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THE MINUTES
of
The Board of Directors, Poston Co-operative
Enterprises, Inc.

Time: February 10, 1945; 9:00 A.M.
Place: Unit I Conference Room

The meeting was called to order by Mr. F. K. Inagaki, President. Roll call was taken. Members present were Messrs. F. K. Inagaki, S. Shintani, G. S. Sakamoto, S. Amano, K. Kawabe, M. Ohye, S. Morimoto, M. Shintaku, H. Sakurai, S. Yamane, T. Suzuki, and I. Kawamoto. Others present were Mr. Fred Akashi, General Manager, and Mr. P. C. Takeda, Executive Secretary.

Mimeographed copies of the minutes of the previous meeting were distributed among present for inspection. The minutes was approved as presented.

Certificate of Merit to Mr. Y. Kanagawa:

The Chairman presented to the meeting the Management Committee's recommendation of sending a Certificate of Merit to Mr. Yasoichi Kanagawa, who recently resigned from the Board and returned to his California farm. He explained that Mr. Kanagawa has served continuously on the Board for more than two years, acted as Unit II Co-op Supervisor for several months last year without pay, and offered other valuable services such as assisting in inventory taking, attending Co-op Federation Conference, etc.

Mr. S. Yamane made a motion that the Board send to Mr. Y. Kanagawa a Certificate of Merit and a merchandise gift of not more than \$10 in value as tokens of our appreciation for the valuable services he had rendered to the organization.

The motion was seconded by Mr. K. Kawabe and it was carried unanimously.

W.R.A. Bill:

✓ The Secretary presented to the meeting a W.R.A. bill demanding payment of the sum of \$8,785.54 including several items which were promised by the former Project Director to be furnished us free.

✓ The meeting decided (1) to recommend the Management to make immediate payment for those items for which there is no ground for controversy and (2) to ask Executive Secretary to prepare a memorandum requesting the present Project Director to reconsider other controversial items which the Board do not feel justified to pay, and present it to the next Board Meeting for approval.

Report from Management:

Mr. Akashi, General Manager, made the following reports on the management:

(1) Tobacco Situation:

As the tobacco purchase is becoming increas-

ingly difficult and supply is getting smaller, we are compelled to cut our next week's cigarette ration by at least one package per person. And a new set of ration cards will be issued soon as an adjustment to the decreasing population.

(2) Special Sales:

Detail arrangements will be made for the contemplated Special Sale at the Store Managers Meeting next Tuesday.

(3) Warehouse:

(a) Procurement Department has been moved last week to the Warehouse Office.

(b) Two night watchmen for warehouses will be placed on duty within next 2 or 3 days as soon as their rest room is completed.

(4) Mojave Room was closed by January 31, 1945.

Unused Equipments:

The question of proper disposal of about 5 cash registers and some coolers which are not in use any more as a result of closing of several canteens, was presented to the meeting by the Chairman.

Mr. H. Sakurai made a motion that all unused equipments should be sold to highest bidders as soon as possible, but first to request the Management Committee to determine what is to be considered approximate fair price.

The motion was seconded by Mr. T. Suzuki, and it was carried unanimously.

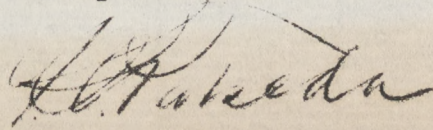
Request to Block Managers & Co-op Congress Delegates:

Mr. M. Ohye made a motion that in view of the fact that considerable amount of detail work is involved in actual handling of the payment of Certificates of Indebtedness at each block offices next week, Co-op Delegates are to be requested by letter from Executive Secretary to assist Block Managers in each respective block on the day of above payment.

The motion was seconded by Mr. S. Morimoto and it was carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 A.M.

Respectfully submitted by



P. C. Takeda
Executive Secretary

THE MINUTES
of
The Board of Directors Meeting, Poston Co-operative Enterprises, Inc.

Time: March 24, 1945; 9:30 A. M.
Place: Unit I Conference Room

In absence of President Inagaki, the meeting was called to order by Mr. S. Yamane, Vice President. Roll call was taken. Those present were Messrs. S. Yamane, T. Kitabayashi, M. Ohye, T. Obata, M. Shintaku, H. T. Suzuki, M. Otani, H. Sakurai, I. Kawamoto, and J. Ota. Others present were Mr. Fred Akashi, General Manager, Mr. P. C. Takeda, Executive Secretary, and Mr. M. Miyazaki. 7 members were absent.

The Chairman introduced Mr. J. Ota of Unit III to the meeting as a newly elected member of the Board succeeding Mr. S. Shintani who resigned a few days ago.

The mimeographed copies of the minutes of the previous meeting were distributed among present for inspection. It was approved as presented.

Appointment of the New Executive Secretary:

The Chairman reported that since the last Board meeting several prospective candidates to succeed Mr. P. C. Takeda, the resigning Executive Secretary, have been approached by the Selection Committee. And finally the Committee decided to recommend to the Board the appointment of Mr. Masanobu Miyazaki of Unit II to the position.

Mr. H. Sakurai, through whom the candidate was first contacted, reported on the qualification of the candidate as follows:

- (1) Education: Jr. College graduate.
- (2) Experience: Previous to evacuation, he was employed by the California Berry Association of Salinas, California, as its Executive Secretary.
- (3) Since coming to Poston, he served as Postmaster in the Unit II Post Office, and lately as Captain of Unit II Fire Department.
- (4) Language: Speaks and writes both Japanese and English proficiently.
- (5) Personality: Excellent.

A motion was made by Mr. M. Ohye that the Board appoint Mr. Masanobu Miyazaki our Executive Secretary, effective April 1, 1945.

The motion was seconded by Mr. T. Obata, and it was carried unanimously.

At this point Mr. Miyazaki was introduced to the meeting. And the new Secretary expressed, in a few words, his sincere desire to do his utmost to justify the confidence bestowed upon him by the Board.

Reports

I. Mr. Fred Akashi, General Manager, made the following

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reports:

1. During his recent business trip to Los Angeles, he contacted several wholesale hardware dealers about possibilities of disposing our dead stock of fishing items and emery cloth. And he discovered that the best price available there for these items is about $1/5$ of our book value. He was able, however, to sell about $1/3$ of our fishing hooks at Parker for 25¢ per box. His negotiation with the National Biscuit Company of Los Angeles to have shipments of that company's products here regularly did not succeed.
2. At the recent special sales in each dry goods stores, approximately $1/2$ of the dry goods dead stock was disposed of. Consequently, the total dead stock we have on hand amounts to about \$10,000 or less.
3. Our business and financial conditions are good and sound. Our outstanding coupons amounts to only about \$7,000, and February inventory total is practically the same as the previous month.

Following the above reports, the General Manager asked the Board's opinion whether it agrees to dispose the fishing items and emery cloth in the Los Angeles market at the sacrifice price or not.

The consensus of the meeting was to give another chance to the Center residents to purchase the items at the above mentioned sacrifice prices before dumping them on the outside. However, it was agreed that the final decision is to be made by the Management Committee.

II. Mr. P. C. Takeda, Executive Secretary reported as follows:

1. He has made a two-day trip to Phoenix last week with Mr. Scott Rowley, the Project attorney, and had taken up our income tax matters with both Federal and State income taxes. He said that he feels quite certain that both of these exemptions will be granted to us in the very near future.
2. He reported also that he is having our Accounting and Patronage Refund sections prepare a complete and accurate statement of all the patronage refund we have actually paid in the past. And when this is finished and filed with the Arizona State Sales Tax authority, he expects that we will be enabled to save over \$3,000 in sales tax.
3. A total payment of \$2,860.90 was made to WRA recently in settlement of our entire building rent up to December 31, 1944. All the controversial items of building rent for which a reconsideration was requested by the Board in its letter to the Project Director on March 12, 1945, have been decided in our favor including free use of the shoe repair shops. For the rest of the WRA Bill WRA1-76-45, the Board is to present its reaction in writing to the Project Director after detailed statements are provided to us by Mr. Goettings, Assistant Finance Officer of the Project.
4. Cash register bidding was closed on March 15, 1945.

Bids accepted were:

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| Cash register #1 | .. | \$ 95.00 |
| " " 2 | .. | 125.70 |
| " " 3 | .. | 58.50 |
| " " 4 | .. | 42.50 |
| " " 5 | .. | 58.60 |
| " " 6 | .. | 58.60 |
| " " 7 | .. | 60.00 |

General Manager's Requests:

Mr. Fred Akashi, General Manager, presented the following requests to the meeting:

1. To revise the present system of the Procurement Department in the same way as the system which existed before the creation of the position of the Procurement Head. In other words, to place all buyers directly under supervision of the General Manager instead of indirectly through the Procurement Head.
2. Either the above change be made or his resignation be accepted immediately.

Mr. Akashi explained that he is making these requests (1) because he arrived to the conclusion, after past several months' experiences, that the above proposed change of system is absolutely necessary for smooth and efficient operation of the management, and (2) because the present Procurement Department system was created on recommendation by the Board.

Mr. H. T. Suzuki proposed to table the General Manager's requests until the next regular Board meeting as there is not sufficient time left for discussion of the matter presented. This was agreed upon by the meeting as unavoidable postponement.

Contract With New York Buyers:

The Executive Secretary explained to the meeting that the present contract with the Co-op Federation's New York Buyers expires by the end of next month, and that the renewal of the contract could be made either on the monthly basis or on three of six month's basis.

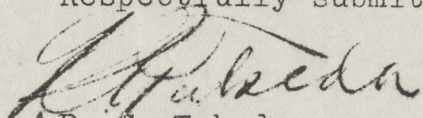
After a brief discussion, it was decided to renew the contract on the monthly basis.

Next Meeting Date:

The meeting decided that the next regular meeting is to be held on April 7, 1945 at 1:30 P.M. at Unit I Conference Room, and to provide transportation for Board members in Unit II & III.

The meeting adjourned at 11:15 A. M.

Respectfully submitted by


P. C. Takeda
Executive Secretary

THE MINUTES
of
Meeting of the Board of Directors of the
Poston Co-operative Enterprises, Inc.

Time: April 7, 1945 at 1:30 P. M.
Place: Unit I Conference Room.

