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CO-OP ELECTION MEETING MINUTES

DATE OF MEETING: September 30, 1942

WARD CHAIRMAN: H. Fujita (temporary)

WARD SECRETARY: George Ikegami (temporary)

ABSENTEE: H. Hamada

Meeting was called to order by temporary chairman, Mr. James H. Fujita. The following were present in the roll call:

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| Block 67 | Mr. Sato and Mr. Masugi |
| Block 68 | Mr. Yokoyama and Mr. Asahara |
| Block 69 | Mr. Tsukamoto and Mr. Yoshinari |
| Block 70 | Mr. Fujita and Mr. Ikegami |
| Block 71 | Mr. Ninomiya and Mr. Miura |
| Block 72 | Rev. Inouye |
| Block 73 | Mr. Kuramoto and Mr. Matsumoto |
| Block 74 | Mr. Shimizu |

All members present were elected representatives. Chairman Mr. Fujita explained to all members what transpired at the co-op meeting, September 28. Purpose of the meeting: election. Nominations were open--for 1 nisei and 1 issei incorporators to be elected. The following were nominated: Isseis--Mr. Kuramoto, Mr. Yokoyama, and Mr. Tsukamoto; Niseis--Mr. Matsumoto, Mr. Hamada, and Mr. Ikegami. Motion made by Mr. Yoshinari and seconded by Mr. Sato that the nominations be closed. Votes were cast as follows:

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| Kuramoto | 8 | Tsukamoto | 2 | Matsumoto | 3 |
| Yokoyama | 4 | Ikegami | 9 | Hamada | 2 |

Mr. Kuramoto and George Ikegami, issei and nisei, respectively, were elected.

The nominations for Committee on Committee work were opened. The following were nominated: Mr. Miura, Mr. Asahara, Mr. Yoshinari, Mr. Masugi, and Rev. Inouye. Mr. Yoshinari declined the nomination. His declination was accepted due to good reasons. Motion made by Mr. Sato and seconded by Rev. Inouye that the nominations be closed. Votes were cast as follows: Mr. Miura--9; Mr. Masugi--1; Mr. Asahara--2; Rev. Inouye--2. Mr. Miura was elected.

Nominations for By-Law Committee were opened. The following were nominated: Mr. Sato, Mr. Yokoyama, and Mr. Fujita. Votes were cast as follows: Mr. Sato--2; Mr. Yokoyama--1; Mr. Fujita--11. Mr. Fujita was elected.

Question was brought up as to who is to become the fifteenth member of the Board of Directors. This question is pending.

As no further business, meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ George Ikegami

Temporary Secretary

October 15, 1942

Meeting called to order by Chairman Fujita.

Roll Called:

Following were absentees--Asahara, Yokoyama, Yoshinari, Miura, Ninomiya, and Rev. Inouye

Minutes of meeting of Incorporators of Oct. 5th read and approved.

Also articles of Incorporation read.

Clarification of the phrase WR, advisor was made by Mr. Kuramoto to all present. Also Mr. Kuramoto explained what other business that took place at the meeting of the Incorporators, October 10th.

Minutes of Committee of By-Laws of October 6th was read and approved.

Reading of By-laws was postponed till next meeting as it was not fully completed.

Committee of Committees work was explained by F. Sakamoto due in the absence of Mr. Miura.

As no further business, meeting was adjourned.

(Sgd.) George Ikegami

October 22, 1942

Meeting called to order by Temporary Chairman Fujita.

Roll Called:

Present:

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| Block 68 | Yokoyama | Asahara |
| 69 | Tsukamoto | Yoshinari |
| 70 | Fujita | Ikegami |
| 71 | Ninomiya | Miura |
| 73 | Kuramoto | Matsumoto |
| 74 | Shimizu | Narita |

Absentees:

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| Block 67 | Sato | Masugi |
| 72 | Rev. Inouye | |

Before any further on new business, temporary Chairman Fujita, asked for election of permanent Ward Chairman and Ward Secretary. Motion made by Mr. Yokoyama and seconded by Mr. Yoshinari to have present officers continue in office. Motion carried.

By-laws was read and discussed. Wanted clarification on Article 3 Sec. 10 Lien on Membership interest.

suggestion made by Mr. Yoshinari that a provision should be made to take care of any taxation that may be assessed by the Council.

Clarification of Art. 5 Sec. 10

Dissolution

Clarification of 3/4 of membership of 3/4 of remaining membership.

Art. 6 Sec. 3

Regarding regular meeting

Suggested that the notice of regular meeting be posted in all Co-op place of business in Block Managers' office and also in the Tulean Dispatch or any other major paper that is prevalent and circulated on the project.

Clarification of Art. 10 Sec. 1

Regarding removing of director by 15 votes.

Clarification of the Alien status was asked.

Meeting adjourned.

November 19, 1942

Meeting called to order by Chairman Fujita.

Roll Called:

Those present:

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| Block 67 | Masugi | |
| 68 | Yokoyama | Asahara |
| 69 | Sakamoto | |
| 70 | Fujita | Ikegami |
| 71 | Ninomiya | Miura |
| 73 | Kuramoto | |
| 74 | | Narita |

Those absent:

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| Block 67 | Sato |
| 67 | Yoshinari |
| 72 | Inouye |
| 73 | Matsumoto |
| 74 | Shimizu |

Minutes of November 12 was read and approved. Also minutes of directors meeting of November 16th was read.

The problem of securing assistant manager was brought up.

Nomination for Membership Committee was opened - one from each block.

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| From Block 67 | Y. Fuji |
| 68 | Frank Hattori |
| 69 | S. Arai |
| 70 | R. Yamamoto, Jr. |
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| 73 | M. Murata |
| 74 | Geo. K. Maruyama |

Mr. Sakamoto was elected on the Ward Membership Committee.

Nominations for Auditing Committee was opened. George Hori from Block 70 was nominated. Motion made and seconded nomination be closed. Motion carried. Mr. Hori was unanimously elected as the Ward Auditing Committee.

Nomination for Management Committee was opened. Mr. Matsumoto was nominated. Motion made and seconded that the nomination be closed. Motion carried. Mr. Matsumoto was elected.

Matter of script books was brought up. What to do in case of odd cent sales. As up now the scrip did not have any provision for odd cent sales.

As no further business. Motion made and seconded to adjourn. Motion carried.

9:00 P.M.

November 27, 1942

Meeting called to order by chairman Fujita.

Roll Called:

Those present

Absent

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| 67 | Masugi | Sato |
| 68 | | Yokoyama, Asahara |
| 69 | | Tsukamoto, Yoshinari |
| 70 | Fujita, Ikegami | |
| 71 | Ninomiya, Miura | |
| 72 | | Inouye |
| 73 | Kuramoto | Matsumoto |
| 74 | Narita | Oishi |

Minutes of meeting November 19th read and approved.

Following member were appointed on the Inventory Committee:

Sato or Masugi
Yokoyama
Yoshinari
Ninomiya
Rev. Inouye

Minutes of the Directors meeting of November 23 was read.

Mr. Kuramoto explained the purpose of Mr. Oconner's visit to the project, last Wednesday.

As no further business, meeting adjourned.

MEETING OF NEWLY ELECTED AND OUTGOING BLOCK REPRESENTATIVES
OF THE
TULE LAKE COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.

February 4, 1943

A meeting of the newly elected and outgoing Block Representatives of the Tule Lake Cooperative Enterprises, Inc., was called to order by Koso Takemoto, Executive Secretary, at Bldg. 1220 on February 4, 1943, at 8:00 P.M.

Mr. Takemoto stated that the purpose of the meeting was to have the new representatives get acquainted with each other and at the same time receive valuable information and instructions from the outgoing representatives.

Mr. Matsumoto, Chairman of the Committee on Committees, gave a concise and constructive speech wherein he stressed the following points for the benefit of prospective Ward Chairmen:

1. The Chairman should always remember to state the purpose of each meeting simply and constructively and should endeavor to close the meeting at a set time.
2. The Chairman should control and direct questions and suggestions so that the agenda for the meeting can be carried out smoothly.
3. The Chairman should always remember that various committees have been created to participate and assist in the progress of the cooperative movement.

Mr. Don Elberson gave an informative speech in which he stated that:

1. The Tule Lake Co-op, according to his analysis, is the best among the various Relocation Center Co-ops.
2. The Tule Lake Co-op has been operated very successfully during the past six months and has now reached the record stage.
3. The importance of electing the right type of committee-men and Board of Directors cannot be overemphasized. They should possess:
 - a. Intelligence
 - b. prestige
 - c. Courage
 - d. Knowledge of Co-op principles and practices
 - e. Leadership.

He expressed his desire of retaining the present members of the Board, but at the same time of injecting new blood therein.

February 4, 1943

BLOCK REPRESENTATIVES

(A translation of Mr. Elberson's speech was given by T. Kawasaki for the benefit of the members who did not understand.)

Ward Chairman and secretaries were elected on the Ward basis.

Koso Takemoto gave a report on the latest developments and covered the following:

1. Resolution of the Community Council:
 - a. Campaign for 100% membership.
 - b. Campaign for Compulsory use of Scrip.
2. Anticipation of the Planning Board's performance of the above.
3. The Co-op's intention of manufacturing:
 - a. Shoyu
 - b. Miso
 - c. Tofu, etc.
4. The Co-op's intention of distributing goods made by the colonists:
 - a. Art goods - Artificial flowers, vases, pictures, etc.
 - b. Manufactured goods.
5. Plan for the establishment of a purchasing agency outside of the project.

Following the serving of refreshments, the meeting was adjourned at 10:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

T. Kawasaki,
Assistant Executive Secretary

Minutes
of
Ward Meeting

June 17, 1943

Meeting: The meeting was started at 7:45 p.m. in the 49 Rec. Hall.

Attendants: Kobayashi, Morimune, Takeshita, Matsumoto, Sato, Abe, Watanabe, Kumasaka, Asahara, and Tanaka.

Reports: Various reports were made by the respective committee members.

The chairman made the report on the pending motion picture problem, but no further action was taken up. We decided to study this problem a little more. As a whole the representatives seemed indifferent about this problem.

Mr. Seike from the Board of Directors made a supplemental report in addition to the chairman's report.

Suggestions and Decisions: As to the movie problem the representative felt that the public opinion whether they should have the theater or not should be the fundamental base for determining this problem.

So as repeated before, this should be decided by the vote.

Mr. Kobayashi suggested that if they could have soft drink fountains, it would satisfy young people great deal.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Keant Morimune

Minutes
of
Co-op Ward Assembly

June 24, 1943

Meeting: The special meeting was held at 49 Rec hall from 7:45 p.m.

Attendance: Kumasaka, Matsumoto, Takeshita, Watanabe, Abe, Sato, Asahara, Tsuji, and Morimune.

Discussion on Movie Theater: The chairman explained the problems on the pending proposal for setting the movie theater in this colony.

Mr. Asahara asked the following question: Mr. Teraoka, former representative from his block announced last time that the Co-op would not have the theater in this colony. Mr. Asahara considered this statement as the authorized one made by the Co-op authority in this Project, but this time they started the same motion again. He wants to know why they started this problem over again. The chairman did not give any explanation for it.

Mr. Tsuji made the motion that the decision should be made by getting votes from the general colonists before we representatives made any decision about it. The motion was seconded by Mr. Abe.

The suggestion to Executive Secretary:

The magazine stand has been selling the very harmful magazine or comic books to the young children in this project. These books should be stopped right now. One of the teachers in Kimrock School pointed out this matter in the regular P. T. A. Meeting.

Chairman made the reports on the following:

Stub collecting office was set up at 801-C. Donation to the recreation, \$100.00.

No further question occurred.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Keant Morimune

MINUTES OF CO-OP WARD MEETING

November 5, 1943

Temporary Chairman: K. Sugimoto
Secretary: S. Taoka

I. Roll Call:

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| W. Mayebori | S. Taoka | S. Okazaki |
| William Uyeda | I. Hashimoto | S. Seike |
| G. R. Teraoka | K. Sugimoto | Sakaguchi |
| Thomas Itami | T. Otsubo | Hashida |

II. Meeting was held at 7:30 P.M. at the regular place. Mr. K. Sugimoto presided as temporary chairman. Today's main purpose was to hear the result of the vote of confidence for adoption of by-laws and election of Board of Directors.

III. Above result:

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| #49* | Yes | #54 | Yes |
| #50 | No meeting yet | #56* | Yes |
| #51* | Yes | #57 | Unknown as absent |
| #52* | Yes | #58 | Yes |
| #52 | Yes (left up to representative) | #59 | Yes |
| #53* | Yes | | |

* unanimous vote

No objection resulted.

The Board of Directors' election was the same result. Mr. K. Sugimoto, chairman, suggested that incorporator is customarily elected as Board member. So we better follow the usual custom. There were no objections made so that two incorporators were elected as Board members.

Mr. C. Taketa, Issei
Mr. Thomas Itami, Nissei

IV. To organize the membership drive mechanize Committee on Committees' recommendation.

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| Appoint 2 block representatives |) Approved |
| Appoint 1 another Block leader | |

Minutes of Co-op Ward Meeting--contd

However, Block representatives at their discretion can recommend more person as sub-committee.

V. To Organize Canteen Tour

No person was voluntarily applied tonight, but they may apply later to chairman or office.

VI. Reports from Each Officer or Committee

A. On the General Assembly

Brief report from Mr. K. Sugimoto as chairman of the same assembly.

B. Incorporators Meeting

Brief report made by Mr. Thomas Itami.

C. On the Ward Chairman

Mr. C. Taketa absent.

D. By-Law's Committee

By Mr. K. Sugimoto. Brief statement made on proposed By-Law
(Refer below-mentioned amendment)

E. Committee on Committees

Mr. Otsubo referred to the minutes of this Committee's meeting and stated the recommendation of the Auditing Committee and Education Committee

VII. Election of Ward Chairman

By proposed By-Laws, Board members cannot assume the ward chairmanship so we have to elect chairman sooner or later, but Mr. C. Taketa is out Tour so better wait until his return. This is suggested by Mr. K. Sugimoto and approved by Representative. Temporary chairman assumed by K. Sugimoto.

VIII. Suggestion of Amendment of Proposed By-laws was made by Mr. Teraoka, Block 58, Article III Section 7. Transfer of membership exception Clause. Reading. "In event of member's death his legal representative shall have _ _ _ _ _"?

Change to same basis termination of member as "member's permanent departure of the Camp." Membership fee as well as accrued interest of profit should be divided to his legal successor or beneficially."

Minutes of Co-op Ward Meeting--contd

The motion was seconded by all representatives and decided to propose to By-Law Committee as recommendation to amend the part of proposed By-Law.

