October 28th, from 1 to 4 p.m. for their second Diphtheria Inoculation.

List of names

GW/ys

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October 29, 1942

Memo To: Block Manager

From: Public Health Department, Medical Clinic Camp 3

Subject: Typhoid Inoculation

Following is a list of those who have not yet finished their triple typhoid inoculation. Will you please make any corrections and return this sheet.

Please notify those listed to come to the Clinic on Friday, October 30th, from 1 to 4 p.m. for their inoculation.

List of names

GW/ys

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November 3, 1942

To: Block Managers

From: Kelly K. Yamada, Business Manager, Medical Clinic

Subject: Third Diphtheria Inoculation

All children who had their second Diphtheria Inoculation on October 14th are asked to come to the Clinic on Wednesday, November 4th, from 1 to 4 p.m. for their third inoculation.

KKY/ys

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November 3, 1942

Memo To: Block Manager

From: Public Health Department, Medical Clinic  
Camp 3

Subject: Second Diphtheria Inoculation

Will you please notify personally, the parents of the following children, to have their children come to the Clinic on Wednesday, November 4th, from 1 to 4 p.m. for their second Diphtheria Inoculation.

List of names

GW/ys

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November 5, 1942

Memo To: Block Manager

From: Public Health Department, Medical Clinic  
Camp 3

Subject: Typhoid Inoculation

Following is a list of those who have not yet finished their triple typhoid inoculation. Will you please notify those listed to come to the Clinic on Friday, November 6th, from 2 to 4 p.m. for their inoculation.

\* THIS IS THE FINAL NOTICE FOR VOLUNTARY INOCULATION

List of names

GW/ys

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November 10, 1942

Memo To: Block Manager  
From: Public Health Department, Medical Clinic, Camp 3  
Subject: Diphtheria Inoculation

Will you please notify the parents of the following children, that they are to come to the Clinic on Wednesday, November 11th, from 2 to 4 p.m. for their Diphtheria Inoculation.

List of names

GW/ys



November 12, 1942

Memo To: \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

From: Public Health Department, Camp 3 Medical Clinic

Subject: Typhoid Immunization

The Medical Clinic has given you three notices to report for Typhoid Immunization by you have failed to come.

We shall give you one more opportunity to report on Friday, November 13th, from 2 to 4 p.m.

After November 13th, the Camp 3 Medical Clinic will not be responsible if you should contract Typhoid Fever.

November 12, 1942

To: Block Manager

From: Public Health Department, Camp 3 Medical Clinic

The Public Health Department of Camp 3 desires your cooperation in delivering these notices to individuals addressed.

Will you please interpret to all ISSEIS so that they will understand.



November 17, 1942

Memo To: Block Manager

From: Public Health Department, Medical Clinic, Camp 3

Subject: Diphtheria Inoculation

Will you please notify the parents of the following children, that their children are to come to the Clinic on Wednesday, November 18th, from 2 to 4 p.m. for their Diphtheria Inoculation.

List of names

GW/ys

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November 20, 1942

Memo To: Block Manager  
From: Public Health Department, Camp 3 Medical Clinic  
Subject: SMALLPOX IMMUNIZATION SURVEY

Your cooperation is needed in obtaining an accurate survey of those who need Smallpox Immunization and those who have had their Smallpox Immunization.

Will you please make your survey under two separate headings:

1. Those who need Smallpox Immunization
2. Those who have had Smallpox Immunization with date and place.

Will you please have this survey completed so that it may be picked up by our messenger on Tuesday, November 24th.

November 24, 1942

To All Block Managers

A correction on the Smallpox survey question No. 1

It should read: Those who have not had Smallpox Immunization since January 1, 1940.

Public Health Department  
Poston 3



November 24, 1942

Memo To: Block Manager

From: Public Health Department, Medical Clinic, Camp 3

Subject: Diphtheria Inoculation

Will you please notify the parents of the following children, that their children are to come to the Clinic on Wednesday, November 25th, from 2 to 4 p.m. for their Diphtheria Inoculation.

List of names

GW/ys

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November 30, 1942

Memo To: Susumu Takao, Coordinator  
Community Activities  
Poston 3

From: George Wada, M.D.  
Public Health Officer, Poston 3

Subject: Tackle Football

Several cases of severe injuries resulting from boys playing tackle football have been treated at the Medical Clinic and the Base Hospital recently.