Due to the absence of President Inagaki, the meeting was called to order by Vice President, Mr. S. Yamane. The roll call was taken with the following present: K. Kawabe, M. Ohye, T. Shimazu, S. Morimoto, T. Obata, M. Shintaku, T. Sakurai, J. Fukuhara, S. Yamane, M. Otani, H. T. Suzuki, I. Kawamoto, J. Ota, and H. Eto. Absentees were G. S. Sakamoto, J. Noda, T. Kitabayashi, and S. Sano.

The chairman introduced Mr. Hisashi Eto of 32-13-H as new member of the Board of Directors.

The board members expressed their appreciation of the very efficient work of the former Executive Secretary, Mr. Paul C. Takeda, and his distinguished services rendered to the Co-operative Enterprises. His departure is deeply felt by the Poston Co-operative. A motion was made by H. T. Suzuki of Camp III, that a Certificate of Merit be awarded to Mr. Takeda and \$50.00 as a token of our appreciation. Motion was seconded by Mr. M. Ohye and passed by the board unanimously.

The chairman introduced Mr. H. Runcorn, Enterprises Supervisor from the WRA in Washington, D.C. Mr. Runcorn made a brief statement regarding problems that are arising and problems that we may confront in the near future.

Content of speech in outline:

1. In view of the nearing liquidation, the Co-op should make definite plans to face the problems. Liquidation Committee should hold meetings to study the ways and means. He was willing to help the committee in formulating these plans.
2. There is a possibility of securing housing co-operative-ly in California, to aid relocatees returning to California.
3. That the Minidoda or Topaz Co-op is trying to buy WRA farm equipment.
4. How Jerome Co-op liquidated and the trustees still hold \$1,100.
5. In as much as the Co-operative Federation is paying \$500.00 per month to persons working at the New York office, and the work is decreasing for the office, it would be an asset if they could be transferred by forming a co-operative in Los Angeles.
6. There is a good possibility of forming a co-operative organization among returning relocatees from all centers if desired.
7. The Poston Co-operative should use more of the monthly allocation of \$400.00 for Co-operative Educational Program.

A printed pamphlet of the duty of the Board of Directors was passed out to the members of the Board for their reference.

Procurement Department and General Manager

The Board of Directors appointed the Procurement Department Head with the understanding that he would be under jurisdiction of the General Manager. Due to reason that the warehouses were not operating as efficiently as it should, the Procurement Department was instigated to get a better control in the warehouse transactions.

General Manager Fred Akashi's Statement

1. The Procurement Department Head, Mr. Hayakawa, transacted business without proper authority.
2. The Procurement Department should operate in close relationship with the General Manager.
3. Mr. Hayakawa took all the buyers to Phoenix without the consent of the General Manager.
4. These complaints are in no way through sentiment, but to promote the smooth operation of the Poston Co-operative.

Mr. T. Obata pointed out that this Procurement Department controversy arose primarily when the Procurement Department was originated in the absence of a General Manager, and also due to the fact that Mr. Fred Akashi did not exercise his full authority when he was appointed by the Board of Directors.

Manager Fred Akashi was excused from the conference room and Mr. Hayakawa, the Procurement Head, was summoned to the Board meeting.

Content of Mr. Hayakawa's speech:

1. The Manager has never given me any specific order nor asked me of anything so far as I can remember. So I went to work in the best interest of the Co-operative.
2. I formulated my own system of recording and checking of the warehouse transaction. The old system at the warehouse is under almost perfect control; this is proven by the inventory of the month of March and February.
3. I sent complete records of purchases and transfers to the General Manager at all times.
4. It was understood that purchases that surpassed \$2,000.00 would be made after consultation with the General Manager; however, I haven't made such a large purchase at one time to date.
5. All purchases were based on the demand of the people; consequently, increase in dead stock has become negligible.
6. Reason for buyers' trip to Phoenix: The New York Merchantile had a display of commodities at Adams Hotel in Phoenix. Mr. Hayakawa asked permission to take a business trip to look the stock over through President Inagaki. The General Manager was informed by Mr. Inagaki. The General Manager asked the buyers to take Mr. Tawa. At this point Mr. Hayakawa was excused from the floor.

Necessity of Procurement Department

The question came before the board, whether or not the Procurement Department was necessary. A motion was made by Mr. M. Ohye that the Procurement Department be continued. H.T. Suzuki seconded the motion which was passed by a unanimous vote of the Board and contained the following provisions:

1. The buying will be done by the buyers.
2. All orders will be okayed by the General Manager.
3. In the event that a purchase is made and the General Manager deems a cut is necessary, the buyer and General Manager should discuss the matter together and make the necessary adjustment. At no time should the Manager cut or increase a purchase order at his own discretion.

A personnel Arbitration Committee consisting of M. Ohye, T. Shimazu, I. Kawamoto, M. Shintaku, and S. Yamane will negotiate a feasible plan with Mr. Fred Akashi to correct relationship of the Procurement Department and General Manager.

General Manager's Report

1. The five rulings on the tobacco ration card set up by the Tobacco Rationing Committee.
2. Improvement of the monthly inventory.
3. Fishing tackle and its disposal: The sales will start near the end of April. The Board recommended that the fishing tools be sold at base price to the Postonians.
4. Cashing of all types of checks at stores will hereafter discontinue due to many difficulties that arose, the Cash Custodian, Bill Ikuno announced.
5. Radio Shop at Unit II was closed as of March 31. All radio parts and equipment are now open to bidders.

Mass Farewell Party

Whereas, there are many relocating, who are employees of the Poston Co-operative, it was resolved that a mass farewell party be held. Each camp will have individual parties of all workers employed by the Co-op and officers that have direct affiliations with Poston Co-op. The expense was tentatively set at \$1.00 a person.

A motion was made to the above effect by Mr. S. Morimoto, seconded by H. Sakurai, and unanimously passed.

Liquidation

The Board of Directors advised that, as the Poston Co-op is nearing the liquidation period, the liquidation committee should start to make studies and preparation for the wind-up.

Certificate of Merit

A motion to award a Certificate of Merit and a gift of \$15.00 to Mr. J. Hori, who was the Shoe Buyer for the Poston Co-op for the past two years, was made by Mr. K. Kawabe, seconded by T. Obata, and passed unanimously.

Councilman's Request

Councilman's Meeting of April 4, 1945.

Whereas the Co-op is allocating \$1,000.00 per year to Executive Council as an Educational allotment, and whereas there is an agreement that the allocation be divided in a ration of 2-1-1 to Camps I-II-III, and whereas the Executive Council hasn't made the said allocation to Camps II and III, now therefore, may it be resolved that, as the Co-op has the authority to direct the said allocation, an adjustment be made,

The above matter was tabled until the next Board meeting.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Mas. Miyasaki
Executive Secretary

THE MINUTES
of
Poston Co-operative Enterprises, Inc.,
Regular Board Meeting

August 11, 1945 - 1:30 P.M.
Unit I Co-operative Office.

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order by President Kenji Kawabe on August 11, 1945 - 1:30 P. M. at the Co-operative Office in Poston Unit I.

The roll call was taken and the following persons were present: Kenji Kawabe, E. S. Morimoto, Horisaburo Takeda, Hisashi Eto, Torihiko Matsumoto, Masato Shintaku, Tonai Matsuoka, Jinnosuke Ota, Imataro Kawamoto, H. T. Suzuki, Wm. H. Sakurai, Sadazo Yamane, Otomatsu Ota, J. T. Obata. The absentees were: Manzo Ohye, Tadao Shimazu, Jitsuzo Fukuhara, Kenji Uyeno, Yasuye Yokota.

The minutes of the previous meeting was read and approved by the members of the Board of Directors.

The Treasurer J. T. Obata gave a brief report on the financial status of the Poston Co-operative. He also stated that there was a cash balance of \$30,553.41 with an account payable in the next 10 days of \$2,150.91

Mr. Maurice Lipian and Rowley Scott was introduced to the Board of Directors by Executive Secretary Mas. Miyasaki.

Board Meeting

The Executive Secretary recommended that due to the fact that many Board Meetings were necessary hereafter on account of liquidation problems it would expedite his work greatly to have the meeting date set for every Saturday.

Mr. H. T. Suzuki made a motion to the above effect. The motion was seconded by Torihiko Matsumoto and passed unanimously by the board.

Buying Policy

As the Co-op is nearing the closure period, we must discontinue buying or be very careful that we are getting goods that will move readily.

A motion was made by Mr. Wm. H. Sakurai that all dry goods buying be discontinued, however, due to daily necessity buying of grocery food stuff and drugs necessary will be left to the discretion of the General Manager. This motion was seconded by Mr. Sadazo Yamane and unanimously passed by the Board of Directors.

Appointment of Trustees

Mr. Lipian advised that trustees elected should be persons that will remain in United States and those that are clear. Also, it will be convenient if they live close together on the outside, so that they can get together easily to transact distribution.

After a thorough study in the appointment of trustees that will be responsible for the final distribution of the remaining fund of the Poston Co-operative Enterprises, Inc., it was the general feeling of the board that one trustee should be chosen from each Unit by the Congress of delegates. In this way the members will feel that their interest will

be protected due to the fact that each Unit will have someone representing them that they trust and know.

A motion was made by Mr. Jinnosuke Ota that a resolution to the above effect be introduced to the next meeting of the Congress of delegates. The motion was seconded by Mr. Masato Shintaku and passed unanimously by the Board of Directors.

The Secretary was directed to call a special meeting of the Congress for this purpose.

Liquidation Head

The Board of Directors contended that a separate liquidation head was unnecessary. It was the general feeling of the Directors that the General Manager should take the responsibility of liquidation transactions hereafter.

Key Position Holders' Compensation

The Unit 2 and 3 Congress have unanimously agreed that key positions and employees that will continue their services to the Co-op henceforth to the closing period should be compensated somehow, however, the camp Congress have not as yet decided upon this particular problem, therefore the board felt it wise to have this problem discussed and studied before taking any further action upon the matter.

Resignation of Treasurer

The Treasurer for the Poston Co-op, Mr. J. T. Obata due to relocation tendered his formal resignation to the Board of Directors. Mr. Obata has been one of the pioneers of the Poston Co-op. His loss, especially at this time was keenly felt by the entire board, however, the board accepted Mr. Obata's resignation due to reasons that he was returning to his home in California to resume his pre-war activity.