- IX. Miss Sakamoto, Secretary of Mr. Don Elberson, Co-op organized presented the meeting at about 8 P.M. visitor. Chairman introduced her to each representative. She had referred the opinion of Mr. Kendal Smith, head of Canteen, who has returned from a business trip from St. Louis concerning fire insurance and Federal Income Tax on Community Enterprises.

a. Fire Insurance

According to enemy alien act, the Co-op is faced with difficulty of having fire insurance. In this connection, Mr. McLaphlin, who has visited here from Washington, WRA Head Office, assured to have insurance by Government pressure on main office of reading Insurance Company.

b. Co-op Income Tax

Present Community enterprise is still not Co-op enterprise so that Co-op, when organized, should have to pay income tax about 60% of accumulated net profit. The sum is about \$8,000. This is not definite yet, but it seems to have pay some income tax. We must expect the evidence and have to prepare to make less income tax by organizing Co-op as soon as possible and make adequate financial statement by the hand of expert Co-op accountant from Walla Walla Co-op Center.

c. Assets Freezing Order

To temporarily exclude from membership all those who left the U.S. to Japan since 6/17/40 until further notice made.

/s/ C. Sugimoto Chairman

/s/ S. Taoka, Secretary

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WARD CHAIRMEN
TULE LAKE COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.

August 13, 1945

The meeting of the Ward Chairmen of the Tule Lake Cooperative Enterprises, Inc., was held at the 718 conference room, on Monday, August 13, 1945, from 9 a.m. Chairman of the Ward Chairmen, Mr. Sugimoto presided.

Those present were: President of the Board, Mr. Sakuma
Chairman of Ward 3, Mr. Sugimoto
Chairman of Ward 1, Mr. Toshima
Chairman of Ward 2, Mr. Fujioka
Chairman of Ward 5, Mr. Nakagawa
Chairman of Ward 6, Mr. Abe
Chairman of Ward 7, Mr. Eatanabe
Chairman of Ward 8, Mr. Nakano

Staff members were: General Manager Takizawa
Executive Secretary Kimura
Assistant Executive Secretary Fujimoto

Minutes of the previous meeting was read and approved as read.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S REPORT

1. In spite of the negotiating committee's utmost efforts on replacing the executive staffs, they have done everything in their power but they were unable to select a competent person from the center residents. For this reason, the Board decided to select these officers among the Board members on a temporary basis, as an ultimate measure. So far, the following directors are chosen for the executive capacity:

General Manager - President Sakuma
Treasurer - Director Koima

At the last meeting Director Nakamura was selected with the highest vote as a candidate for the position of Executive Secretary, but owing to his personal reasons he declined to accept the offer. Next, we consulted with the second candidate, Director Murakami, but he, too, refused to accept on account of his personal reasons. Due to this circumstances, this matter will be discussed at the next meeting of the Board of Directors.

2. The populations of persons aged 18 and over of each block, which will be the standard chart for tobacco distribution, has been requested of the respective ward chairman. This is requested to be submitted to the office of the Executive Secretary before August 18. Those who have not done so are urged to do so before the above deadline

3. Adoption of amendment of the Article of Incorporation: (An amending bill of changing the number of Directors from 15 to 17 persons). Amendment of the charter requires the signature of all members, and we have printed the forms and we shall ask you to obtain the signatures of members at your respective wards. I shall appreciate it if you will present these to the Executive Secretary's office by August 18.

4. The joint meeting of the Employee Relations Committee and Management Committee has passed the resolution to abolish the mail order service of the Sears, Roebuck & Company. This plan was recommended to the Board of Directors for their decision. The personnel question of Canteen #5 have been discussed several times previously and we have decided to maintain the business as usual at least for the time being.

As a result of studying the matter from the personnel and management point of view of the watch repair shop, which is showing a deficit for the past few months, the business department will take up the matter to improve the business condition. It was suggested to the business department to do their utmost.

At the time, when you are going to have a meeting of the Ward representatives, the Co-op is willing to supply some light refreshment so we shall appreciate it if you will let us know the proposed meeting in advance to the Executive Secretary's office. All minutes of the respective meetings are required to be recorded and presented to the Executive Secretary's office.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT:

Yardage goods will be sold on coupon as usual at Canteens #3 and #5, respectively, commencing next Tuesday, August 14.

According to the report of Mr. Iseri, Assistant General Manager, who just returned from his recent business trip to the East, he states that he found cotton goods and soaps hard to obtain and that they could not be purchased even on the outside. As to tobacco, at the time of closing of the other centers, we are going to negotiate with their wholesaler to have the allotment be transferred to this Co-op. Bar soaps are here now and we are preparing to sell them around August 20 on the usual coupon system.

As the result of the meeting of the Board of Directors on August 6, President Sakuma will take over the position of General Manager tentatively. The entire staff members will assist him as much as possible when he assumes the office.

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TREASURER'S REPORT (by the executive secretary)

We are expecting the public accountant to be here to examine our books around the middle of this month. The treasurer's office is busy with preparation. The treasurer notified through the Executive Secretary that there is nothing important to report and he asked to be excused for not attending the meeting.

A few questions and answers on management were exchanged.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Kaoru Kimura
Executive Secretary

Ward I Meeting
Building 1507-D
March 4, 1943

Meeting was called to order by Ward Chairman, Mr. Fred Ogura at 8:00 P.M.

The roll call were as follows:

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| Block | 4 | T. Hisatsune | ----- |
| | 5 | ----- | ----- |
| | 6 | Mr. Sakaguchi | ----- |
| 13 | 13 | Sam T. Morimoto | Harry Nakashima |
| | 14 | T. Kuroda | ----- |
| | 15 | Fred Ogura | Shio Uyetake |
| | 16 | James Yada (Excused) | ----- |
| | 17 | T. Fujimoto | ----- |
| | 18 | ----- | ----- |
| Educational Leader - Mr. Ishino | | | |
| Board of Director - James Wada | | | |

Immediately after the meeting was called to order, Mr. James Wada, Issei representative from Ward I, made a report on activities and proceedings of the Board of Directors.

Mr. Hisatsune of Membership Committee followed with report of progress of this committee. For encouragement of 100% membership, he suggested the education of non-members through our newspaper instead of campaigning. Attending representatives concurred on education of non-members so that they would become interested in becoming a member.

Management Committee's representative from Ward I, Mr. Sakaguchi, reported on accomplishments of this committee. Reference was made to shoe shop situation, scrip sale, Retail Sales Control system, and advantages and benefits which may be derived by creation and operation of fresh fish market.

Mr. T. Morimoto stated that shoe situation is becoming critical in some instances because of rapid wear of shoes by growing children. He requested that actions be taken so that accommodations can be made for solely needed situations. And since large quantity of shoes are handled by community stores, it was suggested there be acceleration of purchase for the needy ones through the coop channels.

Several of attending representatives criticized the overstocking of ice skates and skis. For this condition, buyers were criticized.

Mr. Sakaguchi stated that discussion has been taking place that dry goods be consolidated in one store. Many of attending representatives thought it a good idea.

It was suggested canteen operate on amount needed for regular turnover and not increase stock and necessitate extra working capital to take care of increased stock. All in all, it revolved around the point that necessities only should be handled by the stores and that certain overstocking resulted from the efforts of the management to operate for the convenience of members or customers (my inference from discussion).

Respectfully submitted by,

(Sgd).

Shio Uyetake

Ward I Meeting
Building 1507-D
March 18, 1943

Meeting was called to order by Ward Chairman, Mr. Fred Ogura,
at 7:45 P.M.

Those present were as follows:

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| Block | 4 | | |
| | 5 | Kazue Naito | Mason Fukai |
| | 6 | Mr. Sakaguchi | Harry Makino |
| | 13 | Sam T. Morimoto | |
| | 14 | T. Kuroda | |
| | 15 | Fred Ogura | Shio Uyetake |
| | 16 | James Yada | |
| | 17 | James | |
| | 18 | | Tatsumi Yasui |
| | | Mr. Ishino - Educational Leader | |
| | | James Wada - Board of Director | |

The first business of the meeting was a report by Mr. James Yada of Committee on Committee. Mr. Yada stated that the Committee recommends that the Board of Directors make arrangements so that tea be served at Board of Director, ward meetings, and meetings held at Building 717 to encourage attendance.

This was followed by Mr. Sakaguchi's report on progress of Management Committee. Mr. Sakaguchi disclosed that stock of ice skates at the canteen were on consignment.

Mr. James Wada proceeded with activities and progress of the Board of Directors. Mr. Wada stated that plans are to consolidate clothing to perhaps two stores. He stated that profits from scrip sales to non-members would be subject to income tax.

Mr. Kazue Naito brought up discussion that complaints have been brought to him that sheets, which have been missing for some time, have not been returned or recompensated. Mr. Naito stated that the individuals affected requested that something be done about it as long as the same laundries are still serving the Project and since the Co-op is handling laundry. The matter was referred to Mr. James Wada.

Mr. Harry Makino revealed that plans are being made to have newspaper boys deliver papers because a great many people have not the opportunity to purchase newspapers themselves.

During the meeting one of the representatives present said that some members called to his attention that with decreased employment the expenses have arisen a great deal and that the matter be looked into. It was discussed that slight increase in prices of articles were done to increase and improve credit structure of the cooperative.

Respectfully presented,

(sgd.)

Shio Uyetake

Ward I Meeting
April 1, 1943

Meeting was called to order by Ward Chairman, Mr. Fred Ogura, at 7:45 P.M.

Those present were as follows:

| | | <u>ISSEI</u> | <u>NISEI</u> |
|-------|----|---------------|--------------|
| Block | 4 | Mr. Hisatsune | |
| | 5 | Kazue Naito | |
| | 6 | Mr. Sakaguchi | |
| | 13 | Mr. Morimoto | |
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| | 15 | Fred Ogura | Shio Uyetake |
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| | 17 | Mr. Fujimoto | |
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Board of Directors -- James Wada & Harry Makino

Educational Leader -- Mr. Ishino

The first business of the meeting was a report of the Board of Director, Mr. James Wada. His reference was to the handling of recreation program and newspaper by the co-op in the event of discontinuance by the W.R.A. With regard to newspaper publication, all attending favored to leave the matter alone and let the W.R.A. publish the newspaper as heretofore. Only when the W.R.A. should cease publication, the co-op should take actions. Concerning recreation, all favored the leaving the subject alone until the W.R.A. should decide on abolishment.

Mr. Wada stated that scrip sale hours have been set from 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. as a result of inconvenience of accumulation of cash and distribution of cash and scrip books each day.

Several of attending members disclosed the existence of various private enterprises such as barbers, fish dealers, sewing machine supplies' handlers, etc. All discouraged the existence of private enterprises on the project.

Mr. Wada disclosed that personal checks up to \$25.00 will be cashed provided that approval be obtained by the store manager. He also said that the Board of Directors approved the establishment of the fish market. One of the representatives stated that he overheard rumors that fish may be rationed and that if such becomes a reality, fish market would be useless.

Reference was made to the fact that the change in check from Sears Roebuck and Montgomery Wards, as a result of depletion or non-availability of certain items, used in further purchase of scrip results in duplication of use of amount involved.

Ward I representatives desired that motion picture projector be sold and that matter be further discussed or be activated in other wards. It was the opinion of members that motion picture projector is of no use since this type of projector does not use

fire-proof film would require construction of building which would meet the approval of fire ordinance regulations, and that such type of construction is out of possibility.

Report by Mr. Hisatsune followed. Before launching a third membership drive, a sound education program should be undertaken according to Mr. Hisatsune. Though he saw the difficulty of obtaining new memberships unless new incentives, benefits, or returns be presented, he pleaded cooperation of representatives with individuals appointed in each block for the purpose of membership drive. Opinion of representatives revealed the difficulty of new membership sign-up since non-members now are usually bachelors or widows and families who for indisputable reasons of their own would not join regardless of explanation of advantages or benefits to be derived by becoming a member.

Shio Uyetake explained the contents of the Balance Sheet as of February 28, 1943, Profit and Loss Statement from May 28, 1942 to February 28, 1943, and Profit and Loss Statement for February 1943. Representatives with business experience maintained that cash overages were exceptions rather than the general rule as shortages are the usual thing which are to be excepted in any business even though the amount be small.

Mr. Ishino reported on the activities and the progress of his section.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 P.M.

Recorded by,

(Sgd.)

Shio Uyetake

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Ward I
Special Meeting
Building 1507-D
April 9, 1943

Special meeting was called to order by ward chairman, Mr. Fred Ogura, at 7:45 P.M.

Those present were as follows:

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| Block | 4 | Mr. Hisatsune | ----- |
| | 5 | Kazue Naito | ----- |
| | 6 | Mr. Sakaguchi | ----- |
| | 13 | Sam T. Morimoto | Harry Nakashima |
| | 14 | Teizo Kuroda | Hideo Tokimoto |
| | 15 | Fred Ogura | Shio Uyetake |
| | 16 | James M. Yada | ----- |
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| | 18 | ----- | ----- |
| | | Educational Leader - Mr. Ishino | |
| | | Board of Directors - James Wada | |
| | | Harry Makino | |
| | | Coop Buyer - Mr. R. Koizumi | |

The first business of the meeting was the subject of donation by the coop to the Red Cross of which \$250 is asked of the coop to help attain the goal of \$1250 for this project. It is understood that amount up to \$1250 is to be used for the benefit of this project, and the amount in excess of figure stated to sent to national headquarters.

According to the opinions of attending representatives, it appears that so far that the Red Cross donation drive has not taken seriously by block managers in most blocks resulting in small contributions from blocks. Should block managers undertake to make a stimulated drive, representatives believe that considerable amount of donations could be obtained. Again, the representatives contended that various organizations have participated in the drive, and that contributions from these sources should bring the amount close to the goal. At the time of originally set deadline, the amount raised was \$625 according to the announcement. Representatives believe that donations from many of various organizations had not been turned in at the deadline date. Again, since the drive was extended, the sum should be larger than the amount announced by now.

Representatives think that amount derived from contributions to date should be obtained at the end of the drive, and should any deficiency exists, coop donation of the deficient amount not in excess of \$250 is approved by Ward I representatives. Representatives themselves see no objection to donation for this worthy cause, but desire that possibility of attaining the goal should be investigated first in-as-much as this ward in general is not in favor of making large donations of any kind.

After reviewing various individuals suggested by attending representatives, Ward I representatives recommended as successor to George Ikegami, general manager, who is to leave this project very soon, the names of Mr. Tsunesuke Fujimoto, of 1718-D, and Mr. Joe Senichi Uyetake of 1502-A.

Mr. Fred Ogura asked the representatives of thier opinion on donation to Issei marathon contest the amount of \$50.00 for prize purposes. All favored the donation of amount not to exceed \$50.00.