Since adequate facilities are not available either in Poston 3 or at the Base Hospital, we request the discontinuance of such activities and all other violent sports. The Medical Clinic is, of course, equipped to handle minor injuries, but such injuries should be kept at a minimum and the present facilities be reserved for the treatment of illnesses occurring in Poston 3.

We know you readily realize our position in desiring to extend the best possible service to the community but we must have a certain amount of preventive cooperation from all departments.

GW/ys

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Public Health Officer  
Poston 3



December 1, 1942

To: All Block Managers  
From: Public Health Deptment, Camp 3 Medical Clinic  
Subject: Smallpox Immunization Certificates

In checking over the certificates on hand, we find that many people are still in possession of their certificates. If these people do not turn in their certificates, we shall assume that they have not been immunized since 1940 and will therefore immunize them with the other people.

Please collect the certificates immediately and bring them to the Clinic.



Date \_\_\_\_\_

Memo To: Police Department, Camp 3

From: Public Health Department, Camp 3 Medical Clinic

Subject: Chickenpox Quarantine

Chickenpox quarantine for two weeks, starting today, has been imposed upon:

List of names



Date \_\_\_\_\_

Memo To: \_\_\_\_\_

From: George Wada, M.D.  
Public Health Officer  
Medical Clinic, Poston 3

Subject: Sterilization of Eating Utencils

You are hereby informed that \_\_\_\_\_  
of your family is ill with \_\_\_\_\_.  
All dishes used by this patient should be washed in a  
separate container with BOILING HOT WATER AND SOAP for  
sterilization.

We recommend the use of one set of dishes for the  
patient until his recovery from his illness. This set  
of dishes should be washed by you and kept at home.  
Bring them to the mess hall only when you are going to  
get meals for the patient.

If you have CLOROX OR PUREX or some disinfectant  
of similar nature, the use of the same in washing the  
dishes is highly recommended.

Your cooperation in this matter is most desirable  
for the welfare of the community.

GW/ys

\_\_\_\_\_  
George Wada, M.D.  
Public Health Officer  
Poston 3



December 2, 1942

Memo To: Department of Education  
Poston 3

From: George Wada, M.D.  
Department of Public Health  
Medical Clinic, Poston 3

Subject: Chickenpox Quarantine for Contacts

Effective today all Chickenpox contacts will be quarantined at the end of the first week instead of the former second week.

I feel this action necessary in order to control the disease more effectively.

We thank you for your cooperation in this present epidemic.

GW/ys

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George Wada, M.D.  
Public Health Officer  
Poston 3



Date \_\_\_\_\_

Memo To: \_\_\_\_\_

From: Public Health Department, Poston 3

Subject: Quarantine for Chickenpox Contacts

The Public Health Department requests your cooperation in enforcing a quarantine on children who have not had Chickenpox. The period of quarantine is to be two (2) weeks, starting today, during which time the children should be kept at home under close observation. If a child should break out with Chickenpox a report must be made to the Clinic immediately.



December 8, 1942

Memo To: All Kitchen Stewards and Chefs  
From: Public Health Department, Poston 3  
Subject: Pot Holders

The Public Health Department of Camp 3 would like to suggest that each Kitchen acquire at least two (2) dozen pot holders. The size recommended is 10" x 10" square with at least  $\frac{1}{2}$ " thickness padding.

We recommend this in order to give better protection to the Kitchen Crews against burns and scaldings of which there have been numerous cases. It is to the interest and safety of the Kitchen crews to be provided with as much protection as possible.

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Teru Togasaki, M.D.  
Public Health Department  
Poston 3

TT/ys



December 14, 1942

Memo To: All Block Managers

From: George Wada, M.D.  
Public Health Officer, Camp 3 Medical Clinic

Subject: Daily Survey of Vomiting and Diarrhea

There has been a preponderance of vomiting and Diarrhea or both for the past few weeks.

The Public Health Department needs your cooperation in making a daily survey of these cases. We are enclosing a sample form which we would like you to follow.

The period for the daily survey is to be from December 14th to December 20th. Please turn in a daily survey to the Clinic starting December 15th. Thank you.