Motion was made Mr. S. Yamane and second by Mr. Sakurai that a Certificate of Merit be awarded Mr. J. T. Obata together with a token of appreciation. The motion was passed unanimously by the Board of Directors.

New Treasurer

Mr. Hisakazu Sasaki of Unit III was recommended by Mr. Sadazo Yamane as our succeeding treasurer for the Poston Co-operative Enterprises.

A motion was made to accept Mr. Sasaki as treasurer by Mr. H. T. Suzuki. The motion was seconded by Mr. Masato Shintaku and was passed unanimously by the Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors authorized Mr. Hisakazu Sasaki to execute signature of the Poston Co-op checks and also the Ration Checks.

The Executive Secretary was directed to notify the Valley National Bank in Phoenix of the change.

Patronage Dividend

The next patronage dividend will be paid immediately after the books are set up to pay for the tax in the event that our exemption grant is denied. Presently, our exemption grant is pending at the Washington Headquarters of the Internal Revenue. A complete study will be made on all payments and liability prior to dividend distribution to expedite the distribution of funds by trustees that will be in charge after complete closure of the Poston Co-operative Enterprises, Inc.

Sales of the Rainbow Market

Under the authorization of the Board of Directors to the General Manager, Tom Miyamoto, and Executive Secretary, Mas. Miyasaki to transact the sales of the Rainbow Market, a contract was drawn up between the Poston Co-op and the Colorado River Trading Company of Phoenix, Arizona. The total inventory of stock and list of equipment was sold to the Colorado River Trading Company for the total sum of \$3,932.69.

A motion was made by Mr. Wm. H. Sakurai and seconded by Mr. J. T. Obata to accept the report of sales made by General Manager and Executive Secretary. The board passed the motion with a unanimous vote.

Farewell Party for the Board of Directors

Whereas, the Poston Co-operative will cease to operate in the near future, and all the officials and members of the board will disband, it was moved that a farewell party be held in the near future.

A motion was made by Mr. Wm. Sakurai that a farewell party for the Board and Officials to be held on August 16, 1945, at the Co-op Office from 5:30 P.M. The motion was seconded by Mr. Horisaburo Takeda and passed unanimously by the Board of Directors.

President Kenji Kawabe appointed Mr. Masashi Hayakawa as head preparation committee and Executive Secretary Mas. Miyasaki as his assistant. The expense was left to the discretion of the preparation committee.

Tobacco Rationing (Manager's Report)

Due to shortage of tobacco, the tobacco has been distributed to the people under rationing. The officials have been very careful that the tobacco was distributed fairly, however in spite of the careful distribution, the Co-op has received many complaints, therefore, hereafter the Co-op has assigned one responsible person to handle all tobacco sales in each store. By this method an accurate tab can be kept of cigarette sales to avoid such complaints as above mentioned.

Allocation to Council

A motion was made by Mr. S. Yamane that hereafter no more allotments will be made to the council. The motion was seconded by Horisaburo Takeda and passed unanimously by the board.

Disposition of Equipment

In the course of liquidation many of our equipment will become idle and ready for disposal. The problem arose what method would be the fairest and the simplest way to dispose of the equipment.

The Executive Secretary recommended the following method:

That, in all cases the equipment should be sold to the members of the Co-op or to the Postonian first before that of outside concerns. Of course, in order to do this there will be a great deal of work than to sell outright to some large corporation or companies.

That, each department should be sold or auctioned separately on different days, notifying the people accordingly, for instance: Barber Shop Equipment on one day and the Shoe Shop Equipment on the next.

That, the people will be notified by the Co-op News or Chronicle of the sales of certain equipment on a certain date.

That, by a certain set date the people must register either by coming to the office in person or by letter, giving full name and address. A person can enter a register for all auctions, if he desires.

That, only those that applied for the bid will be called and be present at the auction of equipment.

That, in the event, there is only one bid, this particular article or equipment will be sold to the single bidder by the General Manager.

That, in the event, that a check lacks funds or otherwise, the bidder must redeem the check within 9 days, otherwise the equipment will go to the next highest bidder.

That, after an equipment is sold at an auction in presence of all the bidders, the Poston Co-op will not be responsible for any complaint thereof.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

Mas. Miyasaki
Executive Secretary

THE MINUTES
of

the Board of Directors Meeting, Poston Co-operative Enterprises, Inc.

Time: April 21, 1945; 1:30 P. M.
Place: Unit I Conference Room

President Inagaki called the bi-monthly meeting of the Board of Directors. The roll call was taken and the following persons were present: M. Ohye, T. Obata, Kenji Kawabe, E. S. Morimoto, H. Eto, T. Matsumoto, W. H. Sakurai, Masato Shintaku, Kenji Uyeno, S. Ogawa, J. Ota, I. Kawamoto, M. Otani, H. T. Suzuki, T. Yamane, and absentees were: J. Fukuhara, Isamu Nagase, T. Kitabayashi, and Tadao Shimazu.

The minutes of the previous meeting was read and approved by the Executive Secretary, M. Miyasaki.

The new Board members namely: E. S. Morimoto, Isamu Nagase, T. Matsumoto, Kenji Uyeno, and Sasakichi Ogawa were introduced to the incumbent Board members by President Inagaki.

Election of Officers for Board of Directors

The offices opened for candidates were President, First Vice President, and Second Vice President. The Treasurer, T. Obata, will be incumbent until his term terminates on October 15, 1945.

President F. K. Inagaki appointed an Election Committee consisting of Messrs. Masao Shintaku, H. T. Suzuki, T. Obata, E. S. Morimoto. Secret ballots were casted, electing one officer at a time by the officiating committee. The result of the election was:

Mr. Tomejiro Kitabayashi, President with majority vote

Mr. T. Yamane, First Vice President

Mr. Wm. Hiroshi Sakurai, Second Vice President

A Ballot Committee consisting of Mr. M. Ohye and Masato Shintaku was appointed by President F. K. Inagaki.

President F. K. Inagaki surrendered his position to the new First Vice President, Mr. T. Yamane, as Mr. T. Kitabayashi was absent, after which Mr. F. K. Inagaki gave a brief speech of farewell and for the success of the Poston Co-operative Enterprises, Inc.

Financial Report

The Treasurer, T. Obata, reported that the Poston Co-op is in a very commendable condition, we have a cash balance of \$26,690.96. The Treasurer also reported that the patronage dividend will be paid to the members sometime in the end of May, provided that 10 percent of the dividend was to be paid, if 12 percent is to be paid due to the shortage of office workers it will take twice the time due to book-keeping difficulty.

A motion was made by Wm. H. Sakurai to pay 10 percent of the Patronage refund for April, May, June of 1944 to expedite payment of refund to the members; the motion was seconded by M. Ohye and passed unanimously by the Board

members.

The February Financial Statement of the Poston Co-op was approved by a motion made by Mr. Kawabe, seconded by Mr. H. T. Suzuki and unanimously passed.

Report from the Personnel Service Committee

Mr. M. Ohye, Chairman for the above Committee gave a complete report of their meeting of April 11, in regards to the controversial matter between the Procurement and Manager's office. This Committee consisted of the following personnel: S. Yamane, M. Shintaku, I. Kawamoto, and M. Ohye. In order to promote a better understanding and mutual coordination of the two departments the following provisions were introduced to General Manager, Fred Akashi, and Procurement Head, M. Hayakawa.

1. The buying will be done strictly by the Buyers.
2. All orders by the Buyers must be approved by the General Manager.
3. In the event that a purchase is made by the Procurement Department, and the General Manager deems an increase or an decrease in the order is necessary, the Manager and the Procurement Department must discuss the controversial matter together, and make the necessary adjustment. At no time will an individual department increase or decrease purchase at their own discretion.
4. All transactions and purchase orders must be decided promptly by the General Manager.
5. Management Committee will be responsible to promote a mutual coordination and relationship between the Procurement and the General Management.

General Manager, Fred Akashi, stated that he will relocate in the near future because of his children's schooling in June, and he wishes to tender his resignation as General Manager.

Mr. Wm. Sakurai made a motion to accept his resignation under the circumstances, and it was seconded by Mr. H. T. Suzuki, and passed unanimously by the Board.

Community Council's Request

The letter:

We, the Unit 3 Council, are appealing to your kindness in considering the former procedure in allocation to the Council on the basis of 2-1-1.

The Council is badly in need of funds to meet request for allocation from various department. So at our regular meeting held on last Wednesday, 18th, it was unanimously passed that we request your kind consideration.

We thank you for your past cooperation, and we shall greatly appreciate your kind attention in this matter. Thank you.

Very truly yours,
/s/

Masao Otani
Chairman of Unit III
Community Council

It was the general feeling of the Board of Directors that Unit II Community Council present the Co-op with a similar letter, before any steps be taken towards the adjustment by the Poston Co-operative. It was decided by the Board that in the event the letters of the two Units are had, the C. E. will recommend to the Executive Council that an adjustment should be made.

Request of Poston Executive Council

A W.R.A. Delegation was sent to Salt Lake Convention and the Delegation spent more than their allotment of \$625.00 that amounted to \$77.00, however it was the request of the Council to have the C. E. to allocate \$500.00 plus their monthly allotment of \$400.00 to supplement the reserve fund which is almost depleted. It was the general consensus of the Board of Directors that it is a very poor policy to make such a precedence, and furthermore, this question should be ratified by the Congress which is the direct representative of the general Poston Community.

General Manager's Report

In view of the approaching dissolution period of the Poston Co-op., it is advisable that the Buyers make special effort in cutting down the inventory and to attain this, the future purchase should be decreased to the minimum; sponsor sales of slow moving and dead stocks more often. The Manager contended that with the present Liquidation Committee set up, his hands were tied to make spontaneous sales of certain equipment, as the Manager would have to go through numerous red tape before he could make a sales, however the Board stated that it would be advisable for the Liquidation Committee to be responsible for all sales in regards to liquidation even though the Co-op should take a little loss, due to delay. In the event that there are equipments to be sold, the equipment should be opened for bids from the Poston Community.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

M. Miyasaki
Executive Secretary

THE MINUTES
of
the Board of Directors Meeting, Poston Co-
operative Enterprises, Inc.