Mr. James Wada reported on activities of Committee on Committees.

The matter of proposed or discussed advisor to the general-manager was referred to representatives. It was understood that this advisor was not only act as advisor to the general-manager, but also as coordinator between with coop office, warehouse, and stores. All are in favor of such an advisor. This advisor is to be directly connected with business. Representatives highly favor such a person as the time of installation of new general-manager is a desirable time to have such an individual installed as such an advisor may be of valuable help to the new successor (general-manager). The Advisor is to be an Issei, and Ward I recommends Mr. Kihei Ikeda.

Supervisor for each canteen, who duty is to be that of a watchman, seems to be unnecessary in the opinion of Ward, but recommends that the manager of each canteen to watch, that is, act as a watchman, and be relieved of duties to which is now attending. Representatives assert that it is sufficient for manager to act only as manager and that he need not help serving customers as do salesmen and salesgirls.

Mr. Harry Makino made his report of activities and progress of the Board of Directors to date. He made reference to the fact that the co-op cannot legally act as a bank solely for the purpose of changing checks for money to be used for other purposes. He reported on March coop sales, scrip costs and other information of interest to representatives.

Most representatives still think it inadvisable to open fish market due to such uncertain future. Mr. Wada disclosed that the Board of Directors have approved of fish market, and that definite plans for its construction have been made.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:55 P.M.

Submitted by,

(Sgd)

Shio Uyetake

WARD I MEETING
TULE LAKE COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.
April 22, 1943

Meeting was called to order by ward chairman, Mr. Fred Ogura,
at 8:00 P.M.

Those present were as follows:

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| Block 4 | Mr. Hisatsune | _____ |
| 5 | | _____ |
| 6 | Mr. Sakaguchi | _____ |
| 13 | Sam T. Morimoto | Harry Nakashima |
| 14 | Teizo Kuroda | _____ |
| 15 | Fred Ogura | Shio Uyetake |
| 16 | | Dan Aoyama |
| 17 | Tsunesuke Fujimoto | _____ |
| 18 | | Tatsumi Yasui |
| Board of Director--Jim Wada | | |
| Education Leader---Mr. Ishino | | |

As the first business of the meeting, Mr. James Wada of the Board of Directors made a report. He explained the planned cash register stub system for cooperative enterprises. Because of necessity of large cash expenditure for cash registers, rent or down payment in purchase of cash registers is being considered according to Mr. Wada. A much greater factor is very uncertain future on the part of management.

Mr. Wada disclosed the creation of scrip of smaller denominations (\$2.50 and \$5.00) from \$10.00 scrip books to utilize scrip books before changing to the stub system. He revealed the tremendous scrip expense under the present system and savings to be realized under the cash register stub system.

Mr. Wada said that from next Thursday afternoon, April 29, 1943, canteens will be closed in the afternoons on Thursdays. That the canteen warehouse rent is to be lowered was revealed by him. He mentioned the appointment of S. Kubo as General Manager of Co-op.

Request was made to Committee on Committees to see that scrip be cancelled upon receipt on the complaint that many scrips are not being cancelled and in that certain canteens frequent instances exist of uncanceled scrip. References were made to soda pop and ice cream sections where, due to many nickel and dime transactions, cancellation would be troublesome.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 P.M.

Submitted by

(Sgd) Shio Uyetake

TULELAKE COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.

Ward I Meeting
Building 1507
May 6, 1943

Meeting was called to order by Ward Chairman, Mr. Fred Ogura at 8:00 P.M.

Those present were as follows:

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| Block | 4 | Tsuneo Hisatsune | ----- |
| | 5 | ----- | Mason Fukai |
| | 6 | Mr. Sakaguchi | ----- |
| | 13 | Sam T. Morimoto | Harry Nakashima |
| | 14 | ----- | ----- |
| | 15 | Fred Ogura | Shio Uyetake |
| | 16 | James M. Yada | ----- |
| | 17 | ----- | ----- |
| | 18 | ----- | ----- |

Board of Directors - James Wada.

Mr. Mason Fukai's report of Auditing Committee was the first business of the meeting. Mr. Fukai reported that from now on actual count of cash must be made before financial statements are published and that actual count of cash must be compared with book amount monthly.

Committee on Committee's, Mr. Yada, Made a report in which he revealed that manager and his assistant should do only managerial work. Ward chosen individuals to watch stores were deemed inadvisable to promote goodwill among canteen employees.

According to By-Laws, those on the Board of Directors must be block representatives, but the Committee on Committees desire an amendment to the By-Laws so that any member may be on the Board of Directors. However, he must be chosen by block representatives. Reference was made to the fact that as yet all canteen workers are not coop members and that 100% membership is requested.

Mr. James Wada of the Board of Directors elaborated on the activities of the Board of Directors. Building for fish market which was thought available was found to unavailable so negotiations are being made for renting of some building or construction of a new building. It was revealed that tofu manufacturing equipment which an evacuee has stored can be available, and that soy beans can be purchased in the event that tofu manufacture takes place.

Due to difficulty in purchasing articles from manufacturers or wholesale firms in east through correspondence, telegrams, or by sending cash, the Board of Directors has approved sending two buyers back east since person to person business contact may be more effective in securing the desired articles.

Furthermore, quality of goods may be examined before purchasing commodities.

Consolidation of two shoe shops is being considered according to Mr. Wada as a result of recommendation from shoe store management to obtain greater efficiency through consolidation of equipment. Emergency repair cases (5 pairs per day) will be taken care of when certified by head of block managers. Individuals whose shoes cannot be found will be compensated \$1.00 a pair for ladies and \$2.00 a pair for men shoes. This is effective until May 15.

Mr. Wada asked the opinion of attending representatives whether they desired W.R.A. newspaper as the one we are having now or that similar to that of Heart Mountain to be printed at Tule Lake by a private enterprise. Those attending unanimously opposed to newspaper printed for us by private enterprise.

Motion picture project subject was brought up. W.R.A. consideration of construction of fireproof building for theatre was revealed. Should such a building be constructed, the attending representatives disclosed that they approved of the theatre. They thought that their respective blocks would no doubt approve of theatre construction if construction was done by the W.R.A. for the benefit of colonists. If such a building be constructed, the opinion of representatives appeared to be in favor of selling the machine to the W.R.A. and then renting the projector from the W.R.A. due to indefinite period that the colonists will be here. Should the colonists have to leave there would be no problem of selling the projector if they were rented.

Possibility of substitution of 4 canteen warehouses with a motion picture theatre with a fireproof projection room & so as to pass fire ordinance regulation was brought up. Should such a building be contemplated, representatives desired that the matter be referred to respective blocks for approval before any plans for construction are undertaken.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50 P.M.

Submitted by (sgd) Shio Uyetake

Ward I Meeting
Building 1507-D
May 20, 1943

Meeting was called to order by Ward Chairman, Mr. Fred Ogura at 8:05 P.M.

Those present were as follows:

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|-------|----|--------------------|-----------------|
| Block | 4 | Mr. Hisatsune | ----- |
| | 5 | Kezue Naito | ----- |
| | 6 | Mr. Sakaguchi | Kiyoji Yokoyama |
| | 13 | Sam Morimoto | ----- |
| | 14 | Teizo Kuroda | ----- |
| | 15 | Fred Ogura | Shio Uyetake |
| | 16 | Jim Yada (Excused) | Dan Aoyama |
| | 17 | Tsunesuke Fujimoto | ----- |
| | 18 | ----- | ----- |

Board of Directors: Harry Makino and James Wada

The first business of the meeting was a report by James Wada of the Board of Directors. Reference was made to the fact that demand for rings of \$500 to \$1,000 value have been coming in. Due to limited income of colonists, exhibits of jewelry and order through catalog were decided by the Board of Directors.

In reference to shoe problem, more emphasis was emphasis on repairs. Some sort of memorandum for catalog order placed through coop should be issued according to Mr. Wada to prevent existence of unclaimed goods when received from mail order houses.

Cash registers due to arrive this month, stated Mr. Wada. Cash register stub system slated to be used from June 1, and the whole month of June to be allowed for the colonists to use up their scrip.

American Express Company has requested the Coop to handle money order and Traveler's Checks according to Mr. Wada. Tentative plan was made by the Coop to handle money order and Travelers' Checks asserted Mr. Wada.

Mr. Wada referred to the fact that the Board of Directors have approved the auditing of books and investigation of income tax regulations at the end of the fiscal year by a certified auditor.

Mr. Hisatsune followed with report. He reported that Coop had planned to allocate \$275 for picnic, but due to likelihood of complaint by members for use of sum stated above, it was decided that each individual bring his or her lunch. He revealed that approximately \$50.00 was allotted for prize purposes.

Mr. Dan Aoyama and Mr. Hideo Tokimoto was appointed to help make field ready for picnic, and Shio Uyetake was appointed to take care of water on Sunday.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

Submitted by (sgd.) Shio Uyetake

Ward I Meeting
Building 1507-D
June 3, 1943

Meeting was called to order by Ward Chairman, Mr. Fred Ogura
at 8:00 P.M.

Those attending were as follows:

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| Block | 4 | Tsuneo Hisatsune | ----- |
| | 5 | ----- | ----- |
| | 6 | Mr. Sakaguchi | Kiyoki Yokoyama |
| | 13 | Sam T. Morimoto | Harry Nakashima |
| | 14 | Teizo Kuroda | ----- |
| | 15 | Fred S. Ogura | Shio Uyetake |
| | 16 | James M. Yada | ----- |
| | 17 | Tsunesuke Fujimoto | ----- |
| | 18 | George Nakamura | ----- |
| Board of Directors - James Wada | | | |
| Educational Leader - Mr. Ishino | | | |

The first business of the meeting was a report by James Yada of Committee on Committees. Mr. Yada disclosed that due to the fact that 10% quorum had not been attained during the last assembly in this ward and also in other wards, discussion of abolishment of Ward Membership Assembly had taken place among committee members. Attending representatives commented on this matter and thought it a good idea inasmuch as the people dislike to attend meetings in the first place. However, the representatives felt that delicate problems and matters should be referred to each block to have these problems and matters decided at their meetings. Some of representatives favored the settlement of important problems at a General Assembly while some of others favored an assembly only when business warranted an assembly. However, reference was made to the By-Laws which specified the necessity of holding Ward Membership Assembly semi-annually and that any change must be made through amendment.

Mr. Yada disclosed the Committee on Committee's plan to study Committees accomplishment and their benefits to the Co-op.

Question of necessity of Educational Committee with existence of Educational Leader arose. Mr. Yada stated that Committee on Committee desired the opinion of representatives. Discussion of its abolishment arose, but the opinion of block representatives was its retainment on an advisory capacity to the Educational Leader.

Report of Employee Relations Committee's, Mr. Fujimoto, followed. Selecting, terminating, and promoting a person for a responsible position such as canteen manager, warehouse head, buyers, head cashiers, general manager, assistant general manager are to be decided between the E. R. C. and the general manager in consultation with the personnel director. In other cases personnel director may use discretion. In case of vacancy, the personnel director must consult with manager before making final decision.

Mr. Fujimoto mentioned that due to the fact that in the past customers have complained that the salesmen and salesgirls would not sell to ordinary customers those items which they had reserved for specific customers, the clerks have been asked to place these items where it is not visible to customers.

He revealed that canteen worker's regulations are to be created and that the committee desired the opinion of representatives at the ward meeting. He also stated that discussion classes are to be conducted by Mr. McNeil.

Several of representatives desired a badge with name very visible. If such is not possible, a more conspicuous method is desired.

Mr. James Wada, following with report, disclosed that one-half of Building 7208 is allotted for Shoe Repair shop, that profit and loss statements by departments was planned by Mr. Sugimoto, that watch shop will report by sales and services, that travelers cheques has been sold at the bank from June 1, that money order sales to be started after necessary investigations are made, that fish market construction will be started after approval by Mr. Slattery and Mr. Coverley. He also stated that only government checks will be cashed, that educational fund of 1% was insufficient and as a result amount for educational purposes was included in the co-op's budget. That the theatre is to be constructed by the W. R. A. and that linotyped newspaper, about which much discussion had taken place here, was rejected by the Board of Directors was revealed by Mr. Wada.

With regard to definite answer about theatre by W.R. A. and newspaper by the Co-op, Ward I favors construction by the W. R. A. of the theatre, but rejects newspaper by the co-op.

Mr. Hisatsune referred to the fact that many people desired opening of 2 canteens on Thursdays instead of closing all of them. Matter was referred to Employee Relations Committee.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50 P.M.

Submitted by

(sgd) Shio Uyetake

Ward I Meeting
Building 1507-D
June 17, 1943

Meeting was called to order by Ward Chairman, Mr. Fred Ogura,
at 8:00 P.M.

Those present were as follows:

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|-------|----|--------------------|-----------------|
| Block | 4 | Tsuneo Hisatsune | ----- |
| | 5 | ----- | ----- |
| | 6 | Mr. Sakaguchi | Kiyoki Yokoyama |
| | 13 | Sam T. Morimoto | Harry Nakashima |
| | 14 | Teizo Kuroda | ----- |
| | 15 | Fred S. Ogura | Shio Uyetake |
| | 16 | ----- | ----- |
| | 17 | Tsunesuke Fujimoto | ----- |
| | 18 | ----- | Tatsumi Ysui |

Educational Leader - Mr. Ishino

Mr. Sakaguchi of Management Committee opened with report in which he disclosed that mail order expenses were to be kept separate from regular operating expenses. He also revealed that Canteen 1 and 3 to be closed on Wednesday afternoons while others will be closed on Thursday afternoon. Recommendations, for creation of honor roll among canteens and charge of 5 cents per check regardless of amount, to the Board of Directors was disclosed by him.

Mr. Fujimoto followed with report, and he disclosed that Mr. Hattori or Mr. Hashimoto were recommended by committee to take place of general manager of canteen #1. He stated that payment of \$2.50 instead of issue of shoes to employees in employment to the last issuance date by WRA and also who are still on canteen payrolls shoes cannot be issued as prior to rationing. He revealed the recommendation of his committee for creation of calendar with dates of closing of canteens together with items handled at different canteens.

Limit of 500 pairs of shoes per week and the fact that shoes taken to shop on Monday or Tuesday would be repaired during the same week was announced. It was recommended that notice of unclaimed shoes be publicized before plans to dispose of them are made.

Honor roll for service shops as well as canteens was disclosed. The approval by the Board of Directors of award of \$2.00 for two-time honor roll winner and some policy with regard to check cashing with regard to purchases of over one-half the amount of check was also revealed.

Mr. Hisatsune recommended that extra cash be kept on hand when government pay checks or clothing allowances are paid colonists for some period, let us say, ten days after pay day.