GW/ys

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George Wada, M.D.  
Public Health Officer,  
Camp 3



December 21, 1942

MEMO TO: ALL KITCHEN STEWARDS  
FROM: George Wada, M.D.  
Public Health Officer  
Poston 3  
SUBJECT: Communicable Disease Quarantine

All kitchen employees, regardless of age, who have children, brothers or sisters at home with any infectious diseases ( refer to attached list ) are ordered to stay at home until such quarantine is lifted by the Public Health Officer.

Too many cases of Chickenpox have occurred in Camp 3 because the children were not isolated properly and many cases not reported. Several adults have contracted Chickenpox so that extra care must be observed in the future for the welfare of the entire community.

When the Doctor finds a communicable disease present in a family, the family will be informed by him of the nature of the disease and a quarantine enforced.

The cooperation of all kitchen employees is necessary as each contact is a potential carrier of all communicable diseases.

All kitchen stewards will please explain this memo to all Issei employees so that they will understand clearly what is desired.

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George Wada, M.D.  
Public Health Officer  
Poston 3

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J. E. L. Burdick  
Chief Steward  
Poston 3



Please post in Mess Halls

COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

Anthrax

Bubonic Plague

Chickenpox

Cholera

Cerebrospinal Meningitis  
(epidemic)

Dengue

Diphtheria

Dysentery

Encephalitis

German measles

Influenza

Leprosy

Malarial fever

Malta fever

Measles

Mumps

Opthalmia neonatrum

Pellagra

Pneumonia

Poliomyelitis

Rabies

Relapsing Fever

Rocky Mountain Fever

Scarlet Fever

Smallpox

Trachoma

Tuberculosis

Typhoid fever

Typhus fever

Venereal disease

Syphilis

Gonorrhea

Chaneroid

Whooping Cough



December 21, 1942

MEMO TO: ALL DEPARTMENT HEADS

FROM: George Wada, M.D.  
Public Health Officer  
Poston 3

SUBJECT: Smallpox Vaccination

Smallpox vaccinations will be given to the residents of Poston 3 on Wednesday, December 23rd and Thursday, December 24th.

Please release all workers who need vaccination on these two days from the hours of 2 to 4 p.m. People from Roku 1 will be vaccinated on Wednesday and people from Roku 2 on Thursday.

Your cooperation will be appreciated.

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George Wada, M.D.  
Public Health Officer  
Poston 3



December 29, 1942

MEMO TO: ALL DEPARTMENT HEADS  
FROM: GEORGE WADA, M.D.  
PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER  
POSTON 3  
SUBJECT: SMALLPOX VACCINATION READING

Smallpox Vaccination reading will be given to the residents of Poston 3 on Wednesday Dec. 30th and Thursday Dec. 31st.

Please release all workers who were vaccinated from 1 to 3 p.m. on the above dates.

People from Roku 1 are to come on Wednesday afternoon and people from Roku 2 on Thursday afternoon.

Your cooperation will be appreciated.

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George Wada, M.D.  
Public Health Officer  
Poston 3



December 30, 1942

MEMO TO:               BLOCK MANAGER  
FROM:                 GEORGE WADA, M.D.  
                      PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER  
                      POSTON 3  
SUBJECT:              SMALLPOX VACCINATION READING

All people who were vaccinated on Thursday, December 24th, are to report outside the Medical Clinic on Thursday, December 31st from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. for Smallpox vaccination reading.

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George Wada, M.D.  
Public Health Officer  
Poston 3

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December 30, 1942

Memo To: Charles Nakamura  
Transportation Office, Poston 3

From: George Wada, M.D.  
Public Health Officer, Poston 3

Subject: Public Safety and Accident Prevention

Please caution all Truck, Tractor, and etc drivers and the crews assigned to them to use all precautions for the safety of the Public.

This applies especially to the Garbage Truck and the Rubbish Tractors as they operate off the roads into the blocks. It has been noticed that the rubbish draws drop the rubbish containers without looking. This practice may and will lead to accidents which could be prevented by a few seconds of observation.

Please use your discretion in setting up Public Safety regulations and enforce them from your office.

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George Wada, M.D.  
Public Health Officer  
Poston, 3

GW/ys