Time : May 5, 1945 - 1:30 P.M.
Place: Conference Hall-Camp I

Vice President, Teizo Yamane, called the meeting of the Board of Directors in the absence of President, Mr. Kitabayashi, due to illness.

The roll call was taken and the following Directors were present: M. Ohye, E. S. Morimoto, Hisashi Eto, Torihiko Matsumoto, Masato Shintaku, Kenji Uyeno, Sasakichi Ogawa, Imataro Kawamoto, Wm. H. Sakurai, and the absentees were: J. Fukuhara, Tadao Shimazu, Kenji Kawabe, Isamu Nagase, Jinnosuke Ota, Masao Otani, H. T. Suzuki.

The minutes of the previous meeting was read by the Executive Secretary and approved by the Board of Directors.

Request of the Community Council

The request of the Community Council for allocation of fund of the Executive Council was tabled for the next meeting due to insufficient information.

President T. Kitabayashi's Resignation

A Committee was appointed by the Vice President, T. Yamane, to approach Mr. T. Kitabayashi and negotiate with him to preside over the Board of Directors. The Committee appointed consisted of Messrs. M. Ohye, T. Yamane, and Hisashi Eto; this committee will interview Mr. T. Kitabayashi, 1:30 P. M., May 7, 1945,

Financial Report

Treasurer, Mr. T. Obata, reported that due to large purchases in the past months, the present balance is \$23,512.59 with a current payable of \$11,204.64,

The Patronage Dividend is anticipated to be paid to the members in script about May 20,

Special Sales

There was discussion pro and con regarding Special Sales, however, with the liquidation period approaching, it is necessary that sales be sponsored to decrease the large inventory.

Mr. Wm. H. Sakurai made a motion to have a Special Sales 5 days prior to the distribution of script refund to members. This motion was seconded by E. S. Morimoto and passed unanimously by the Board of Directors.

221 Mr. Morimoto

Federation

In view of the approaching dissolution of the camp co-operatives the Federation has become anxious as to the policy of its future operation and whether or not the New York Buyers were of necessity, however it was the consensus of the Board that since Tule Lake Co-operatives are in favor of the New York Buyer system that it would not be a great loss to the Poston Co-operative Enterprises to continue our buying agreement with New York Buyer's Office under a month to month basis. Mr. Otto Rossman was notified to this effect by the Executive Secretary.

Report of the Liquidation Committee

The Executive Secretary read the minutes of the Liquidation Committee Meeting that was held on April 20, 1945-9:30 A. M. at the Poston C. E. Office.

Certificate of Merit

A motion was made to award Certificates of Merit to former president, Mr. F. K. Inagaki, Mr. M. J. Noda, Educational Chairman, and Mr. S. G. Sakamoto, former Vice President, with a token of \$50.00, \$10.00, and \$25.00 respectively. The motion was seconded by Mr. M. Ohye and unanimously passed.

Saturday P. M. Transportation

A request was made by the Camp III Directors that a truck be dispatched to give transportation to persons that wishes to purchase shoes at the Camp I Shoe Shop from Camp II and III. It was suggested that the Photo Shop Secretary of each Camp limit the customer's requesting the transportation, as there will be possibility of non-customers taking this advantage, thus, depriving the customers.

Mr. E. S. Morimoto made a motion to the above effect; it was seconded by Wm. H. Sakurai and passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

M. Miyasaki
Executive Secretary

THE MINUTES
of
the Board of Directors Meeting, Poston Co-
operative Enterprises, Inc.

Time : May 19, 1945 - 1:30 P. M.
Place: Conference Hall, Camp I

Vice President, Mr. S. Yamane, called the regular meeting of the Board of Directors in the absence of the President, Mr. T. Kitabayashi, who was unable to preside due to illness.

The roll call was taken and the following directors were present: M. Ohye, Kenji Kawabe, E. S. Morimoto, Hisashi Eto, Torihiko Matsumoto, Masato Shintaku, Jitsuzo Fukuhara, Sasakichi Ogawa, Jinnosuke Ota, Imataro Kawamoto, H. T. Suzuki, Wm. H. Sakurai, and Seizo Yamane. The absentees were: Masao Otani, Kenji Uyeno, Isamu Nagase, Tadao Shimazu.

The minutes of the previous meeting was read by the Executive Secretary and approved by the member of the Board of Directors.

Check Cashing

Mr. Wm. Ikuno, the Cash Custodian, is hereby authorized by the Board of Directors to cash relief checks, old age pension checks, and government W.R.A. Allowance checks, however an identification card or the endorsement of the block manager's signature is required. If the check is endorsed by the block manager of a certain block the owner of the check must be a resident of the said block.

Due to the fact that the hospital laundry crew, and the Poston Chronicle staff has difficulty in having sufficient time to cash their allowance checks, the Poston Cooperative will cash their aggregated checks of the above mentioned group. The checks must be endorsed by a responsible person authorized by the above said group.

Appointment of Committees

Educational and Management: Chairman, President T. Kitabayashi, S. Yamane, Wm. H. Sakurai. Personnel: Chairman, M. Ohye, I. Kawamoto, M. Shintaku. Auditing: Chairman, Hisashi Eto, J. Fukuhara, T. Matsumoto, M. Otani. Inventory and Liquidation: Chairman, K. Kawabe, S. Ogawa, H. T. Suzuki, and T. Obata.

Exemption of Taxes

Executive Secretary, Mas. Miyasaki gave a brief report of the outcome of the application for tax exemption.

For some unknown reason the Federal and State Income Tax Commission delayed transaction of our exemptions, however, after many repeated correspondence, the subsidy office in Phoenix sent all the informations and applications to the Washington, D. C., Head Commissioner and it is being processed. It is anticipated that we will have word from the Federal Income Tax Commissioner in the near future, as to the outcome.

Patronage Dividend Rebate and Script

Mr. K. Sagara, head of the Patronage Refund Department, stated that rebate to the members will be completed by the 25th of May.

Employment of General Manager

Mr. K. Kawabe made a motion that the Personnel Committee together with Treasurer Mr. T. Obata should make research for a eligible person for Managership. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hisashi Eto and passed unanimously by the Board of Directors.

The Committee decided to convene May 22, 1:30 P. M. at the C. E. Office.

Financial Statement of March

The March Financial Statement was submitted to the Board and studied; after which Mr. H. T. Suzuki made a motion to accept the statement as correct. The motion was seconded by Mr. Jinnosuke Ota and passed unanimously by the Board of Directors.

Unified Working Hours of Stores

Due to ununified working hours of the stores, considerable grievances and discord among the workers have become evident. The Board of Directors considered the difficulties, and suggested feasible remedies, however, the Board left this matter to be adjusted at the discretion of the Management Department.

Shoe Shop Closure

It was the discussion of the Board of Directors to close Shoe Shops at Block 12 as that shop is no longer necessary.

As there was no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

Mas. Miyasaki
Executive Secretary

ホトシ組合三ノス

第二十八號
千九百四十五年
六月二日發行

ホトシ協同組合情報部

四月分貸借対照表

資産の部

流動資産

事務所準備現金

手ヤツキ現金替準備金

回轉準備金(臨時小出)

賣店釣銭準備金

銀行取引

當座預金

手形未仕拂勘定

一時預り金勘定

受取勘定

手ヤツキ(返還)

家庭補助取扱勘定

商品前金拂(購入)

商品棚卸高

在賣店

在倉庫

投資の部

N.W.會計監査回轉資金

A.C.協同卸商組合資金

組合聯盟仕入部資金

C.C.卸商組合資金

固定資産

什器原價 二二七、八三九仙

消耗見積高 一三八、二四八仙

固定資産評價額

支拂済營業費

保險料

營業必需品

總資産合計

負債の部

流動負債

仕入先未仕拂

魚釣ライセンス料未支拂

準備積立

棒給

アリゾナ失業税

聯邦失業業税

アリゾナ小賣税

聯邦政府養老先税

聯邦政府娛樂先税

W.R.A.什器借用料未拂

W.R.A.建物借用料

W.R.A.運搬料

W.R.A.自動車、トラック借用料

床屋用諸什器借用料

會計監査直料

現金替小切手保管

商品仕入前金拂

一時預り金未支拂

組合基本金

組合員加入費

借用證未支拂

法定積立金

積立金(任意)

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四月中の損益勘定表

總賣上高

總賣上原價

總收益

販賣總額

營業費總額

販賣收入總額

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二、五〇三、三八仙

一、二四七、五三三仙

四、二四七、三三三仙

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POSTON COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.

Poston, Arizona

April 30, 1945

Retail Control

| | <u>C1 S1</u> | <u>C1 S3</u> | <u>C1 S4</u> | <u>C2 S1</u> | <u>C2 S4</u> | <u>C3 S1</u> | <u>C3 S4</u> | <u>Rainbow</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|----------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Inv. 3-31-45 | | | | | | | | | |
| at Retail | \$ 7,021.66 | \$1,954.48 | \$36,068.88 | \$4,444.49 | \$18,951.26 | \$4,230.58 | \$14,857.23 | \$3,011.38 | \$90,539.96 |
| Pur. at Ret. | <u>11,009.53</u> | <u>3,260.30</u> | <u>15,439.02</u> | <u>5,455.44</u> | <u>3,411.16</u> | <u>6,710.04</u> | <u>5,596.44</u> | <u>5,504.05</u> | <u>56,385.98</u> |
| | 18,031.19 | 5,214.78 | 51,507.90 | 9,899.93 | 22,362.42 | 10,940.62 | 20,453.67 | 8,515.43 | 146,925.94 |
| Less Net Sales | | | | | | | | | |
| Tax Incl. | <u>12,252.91</u> | <u>3,264.81</u> | <u>12,048.89</u> | <u>5,552.91</u> | <u>4,105.83</u> | <u>6,788.73</u> | <u>5,081.61</u> | <u>5,322.82</u> | <u>54,417.51</u> |
| Book Mdse. | | | | | | | | | |
| Inv. | 5,778.28 | 1,949.97 | 39,459.01 | 4,347.02 | 18,256.59 | 4,151.89 | 15,372.06 | 3,193.61 | 92,508.43 |
| Actual Inv. | <u>5,648.66</u> | <u>1,783.06</u> | <u>38,888.55</u> | <u>4,266.35</u> | <u>18,248.18</u> | <u>4,133.01</u> | <u>15,452.81</u> | <u>3,065.95</u> | <u>91,486.57</u> |
| (Loss) or | | | | | | | | | |
| Overage | (129.62) | (166.91) | (570.46) | (80.67) | (8.41) | (18.88) | 80.75 | (127.66) | (1,021.86) |

POSTON COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.