Mr. Ogura disclosed that for the 4th of July celebration, \$100.00 was donated to the Recreation department. That construction of theatre is to be started after completion of high school building was revealed. He further stated that after the completion of the gymnasium, it will be available to the co-op about five times per week until the completion of theatre.

Meeting adjourned at 9:25 P.M.

Recorded by,

(sgd) Shio Uyetake

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Special Meeting
Ward I
Building 1507-D
June 24, 1943

Special meeting was called to order by Mr. Fred Ogura, the ward chairman, at 7:50 P.M.

Those present were as follows:

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| Block | 4 | Tsuneo Hisatsune | ----- |
| | 5 | Ed Kawasaki | ----- |
| | | (Sub. for K. Naito) | |
| | 6 | M. Sakaguchi | Kiyoji Yokoyama |
| | 13 | Sam T. Morimoto | ----- |
| | 14 | Teizo Kuroda | ----- |
| | 15 | Fred Ogura | Shio Uyetake |
| | 16 | Jim M. Yada | Dan Aoyama |
| | 17 | Tsunesuke Fujimoto | ----- |
| | 18 | ----- | ----- |

Educational Leader - Mr. Ishino

With regard to donation of \$100.00 to the Recreation Department which the Board of Directors approved, the approval of this ward was requested. According to by-laws, any donation in excess of \$50.00 requires the approval of wards.

One of representatives stated that though he had no objection to donations himself, he expressed disapproval of the idea of the Board of Director's approval and granting of donation of \$100.00 without obtaining the approval of respective wards. Another expressed disapproval of the principle of donation without consulting respective wards and that he felt that such donations should not be granted.

When put forth in form of a vote, the decision was as follows: Since reference to representatives on the matter of donations was presented after the approval and grant was made, Ward I representatives expressed serious objections to the policy of Board of Directors on this matter. Since this donation is not for institutions as Base Hospital or for emergency cases or aid of those in extreme suffering, attending representatives decided that \$50.00 is sufficient and should be all that would be donated to the Recreation Department inasmuch as patronage dividends have not been paid. Furthermore, since there has been so many during recent months, more care, serious thought or consideration should be given in making donations, especially because patronage dividends have not yet been paid. Making too much donation before paying of dividends would result in serious complaints on the part of members agreed the representatives.

In continuing, attending representatives disclosed that should donations for such purpose as above be made in excess of \$50.00 without approval of block representatives, they would not be able to make proper explanations to members in their respective blocks when questioned of their responsibility to members in their respective blocks. All agreed that Board of Directors should, in the future, be more careful and refer to block representatives before approval and grant of donations in excess of \$50.00 and that conditions as occurred has this time should not be permitted to recur.

Theatre discussion was brought up and Shio Uyetake explained requirements of a theatre and also presented general information regarding theatre operation as presented by Mr. John Takagi on mimeographed paper. General discussion about theatre operation took place. As approved before, the representatives still expressed approval of W.R.A. constructed theatre.

Mr. Sakaguchi recommended Mr. Hisatsune to succeed Mr. James Wada who left project. All favored Mr. Hisatsune, so he was unanimously elected to the Board of Directors representing the Issei.

Recorded by

(sgd) Shio Uyetake
Secretary

WARD I MEETING
Building 1507-D
July 15, 1943

Meeting was called to order by ward chairman, Mr. Fred Ogura at 8:00 p.m.

Those present were as follows:

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| Block 4 | ----- | |
| 5 | ----- | |
| 6 | ----- | |
| 13 | Sam Morimoto | Harry Nakashima |
| 14 | Teizo Kuroda | |
| 15 | Fred Ogura | Shio Uyetake |
| 16 | James Yada | |
| 17 | T. Fujimoto | |
| 18 | ----- | |

Board of Directors: Tsuneo Hisatsune
Educational Leader: Mr. Ishino

Mr. Hisatsune of the Board of Directors revealed that at the Board meeting disclosure was made that there still is \$600 work of scrip outstanding and that the C.P.A. will not be able to make the audit before August 1.

He also revealed that Mr. Kubo introduced the subject of installation of a refrigerator costing \$475 which includes expenses except the wire. He disclosed that since the cost of delivered ice is \$14.00 per ton and since approximately 4 tons per week are necessary, the Board after a lengthy discussion approved its installation.

It was revealed that the subject of establishment of a separate set of books for mail order and laundry service department was brought up and that Mr. Sugimoto stated that according to the By-Laws patronage refunds must be made equally without reference to departments. And that thought the Board thought it advisable to make a change by an amendment it was referred to the Committee on Committee.

Reference was made to the fact that the Executive Committee recommended August 20, 28 & 30 as tentative dates for the General Assembly. General Membership Meeting and General Election respectively. That the above dates were recommended was due to the fact that patronage records must be compiled.

Mr. Hisatsune revealed that at the Central Membership Committee's meeting, it was proposed that to facilitate the

recording of cash register stubs for the month of July and thereafter, the members be asked to turn in stubs to 801-B when approximately \$25 worth have been accumulated.

The following dates were asked to be ratified by the ward:

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| August | 20 | General Assembly |
| " | 28 | General Membership Meeting |
| " | 30 | General Election |

All representatives (attending) expressed approval of above dates.

Various angles of fish markets were discussed. It was revealed that the fish market floor was refinished so as to pass inspection. Disclosure was made that the fish market at present was without a general manager and that though there are many individuals who were in fish business, no one seems to desire to be General Manager.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shio Uyetake
Secretary

MINUTES OF THE WARD I ASSEMBLY

The regular meeting of the Ward I Assembly was called by the Ward Chairman, Mr. Tanaka, at 507-D Block Manager's Office, on October 7, 1947, 7:30 P.M.

Roll call was taken and the following block representatives were present:

Block 4--Mr. Fujii
Mr. Hisatsune

Block 5--Mr. Tanaka
G. Iwasaki

Block 6--Mr. Matsuo
Mr. Yokoyama

Block 13--Mr. Morimoto

Block 14

Block 15

Block 16--D. Aoyama
M. Ono

Block 17--Mr. Nagatashi

The minutes of the previous meeting was read and approved.

Mr. Hisatsune explained the plan of the membership drive. Mr. M. Ono was officially take over the Ward membership committee.

The discussion on the tofu manufacturing and miscellaneous topics was made, but none of the topics were important.

As there were no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ George Iwasaki

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR WARD I
REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY

Thursday, November 4, 1943

The Ward I Assembly Meeting was called to order by secretary, G. Iwasaki at 507-D, November 4, 1943, at 7:30 P.M.

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| Roll call: | Block 4 | Fujii, Ito |
| | Block 5 | N. Kaita, G. Iwasaki |
| | Block 6 | Matsuo, Yokoyama |
| | Block 13 | Morimoto |
| | Block 14 | Noguchi |
| | Block 15 | Takagi (temporary) |
| | Block 16 | M. Hara, H. Sasaki |
| | Block 17 | Nagatoshi |
| | Block 18 | No representative |

Re-election of the Ward chairman and secretary was made, and the following persons are appointed:

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| Ward chairman: | M. Hara, 1615-C |
| Secretary: | Noguchi, 1401-C |

The place for the next meeting will be at 1407-D, Block Manager's office.

The appointment for the Education Committee was made and Mr. Ito, 405-C was appointed by representatives.

Explanation on the Movie Department to be formed by Co-op organization at High School Auditorium with minimum fee of 10¢ for adult and 5¢ for children.

The reopening of mail order department of Sears Roebuck Co. will be taken care by Canteen from November 5.

Discussion on the manufacturing of Children's clothes and uniforms to be sold through Canteen was motioned by Ward 2.

Discussion on the Capital Fund to be loan through colonists to pay up the dividend loan of June 1943, Co-op will pay 1% interest, time 1 year, amount will be \$50.00 to \$1,000.00. Total capital fund \$60,000.00.

As there were no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/
Geo. Iwasaki
Ward Secretary

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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR WARD I MEETING

The Ward meeting was called to order by Chairman M. Hara at #16 Mess Hall, November 18, 1943, Thursday at 1:30 P.M.

Roll Call:

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| Block | 4 | Fujii and Ito |
| | 5 | Kaita |
| | 6 | Matsuo and Yokoyama |
| | 13 | Morimoto |
| | 14 | Noguchi |
| | 15 | Takagi |
| | 16 | M. Hara and Sasaki |
| | 17 | Nagatoshi |
| | 18 | No Representatives |

Discussion and explanation on the following:

Tofu, cashing of Government checks and the shortage of pennies.

A complaint was brought up by the representatives about the soap situation. Would like to have the soap distributed equally to the residents.

Two other representatives were present at the meeting:

Mr. Aoyama, 1602-C
Mr. Hisatsune, 414-C

The place for the next meeting will be held at #16 Mess Hall.

As there were no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ J. Noguchi
Ward Secretary

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REGULAR MEETING OF WARD I
TULE LAKE COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.

December 2, 1943

The regular meeting of the block representatives of Ward I of the Tule Lake Cooperative Enterprises, Inc., was held on December 2, 1943 at 1602 from 1:45 p.m. Chairman M. Hara presided.

The representatives present were:

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| Y. Matsuo, 616-C | K. Yokoyama, 619-B |
| D. Takagi, 1504-C | |
| C. Nakatoshi, 1705-B | K. Komatsu, 1718-C |
| S. Morimoto, 1314-A | |
| T. Fujii, 418-A | C. Ito, 406-C |
| N. Kaite, 516-B | |
| D. Akiyama, 1607-C | S. Aoyama, 1602-C |
| M. Hara, 1615-C | H. Sasaki, 1614-D |
| M. Yasuda, 1613-D | |

The Chair read and explained step by step, the reports of the Board of Directors. All of the subjects were thoroughly discussed and approved by the representatives. The subject that was particularly emphasized was the distribution of soaps. laundry

1. We, the representatives of Ward I wish to have the distribution of laundry soap made through the Block Manager's office of each respective blocks. Due to the fact of the difference in the number of residences in each block, we also wish that the Co-op will take this into consideration and do the distribution accordingly.
2. We also wish that the misunderstandings of sales of fruits in the canteen be cleared in the next issue of the "Cooperator", published such as:

(a) "Because the Co-op sells fruits at the canteen, the residence are deprived of fresh fruits at the mess halls."

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ M. Hara
Chairman

October 8, 1942

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WARD II COOP MEETING (3)

The third meeting of Ward II coop representatives was held in 2507-D. Chairman Sakamoto opened the meeting at 7/55. Roll was called, and the following ^{and} absent:

Tanaka, Yamada, Shijo, Hashimoto.

George Tsuchiya's place had not been filled yet.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved without correction. Later it was mentioned by several members that at the last meeting there had been a general disapproval of the community enterprise investing in real property, such as a theater building.

Since both incorporators from Ward II were unable to attend the last meeting for incorporators due to illness, the minutes of that meeting were read and discussed. Two main points were clearly brought out by the discussion.

1. The group wholeheartedly approved of the suggestion to clarify the meaning of "Advisor."

2. Mr. Matsumoto suggested that all minutes of the Incorporators' meetings be written up in both English and Japanese to avoid misunderstanding. This suggestion was generally approved by the others.

Mr. Mitsutomi and Mr. Araki and Mr. Nakamura were delegated to carry out these two suggestions.

Mr. Ikeda, who attended the meeting as a guest, urged the group to hurry up the process of incorporation of the coop to avoid further complications like the theater project.

Mr. Matsumoto gave a brief report on the Committee for Committee Works. He reported that it was still in the process of organization. The committee, however, had decided to have its minutes written in both English and Japanese.

Mr. Nakamura reported on the progress made by the By-Laws Committee. A copy of the by-laws used by the coop at Manzanar was sent for, he reported.

Discussion was opened on the theater project, and opinions were expressed as to the wisdom of the Council making the decision without consulting either the blocks or the coop representatives. The power of the Council to make decisions which did not reflect the opinion of the people was questioned, while Mr. Miyakawa felt that the Council should be given some power to represent the people, instead of merely acting as messenger boys.

The discussion was brought back to the theater project, which was reported to have been approved by the Council. An attempt was made to determine which blocks would be against having the coop take over the community enterprise if the theater project were included. Mr. Mitsutomi expressed the opinion that for the sake of the children he approved of the theater project. Mr. Matsumoto, Mr. Donao

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and Mr. Komatsu expressed the opinion that they could not approve the action of the Council since opinions against the theater project had been frequently expressed ^{by} their blocks. Several members stated that they were against the community enterprise investing money in real property. Members decided to go back to their blocks and ask the opinion of the people before deciding to back up the decision of the Council.

Since there were no further business, the meeting was closed at 9:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

James Sakoda, Secretary

THE MINUTES OF THE WARD II CO-OP REPRESENTATIVES MEETING

March 18, 1943

Meeting: The meeting of the Ward II Co-op representatives was held at 2607 on March 18, 1943. The meeting was opened by Mr. Kajita at 7:45 P.M.

Introductions: Three new representatives were introduced by Mr. Kajita. They were:
Block 28 Mr. Morita
Block 39 Mr. Kawamoto
Block 25 Mr. Nakamura

Roll Call: The roll was called and the following were found absent:

Block 25 Mr. Ike
" 30 Mr. Shinozaki
" 37 Mr. Miyagishima

Mr. Ikeda of the Management Committee; Mr. Sakamoto, the Ward Educational Leader; Mr. Shibata of the Auditing Committee; and Mr. Takagi of the Board of Directors were present.

Minutes: The minutes of the last meeting was read and a correction was made: the bottles were to be picked up by the Boy Scouts for half a cent.

REPORTS:

Bd. of Dir.: Mr. Matsumoto reported on the Board of Directors. He stated that the meeting did not have enough members to make the quorum.

Committee on Committees: Mr. Matsumoto reported on the Committee on Committees.

Management Committee: Mr. Ikeda of the Management Committee said that there were no report other than about the credit union. He asked Mr. Sakamoto to report on the subject.

AUDITING Committee: Mr. Shibata of the Auditing Committee said that there were no report to give from the committee.

Membership Committee: Mr. Donao of the Membership Committee reported that the membership drive will be opened until May 31, 1943 as was reported by the Board of Directors.

Educational Leader: Credit Union: Mr. Sakamoto reported of the progress made about the credit union. There was a quite a bit of discussion about the credit union. The trend of thought was: instead of making this a money-making success we should try it for experience's sake which would be profitable to us.

Board of Directors: Since there seemed no one available to become an issei member of the Board of Directors from this ward, it was decided by unanimous consent to have Mr. Matsumoto to be the isei member of the Board of Directors from this ward. Mr. Matsumoto consented to hold both the work of being on the Board of Directors and being a member of the Committee on Committess.

