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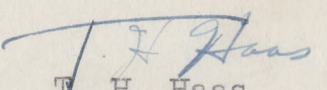
November 12, 1942

MEMORANDUM TO: Mr. Kelly K. Yamada, Health Committee
Temporary Community Council
Poston 3

FROM: T. H. Haas

In a memorandum dated November 11, you requested me, on behalf of the Community Council of Poston 3, to render an opinion on who owned the paintings created by the head of the Art Department from his own materials and on his own time.

Paintings made under these circumstances belong to the painter. I know of no authority under which such articles can be retained or held in trust by a public project official without the consent and wish of the artist. If any such action is or has been taken, the articles should be returned to their lawful owner.


T. H. Haas
Project Attorney

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COLORADO RIVER WAR RELOCATION PROJECT
EVACUEE PROPERTY DIVISION
Peston, Arizona

January 26, 1943

Mr. Franklin Sugiyama, Chairman
Mr. John Maeno, Chairman
Mr. Harvey Iwata, Chairman
Temporary Community Council
Peston, Unit I, II, III

Dear Sirs:

It has been brought to our attention that there is very apparently a great deal of evacuee-owned farm machinery in storage in California, and particularly in Southern California.

Due to the great shortage of farm equipment throughout the country, the reduction in production of new equipment, and the great demand for increased farm production, there is considerable concern in our minds over the disposal of stored machinery. We have a great number of requests in the Division of Evacuee Property from people who desire to buy equipment but do not know how to contact the owner to arrange for purchase.

There is considerable pressure by several groups of farmers to have all unused equipment "frozen" and placed in the hands of farmers who need it, at the same time providing that a fair price be paid for machinery so taken.

It seems to us in the field offices that it would be much better for the evacuees to arrange sales of their equipment now, before any "freezing" order is issued, and that by doing so it might be possible to obtain better prices than later.

It might be noted that there have been price ceilings set on used wheel-type tractors of 85% of list price for those under one year old, and 70% of list price for those over one year old.

I am submitting this letter to you hoping that you will transmit this information on to the residents here in Peston.

Any offers for sale or inquiries regarding disposition of farm equipment should be given to the Law Department here in Peston.

/signed/ Harry R. Oakley
Harry R. Oakley
Agricultural Property Supervisor

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October 15, 1943
Block 310-8-D
Poston, Arizona

INDUCTION CEREMONY
OF COMMUNITY COUNCIL OF POSTON III

K. J. Takashima, Chairman of the Community Council of Poston 3 acted as chairman for the induction ceremony of the newly-elected councilmen. Induction was held on October 15, 1943 at 310-8-D at 10:00 A.M.

Introduction of Administrator, Morris Burge was made to the group and followed by introduction of the Council to Mr. Burge.

Mr. Burge, Administrator, administered the oath of office: "I do solemnly swear that I will faithfully execute the office of Councilman of the Community of Poston and I will act for the best interests of its residents. I will preserve and obey the Constitution and laws of the United States and the laws passed by the Council of the Community of Poston."

Administrator Burge extended a few words to the incoming members of the Community Council:

"First of all, let me congratulate the new members of the Council. Some of you have been on the Council before. I would also like to thank the retiring members of the Council and for their work for the community. The Council members job is in many ways a thankless one, as you all know. Many of you are extremely busy with your own work in various departments and this comes always as an additional burden; however, I think that you can take satisfaction in your work and your community which you represent. Each time that I have talked to the Council, there has been a significant change in the community and that is true at this time. Today our population is 3,402, which is approximately 1000 persons less than a year ago. Most of these people have left the community to go outside to work and you will perhaps be hearing from them at various times. The ones who have left are still very conscious of the fact that they were members of the Community of Poston 3 and seemed quite proud of the achievements of their friends in Poston 3."

"We have just come through the segregation program and during that time I wasn't here and I spent most of my time in Camp 1. We were not as greatly affected by the segregation as we had less than 100 people going from here. The coming year will probably be seeing many more changes and I feel that we can rely upon you to see us through these changes and maintain the fine reputation we have. As I look back on the past fourteen months since we started here, our record stands very high in most every way and I hope you will continue that way and it can be that way with your help. I am very glad to see you here and look forward to working with you. Thank you."