Poston, Arizona

April 30, 1945

Balance Sheet

POSTON COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT ----- April 30, 1945

| Assets | Liabilities | Equity | Assets | Liabilities | Equity | Assets | Liabilities | Equity | Assets | Liabilities | Equity |
|------------|-------------|-----------|------------|-------------|-----------|------------|-------------|-----------|------------|-------------|-----------|
| 28,812.03 | 88,110.26 | 59,298.23 | 28,812.03 | 88,110.26 | 59,298.23 | 28,812.03 | 88,110.26 | 59,298.23 | 28,812.03 | 88,110.26 | 59,298.23 |
| 88,122.33 | 30,408.2 | 57,714.13 | 88,122.33 | 30,408.2 | 57,714.13 | 88,122.33 | 30,408.2 | 57,714.13 | 88,122.33 | 30,408.2 | 57,714.13 |
| 48,832,341 | 64,313.3 | 48,419.03 | 48,832,341 | 64,313.3 | 48,419.03 | 48,832,341 | 64,313.3 | 48,419.03 | 48,832,341 | 64,313.3 | 48,419.03 |
| 13,712.43 | 38,535.3 | 24,823.01 | 13,712.43 | 38,535.3 | 24,823.01 | 13,712.43 | 38,535.3 | 24,823.01 | 13,712.43 | 38,535.3 | 24,823.01 |
| 64,803.99 | 13,891.3 | 50,912.69 | 64,803.99 | 13,891.3 | 50,912.69 | 64,803.99 | 13,891.3 | 50,912.69 | 64,803.99 | 13,891.3 | 50,912.69 |
| 78,832.19 | 3,026.24 | 75,805.95 | 78,832.19 | 3,026.24 | 75,805.95 | 78,832.19 | 3,026.24 | 75,805.95 | 78,832.19 | 3,026.24 | 75,805.95 |
| (23,120.1) | (23,721) | 37.08 | (23,120.1) | (23,721) | 37.08 | (23,120.1) | (23,721) | 37.08 | (23,120.1) | (23,721) | 37.08 |

POSTON COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.

Poston, Arizona

COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET AS OF APRIL 30, 1945

| | <u>ASSETS</u> | | | |
|---|------------------|---------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| | | April 30, 1945 | | April 30, 1944 |
| <u>CURRENT:</u> | | | | |
| Office Petty Cash | | \$ 200.00 | | \$ 82.59 |
| Check Cashing Fund | | 20,800.00 | | 13,800.00 |
| Revolving Fund | | 200.00 | | 200.00 |
| Change Fund in Stores | | 1,060.00 | | 1,115.00 |
| Bank Account: | | | | |
| General Account | \$40,860.95 | | \$55,820.64 | |
| Check Payable Account | 7,581.97 | | 13,017.92 | |
| Personal Deposit Payable Account | <u>5,955.63</u> | 54,398.55 | <u>13,452.40</u> | 82,290.96 |
| Accounts Receivable | | 703.26 | | 24.62 |
| Returned Checks | | 13.50 | | 193.57 |
| Receivable from Domestic Service | | 108.98 | | |
| Prepaid Purchases | | 1,401.21 | | 3,137.39 |
| Merchandise Inventory: | | | | |
| Stores | 71,648.39 | | 92,439.46 | |
| Warehouse | <u>13,631.34</u> | <u>85,279.73</u> | <u>32,694.16</u> | <u>125,133.62</u> |
| <u>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</u> | | <u>164,165.23</u> | | <u>225,947.75</u> |
| <u>INVESTMENTS:</u> | | | | |
| Northwest Co-op Auditing Revolving Fund | | 142.87 | | 142.87 |
| Federation Pool Fund | | 3,000.00 | | 3,000.00 |
| Associated Cooperative Inc. | | 114.44 | | |
| Consumers Cooperative Ass'n | | 478.39 | | |
| <u>FIXED ASSETS:</u> | | | | |
| Cost of Fixtures & Equipment | 22,708.39 | | 18,075.20 | |
| Less Reserve for Depreciation | <u>12,861.48</u> | | <u>7,473.57</u> | |
| <u>BOOK VALUE OF FIXED ASSETS</u> | | <u>9,846.91</u> | | <u>10,601.63</u> |
| <u>PREPAID EXPENSES:</u> | | | | |
| Unexpires Insurance | 1,518.37 | | 1,273.69 | |
| Shop Supplies | <u>399.19</u> | | <u>2,330.75</u> | |
| <u>TOTAL PREPAID EXPENSES</u> | | <u>1,917.56</u> | | <u>3,604.44</u> |
| <u>TOTAL ASSETS</u> | | <u>\$179,665.40</u> | | <u>\$243,296.69</u> |

POSTON COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.
Poston, Arizona

COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET AS OF APRIL 30, 1945

LIABILITIES

CURRENT:

Contract Payable
Accounts Payable
Fishing License Fee Payable
Accruals:

Salaries Payable
Arizona Unemployment Tax Payable
Federal Unemployment Tax Payable
Federal O.A.B. Tax Payable
Arizona Sales Tax Payable
Federal Excise Tax Payable
Rent on Equipment Payable to W.R.A.
Rent on Buildings Payable to W.R.A.
Freight Payable to W.R.A.
Truck & Auto Hire Payable to W.R.A.
Barber Equipment Rental
Auditing

Merchandise Order Payable
Payable for Checks Held for Cashing
Deposit on Merchandise
Personal Deposit Payable

TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES

MEMBERS' EQUITIES:

Membership Fees
Certificates of Indebtedness for Pat. Ref.
Allocated General Reserve
General Reserve
Patronage Refund Payable
Earnings from 7-1-44 to 12-31-44
Balance Earnings to Date
Earnings to Date
Earnings for April, 1944
Earnings for April, 1945

TOTAL MEMBERS' EQUITIES

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' EQUITIES

April 30, 1945

April 30, 1944

| | | | |
|------------|--------------|------------|--------------|
| | | | \$ 480.00 |
| | \$ 22,905.77 | | 35,078.63 |
| | 71.75 | | 40.25 |
| \$3,588.22 | | \$4,783.91 | |
| 695.91 | | 643.78 | |
| 114.33 | | 72.48 | |
| 47.89 | | 205.52 | |
| 1,032.56 | | 1,206.67 | |
| 237.62 | | 158.44 | |
| 192.50 | | 180.00 | |
| 1,867.92 | | 3,178.46 | |
| 243.89 | | 29.25 | |
| 457.13 | | 493.73 | |
| 315.30 | | | |
| 8.26 | 8,801.53 | | 10,952.24 |
| | | | (13.80) |
| | 7,581.97 | | 13,017.92 |
| | 675.53 | | 1,049.32 |
| | 5,955.63 | | 13,452.40 |
| | 45,992.18 | | 74,056.96 |
| | | | |
| 4,650.00 | | 5,547.75 | |
| 1,605.58 | | 71,139.58 | |
| 19,260.26 | | | |
| 250.38 | | 14,988.98 | |
| 12,475.22 | | 14,663.70 | |
| 42,473.47 | | | |
| 46,962.27 | | | |
| | | 54,606.32 | |
| | | 8,293.40 | |
| 5,996.04 | | | |
| | 133,673.22 | | 1169,239.73 |
| | \$179,665.40 | | \$243,296.69 |

POSTON COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.
Poston, Arizona

April 30, 1945

ADMINISTRATION EXPENSE FOR APRIL, 1945

| | | | |
|------------------------------------|----|--------|------------|
| | \$ | 678.76 | |
| Office Salaries | | 33.93 | |
| Payroll Taxes | | 99.15 | |
| Postage | | 35.62 | |
| Telephone & Telegram | | 44.01 | |
| Insurance & Bonding | | 23.12 | |
| Rent of Building | | 162.07 | |
| Depreciation of Equipment | | 321.73 | |
| Travel Expenses & Auto Hire | | 56.16 | |
| Bank Charges | | 54.97 | |
| Maintenance & Repairs | | 60.00 | |
| Equipment Rental | | 194.64 | |
| Purchasing Expense | | 119.13 | |
| Office Supplies | | 411.23 | |
| Advertising | | 68.34 | |
| Miscellaneous Expense | | 18.99 | |
| Patronage Div. Dept. Expense | | 156.64 | |
| Patronage Div. Dept. Salaries | | 7.83 | |
| Patronage Div. Dept. Payroll Taxes | | | \$2,546.32 |

DISTRIBUTION OF ADMINISTRATION EXPENSE

| | Sales | Por. of Exp. |
|----------------------|-------------|--------------|
| | \$12,020.47 | \$ 533.71 |
| Camp 1 Store 1 | 3,202.86 | 142.34 |
| Store 3 | 11,820.28 | 525.32 |
| Store 4 | 5,447.59 | 241.90 |
| Camp 2 Store 1 | 4,027.87 | 179.01 |
| Store 4 | 6,659.87 | 295.88 |
| Camp 3 Store 1 | 4,985.17 | 221.28 |
| Store 4 | 5,220.77 | 231.97 |
| Rainbow Mart | 1,033.50 | 45.83 |
| Shoe Shop Camp 1 | 309.60 | 13.75 |
| Camp 2 | 461.25 | 20.37 |
| Camp 3 | 392.70 | 17.31 |
| Beauty Shop Block 12 | 115.45 | 5.09 |
| Camp 2 | 264.45 | 11.71 |
| Camp 3 | 126.05 | 5.60 |
| Barber Shop Block 28 | 197.45 | 8.66 |
| Block 46 | 54.40 | 2.29 |
| Camp 2 | 95.55 | 4.33 |
| Camp 3 | 38.68 | 1.78 |
| Radio Camp 2 | 137.50 | 6.11 |
| Photo Studio | 724.65 | 32.08 |
| Tailoring | \$57,336.11 | \$2,546.31 |
| | 100.00 * | |
| Domestic | \$57,436.11 | |