Fish Markets: There was a quite a bit of discussion about the fish markets in this camp. There was an opposition of having such markets as it would effect the foods we get at the mess halls. Ways to stop the markets were discussed but seeing the difficult in doing so, it was decided to ask the city council to do something about it. It was also noted that the city council is not functioning also.

Scripts: It was recommended to the Management Committee that the used scripts be put away in cash register instead of open boxes. It was brought out that scripts are as same as money and they should be handled as such in a business-like manner.

Advisor: It was recommended that we have someone, an Issei, to act in an advisory capacity. It was decided that he should visit various canteens and made suggestions to be put into effect by the General Manager.

Price-up: There were questions and discussion about the price-up as reported by the Board of Directors. There seemed to be no opposition to it as any overcharge will come back as patronage dividends.

Adjournment: Refershments were served by Mr. Furuya and Mr. Okamoto. The meeting adjourned at 10:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

(Sgd.) Isamu Shijo

THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WARD II CO-OP REPRESENTATIVES
April 1, 1943

Meeting: The meeting of the Ward II Co-op representatives was held at 2707 on April 1, 1943. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mr. Kajita at 7:50 P.M. after he had passed out papers showing the elements of Parliamentary Procedure.

Roll Call: The roll was called and the following were found absent:
Block 26 A. Okamoto Block 37 K. Miyagishima
" 28 G. Morita " 39 B. Kawamoto
" 30 T. Miura

Minutes: The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Reports:

Chairman's: Mr. Kajita reported on the Ward Chairmen and Secretaries' meeting.

Bd. of Directors: Mr. Matsumoto reported on the Board of Directors. He announced the appointment of Mr. Kawasaki as the Executive Secretary and the appointment of Mr. Obana as the Educational Director.

Comm. on Committees: Mr. Matsumoto reported on the Committee on Committees.

Management Committee: Mr. Ikeda had a report to give for the Management Committee. There was discussion about the Co-op taking over the Recreation Department. There was also a discussion about the No. 4 Canteen. There also was a discussion about a better sales recording system and a better general system of managing the Co-op stores.

Membership Committee: Mr. Donao reported on the Membership Committee. He passed out lists of names of persons who bought scripts but are not members of the Co-op.

Education- al Leader: Mr. Sakamoto stated that a "Co-op Night" is being planned about the middle of the month. This was given an approval by the representatives present.
"Co-op Night":

Education- al Comm.: After much discussion about who to appoint to the Educational Committee, it was decided that Mr. Sachihiko Yamamoto of Block 25 be asked by Mr. Kajita to become a member of the Educational Committee.

Recommendations:

Replacing Bd. of Dir. members of the Board of Directors who miss the

meeting be notified of the fact that members of the Board of Directors who miss two meetings be replaced as stated in the By-Laws in art. X, Sec. 4, part C.

No. 4
Canteen:

It was recommended that the Canteen No. 4 be combined with No. 1 if at all possible. This was recommended to the Management Committee. The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 P.M. Refreshments were served by Mr. Donao and Mr. Watamura.

Respectfully submitted,

(Sgd.) Isamu Shijo

THE MINUTES OF THE WARD II CO-OP REPRESENTATIVES MEETING
April 9, 1943

- Meeting: The meeting of the Ward II Co-op representatives was held at 2807 on April 9, 1943. The meeting was opened by Chairman Mr. Kajita at 7:50 P.M. and
- Roll Call: The roll was called/the following were found absent:
Block 25 - Mr. Nakamura
" 27 - Mr. Watanura
" 37 - Mr. Miyagishima
Mr. Ikeda of the Management Committee, Mr. Iseri of the Employee Relation Committee, Mr. Takagi of the Board of Directors, and Mr. Sakamoto, the Educational Leader were present.
- Minutes: The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.
- Reports
Chairman: Mr. Kajita reported on the Ward Chairmen's meeting. He explained the purpose of this special meeting, which was about the donations concerning the Red Cross and the Recreational Department's Marathon Relay and which also was about the General Manager's job.
- Board of Directors: Mr. Matsumoto reported on the Board of Directors. He stated that suggestions for the appointment of two advisors to the General Manager should be made tonight. He also stated that suggestions for appointment of one person from this ward to become a supervisor at one of the canteens should be made tonight.
- Committee on Mr. Matsumoto also reported on the Committee on Committees. He gave names of one for the General Manager and the two advisors as suggested by the Committee on Committees. They were Mr. Hitomi for the General Manager's job and Mr. Ikeda and Mr. Shinohara for the two advisors.
- Management Committee: Mr. Ikeda reported on the Management Committee. He asked that an action be taken tonight regarding the script system.
- Employee Relation Committee: Mr. Iseri reported on the Employee Relation Committee.
- Educational Leader: Mr. Sakamoto stated the weekly "Co-op Nights" will start April 16th at Ward I.
- Membership Committee: Mr. Donao of the Membership Committee had no report

to give but reminded us that the membership is opened until the end of May.

- Business Red Cross Donation: It was decided after some discussion that this ward recommends a \$50 donation to the Red Cross.
- Recreation Dept. Donation: It was also decided that a \$50 donation be given the Recreation Department for the marathon relay.
- General Manager: After much discussion as to who to suggest for the General Manager, it was decided to follow the Committee on Committees's suggestion of having Mr. Hitomi of Ward II as the General Manager.
- Advisors: The suggestion that we have Mr. Ikeda and Mr. Shinohara as the two advisors was passed with unanimous consent.
- Supervisor: After a long discussion about the job of the supervisor as asked by the Board of Directors, it was decided that we have Mr. Donao become one of the supervisors from this ward.
- Cash Registers: It was recommended to the Management Committee that we do away with the scrips as the cost is quite high. It was recommended that we have rented cash registers and we should study about some other way of recording individual sales.
- Refreshments: Mr. Donao's motion that the chairman see that we get our share of our refreshment due to us from the management was met with unanimous consent.
- Adjournment: The refreshments were served by Mr. Tanaka and Mr. Morita. The meeting adjourned at 10:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

(Sgd) Isamu Shijo

THE MINUTES OF THE WARD II CO-OP REPRESENTATIVES MEETING

April 22, 1943

- Meeting: The meeting of the Ward II Co-op representatives was held on April 22, 1943 at 3907. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mr. Kajita at 7:50 P.M.
- Minutes: The minutes of the last meeting was read and a correction made: the words Committee on Committees changed to Ward II.
- Roll Call: The roll was called and the following were found absent:
Block 25 Mr. Ike
" 27 Mr. Donao
" 27 Mr. Watamura
Mr. Ikeda of the Management Committee, Mr. Iseri of the Employee Relation Committee, Mr. Takagi of the Board of Directors, and Mr. Sakamoto of the Educational Leaders were present.
- REPORTS:
- Committee on Committees: Mr. Matsumoto reported on the Committee on Committees. He announced that there will be a General Assembly held on April 30.
- Bd. of Directors: Mr. Matsumoto also reported on the Board of Directors. There was some discussion about bettering the system at the canteens.
- Management Committee: Mr. Ikeda of the Management Committee reported on the committee. He stated that cash registers will be installed at the canteens some time next month. The discussion of bettering the system of managing the canteens was again resumed. The fact that employees do not seem to think that the canteens are their stores as well as our's was brought out.
- Employee Rel. Comm.: Mr. Iseri reported on the Employee Relation Committee. A picnic was suggested by the Committee in order to introduce the various committee members to the employees.
- Education-al Leader: Mr. Sakamoto said the "Co-op night" for this ward II will be held at 2920 on April 23, 1943 starting at 7:30 P.M. Mr. Kajita asked the representatives to help in general clean-up of the mess hall.
- Business: Auditing Committee: The resignation of Mr. Shibata from the Auditing Committee was announced by Mr. Kajita. Mr. Shinozaki was unanimously voted to take Mr. Shibata's place on the auditing Committee.
- Bd of Dir.: As Mr. Matsumoto expressed his wish of being on the Committees on Committees instead of being on

the Board of Directors when asked, it was decided that an issei member for the Board of Directors from this ward should be elected tonight. Mr. Nakamura was unanimously elected to be the member of the Board of Directors from this ward.

General
Assembly:

There seemed to be hardly any suggestion for the coming General Assembly only one, which was about the bettering of the system of the canteens.

Adjourn-
ment:

The refreshments were served by Mr. Kawamoto, Mr. Matsumoto, and Mr. Takagi. The meeting adjourned at 10:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

(Sgd.) Isamu Shijo

THE MINUTES OF THE WARD II CO-OP REPRESENTATIVES' MEETING.

May 6, 1943

- Meeting: The meeting of the WARD II Co-op representatives was held at 3820 on May 6, 1943. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mr. Kajita at 7:50 P.M.
- Introductions: Mr. K. Kishiyama of Block 25 and Mr. Tagumi of Block 30 were introduced by Mr. Kajita.
- Roll Call: The roll was called and the following were found absent:
Block 25 - George Ike Block 28 - Mr. Morita
" 27 - Mr. Donao " 28 - Mr. Tanaka
" 27 - Abe Watamura " 39 - Mr. Matsumoto
The following committees members were also present:
Mr. Ikeda, Mr. Shinozaki, Mr. Iseri, and Mr. Nakamura.
- Minutes: The minutes of the last meeting was read and approved.
- Reports:
- Board of Dir: Mr. Nakamura reported on the Board of Directors.
- Management Com: Mr. Ikeda gave a report from the Management Committee. There was some discussion about the Co-op taking over of
- Tulean Dispatch: the Tulean Dispatch; and as the opinions of those present seemed favorable for the plan, the Management Committee was given approval from this ward to carry the plan through.
- Movie Theater: There were quite a bit of discussion about the theater plan we should talk about this plan to the block people as this subject was once voted down in this project, but the Management Committee was asked to study the various details thoroughly and was asked that the final approval be given by the block people.
- E.R.C: Mr. Iseri reported on the Employee Relation Committee.
- Auditing Comm: Mr. Shinozaki reported on the Auditing Committee.
- References for the Employees: There was discussion about the reference for the employees. The general opinion was that a general consensus of an employee is sufficient instead of an exacting reference.
- Store Manager of Canteen No. 2: The plan of having a manager elected from the employees as the manager of the No. 2 store was questioned and discussed. It was decided that this should be prevented as much as possible.
- Bottles: We had a discussion again about the menace caused by the bottles lying around the project. The Management Committee was asked whether this situation can be improved a little.
- Mail Order Notices: The Management Committee was asked that notices of arrival of mail order packages be sent out to the patrons for convenience.

Adjournment: The refreshments were served by Mr. Kishii and Mr. Hatamake. The meeting adjourned at 10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

)sgd) Isamu Shijo

THE MINUTES OF THE WARD II REPRESENTATIVES MEETING

May 20, 1943

- Meeting: The meeting of the Ward II Co-op representatives was held at 3707 on May 20, 1943. The meeting opened at 7:45 P.M. by Chairman Mr. Kajita.
- Roll Call: The roll was called and the following representatives were found absent:
- Block 25 George Ike
29 Teruo Ikemoto
- Mr. Ikeda of the Management Committee, Mr. Nakamura of the Board of Directors, Mr. Iseri of the Employee Relation Committee and Mr. Yamamoto of the Educational Committee were present.
- Introductions: Mr. Yoshio Oto of Block 30 and Mr. Yamamoto of Block 25 were introduced to the members by Mr. Kajita.
- Reports:
- Chairman: Mr. Kajita reported on the Picnic Committees.
Bd. of Dir: Mr. Nakamura gave his report on the Board of Directors.
Comm. on Comm: Mr. Matsumoto reported on the Committee on Committees. He reviewed the ground work for the coming picnic.
- Management Committee: Mr. Ikeda reported on the Management Committee. He revealed some interesting things about the Retail Control System and the relation between the manager and the buyers.
- Employee Rel. Committee: Mr. Iseri announced the location for this coming Sunday's Co-op Picnic is on the Castle Rock behind the water tanks.
- Membership Committee: Mr. Donao asked that each of us try our best to get as many new members as possible by the end of the month.
- Business:
- Educational Leader: As Mr. Sakamoto, the present Educational Leader, is soon leaving camp, a new leader from this ward was elected. Mr. Shijo was named as a candidate and was unanimously elected.
- Report on No. 4 Canteen: Mr. Nakamura gave a report on the Number Four Canteen. The Board of Directors decided to retain the canteen and use the usable space for something else.
- Watch Shop: There was a discussion about the placing of goods at the watch repair shop. The action taken by the Board of Directors was approved heartily.
- Co-op Funds: There was quite a bit of discussion about the placing of goods at the watch giving out of funds of the Co-op over the head of the Board of Directors, Manager, and the Executive Committee as it was noted during the present buying trip of the buyers.
- Retail Control System: The corrected report of the Retail Control System was also discussed.

THE MINUTES OF THE WARD II REPRESENTATIVES MEETING (contd)

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Business(contd)

- Cash System: Questions about the changing over of the script system to cash system were answered by Mr. Nakamura.
- Resolution of visit: A resolution made by Mr. Matsumoto, Mr. Iseri, and Mr. Nakamura that we have a visit made to Mr. Kawauchi a member of Block Membership Committee, and to Mr. Shibata, until recently a member of the Auditing Committee, who both are in the hospital was passed unanimously.
- Secretary: After much askings and refusals, Yoshio Oto was elected with unanimous consent to become the secretary for this ward.
- Picnic: Mr. Kawamoto volunteered to help Mr. Iseri on the General Arrangement Committee for the Co-op Picnic. Mr. Hamatake and Mr. Shijo consented to help on the Filed Committee. Mr. Yamamoto consented to help on the entertainment if help was needed.
- Persons Leaving: Questions were brought up about the evacuees leaving the colony. It was recommended to the Publicity Director that the colonists be told through the Dispatch the procedure taken in such a case.
- Personnel Director: There was a bit of discussion about the appointment of the Personnel Director. It seemed that the appointment wasn't made through the proper channels.
- Adjournment: The refreshments were served by Mr. Miyagishima and Mr. Shijo. The meeting adjourned at 10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

(sgd) Isamu Shijo

THE MINUTES OF THE WARD II CO-OP REPRESENTATIVES MEETING
June 3, 1943

Meeting: The meeting of the Ward II Co-op Representatives was held at 3020, June 3, 1943. The meeting opened at 8:00 p.m. by Chairman, Mr. Kajita.

Roll Call: The roll was called and the following representatives were absent.
Block 25 K. Kishiyama and George Ike
28 Masayoshi Tanaka
37 K. Miyagishima
38 Eddie Hamatake
39 Bruce Kawamoto
Mr. Ikeda and the Management Committee, Mr. Iseri of Employee Relation, Mr. Shinozaki of the Auditing Committee, Mr. Shijo of the Educational Leader, and Mr. Matsumoto of the Committee on Committee were present.