K. J. Takashima, Chairman:

"For the past six months or so, we have had sixteen good Councilmen. We have worked in unison for making this Camp 3 one of the most successful centers and would like to extend my appreciation to the outgoing members for their work. Now, for the coming term, there are ten new Council members--ten new replacement of sixteen councilmen and the responsibilities for carrying on the good work at Poston 3 is rested on your shoulders and it is your responsibility to the people to continue that good work."

"I would like to see through this period, another year to which you are elected to serve. Now, as a retiring councilman, Mr. I. Kubota, will say a few words."

Mr. Kubota: "I don't have very much to say. I think you explained whatever I would like to say today. Only, we mustn't forget why America is fighting for--that is for the cause of democracy and for that principle I think we all have to work together--Administration and also the Council. That is all I can say."

Mr. Burge excused himself as the business meeting was to follow immediately.

TEMPORARY COMMUNITY COUNCIL
POSTON III

May 11, 1943

MEMORANDUM TO: Block Manager
Block 327

FROM: Temporary Community Council
Poston III

In order to eliminate the home calls by the doctors as much as possible so that the doctors would be of more service to the community for those who really are in need of their help, the Hospital Committee of all three units, composed of Councilmen and Hospital R representatives, have drawn up a form to be filled out by the Block Manager for every patient requesting home call.

Then the Block Manager will call up the clinic notifying the doctor what the patient's complaints are. If the doctor feels the patient's condition is such that requires an emergency treatment, he will make a home call. However, if the symptom shows minor ailment not requiring emergency treatment, he will send an ambulance to the patient or have the patient call at the clinic.

In order to cut down the unnecessary home calls for the doctors, will appreciate your fullest cooperation in this matter.

K. J. Takashima
K. J. Takashima, chairman
Temporary Community Council
Poston III

January 7, 1943

RESOLUTION

TO: Community Council Poston III
FROM: Poston III Young Men's Association

Although we agree to the contents of the resolution passed on the proposition of 4C classification in the Selective Service by the National Convention of the J. A. C. L at Salt Lake City, the convention called by Mr. Saburo Kido, the national president, we the members of the Y. M. A. are dissatisfied with the uncitizen-like, un-democratic treatment we are receiving and discriminatory conditions in regards to racial or religious or any other aspect of our life in comparison to any other American citizen or non-citizen or any other group of people.

According to the report of our committee on information received yesterday, January 6, at Camp II, the whole people are taking action in conjunction with the people of Camp I, as they the people of Camp II considered no decision was made on the problem of Selective Service at the meeting of Community Council of Poston III the day before yesterday.

The Y. M. A. of Poston III has decided to take action in cooperation with Camp I and II. We report this to you; and at the same time, we wish sincerely that you will hold an emergency meeting in a hurry to act in the best way.

The Y. M. A. is gravely concerned over this matter; and in view of the urgency of the situation, we wish to receive your reply today. If the community council requests, we are ready to send a delegate to you.

/signed/ Poston III Sei Nen Kai

RESOLUTION

Poston III Young Men's Association to Community Council and
Advisory Board

We received this morning your reply to the resolution presented by the Young Men's Association, dated January 8. The content of that reply was of all together different meaning from what was requested in the resolution of the Y. M. A. Like the information received by us previously, it was nothing but the minutes of the council meeting of January 8.

In view of the urgent situation resulting from the current problem, we regret that the reply by the City Council to our resolution was insincere.

Although this subject of 4C classification of Selective service was brought to our attention since one month ago, it was discussed among members of the City Council and Advisory Board, which number was very small. We consider it as failure of carrying out the responsibilities on part of city council and Issei Advisory Board the fact that the steps taken were slow and hardly with any progress.

The problem as important as this is of nature that we should consider the opinion of the public at large and making the issue public, we should cooperate with public, and discuss it, and resort to an expedient. As we have said already in the previous resolution, the situation has become urgent. Serious as it is, we wish and demand that the City Council hold a special meeting and respecting the wish of the people, the public opinion immediately pass a resolution on the subject and make it public. We believe this is the duty of the City Council and Issei Advisors.