* No Administration Expense Charged

POSTON COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.
Poston, Arizona

April 30, 1945

WAREHOUSE CONTROL AND EXPENSE FOR APRIL, 1945

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|-----------------|
| Inventory, March 31, 1945 at cost | \$17,618.79 | |
| Purchase at Cost | 35,267.24 | |
| Total to Account for | | \$52,886.03 |
| Transfers at Cost | 38,959.76 | |
| Merchandise Inv., April 30, 1945 | 13,831.34 | |
| Total Accounted for | | 52,591.10 |
| Merchandise Shortage | | (294.93) |
| Freight In | | 658.51 |
| Operating Expenses: | | |
| Maintenance & Repair | 3.40 | |
| Salaries | 307.86 | |
| Payroll Taxes | 15.39 | |
| Insurance & Bonding | 51.58 | |
| Trucking | 38.59 | |
| Rent of Building | 86.17 | |
| Depreciation | 119.46 | |
| Shortage Loss | 25.24 | |
| Supplies | 4.07 | |
| Damaged Goods | 22.91 | |
| Miscellaneous Expenses | 1.23 | |
| Total Operating Expense | | 675.90 |
| Total Warehouse Expense | | <u>1,629.34</u> |

DISTRIBUTION OF WAREHOUSE EXPENSES

| | <u>Transfers</u> | <u>Por. of Exp.</u> |
|--|--------------------|---------------------|
| Camp 1 Store 1 | \$7,215.45 | \$ 307.13 |
| Store 3 | 2,087.80 | 88.80 |
| Store 4 | 10,928.49 | 465.18 |
| Camp 2 Store 1 | 3,502.97 | 149.08 |
| Store 4 | 2,504.77 | 106.56 |
| Camp 3 Store 1 | 4,378.94 | 186.40 |
| Store 4 | 3,746.76 | 159.51 |
| Rainbow Mart | 3,395.02 | 144.52 |
| Shoe Camp 1 | 260.04 | 11.08 |
| Camp 2 | 89.19 | 3.75 |
| Camp 3 | 81.90 | 3.42 |
| Beauty Shop Block 12 | 68.39 | 2.93 |
| Camp 2 | 11.85 | .49 |
| Camp 3 | 11.45 | .49 |
| | <u>\$38,283.02</u> | <u>\$1,629.34</u> |
| Misc. Exp., Store Supplies, Maintenance Expense, Etc. | 676.74 | |
| | <u>\$38,959.76</u> | |

POSTON COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE--APRIL 1, to 30, 1945

| | C1 S1 | C2 S1 | C3 S1 | C1 S3 | C1 S4 | C2 S4 | C3 S4 | Rainbow | Shoe I | Shoe II |
|------------------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|
| Gross Sales | \$12,252.91 | \$5,552.91 | \$6,788.73 | \$3,264.81 | \$12,048.89 | \$4,105.83 | \$5,081.61 | \$5,321.82 | \$1,033.50 | \$309.60 |
| Less Sales Tax | 232.44 | 105.32 | 128.86 | 61.95 | 228.61 | 77.96 | 96.44 | 100.98 | | |
| Less Sales Ret. | | | | | | | | .07 | | |
| Net Sales | 12,020.47 | 5,447.59 | 6,659.87 | 3,202.86 | 11,820.28 | 4,027.87 | 4,985.17 | 5,220.77 | 1,033.50 | 309.60 |
| Cost of Goods Sold: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Inv. 3-31-45 | 5,342.08 | 3,416.04 | 3,246.97 | 1,496.55 | 26,333.89 | 14,408.64 | 11,151.84 | 2,300.69 | 1,958.18 | 812.58 |
| Purchases | 8,329.95 | 4,165.37 | 5,152.34 | 2,443.30 | 10,928.49 | 2,504.77 | 4,011.06 | 4,177.06 | 230.04 | 89.19 |
| | 13,672.03 | 7,581.41 | 8,399.31 | 3,939.85 | 37,262.38 | 16,913.41 | 15,162.90 | 6,477.75 | 2,218.22 | 901.77 |
| Less: Inv. 4-30 | 4,292.98 | 3,275.28 | 3,172.50 | 1,359.58 | 28,252.53 | 13,830.30 | 11,523.16 | 2,339.63 | 1,524.99 | 697.68 |
| | 9,379.05 | 4,306.13 | 5,226.81 | 2,580.27 | 9,009.85 | 3,083.11 | 3,639.74 | 4,138.12 | 693.23 | 204.09 |
| Add Whse. Exp. | 307.13 | 149.08 | 186.40 | 88.80 | 465.18 | 106.56 | 159.51 | 144.52 | 11.08 | 3.75 |
| Total Cost | 9,686.18 | 4,455.21 | 5,413.21 | 2,669.07 | 9,475.03 | 3,189.67 | 3,799.25 | 4,282.64 | 704.31 | 207.84 |
| Gross Operating Income | 2,334.29 | 992.38 | 1,246.66 | 533.79 | 2,345.25 | 838.20 | 1,185.92 | 938.13 | 329.19 | 101.76 |
| Selling Expense: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Salaries | 262.50 | 181.50 | 221.85 | 88.58 | 400.12 | 193.77 | 223.50 | 136.99 | 297.30 | 105.22 |
| Payroll Taxes | 13.12 | 9.08 | 11.09 | 4.43 | 20.00 | 9.69 | 11.18 | 6.85 | 14.86 | 5.26 |
| Store Supplies | 27.10 | 2.13 | 10.97 | 12.81 | 21.85 | 21.88 | 4.64 | 12.70 | | |
| Damaged Goods | 23.06 | 28.00 | 18.44 | 13.32 | 20.23 | .84 | 2.52 | 90.50 | | |
| Total Sell. Exp. | 325.78 | 220.71 | 262.35 | 119.14 | 462.20 | 226.18 | 241.84 | 247.04 | 312.16 | 110.48 |
| General Expense | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ins. & Bonding | 11.90 | 5.46 | 5.95 | 2.81 | 40.39 | 21.50 | 23.77 | 4.40 | 3.99 | 2.02 |
| Rent of Bldgs. | 39.17 | 39.17 | 39.17 | 4.54 | 78.67 | 39.34 | 39.34 | 14.33 | 38.84 | 18.04 |
| Dep. of Equip. | 27.60 | 18.47 | 19.36 | 7.78 | 31.82 | 11.37 | 10.95 | 32.50 | | |
| Equip. Rental | | | | | 17.84 | 19.00 | 23.59 | .89 | 8.25 | |
| Main. & Repairs | 6.56 | 15.40 | .60 | | 5.70 | | .79 | 7.22 | 3.35 | |
| Misc. Exp. | 23.12 | | 7.03 | | | | | | | |
| Total Gen. Exp. | 108.35 | 78.50 | 72.11 | 15.13 | 174.42 | 91.21 | 98.44 | 59.34 | 54.43 | 20.06 |
| Adm. Exp. | 533.71 | 241.90 | 295.88 | 142.34 | 525.32 | 179.01 | 221.28 | 231.97 | 45.83 | 13.75 |
| Total Expenses | 967.84 | 541.11 | 630.34 | 276.61 | 1,161.94 | 496.40 | 561.56 | 538.35 | 412.42 | 144.29 |
| Net Operating Income | <u>1,366.45</u> | <u>451.27</u> | <u>616.32</u> | <u>257.18</u> | <u>1,183.31</u> | <u>341.80</u> | <u>624.36</u> | <u>399.78</u> | <u>(83.23)</u> | <u>(42.53)</u> |

POSTON COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE--APRIL 1, to 30, 1945

| Shoe III | Bty 12 | Bty II | Bty III | Bar 28 | Bar 46 | Bar II | Bar III | Photo | Tailor | Domestic | Radio | Total |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|---------|---------|----------|----------|----------|---------|-------------|
| \$461.25 | \$392.70 | \$115.45 | \$264.45 | \$126.05 | \$197.45 | \$54.40 | \$95.55 | \$137.50 | \$724.65 | \$100.00 | \$38.68 | \$58,468.74 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | 1,032.56 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | .07 |
| 461.25 | 392.70 | 115.45 | 264.45 | 126.05 | 197.45 | 54.40 | 95.55 | 137.50 | 724.65 | 100.00 | 38.68 | 57,436.11 |
| | | | | | | | | 22.14 | | | 47.02 | 72,154.51 |
| 1,068.40 | 293.32 | 143.27 | 112.90 | | | | | | 580.14 | | | 42,815.30 |
| 81.90 | 68.39 | 11.85 | 11.45 | | | | | 22.14 | 580.14 | | 47.02 | 114,969.81 |
| 1,150.30 | 361.71 | 155.12 | 124.35 | | | | | 21.58 | | | | 71,648.39 |
| 822.08 | 291.18 | 120.09 | 124.83 | | | | | .56 | 580.14 | | 47.02 | 43,321.42 |
| 328.22 | 70.53 | 35.03 | .48 | | | | | .56 | 580.14 | | 47.02 | 1,629.34 |
| 3.42 | 2.93 | .49 | .49 | | | | | .56 | 580.14 | | 47.02 | 44,950.76 |
| 331.64 | 73.46 | 35.52 | .01 | | | | | | | | | |
| 129.61 | 319.24 | 79.93 | 264.44 | 126.05 | 197.45 | 54.40 | 95.55 | 136.94 | 144.51 | 100.00 | - 8.34 | 12,485.35 |
| 81.26 | 81.50 | 25.13 | 34.82 | 22.50 | 67.50 | 22.50 | 45.00 | 74.43 | 42.00 | 50.50 | | 2,658.47 |
| 4.06 | 4.08 | 1.26 | 1.74 | 1.13 | 3.38 | 1.13 | 2.25 | 3.72 | 2.10 | 2.53 | | 132.94 |
| | | | | | | 1.57 | | | | | | 115.65 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | 196.91 |
| 85.32 | 85.58 | 26.39 | 36.56 | 23.63 | 70.88 | 25.20 | 47.25 | 78.15 | 44.10 | 53.03 | | 3,103.97 |
| 2.62 | 1.54 | .20 | .20 | .23 | .14 | .16 | .14 | .02 | .17 | | | 127.61 |
| | 9.40 | 9.83 | 9.83 | 19.66 | 9.40 | 10.77 | 9.40 | | | | | 357.69 |
| 24.05 | 15.99 | 9.32 | 8.61 | 32.15 | 6.49 | 7.36 | 2.88 | 2.55 | 2.71 | | | 310.67 |
| | 10.00 | | | 25.21 | 39.49 | 10.88 | 19.11 | | | | | 137.19 |
| 1.70 | 7.80 | 6.00 | | | | | | | | | | 107.63 |
| .48 | 15.10 | 10.90 | 11.20 | | .44 | | | | | | | 85.33 |
| 28.85 | 59.83 | 36.25 | 29.84 | 77.25 | 55.96 | 29.17 | 31.53 | 2.57 | 2.88 | | | 1,126.12 |
| 20.37 | 17.31 | 5.09 | 11.71 | 5.60 | 8.66 | 2.29 | 4.33 | 6.11 | 32.08 | | 1.78 | 2,546.32 |
| 134.54 | 162.72 | 67.73 | 78.11 | 106.48 | 135.50 | 56.66 | 83.11 | 86.83 | 79.06 | 53.03 | 1.78 | 6,776.41 |
| (4.93) | 156.52 | 12.20 | 186.33 | 19.57 | 61.95 | (2.26) | 12.44 | 50.11 | 65.45 | 46.97 | (10.12) | 5,708.94 |