The minutes were read and approved.

Reports:
Committee on Mr. Matsumoto reported very strongly of revising the by-laws
Committees: Emphasized the Co-op is not functioning according to its By-Laws.

Propose Change of the By-Laws: The following improvements were approved unanimously by the Ward II Assembly:

- I. The power of assembly meeting to be vest in the ward meeting.
- II. Board of Directors should be elected from the block representatives.
- III. Statements be published three days prior to general assembly.
- IV. Three wards agreeing on business transactions should be taken up by the Board of Directors.
- V. Give more power to the Employee Relation Committee to carry out their works.
- VI. By- Laws to be changed at General Assembly meeting.

Management Committee: Mr. Ikeda reported about fish market, prohibited the making of new shoes at the Co-op Shoe Shop, and the newly corrected Retail Control System.

Employee Relation Committee: Mr. Iseri gave a report that outstanding workers who have served a year be given a week vacation.

Auditing Committee: Mr. Shinozaki reported about the overages, the delay in the issuance of the statements, and that the statements to be sent out with the Assembly meeting notices. He discussed on the system of bookkeeping and accounting.

Chairman: Reported on the theater, but the matter was laid on the table until further definite information.

Loss of Scrip:

- Loss of Scrip: A very lengthy discussion was brought up when Mr. Iseri reported on the loss of scrip. The assembly vigorous stress that this matter be investigated immediatly. Mr. Ikeda was appointed to look into the matter.
- Check Cashing: Discussion brought up about cashing the check. The question was brought up why the consumers had to purchase one-half of the amount of the check or else the cash would not be cashed. This seem to be a problem to the consumer who need cash instead of the goods.
- Adjournment: The refreshments were served by Mr. Tagumi. The meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

(sgd)

Yoshio Oto

THE MINUTES OF THE WARD II CO-OP REPRESENTATIVES MEETING
June 17, 1943

Meeting: The meeting of the Ward II Representatives was held at 2920 on June 17, 1943. The meeting opened at 8:00 p.m. by the chairman, Mr. Kajita.

Roll Call: The roll was called and the following representatives were absent:

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| Block 25--George Ike | Block 38--Eddie Hamada |
| " 26--Y. Furuya | " 39--M. Matsumoto |
| " 28--G. Morita | " Bruce Kawamoto |
| " 37--K. Miyagishima | |
| Eugene Okada | |

Mr. Ikeda of the Management Committee, Mr. Iseri of Employee Relation, Mr. Nakamura of the Board of Directors, Mr. Shinozaki of the Auditing Committee, and Mr. Donao of the Membership Committee were present.

The minutes were read and approved. /

Reports:

Management Committee: Mr. Ikeda reported that shoes be made at the Co-op shoe shop because of increasing demand for shoes. This was not approved by the O.P.A., however, some means of making shoes are being undertaken. Reported that those who brought their shoes to the repair shop do not come after them on time. Hereafter, those shoes will be sold after their second notices.

He also reported on closing the canteen on different days. Canteen workers who have worked continuous from October 21, 1942, will receive \$2.50 in cash instead of the shoes which were demanded, and the aprons will be issued when old one is rejected.

Board of Director:

Mr. Nakamura reported on the July 3rd and 4th celebration. The sale stubs to be accepted by the Co-op when the stubs sum to \$25.00; place of acceptance not specified, and the proposition of the theater was brought up to have the approval of our ward. To this effect, the Assembly recommended for a mimeograph form explaining the proposal so that the ward people would be fully informed.

Employee Relation Committee:

Mr. Iseri reported in detail the situation of shoes, aprons, and half-day wages which Mr. Ikeda reported. It was also reported that salesmen and saleswomen should improve their sales etiquette.

Educational Committee:

Mr. Shijo asked for an approval of having an office in each ward so that he and the other leaders may create a study group. This was approved by the assembly.

Chairman: He reported on the sales of chicken at the Canteen. Argument which was brought to the sales at the canteen and colonists' viewpoint was discussed.

Loss of Scrip:

After thorough investigation of the loss of scrip, it was reported the fault partly was on the printing Company. Further investigation is being made.

Adjournment:

The refreshment was served by Mr. Ikemoto. The meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

(sgd)

Yoshio Oto

THE MINUTES OF THE WARD II COOP REPRESENTATIVES
July 15, 1943

- Meeting: The meeting of the Ward II Representatives was held at 2707-D on July 15, 1943. The meeting opened at 8:00 p.m. by the chairman, Mr. Kajita.
- Roll Call: The roll was called and the following representatives were absent:
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| Block 25 | K. Kishiyama | Block 38 | E. Hamatake |
| 26 | Akira Okamoto | 39 | B. Kawamoto |
| 28 | Massayoshi Tanaka | | |
- Mr. Ikeda of the Management Committee, Mr. Iseri of the Employee Relation, Mr. Shinozaki of the Auditing Committee, and Mr. Matsumoto of the Committee on Committee were present.
- Report:
Committee on Committee: Mr. Matsumoto reported to have the Management Committee consider more seriously of the goods that are purchased. Particularly, the goods that are not of necessity. Also to investigate the Retail Control System and its function. Reported that the fishes are being reserve at the fish market. This practice should be eliminated, and fishes should be sold on first come first serve policy.
- Employee Relation: Mr. Iseri reported on the followings:
- I--In order to improve the employees relation, the committee and canteen managers planned to hold a discussion about the employees.
 - II--There are 65% "C" classified employees. The problems were how and what method could be used to decrease the wages.
 - III--That total of \$34.50 was given to the employee for the 138 pairs of shoes.
 - IV--Named the best salesladies and salesmen at each canteens.
 - V--That some employees are not at work on time. He stressed that they should abide to regulation or else they will be terminated.
- Educational Leader: Mr. Shijo reported that the committee is planning to have anniversary book.
- New Business: Mr. Kajita reported on the minutes forward by the Co-op Office about the Ward Assembly, General Assembly, and General election. Also the reason why the assembly is delayed. To this report a question the reason why the assembly can't be held according to the By-Laws.
- Recommendation: Since the segregation problem is up, Ward II Recommend to have the refrigeration for the fish market laid on the

table until definite informations about the segregation. It is rather foolish to invest a large sum of money if we are to be segregated with unity being disrupted.

Adjournment: As there were no further businesses, the meeting was adjourned at 10:15 p.m. by the chairman.

Respectfully submitted

/s/ Yoshio Oto

Y THE MINUTES OF WARD II REPRESENTATIVES' ASSEMBLY
OF THE
TULE LAKE COOPERATIVES ENTERPRISES, INC.

Meeting: The meeting of the Ward II representatives was held at 2807 on October 21, 1943. The meeting was opened by the Chairman, Mr. Nakamura at 7:45 P.M.

Roll Call: The roll was called and the following representatives were present:

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| Block 25 | - T. Egi | (2519-E) |
| 26 | - S. Shinsaku | (2618-D) |
| | F. Katayama | (2603-D) |
| 27 | - C. Saika | (2719-C) |
| 28 | - H. Higaki | |
| | Y. Sato | (2804-D) |
| 29 | - I. Ikemoto | (2913-D) |
| 30 | - Nakamura | (3014-A) |
| | Aoki | (3002-D) |
| 37 | - K. Miyagishima | (3706-D) |
| 38 | - Y. Sakagami | (3818-D) |
| | K. Fujita | (3805-AB) |
| 39 | - Yamada | (3903-D) |
| | Kawasaki | (3906-A) |

Mr. Matsumoto of the Board of Directors was also present.

Introductions: After the roll was taken the newly elected representatives were introduced by the older representatives. They were Mr. Shinsaku and Mr. Katayama (Block 26), Mr. Sato (Block 28), Mr. Aoki (Block 30), Mr. Fujita (Block 38), and Mr. Yamada (Block 39).

Minutes: The minutes of the meeting held October 7, 1943, were read and approved.

Reports:

Committee on Committees:

Mr. I. Ikemoto reported on the minutes of the Committee on Committees meeting held on October 13, as follows:

- A- Recommendation was made to have bi-weekly joint meetings of all committee chairmen, in order to have better understanding with regards to its functions.
- B- Recommendation was made to have the Board of Directors appoint three persons with full command of English and Japanese, and with legal knowledge to assist the Committee in making amendments to the By-Laws.
- C- Words of gratitude were given to Mr. Tonomura for his services as the secretary to the Committee.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Mr. Matsumoto explained in detail the purpose and functions of the Resident Buyers System for the benefit of the new representatives. He then went on to give the Chicago Conference results, as reported at the joint meeting of the Board of Directors, Ward Chairmen, Management Committee, and Buyers, as follows:

- A- Relationship of W.R.A. and the Business Enterprises.
- B- New York Buying Office, the system under which this office shall operate, and the agreement arrived at as to the sharing of office and operation expenses between the Centers and the W.R.A.
- C- Federation of Business Enterprises.
- D- Production and Marketing.
- E- Operations: As to tax ruling, Tule Lake transfers, group insurance, rent resolutions, etc.
- F- Buyers to begin work as of November 1, 1943.

A question was raised as to whether all buying will be done in New York. Mr. Matsumoto ventured to say that it will not; as much as possible is to be purchased there, but if found necessary, at near-by great metropolitan centers, such as St. Louis, Cleveland, etc.

Confirmation of Patronage Refund:

Chairman Mr. Nakamura explained the purpose of the confirmation of patronage refund and the place and the deadline date for notifying as in case any error is found.

Resumption of Check Cashing Service:

Mr. Matsumoto announced that the check cashing service will be resumed on Saturday, October 23, 1943, and that the notice of permit just arrived from W.R.A. administration. He also recapitulated the discussion by the Board of Directors at its meeting as to the punishment of the culprits for their vandalism on the Co-op. property. Our Assembly seemed to agree that since the Co-op is in no position to punish, to ask the W.R.A. to do the repairing, and the best solution for the problem is to do nothing this time and watch for the outcome.

Tofu Manufacture:

It was announced that the machinery question has been settled and the utilization of the warehouse has been deemed necessary. The permission for the use of the warehouse is being negotiated by Mr. Hitomi.

4th General Assembly:

Mr. Matsumoto explained the purpose and things discussed at the general assemblies and urged that as many as possible attend. No suggestions were made as the majority was still 'green' at their jobs.

Membership Drive:

Chairman Mr. Nakamura reminded the representatives that the new membership drive is still on. He asked that they canvass the block for the remaining prospectives.

Clothing Manufacture in the Center:

An extended discussion was carried out on the possibility of manufacturing clothing, etc. for children since it is extremely difficult to obtain them at the canteens, by utilizing the labor now laying idle due to the segregation movement. Some even ventured to say that this is much more important than the manufacture of tofu. The assembly was assured that it is already being discussed and that the difficulty lies in the obtainment of the machineries. The Assembly asks the Management Committee to study its possibilities and to do everything in its power to make this a reality.

Next Meeting:

The Chairman reminded the Assembly that the next meeting will be held at 3907.

Adjournment:

As there were no further businesses the meeting was adjourned by the Chairman at 9:35 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

Masami Hayashi
Secretary

THE MINUTES OF WARD II REPRESENTATIVES' ASSEMBLY
OF THE
TULE LAKE COOPERATIVES ENTERPRISES, INC.

Meeting: The meeting of the Ward II representatives was held at 3907 on November 4, 1943. The meeting was opened by the Chairman at 7:40 P.M.

Roll Call: The roll was called and the following representatives were present:

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| Block 25-T. Egi | 2519-E |
| Kishiyama | 2519-F |
| 26-Fujiwara | |
| Katayama | 2603-D |
| 27-C. Saika | 2719-C |
| 28-H. Higaki | |
| 30-Nakamura | 3014-A |
| Aoki | 3002-D |
| 37-K. Miyagishima | 3706-D |
| A. Watanabe | 3706-A |
| 38-Y. Sakagami | 3818-D |
| K. Fujita | 3805-AB |
| 39-Kawasaki | 3906-A |
| Yamada | 3903-D |

Mr. Matsumoto of the Board of Directors was present; also present was Mr. B. Akitsuki, the Co-op Executive Secretary, who honored us with a visit.

Minutes: The minutes of the meeting held October 21, 1943, were read and approved.

Reports:

Co-op's Operation of the Movie:

Chairman Mr. Nakamura announced that the Co-op's operation of the movie was approved and all necessary arrangements with the WRA as to the usage of the High School Auditorium on certain days, etc. have already been made. Now, the arrangement are being made for the installation of the projectors and rental of films. Mr. Akitsuki added that Japanese films will also be shown.

Resumption of Mail Order Service:

It was announced that arrangements were completed to resume the Sears Roebuck Order Service at all canteens on November 5, 1943. An extended discussion followed on refunds, percentage of profits, etc.

Temporary termination of the Membership Drive:

It was stated that the new membership drive will be temporarily closed by November 6, 1943, so that the new members may be validated by the Board of Directors. To date, the new applicants number 2561.

Board of Directors:

Mr. Matsumoto reported on the Board of Directors meeting held on November 2, 1943, as follows:

- I- In response to our (Ward II) recommendation in regard to the manufacture and sale of children's clothes, a study and research was made by the Co-op, and it was decided to prepare samples which will be referred to the Ward Assemblies to ascertain its manufacturing possibilities.

- II- The Board decided to solicit a working capital, with a goal of \$60,000.00 from the colonists for the purpose of liquidating the present outstanding patronage refunds. This was in view of the appeals from the people for the safe keeping of their cash. The loans are to be obtained from \$50.00 to \$1,000.00 with an interest of 1%, due in one year; a certificate of indebtedness, which is yet to be printed, will be issued in return. Mr. Akitsuki and Mr. Nakamura aided in discussing and answering questions which were raised in connection with this undertaking.

New Nisei Director:

In response to the request from the Office to choose a new Nisei Representative to the Board of Directors, to replace Mr. S. Narahara who is to depart for Topaz soon, the Chairman called for an election. Mr. Fujita was first nominated but declined claiming lack in command of English. After much askings and refusals, Mr. A. Watanabe, the new representative from Block 37, was elected to the position with unanimous approval.

Block 37 Nisei Representative:

At this moment, time was called by Mr. Miyagishima to introduce Mr. Akira Watanabe, the new Nisei Representative from Block 37, to the Assembly. An apology was expressed for not having introduced him earlier.

Education Committee Member:

Mr. Katayama, the "Third Representative", from Block 26, was appointed to the Education Committee, thus relieving him of his former capacity. For clarification of the record, the two representatives from Block 26 are Mr. S. Shinsaku (2618-D) and Mr. Fujiwara (2616-D).