Should there be any hindrance in performing such duties on the part of the Council, we do not recognize the legislative power of the City Council. In case, unfortunately our demand should not be accepted, this Y. M. A. will adopt a resolution in cooperation with the residents of Poston for taking an entirely independent action.

We deem the City Council to be, unquestionably, responsible for this.

Therefore, we request that the content of our previous resolution be rediscussed and send us a satisfactory reply.

Poston Young Men's Association
January 9, 1943

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COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Poston 3

August 27, 1943

Memorandum to: All Block Managers, Poston 3

From: K. J. Takashima, Chairman, Community Council, Poston 3

Attached hereto please find minutes of the meetings:

1--Joint Meeting of the Community Council and Block Managers on August 26, 1943, pertaining to Shibal Department.

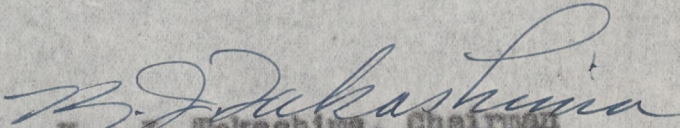
2--Meeting of the Shibal Committee on August 24, 1943. These set of minutes are being given to you for your information only so that you will have some of the details of the discussions in mind when making the presentation to the block residents.

From the recommendations made at yesterday's meeting, the following have been appointed to serve on the Shibal Board.

Roku I--Mr. Masashi Hayakawa, Block 306
Mr. Kanjiro Hayeda, Block 307

Roku II--Mr. S. Shirazawa, Block 326
Mr. Ben Doi, Block 325
Mr. Ben Nakagawa, Block 318

Roku III--Mr. T. S. Nishi, Block 329
Mr. K. Karasawa, Block 322


K. J. Takashima, Chairman
Community Council, Poston 3

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STATEMENT OF
POSTON III TRUST FUND

June 30, 1943

Balance on Hand May 31, 1943

\$14,902.53

Allocations:

Dr. M. M. Nakadate

State Fees \$ 8.00

Assn Fees 27.50

Matsuye Matsumoto,

Registered Nurse

State Fees and

Assn Fee 11.00 \$ 46.50

Block Funds

16 blocks of \$50 each 800.00

Block 310 Mess Hall for

Purchase of cooler 25.00

Poston 3 Scholarship Fund 300.00

Poston 3 Community Activities

Athletic Assn for sport

equipments 100.00

Total Allocation during June

1271.50

Loan to Post office of Poston 3

as revolving fund to be

reverted back to Trust Fund

70.00

Balance June 30, 1943

\$13561.03

COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Poston 3

September 30, 1943

STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY COUNCIL FUND

Balance on Hand, June 1, 1943		\$165.30	
Deposits: Allocation from Community Enterprises, August, 1943		250.00	
Sewing School Department			
Months of May	46.14		
June	95.96		
July	115.31		
Aug.	<u>95.99</u>	<u>353.40</u>	\$768.70
Allocations and Disbursements:			
June: Weight Lifting Department	\$30.00		
Public Address System	20.00		
Flower Arrangement Class	10.00		
Poston 3 Pen Club	<u>15.00</u>	75.00	
July: -----			
August: Shogi-Go Department		75.00	
September: Sanitation Department for purchase of spray guns		<u>2.66</u>	
Total Allocations and Disbursements			<u>152.66</u>
Balance on Hand, September 30, 1943			\$616.04

COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Poston 3

September 30, 1943

STATEMENT OF POSTON III TRUST FUND

Balance on Hand, August 30, 1943	\$925.06
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Disbursements:

Purchase of 18 dozens softballs
(Investment)

\$248.40

Express on 18 dozens softballs
and six dozen bats

7.86 256.26

Poston Square Garden
Cement and fixtures

65.00

Fred Ogino Trust Fund Check #2430

4.50

Total Disbursements

325.76

Balance on Hand, September 30, 1943

599.30

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September 30, 1943

Report of Athletic Investment Account

Amount Paid Out to Date:	\$957.39
Amount of Merchandise Received to Date and accounted for	192.42
Merchandise received but for which no invoice has been received	248.40
Sales to date--cash	49.37

Merchandise Inventory on Hand

6	Dozens Softball Bats @ \$.90 and \$1.10
16	Dozens Softballs @ ----- (No invoice)
10	Volley Balls @ \$5.25
10	Volley Nets @ \$2.25
30	Dozens Ping Pong BALLS @ \$1.00 per dozen

Meeting of the Social
Welfare Committee

December 18, 1944

The first meeting of the Social Welfare Committee of Poston III held on Monday morning, December 18, 1944, from 11:00 A.M., in Council Office, 310-8-D, was called to order by Chairman pro tem, Itaru Kubota.