POSTON COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE--APRIL 1, to 30, 1945

Net Operations Income \$5,708.94

Other Income:

| | | |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|
| Purchase Discount Taken | \$ 431.24 | |
| Fire Insurance Trust Account | .50 | |
| Miscellaneous | | |
| Check Charges(March & April) | \$ 417.93 | |
| Check Sold Charges | 173.30 | |
| Tobacco Stamp Discount | 25.00 | |
| Adjustments in reconciling with suppliers' statements | 432.01 | |
| Adjustments in reconciling | 293.61 | |
| Miscellaneous | 20.47 | |
| Miscellaneous | 1.67 | |
| Total Other Income | <u>1,363.99</u> | <u>1,795.73</u> |
| | | 7,504.67 |

Other Expense:

| | | |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| Cash Short | 14.59 | |
| Miscellaneous | | |
| Warehouse Robbery | 49.03 | |
| Cl S4 Robbery | 46.03 | |
| Industrial Commission(Ins. Exp.) | 54.18 | |
| Depreciation Expense | 29.88 | |
| Organization Expense | 10.00 | |
| Insurance Expense | 9.50 | |
| Auditor's Adjustments | 1,297.65 | |
| Miscellaneous | - 2.23 | |
| Total Other Expense | <u>1,494.04</u> | <u>1,508.03</u> |
| NET EARNINGS FOR APRIL, 1945 | | 5,996.04 |

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Mr. J. Mizutani

\$5,708.44

Net Operating Income

Other Income:

\$ 431.24
00.

Transfer Income
Miscellaneous Income

\$ 417.92
1,000.00
15.00

Interest Income (March & April)

400.01
993.01
1,000.00

Income from operations with
subsidiaries, etc.

1,000.00 1,303.93

Miscellaneous
Total Other Income

1,303.93
2,504.87

Other Expenses

Cash Short

40.00
40.00
40.00
40.00
10.00
9.00

Miscellaneous
Telephone
Postage
Travel
Industries Commission (Inc. Exp.)
Depreciation Expense
Organization Expense
Insurance Expense
Auditor's Expenses
Miscellaneous

1,000.00 1,000.00

Total Other Expenses
Net Earnings for April, 1945

1,000.00
2,504.87

POSTON COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.

Poston, Arizona

June 2, 1945

1:30 P.M.

Regular Meeting of the Board

The regular meeting of the Poston Cooperative Board of Directors was held. The meeting was called to order by Vice President T. Yamane, due to the resignation of President T. Kitabayashi.

The members present at the meeting were Messers. Manzo Ohye, Kenji Kawabe, E. S. Morimoto, Hisashi Eto, Torihiko Matsumoto, Masato Shintaku, Jitsuzo Fukuhara, Kenji Uyeno, Jinnosuke Ota, Imataro Kawamoto, H. T. Suzuki, Wm. F. Sakurai, and T. Yamane. The absentees were Messers. Masato Otani, Sasakiichi Ogawa, Isamu Nagase, and Tado Shimazu.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read by the Executive Secretary, Mas Miyasaki and approved by the Member of the Board.

Resignation

Mr. Tomejiro Kitabayashi formally tendered a resignation to the Board of Directors. His resignation was due to reason that his health has failed him and it will be impossible for him to fulfill his duties as a president of the Board of Directors.

A motion was made to accept Mr. Kitabayashi's resignation under the circumstances by Mr. Manzo Ohye. The motion was seconded by Mr. Jinnosuke Ota and the board passed it unanimously.

Report of Special Sales

The patronage dividend in coupons and cash totalling \$16,038.26 was distributed to the members by the Patronage Dividend Department within the three camps on the 23rd, 24th, and 25th of May after which the sales was sponsored in all three units I-II-III. The special sales during the period of 26th to the 31st of May totalled \$23,360.73, of which \$5,152.62 were in coupons and \$18,208.16 in cash. The total coupons outstanding after the sales period was approximately \$2,847.65 as of May 31.

Operational Committee

Due to the present difficulty in employing a general manager a suggestion was made to have an operational committee to

take charge of the manager's duties temporarily, however with the understanding, that in the event a manager is employed the operational committee will automatically relinquish their authority to the General Manager.

Mr. H. T. Suzuki made a motion to have one member from the Board from each camp to be selected to form the operational committee. The motion was seconded by Mr. Jinnosuke Ota, and passed unanimously by the Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors had their separate Unit meetings to elect representatives for the operational committee and the result was as follows:

Mr. Kenji Kawabe from Unit I
Mr. Wm. H. Sakurai from Unit II
Mr. Tadozo Yamane from Unit III

Mr. E. S. Morimoto made a motion to accept the above representatives as the operational committee. Mr. I. Kawamoto seconded the motion and the members of the Board passed the motion unanimously.

Mr. Kenji Kawabe was unanimously elected for the chairman of the said committee.

Report of a Resignation

Mr. Sukegoro Tawa tendered his resignation to the General Manager as of May 31. Mr. Tawa worked as Unit I Supervisor since October 19, 1944.

Respectfully submitted,

M. Miyasaki
M. Miyasaki
Executive Secretary

THE MINUTES
of
Poston Co-operative Enterprises, Inc.,
Regular Board Meeting

August 11, 1945 - 1:30 P.M.
Unit I Co-operative Office.

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order by President Kenji Kawabe on August 11, 1945 - 1:30 P. M. at the Co-operative Office in Poston Unit I.

The roll call was taken and the following persons were present: Kenji Kawabe, E. S. Morimoto, Horisaburo Takeda, Hisashi Eto, Torihiko Matsumoto, Masato Shintaku, Tonai Matsuoka, Jinnosuke Ota, Imataro Kawamoto, H. T. Suzuki, Wm. H. Sakurai, Sadazo Yamane, Otomatsu Ota, J. T. Obata. The absentees were: Manzo Ohye, Tadao Shimazu, Jitsuzo Fukuhara, Kenji Uyeno, Yasuye Yokota.

The minutes of the previous meeting was read and approved by the members of the Board of Directors.

The Treasurer J. T. Obata gave a brief report on the financial status of the Poston Co-operative. He also stated that there was a cash balance of \$30,553.41 with an account payable in the next 10 days of \$2,150.91

Mr. Maurice Lipian and Rowley Scott was introduced to the Board of Directors by Executive Secretary Mas. Miyasaki.

Board Meeting

The Executive Secretary recommended that due to the fact that many Board Meetings were necessary hereafter on account of liquidation problems it would expedite his work greatly to have the meeting date set for every Saturday.

Mr. H. T. Suzuki made a motion to the above effect. The motion was seconded by Torihiko Matsumoto and passed unanimously by the board.

Buying Policy

As the Co-op is nearing the closure period, we must discontinue buying or be very careful that we are getting goods that will move readily.

A motion was made by Mr. Wm. H. Sakurai that all dry goods buying be discontinued, however, due to daily necessity buying of grocery food stuff and drugs necessary will be left to the discretion of the General Manager. This motion was seconded by Mr. Sadazo Yamane and unanimously passed by the Board of Directors.

Appointment of Trustees

Mr. Lipian advised that trustees elected should be persons that will remain in United States and those that are clear. Also, it will be convenient if they live close together on the outside, so that they can get together easily to transact distribution.

After a thorough study in the appointment of trustees that will be responsible for the final distribution of the remaining fund of the Poston Co-operative Enterprises, Inc., it was the general feeling of the board that one trustee should be chosen from each Unit by the Congress of delegates. In this way the members will feel that their interest will

be protected due to the fact that each Unit will have someone representing them that they trust and know.

A motion was made by Mr. Jinnosuke Ota that a resolution to the above effect be introduced to the next meeting of the Congress of delegates. The motion was seconded by Mr. Masato Shintaku and passed unanimously by the Board of Directors.

The Secretary was directed to call a special meeting of the Congress for this purpose.

Liquidation Head

The Board of Directors contended that a separate liquidation head was unnecessary. It was the general feeling of the Directors that the General Manager should take the responsibility of liquidation transactions hereafter.

Key Position Holders' Compensation

The Unit 2 and 3 Congress have unanimously agreed that key positions and employees that will continue their services to the Co-op henceforth to the closing period should be compensated somehow, however, the camp Congress have not as yet decided upon this particular problem, therefore the board felt it wise to have this problem discussed and studied before taking any further action upon the matter.

Resignation of Treasurer

The Treasurer for the Poston Co-op, Mr. J. T. Obata due to relocation tendered his formal resignation to the Board of Directors. Mr. Obata has been one of the pioneers of the Poston Co-op. His loss, especially at this time was keenly felt by the entire board, however, the board accepted Mr. Obata's resignation due to reasons that he was returning to his home in California to resume his pre-war activity.

Motion was made Mr. S. Yamane and second by Mr. Sakurai that a Certificate of Merit be awarded Mr. J. T. Obata together with a token of appreciation. The motion was passed unanimously by the Board of Directors.