The remainder of the evening was spent in discussing the hospital situation and the financing of the Japanese Language School. Everyone of the Assembly appeared to harbour the opinion that the school should be of the people's undertaking and that Education and Politics should not be overlapped, so that schooling may progress uninterrupted in spite of political difficulties.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned by the Chairman at 9:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Masami Hayashi
Ward Secretary

THE MINUTES OF WARD II REPRESENTATIVES' ASSEMBLY
of the
TULE LAKE COOPERATIVES ENTERPRISES, INC.

Meeting: The regular meeting of the Ward II representatives was held at 3020, instead of 3807 as scheduled, on November 18, 1943. The meeting was opened by the Chairman at 1:35 P.M.

Roll Call: The roll was called and the following representatives were present:

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| Block 25 | T. Egi | 2519-E |
| | Kishiyama | 2519-F |
| 26 | S. Shinsaku | 2618-D |
| 27 | C. Saika | 2719-C |
| 28 | H. Higaki | |
| 29 | I. Ikemoto | 2913-D |
| 30 | Nakamura | 3014-A |
| | Aoki | 3003-D |
| 37 | K. Miyagishima | 3708-D |
| 38 | Y. Sakagami | 3818-D |
| | K. Fujita | 3805-AB |
| 39 | Yamada | 3903-D |

Also present was Mr. Matsumoto of the Board of Directors.

Minutes: The minutes of the meeting held November 4, 1943, were read and approved as read.

Reports:

Board of Directors:

Mr. Matsumoto reported on the Board of Directors meeting held November 8, as follows:

- A - The building of our tofu factory has been postponed until our receipt of priority rating to purchase of lumber.
- B - Canteen #4 is to be closed temporarily, and all the rationed goods will be purchased by the WRA or the Army. Remaining things will be transferred to the other canteens.
- C - Manufacture of Children's clothes, to be postponed until the dust of recent incidents dies down.

Closing of Canteens:

Mr. Matsumoto delivered the opinion that, although there are constant threats demanding closing of stores, it should not, unless so ordered by the Army or the WRA. Our Assembly agreed unanimously.

Management Committee:

Mr. Miyagishima, our representative to the Management Committee, reported on the following:

- A - Although all newspapers are blocked at the warehouse by the Army and losses are being incurred, subscription will be continued in order to maintain our standing as subscriber; which if once ceased, will be impossible to resubscribe to in the future, due to material and labor shortage being suffered by the publishing companies.
- B - Though a company has been contacted to repair the publisher

damaged motion picture projector, due to the present circumstances, it has been retarded.

- C - The progress made and the barrier which confronts the manufacture of children's clothes on the project.

Penny Shortage:

Mr. Miyagishima stated that banks have ceased the issuance of pennies. As a result small change difficulty is being suffered at the canteens. He requested that each representative make an announcement at his respective mess to that effect, and that unless each and everyone takes pennies to aid the cashiers, readjustment of selling prices will be necessitated.

Off Duty-Co-op Employees:

Mr. Matsumoto announced that according to the decision of the Board of Directors, that full time for hours not worked by the Co-op employees will not be granted, regardless of what the compelling force may be, though make-up of hours will be permitted.

Canteen Hours:

Mr. Miyagishima stated that due to coming on of winter and the consequent shorter days, canteen business hours of 8:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. is being considered.

Complaint:

Mr. Higaki, the representative from Block 28, complained that his understanding of the canteen hours is 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., but is refused admittance or service if 10 or 15 minutes to 5:00, the supposed closing hour. He further complained that favoritism is being displayed by the clerks and that money is being handled haphazardly. He requests that these conditions be investigated and corrected. Others noted lack in uniformity of selling prices at different canteens and suggested that something ought to be done about that.

Age Limit & Non-member Employees:

Mr. Matsumoto announced that an age limit on canteen employees of 18 years of age or over has been set and hereafter non-members will not be hired; all to instigate efficiency on behalf of the canteen force.

Chairman:

Chairman Mr. Nakamura reiterated and carefully reviewed the following: delay of tofu manufacture, motion picture, manufacture of children's clothes, closing of Canteen #4, and the newspaper ceasement. The report was accepted and carried unanimously.

Laundry Soap:

The Assembly was informed that heretofore our laundry soap allotment was 500 cases, but due to the extreme shortage on the outside, we are receiving but 50 cases. This being the explanation of the soap situation at the canteens.

Adjournment:

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 3:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Masami Hayashi
Ward Secretary

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THE MINUTES OF WARD II REPRESENTATIVES ASSEMBLY
OF THE
TULE LAKE COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.

December 2, 1943

The regular meeting of the Ward II Representatives was held at 3020 on December 2, 1943. The meeting was opened by Chairman Mr. Nakamura at 1:35 p.m.

Roll Call: The roll was taken and the following representatives were present:

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| Block 26 | Mr. Fujiwara | S. Shinsaku |
| 27 | C. Saika | T. Fujioka |
| 28 | H. Higaki | Y. Sato |
| 29 | I. Ikemoto | |
| 30 | Mr. Nakamura, Chairman | |
| 37 | K. Miyagishima | A. Watanabe |
| 38 | K. Fujita | |
| 39 | S. Kawasaki | Mr. Yamada |

Also present was Mr. Matsumoto of the Board of Directors.

*Attached is a memorandum of the complete Ward II Block Representatives and the Committee Representatives to date. With Mr. T. Fujioka to represent Block 27, all vacancies remaining in Ward II has been filled.

Minutes: The minutes of the meeting held on November 18, 1943, were read and approved as read.

Reduction of the Co-op Personnel:

Mr. Matsumoto opened the discussion on the reduction of the personnels at the canteens. As the direct result of the recent incidents and the subsequent cutting off of the source of incomes for the greater majority of the employables and the proportionate reduction in the turnover or rather the volume of business enjoyed by the canteens, there has resulted an over-abundance of Co-op personnels. He mentioned the recommendation submitted by the Employee Relations and Management Committees to discharge all non-member employees, all employees 17 years or younger, and employees who are inexperienced, inefficient and those subordinates who disrespect their superiors, in order to compensate or reduce the losses in profit now being incurred. The lengthy discussion ended with the Assembly strongly emphasizing that now is the time when both the Management and Employee Relations Committees should exercise their powers to make a through study of the situation and solve the problem for the betterment of the Co-op.

Report:

Mr. Miyagishima briefly reiterated the foregoing discussion and added that the sales clerks of the canteen forces should be checked for efficiency.

Canteen Employees' Day-Off:

Chairman Mr. Nakamura announced that heretofore canteen forces were given 1/2 day off either Wednesday or Thursday, but due to a general appeal from the colonists to remain open throughout the week-days including Saturday, the system employed by Heart Mountain

whereby 5 employees are given day-offs daily, is being considered. The Chair then asked for the Assembly's opinion. Our Assembly agreed that it is a very good idea but will leave it entirely up to the manager so that he may do whatever he sees fit.

Recommendation:

Mr. Miyagishima opinioned that the minute allotment of the laundry soap that is now trickling in, should not be sold at canteens, but rather distributed equally to the block managers. He added that if the soaps are sold at the canteens, it so happens that those people with already more than enough soap are just as anxious to purchase them as those sorely in need. Our Assembly is unanimously behind this recommendation.

Chairman:

The Agenda was read by the Chairman, as follows:

- A - Taking of minutes: Elements of politics should be entirely restrained.
- B - Reason for incomplete distribution of the meeting minutes.
- C - Recommendation of Ward 7 on the fair distribution of laundry soap.
- D - Possibility of augmenting soap supply through the Army Quartermaster.

Reopening of Canteen #4:

Mr. Matsumoto announced that Canteen #4 will be reopened, but on a smaller scale basis, for the benefit of the sixty and some odd members of the Co-op in the Administrative area.

Complaint:

Mr. Shinsaku, the representative from Block 26 had a complaint concerning the discharging of all non-member employees from the Canteen force. His stand was that he knows personally of cases where non-member individuals have gotten employment by borrowing the names of non-working members. Will there not arise ill-feeling if these people are not, too, released?

Compalint:

Mr. Fujioka, the new Representative from Block 27, asked that why cannot the margin of profit on fruits (the necessity which we, the colonists, are being deprived of at the mess halls at present) sold at canteens be lessened so that it will be within the reach of thinner pocketbooks? Mr. Matsumoto ventured to say that fruits are very scarce now and consequently very difficult to obtain, therefore, the cutting down of the margin may ^{not} be plausible. Mr. Fujioka further criticised that since the Co-op is operating for the benefit of the Colonists, why cannot it sacrifice profits on few of the necessities when the situation demands?

Adjournment:

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Masami Hayashi
Ward Secretary

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ROLL CALL

WARD II BLOCK REPRESENTATIVES

| | | |
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| Block 25 | Mr. T. Egi | 2519-E |
| | Kishiyama | 2519-F |
| 26 | Fujiwara | |
| | S. Shinsaku | 2618-D |
| 27 | C. Saika | 2719-C |
| | T. Fujioka | 2705-A |
| 28 | H. Higaki | |
| | Y. Sato | 2804-D |
| 29 | I. Ikemoto | 2913-D |
| | Kawai | |
| 30 | Nakamura (Chairman) | 3014-A |
| | Aoki | |
| 37 | K. Miyagishima | 3706-D |
| | A. Watanabe | 3706-A |
| 38 | Y. Sakagami | 3818-D |
| | K. Fujita | 3805-AB |
| 39 | Kawasaki | 3906-A |
| | Yamada | 3903-D |

WARD II COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES

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| Board of Directors | Mr. M. Matsumoto |
| Committee on Committees | A. Watanabe |
| Employment Relations Committee | I. Ikemoto |
| Management Committee | Y. Sakagami |
| Education Committee | K. Miyagishima |
| | F. Katayama |

THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL WARD II
REPRESENTATIVES ASSEMBLY OF THE
TULE LAKE COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.

The special meeting of the Ward II Representatives was held at 3020 on December 13, 1943. The meeting was opened by Chairman Mr. Nakamura at 1:30 p.m.

Roll Call: The roll was taken and the following Representatives were present:

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| Block 25 | Mr. Egi | Mr. Kishiyama |
| 26 | S. Shinsaku | |
| 27 | Saika | |
| 28 | H. Higaki | Y. Sato |
| 29 | I. Ikemoto | Kawai |
| 30 | Nakamura | Aoki |
| 37 | K. Miyagishima | A. Watanabe |
| 38 | Y. Sakagami | |
| 39 | Kawasaki | Yamada |

Also present were Mr. Matsumoto of the Board of Directors and Mr. T. Tanaka (3914-A), the new representative to the Auditing Committee.

*Attached is a personally signed list of those present.

Minutes: The minutes of the regular meeting held on December 2, 1943, were read and approved as read.

Introduction: At this moment, time was taken to introduce Mr. T. Tanaka, who replaced Mr. Hoshiko as the Auditing Committee.

Chairman: Chairman Mr. Nakamura stated that this special meeting was called for the purpose of discussing thoroughly the proposals made by the Daihyo Sha Kai and the procedure which is to be taken by the Representatives at their respective block meetings this evening.

Reports: Secretary Hayashi read the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors held on December 6, 1943. Mr. Matsumoto reiterated the foregoing and explained it thoroughly in Japanese. To this he added that the remaining commodities, such as drugs, shoes, etc. have very little turnover yearly; further, it must be purchased practically COD, consequently making it even more difficult for the canteens to continue on. In reply to a question that was raised, he stated that although these requests are not the voice of the colonists but rather it was only intimated and decided by the Daihyo Shas; nevertheless, consideration must be given it and put through the proper channels, since power is had by the Committee.

The Secretary then read the minutes of the special meeting of the Daihyo Sha Kai, Representatives of the Board of Directors and the Management Committee held December 10. This, too, was explained to the assembly in Japanese. He added that the Co-op's profits from the shoe repair shop, beauty salon, watch repair shop, barber shop, etc., can be said to be almost nil.

It was made clear to the Representatives that it is needless to tell the members of their respective blocks exactly what the Daihyo Shas had said, but merely present their proposals and through discussion ascertain whether it is really the opinion of the people as a whole. Before the ballots are distributed the members should be told exactly what question is being decided upon: that of closing the canteens entirely, or continue to operate as before.

To the statement that the members of the Co-operative should be reminded that the canteens has thus far functioned almost entirely on credit, Mr. Ikemoto opinioned that it is useless in many cases, for, those that were never involved in commerce will never be made to understand.

In response to Mr. Tokunaga's statement in the minutes, to the effect that the Co-op's representatives are busy with the effort to make money only, many voices of protest were raised; for the fact remains that we are all working on voluntary basis, without consideration, and for the benefit of the people.

Mr. Shinsaku asked that supposing he is inquired at the block meeting as to whether the canteens will be forced to close by fulfilling these requests; exactly how should he respond? Mr. Matsumoto furnished the answer by stating that the canteens may not be forced to close but will not be able to renew our purchaser's status with most of the firms if discontinued, though temporarily. Further, the redemtion of the Certificates of Indebtedness will have to be postponed, because of financial and management disturbances.

Another Representative brought up a very good point to deliver to the voters; to this effect that it is because of the canteens' handling luxuries and other dispensable merchandises that they are able to sell the indisensables so cheaply--almost at cost.

The Chair then distributed the ballot blanks and briefly set forward the procedure that should be followed at the block meetings.

Adjournment: As there were no further discussions in view, the meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m. Refreshment was prepared by the kitchen crew and served by the Chairman.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Masami Hayashi
Ward Secretary

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* Personally signed list of those present.

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| C. Saika | Block 27 |
| S. Shinsaku | 2618-D |
| S. Kawasaki | 3906-A |
| K. Yamada | 3903-D |
| E. Sakagami | 38 |
| S. Aoki | 3002-L |
| T. Tanaka | 3914-A |
| T. Egi | 2519-E |
| I. Ikemoto | 2916-D |
| Y. Sato | 2804-D |
| H. Higaki | 2816-D |
| K. Kishiyama | 2519-F |
| A. Watanabe | 3706-A |
| F. Kawai | 2905-C |
| M. Matsumoto | 3903-A |
| K. Miyagishima | 3706-D |
| K. Nakamura | 3014-L |
| M. Hayashi | 3817-C |

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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR WARD III REPRESENTATIVES ASSEMBLY
OF THE
TULE LAKE COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.

November 18, 1943

The regular meeting of the Ward III representatives was called to order by Chairman, Harry Ikami, at Mess hall 22 from 2:00 p.m., on November 18, 1943.