Roll Call: The following Social Welfare Committee members were present:
Bunichi Suyeda, Ann Iwasaki, Rev. Shohei Asano,
and Rev. Zesei Kawasaki, Absent - Katsutaro Yamada.

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As there was no further business, meeting was adjourned by Chairman S. Asano.

POSTON III LOCAL COUNCIL
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December 18, 1944

CAMP II FIRE FUND DONATION

BLOCK	BLOCK MANAGER	AMOUNT REC'D
305	Ichiro Okada	\$ 5.00
306	H. Uyeki	5.00
307	M. Arikawa	17.43 & clothing
308	A. Iwasaki	10.55
309	K. Nishimoto	10.00
310	K. Yamamoto	10.80 & clothing
317	G. Matsushima	8.33
318	H. Hanemoto	9.85
322	K. J. Takashima	3.75
323	S. Kamiura	7.66
325	B. Nakashima	5.00
326	G. Sasaki	7.10
327	K. Shimizu	5.35
328	T. Yabuta	10.05
329	T. Nishi	5.85
330	S. Fujimoto	6.21
	Total	<hr/> \$ 127.93

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Meeting of the Public Health
Committee of Poston III

November 20, 1944

The Unit III Public Health Committee meeting of Poston 3 held Monday morning, November 20, 1944, from 9:00 A.M., at Council Office 310-8-D, was called to order by Chairman pro tem Itaru Kubota.

All members were present: George Horibe, Ichiro Okada, Denji Uyeno, Teruhiko Morishima, Kiyokichi Umezawa, Suketaro Kamiura, Ben Nakagawa, and Masami Honda. Local Council Chairman Itaru Kubota was also present.

Nominations for Chairman of Public Health Committee was opened, and Mr. Kiyokichi Umezawa and Mr. George Horibe were nominated. Votes were signified by hand raising and Mr. Kiyokichi Umezawa was unanimously elected.

Chairman Umezawa brought up the unsettled matter discussed at the joint meeting of the Councilmen, Block Managers, Department Head, and Executive Board, held on November 4, 1944, as to how the appreciation fund of the Medical and Dental personnel will be distributed. It was decided by the Public Health Committee to set up a plan which will be presented at the Public Health Meeting, Wednesday in Camp 1 as Camp 3's proposal.

The amount of \$2600.00 for appreciation to Medical and Dental personnel will be raised through block donations of 25 cents per person from a population of 11000 persons. Medical Doctors, Dentist, Optometrists (twelve persons) will receive \$75.00 each.

X-Ray Technicians, Head Nurses, and Masseurs (numbering fourteen persons) will receive \$40.00 each.

The other 200 workers will receive \$5.00 each on a monthly basis.

Ward workers who are included under the title "Other Workers" will receive \$2.00 in addition to their appreciation gift.

The case of Mrs. Kiyo Ikeda, 307-10-D, was told by ambulance driver Teruhiko Morishima. On November 18, 9:00 P.M. she complain of heart trouble. At 9:00 P.M. that night the Police Department reported the case to Mr. Morishima, ambulance driver of Camp 3. Mr. Morishima went to see Mrs. Kiyo Ikeda and found her condition to be serious, so he phoned the Camp I hospital receptionist, Kiyo Yasukoshi, to ask the doctor on duty to make a ~~phone~~ call. The receptionist refered the request to the Registered Nurse on duty, Miss. Davis, but she did not give a definite answer of sending the doctor. However, a Nurse's Aide arrived on an ambulance from the hospital to check the patient's condition. The Camp I ambulance driver made a direct phone call to Dr. O'Connell asking what steps the ambulance driver should take. Dr. O'Connell told the driver that he was unable to attend the home call, but would try to send Dr. Boardman as soon as he returned to the hospital. The Camp I driver returned to the hospital for Dr. Boardman, but both

~~Caucasian doctors refused to make the home call~~, so the driver went to see Dr. Murakami who took the call and attended the patient.