New Treasurer

Mr. Hisakazu Sasaki of Unit III was recommended by Mr. Sadazo Yamane as our succeeding treasurer for the Poston Co-operative Enterprises.

A motion was made to accept Mr. Sasaki as treasurer by Mr. H. T. Suzuki. The motion was seconded by Mr. Masato Shintaku and was passed unanimously by the Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors authorized Mr. Hisakazu Sasaki to execute signature of the Poston Co-op checks and also the Ration Checks.

The Executive Secretary was directed to notify the Valley National Bank in Phoenix of the change.

Patronage Dividend

The next patronage dividend will be paid immediately after the books are set up to pay for the tax in the event that our exemption grant is denied. Presently, our exemption grant is pending at the Washington Headquarters of the Internal Revenue. A complete study will be made on all payments and liability prior to dividend distribution to expedite the distribution of funds by trustees that will be in charge after complete closure of the Poston Co-operative Enterprises, Inc.

Sales of the Rainbow Market

Under the authorization of the Board of Directors to the General Manager, Tom Miyamoto, and Executive Secretary, Mas. Miyasaki to transact the sales of the Rainbow Market, a contract was drawn up between the Poston Co-op and the Colorado River Trading Company of Phoenix, Arizona. The total inventory of stock and list of equipment was sold to the Colorado River Trading Company for the total sum of \$3,932.69.

A motion was made by Mr. Wm. H. Sakurai and seconded by Mr. J. T. Obata to accept the report of sales made by General Manager and Executive Secretary. The board passed the motion with a unanimous vote.

Farewell Party for the Board of Directors

Whereas, the Poston Co-operative will cease to operate in the near future, and all the officials and members of the board will disband, it was moved that a farewell party be held in the near future.

A motion was made by Mr. Wm. Sakurai that a farewell party for the Board and Officials to be held on August 16, 1945, at the Co-op Office from 5:30 P.M. The motion was seconded by Mr. Horisaburo Takeda and passed unanimously by the Board of Directors.

President Kenji Kawabe appointed Mr. Masashi Hayakawa as head preparation committee and Executive Secretary Mas. Miyasaki as his assistant. The expense was left to the discretion of the preparation committee.

Tobacco Rationing (Manager's Report)

Due to shortage of tobacco, the tobacco has been distributed to the people under rationing. The officials have been very careful that the tobacco was distributed fairly, however in spite of the careful distribution, the Co-op has received many complaints, therefore, hereafter the Co-op has assigned one responsible person to handle all tobacco sales in each store. By this method an accurate tab can be kept of cigarette sales to avoid such complaints as above mentioned.

Allocation to Council

A motion was made by Mr. S. Yamane that hereafter no more allotments will be made to the council. The motion was seconded by Horisaburo Takeda and passed unanimously by the board.

Disposition of Equipment

In the course of liquidation many of our equipment will become idle and ready for disposal. The problem arose what method would be the fairest and the simplest way to dispose of the equipment.

The Executive Secretary recommended the following method:

That, in all cases the equipment should be sold to the members of the Co-op or to the Postonian first before that of outside concerns. Of course, in order to do this there will be a great deal of work than to sell outright to some large corporation or companies.

That, each department should be sold or auctioned separately on different days, notifying the people accordingly, for instance: Barber Shop Equipment on one day and the Shoe Shop Equipment on the next.

That, the people will be notified by the Co-op News or Chronicle of the sales of certain equipment on a certain date.

That, by a certain set date the people must register either by coming to the office in person or by letter, giving full name and address. A person can enter a register for all auctions, if he desires.

That, only those that applied for the bid will be called and be present at the auction of equipment.

That, in the event, there is only one bid, this particular article or equipment will be sold to the single bidder by the General Manager.

That, in the event, that a check lacks funds or otherwise, the bidder must redeem the check within 9 days, otherwise the equipment will go to the next highest bidder.

That, after an equipment is sold at an auction in presence of all the bidders, the Poston Co-op will not be responsible for any complaint thereof.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

Mas. Miyasaki
Executive Secretary

July 28, 1945

THE MINUTES
of
The Board of Directors of the Poston
Co-operative Enterprises, Inc.

The meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order by President Kenji Kawabe on July 28, 1945, at 1:30 P. M. at the Camp I, C. E. Office.

The roll call was taken and the following members were present: Messrs. Manzo Ohye, Tadao Shimazu, Kenji Kawabe, E. S. Morimoto, Oisaburo Takeda, Torihiko Matsumoto, Masato Shintaku, Tonai Matsuka, Jinnosuke Ota, Imataro Kawamoto, H. T. Suzuki, Wm. H. Sakurai, Sadazo Yamane, Otomatsu Ota, T. Obata, and Yasujiye Yokota. The absentees were: Messrs. Higashi Eto, Jitsuzo Fukuhara, Kenji Uyeno.

The minutes of the previous meeting was read and approved by the members of the Board of Directors.

Treasurer, Mr. J. T. Obata gave a brief report on the financial status of the Poston Co-operative. He reported that the cash balance was \$43,264.89 and a payable for the next ten days of \$6,340.03.

Statement for June

The Statement for June was checked, studied and approved by the members of the Board.

Salt Lake Convention

With the approval of all center Co-ops, the Fourth Federation Convention was sponsored at Salt Lake City for the period of one week starting from the 9th of July. Our Poston representatives were Messrs. S. Yamane, Wm. H. Sakurai, Manzo Ohye, and M. Hayakawa.

The following topics were discussed:

Closure of Co-op.

1. Preparation for Liquidation.
2. Distribution of Co-op Stock.
3. Distribution of Co-op Asset.
4. Membership Fund.
5. Stock and Inventory Disposal.
6. Final Closure.
7. Manpower Shortage and Remedy.
8. Salary.
9. Liquidation Order.
10. The Use of W.R.A. Equipment After Closure.
11. Trustee's Fee and Their Appointment.
12. W.R.A. Contract Relative to Future Co-op. Operation.

Outside Co-ops.

Mr. Wm. H. Sakurai reported that although the problem of establishing an outside co-operative is vital for the Japanese people in general, he felt that he will report on it at some other time as our closure program is of greatest importance at present. He also stated that our liquidation will be watched very closely by the community and if it is done successfully, the people that had doubts as to the validity of

co-operatives will have confidence in this type of organization.

How to Retain Key Position Holders

There was a lengthy discussion in regards to special compensation to workers, however, nothing materialized, due to the policy of W.R.A. Compensation of evacuees and also due to many delicate and complicated matters of making such payments, therefore it was suggested that a committee be formed to study this matter thoroughly, and prepare a feasible plan to be recommended to the next Board of Directors meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Manzo Ohye that a committee be appointed for the above purpose. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. T. Obata, and passed unanimously by the Board of Directors.

President, Kenji Kawabe, appointed the following members of the board: Messrs. J. T. Obata, H. T. Suzuki, Manzo Ohye, Wm. H. Sakurai, and the President. It was decided that this committee will convene at 9:00 A.M., July 31, at the Executive Secretary's Office.

General Manager

General Manager, Tom Miyamoto, tendered his formal resignation with reasons of relocation and for the education of his children.

The Board of Directors were very much alarmed due to the fact that the liquidation is so close at hand and a loss of a General Manager at this point is crucial, however, the Board accepted the resignation very reluctantly as there were no alternative.

New General Manager

Due to the resignation of Mr. Tom Miyamoto, the General Manager's office was opened for candidates. It was pointed out that our Co-op is in crucial period and that the General Manager's office must be filled immediately.

It was suggested Mr. Masashi Hayakawa of the Procurement Department be promoted to General Manager, since there will be very little necessity of a procurement Department hereafter.

A motion was made by Mr. E. S. Morimoto to employ Mr. M. Hayakawa as General Manager. The motion was seconded by Mr. Otomatsu Ota and was unanimously passed by the Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors immediately got in touch with Mr. M. Hayakawa. Mr. Masashi Hayakawa accepted after the situation of the Co-operative was explained to him. The Board of Directors are entirely confident that Mr. M. Hayakawa is the most eligible and capable person as he is familiar with all relations and transactions of the Co-operative.

Liquidation

The Board of Directors resolved a recommendation to dissolve the Poston Co-operative Enterprises, Incorporated by October 1, 1945 to the Poston Co-operative Congress.

The Board of Directors directed Executive Secretary Mas. Miyasaki to prepare the resolution for dissolution to be introduced to the next Congress meeting. The copies of the resolutions will be sent when a special meeting is called for the above purpose.

A two-thirds vote of the Congress is required by the law to declare a dissolution of a Co-operative.

Patronage Dividend Refund Declaration by the Directors

PATRONAGE DIVIDEND DECLARATION
July to December 1944

| | Sales | Profit |
|------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| July & August | \$140,223.62 | \$14,008.74 |
| September | 72,226.07 | 5,281.73 |
| October | 66,516.90 | 4,646.88 |
| November | 66,344.48 | 6,973.44 |
| December | 91,498.89 | 11,562.44 |
| Carry Over from Last Quarter | | 1,637.82 |
| | <u>\$436,809.96</u> | <u>\$44,111.29</u> |

% of Profit 10.0985%

| | | |
|----------------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Total Sales | \$436,809.96 | |
| Less Purchase Receipts | 388,559.48 | |
| Unclaimed Receipts | <u>48,250.48</u> | |
| To General Reserve 10.0985 | | \$ 4,872.57 |
| Patronage Dividend at 10% | 38,855.95 | |
| Allocated Gen. Reserve 10% | <u>3,885.60</u> | 3,885.60 |
| To Pat. Ref. Payable | | 34,970.35 |
| | | <u>43,728.52</u> |
| Carry Over to Next Period | | 382.77 |
| | | <u>\$44,111.29</u> |

The above computation was presented to the Board of Directors by the Executive Secretary, Mas. Miyasaki. A motion was made to accept the above declaration by Mr. Wm. H. Sakurai. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ohye, and passed by the members of the Board of Directors.

It was the general feeling of the Directors to refund the Patronage Dividend by the 15th of August as this will help greatly in the Special Sales which will be held frequently hereafter.

Rainbow Market

The Board of Directors authorized the General Manager to transact sales of the Rainbow Market to the Valley Corporation.

Special Sales

The date of the Special Sales will be left to the discretion of the General Manager, and also the sales of equipment.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

M. Miyasaki
Executive Secretary