The Examples of Mrs. Hami's Case, (evacuee) when doctor was unavailable and also Mrs. Evans's, (caucasian) when doctor arrived immediately when notified were mentioned.

It was resolved that a Petition be sent to Mr. Duncan Mill, Project Director, and a copy to Dr. Powell, Assistant Project Director and City Council, Public Health Committee; signed by Administrator of Unit III, Mr. H. K. Yoshimine, Unit III Local Council Chairman, Mr. Itaru Kubota, Executive Board Chairman, Mr. George Horibe, and Unit III Public Health Committee Chairman, Mr. Kiyokichi Umezawa.

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Minutes of the
Executive Committee Meeting
February 4, 1943

The meeting of the Executive Committee of Block Managers of Poston 3, held in the Supervisor of Block Manager's office, Room 3, Administration Building "A", was called to order by Chairman Tom Sakamoto at 1:30 p.m., February 4, 1943

Present at the meeting were: Tom Sakamoto, Sam Fujita, Supervisor and Assistant, respectively, Jay Nishida of 308, George Kawano of 309, Dave Seki of 322, Fred Katsumata of 330, and Robert Hiratsuka of 317.

Mr. Fujita presented the following plan for the emergency fire-brigade, part of which was submitted by Block 329, for the approval of the Executive Committee:

- I. Organization and Duties
 - A. Fire Chief: Organizer
 - B. Rescue Squad: Composed of younger and stronger men (applies to rescuing people only).
 - C. Pump Squad: Responsible person to remove pump from the hook and take it to the scene of the fire.
 - D. Messenger: Someone who owns a bicycle. As soon as the fire is known, he is to inform the fire station.
 - E. Guards: To guard properties salvaged.
 - F. First-Aid: Composed of people with basic knowledge of first-aid. The Block Managers' office will be the station for this purpose; but in case barrack No. 1 is afire, the mess hall will be used for the station.
 - G. Hose Squad: To attach the block hose to the nearest hydrant.
 - H. Bucket Brigade: Composed of older men or any others not designated to the above mentioned groups.
- II. Procedure in Case of Fire
 - A. Ring bell continuously.
 - B. Send messenger boy to the fire-station.
 - C. Fill laundry trays.
 - D. Inform chief to form rescue squad.
- III. Suggestions in regard to Immediate Formation of Fire-Brigades
 - A. At the next block meeting designate certain individuals to the necessary squads.
 - B. Conduct a survey of all privately owned buckets, hoses, and ladders.
 - C. Leave the block hose in the boiler room of the men's latrine (unlocked at nights instead of the block office).

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- D. If sufficient lumber is not available for the building of ladders, instruct carpenters to build them out of cotton wood or willow timber.
- E. Appoint a responsible person other than the Block Manager to act as fire chief of your block.
- F. Designate at least two persons to every water pump and caution them to check the pumps periodically.
- G. Hold periodical fire drills in your blocks, preferably one each month.
- H. The above outline and suggestions may be altered to fit your needs; however, it is desired that the entire camp be more or less on a uniform plan.

The plan was unanimously approved by the group.

According to Mr. Ebright, there are still a few more coolers available, and the residents will be given another chance to order them. Mr. Ebright guarantees that every purchaser of coolers will be able to buy pipes and other fittings. He has assured us that where there are coolers in each unit of barracks No. 13 and 14, the fuses will not be blown as long as the electrical appliances are not all turned on at the same time; in other words, if and when the power is turned off, the residents must be instructed to turn off all electrical appliances and not to turn them on at once when the power is resumed.

Mr. Gerald Wumino stated that eventually there will be gravel walks between the trees and the barracks, and the residents will be permitted to grow flowers between the walk and the barrack (no vegetables) in order to save the foundation. Wherever possible the lawns and gardens will be saved. He suggested that every block adopt the plan to have uniform gravel walks which will enhance the beauty of the block appearance.

The meeting was adjourned.