Those present were:

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| H. Ikami | Block 22 |
| K. Omaye, | 23 |
| S. Yoshioka, | 31 |
| M. Sato, | 33 |
| S. Fukumitsu, | 34 |
| G. Kawata | 34 |
| T. Nishimi | 35 |
| T. Kato | 36 |

Subject: Prices on fishes: -

It has been brought to the attention of Block Co-op Representatives that prices on fishes are rather high. Please investigate and find out how much the cost is and what percentage charged. We understand profits run into quite a sum. For the benefit of all concerned check into this matter.

Subject: Courtesy of clerks: -

There has been complaints that some clerks lack courtesy to the customers. In some instances, the clerks services are rather rude.

Mr. Sato of the Management Committee made a report, and stated that the Management requested to have all available pennies turned in, as no pennies can be obtained from the banks.

Would like to requisition for some writing paper for the minutes of the meetings.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ George Kawata
Secretary

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MINUTES OF WARD III REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
TULE LAKE COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.

December 16, 1943

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, H. Ikami.

Roll call was taken. Those present were:

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| Block 32 | Mr. Nakamura | |
| 31 | Yoshioka | |
| 35 | Nishimi | Muranaka |
| 36 | Kato | |
| 34 | Fukumitsu | Kawata |
| 33 | Sato | |
| 24 | Tsuchitani | |
| 23 | Ogata | |
| 22 | Ikami | |

Also present were Directors Sakuma and Matsuda.

Subject: Appointment of Inventory Auditors:

Mr. H. Ikami, 2203-D
Hinoki, 2414-D
Y. Kato, 3604-B
Tanaka, 3505-C
T. Kiyomura, 3404-B
M. Sato, 3303-A
B. Kumagai, 3201-C

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted
/s/ G. Kawata
Secretary

WARD III REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY
REGULAR MEETING
December 2, 1943

The regular meeting was called to order by Chairman H. Ikami at 1:45 P.M.

Roll call was taken. Those present were as follows:

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| Block #22 | Chairman H. Ikami |
| 23 | K. Ogata |
| 24 | R. Tsuchitani |
| 31 | S. Yoshioka |
| 32 | T. Kimura |
| 33 | M. Sato |
| 34 | G. Kawata and |
| | S. Fukumitsu |
| 35 | T. Nishimi |
| 36 | T. Kato |

Director H. Sakuma was also present.

Chairman Ikami read the suggested orders of the executive office. The following subjects were discussed.

SUBJECT I: Termination of Employees

It has been brought to this ward assembly's attention that terminated clerks were not given reasons for being terminated. It has been suggested that hereafter a warning be given to those who lack efficiency and to give them a chance to remedy their faults. In event, that they cannot comply with their duties, have them submit their resignation.

SUBJECT II: Soap and Tofu Shop

Director Sakuma made a report as follows:

- (a) A plan is in consideration regarding soap distribution through block managers office to families in need of soap.
- (b) As yet, permit for tofu shop building has not been received.

As there were no further business, meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ G. Kawata, Secretary

CO-OP REPRESENTATIVES REGULAR
MEETING OF WARD IV

The regular ward representatives' meeting of the Ward IV was called to order by the chairman Mr. Katagiri at 8:00 p.m. on April 1st, 1943 at 1107-D.

The following persons were presented:

Mr. Nitta, Mr. Katagiri, Mr. Sasaki, Mr. Dairiki,
Mr. Kubo, Mr. Sakayeda, Mr. Miyamori, Mr. Yamada
Mr. Miyao, Mr. Kato, & Mr. Kitazumi (Educational Director)

Lists of eligible persons for the member of Co-op were past out to each block representatives for the reference for the membership drive.

Report was made by Mr. Katagiri that Mr. Obana has replaced Mr. Honda as educational leader which was made vacant by his departure.

We were informed that if we wish to say anything concerning co-op, we may send a memo through the Block Manager's office without the charge of the stamps and also that if we have any desire to work for the co-op or wish to relocate, the co-op is willing to aid or facilitate these persons.

Mr. Kubo gave the report on the Board of Directors' Meeting.

In purchasing goods outside, the WRA requested co-op to pay cash subsequent to the receipt of any goods. In getting credit from outside firms Elberson advise the co-op to deposit \$15,000 in the bank for the security.

Rent of \$47.50 per month was to be paid to WRA with the expense of heating, power and maintenance included in the rent.

February scrip sales was 83% whereas the cash sale was 7.8%,

The treasurer requested the postponement of declaration of patronage refund till next fiscal period because they were not able to make computation of patronage refund before this fiscal period ending.

Personal checks up to \$25.00 is cash with the approval of executive officers signature on the back of the check.

It was suggested that the co-op operated the Fish Market. If co-op are to purchase fishes, it was revealed that the fish could be shipped by C.O.D. by the research committee. Estimation made by the Contractor requires 40 feet square material at \$450.70.

With the O.P.A.'s approval it is possible to operate the fish market.

Mr. Obana submitted a resignation for the position of educational leader for the reason that his physical condition does not permit him to work.

Mr. Kubo made a report on the Executive Committee Meeting.

Under the present scrip system the coin is getting very scarce and the donation to the church has been made by the scrip. Letter received from the Union Church requests the co-op to cash these scrip. From the patronage refund standpoint, the co-op does not wish to cash this scrip for the reason that co-op will be liable for patronage refund without purchasing any goods with the scrip.

Certain clubs asked the co-op for the exclusive rights of selling donuts or peanuts for the benefit of the public.

Executive have decided that if such group or clubs wish to receive discount, they must have the approval of following 5 department head:

Recreation Dept, Social Welfare, Hospital, Educational Dept., and Religious Organization.

The percentage of discount is up to the general manager to decide.

Mr. Nakamura requested the co-op for postponement of sales of sawing machine part until he disposes his stock. The executives decided to postpone until April 15, 1943.

There was a suggestion of raising the price of cigarettes because co-op is operating on 5% profit margin whereas the rate for refund is 94/10%.

The executive committees brought up a problem of creating a publicity department through the effort of the educational department.

Report by Mr. Kitazumi pertaining education program tentatively set for April 1, 1943 was made. Object of this program was to explain what co-op is to the public and to explain the distinction between co-op and individual enterprise through Mr. Elberson's speech. The program was to be ended with the entertainment to avoid the monotonous of the program. This program is scheduled to start from Ward I and go down in order of 2, 3 and so forth once week. Ward chairman was to be the chairman for the program. Mr. Joe Sasaki was appointed by Mr. Katagiri as adult educational leader for this ward and was approved by representatives.

As there was no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Respectively submitted,

Pro. tem
Michio Miyamori

MINUTES OF WARD IV REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY

TULE LAKE COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.

April 9, 1943

A special assembly of the Ward IV Representatives was held at Building 1107 on April 9, 1943, at 7:30 P.M. Chairman C. Katagiri presided.

There were present:

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| Block | 7-----C. Katagiri, A. Kikuchi |
| | 8----- |
| | 9-----J. Sasaki |
| | 10-----S. Matsuoka |
| | 11-----S. Yamada, J. Takahashi |
| | 12-----F. Dairiki, G. Sakamoto |
| | 19-----C. Nitta |
| | 20-----M. Miyao |
| | 21----- |

There were also present: Director S. Sato and Education Leader Edward Kitazumi.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read.

A report of the Executive Committee meetings disclosed that the sum of \$235.10 in scrip and \$101.95 in cash were stolen from Canteen #2, and that the theft was now under investigation by the Wardens.

In a memo submitted to the wards by Yoshimi Shibata, James Nakagawa, and Louis Oki, it was revealed that the local chapter of the American Red Cross had requested a donation of \$250.00 from the Co-op. Upon discussion it was suggested that a second Red Cross drive be conducted in lieu of making a disbursement from Co-op funds, since the first drive had not been adequate. The assembly, however, agreed to permit the Committee on Committees to donate the sum of \$250.00 to the Red Cross Membership Drive.

The Chairman announced that one other donation request had been received from the Community Activities Section for the sum of \$50.00 to help finance the Marathon Race scheduled for April 18th. A motion was made by Mr. Kitazumi that a committee be appointed by the Board of Directors to investigate the situation and submit a recommendation thereon. The motion was duly seconded and carried.

The scrip system was next discussed by the assembly. It was pointed out that too much time is taken in counting the scrip received under the present system and that it necessitates the services of ten girls daily to handle the counting. The use of cash registers was

suggested; fifteen or sixteen cash registers at \$45.00 each, to be paid in 18 monthly installments, would be required. The stubs for recording sales would average about \$1,000 annually, compared to the scrip expenses of \$5,000 annually.

The fact that only 25% of all mail orders to Sears Roebuck and Montgomery Ward was made through the Co-op and 75% privately was reported. Information on the benefits to be derived by the colonists on orders through the Co-op will be referred to Noboru Honda, Director of Information, for publicity.

It was reported that the declaration of patronage dividends had been deferred from March 31 to June 30, 1943, due to the incompleteness of patronage records.

An increase of ninety new members was announced.

To replace Mr. George Ikegami, who resigned as General Manager on his departure from the Project, Ward IV recommends the following candidates:

1. S. Kubo
2. K. Sugimoto
3. T. Ichikawa
4. G. Teraoka
5. I. Hamai

A fish market will soon be constructed by the Co-op; negotiations are now being carried on through Mr. Don Elberson and Mr. Slattery, it was announced.

The assembly recommended that Co-op bulletins be issued twice weekly.

A discussion was held on the problems relative to the selling of scrip. The representatives of Ward IV recommend that booths be constructed for the scrip sellers at the canteens immediately.

A suggestion for the employment of floor walkers to patrol the canteens was brought up for discussion. The assembly recommended that the Management Committee take the responsibility instead of employing extra help for that purpose. It was further recommended that in the event excessive trouble is encountered in any one canteen, the manager thereof should be replaced, rather than employ another person to act as his advisor.

It was strongly suggested that all committees assume more responsibility and dispose of minor matters, thereby eliminating the necessity of referring them to the ward assemblies. The representatives felt that the arrangement would save time and be more practical. All important issues, they declared, should be publicized in the Co-op bulletins.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary

CO-OP REPRESENTATIVES OF
WARD IV REGULAR MEETING

The regular meeting of Ward IV Co-op Representatives' Meeting was called to order by the chairman, Mr. Katagiri, at 9:00 p.m. at 1107-D on April 22, 1943.

The following persons were presented:

Mr. Miyao Mr. Katagiri Mr. Kubo Mr. Yamada Mr. Sakamoto
Mr. Kato Mr. Miyamori Mr. Kitazumi (Educational Director)

Mr. Kubo made a report on Board of Directors' Meeting as follows:

Mr. O'Brien talked about the rent proposition of ware-house and store which supposed to be different. Usually rent for the store cost higher because of its constant use than the warehouse. WRA request the co-op to pay rent on warehouse and store same for the reason that warehouse is built on higher cost than store.

Shelf and counter built by the co-op will be deducted from the rent.

There was question about the penalty of sale tax of \$500.00 for not paying sale tax previous to co-op takeover.

Social Security tax and unemployment tax was to be investigated by O'Brien and is to be reported later.

The following person was nominated as candidate for the position of General Manager which was made vacant by Mr. Geo Ikegami's termination.

Mr. Sugimoto Mr. Uyetake Mr. Fujimoto Mr. Kubo
Mr. Ichikawa Mr. Hamai

Mr. Sugimoto declined the nomination stating that he does not wish to leave unfinished work and wishes to remain in position of treasury until the settlement of patronage refund is made. Mr. Sugimoto's declination was accepted by the members of Bd of D.

There was complaint concerning the duty of the Committee on Committee. At the present time the committee on committee is doing work exceeding their duty and it was recommended that they do their duty only.

Board of Director decided the donation to the Red Cross to be \$25.00. There was suggestion of amending the By-Law. The By-Law states that Board of Director should be chosen from the block representatives. There are few cases where Board of Director has been chosen from non-block representatives. Due to above reason it was suggested to amend the By-Law.

Board of Director of Ward V, Mr. Roy Kitade, submitted his resignation for the reason that he is leaving the camp and his resignation was accepted by the Board of Directors.

They are quite a people leaving the project and they wish to purchase goods which are not available at this co-op store. Board of Director approved the Dick Reeder' coming in to sell goods to facilitate these people.

Members of the Fire Prevention Squad of Ward IV suggested abolishment of Fish Market in Ward IV for the reason of unsanitary. (Complaint made by neighbors) Colonist asked co-op to operate the Fish Market. Research committee ask Slattery and was consented to get a shack burned recently. Preferable location was suggested to be Block 18. In order to do so co-op was to ask for the consent of the block and Mr. Coverley.

Co-op worker requested to take half day off on Thursday instead of Wednesday morning and was approved by B of D.

Mr. Kitazumi gave his personal recommendation that co-op should eliminate all unnecessary committee, such as Committee on committee, Educational Committee etc. because they are not functioning at all. Instead of pouring power to these committees, they should pour this power into Ward Assembly and increase the Ward Assembly power.

Another suggestion was made that Personal Director, information director and educational director should be city wide election. At the present time the election is not based on the principle of co-op and process should be clean out etc to make the colonist feel good.

It was decided by the Ward that we recommend the former and latter suggestion made by Mr. Kitazumi to the Board of Director.

As there were no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 P.M.

Respectively submitted by

Pro tem
Michio Miyamori

MINUTES OF WARD IV REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY
TULE LAKE COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.

May 5, 1943

The regular Ward IV representative Assembly was held at Building 1107, on May 5, 1943, at 7:30 P.M. Ward Chairman, C. Katagiri presided.

A report of the Executive Committee meetings was given by the Chairman.

The Chairman also announced that the Ward IV "Co-op Night" program would be presented at Building 1120 the following night, May 6th, from 7:30 P.M., and requested the cooperation of all Block Representatives.

A thorough discussion was next held on the strike at the Shoe Repair Shop.

It was suggested that the Co-op refrain from making announcements in the Mess Halls as much as possible in view of the objections being raised by some. The use of posters, bulletin boards, or other means of publicity, was strongly recommended as a substitute for the Messhall announcement system. The posters publicizing the Ward IV "Co-op Night" program were highly commended by the assembly.

Due to the imminent resettlement plans of the active Ward Secretary, Mr. M. Miyamori, and to the assignment of the regular Ward Secretary to right duties at the Base Hospital, Mr. Akira Kikuchi was appointed to assume the duties of Ward Secretary.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary pro tem

MINUTES OF WARD IV REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY
TULE LAKE COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISE, INC.

May 20, 1943

The regular ward IV Representative Assembly was held at building 1107, on May 20, 1943, at 7:30 P.M. Ward Chairman, C. Katagiri presided.

Mr. S. Sato, member of Ward IV representative to the Board of Directors, gave a lengthy and detailed report of the last board meeting.

Mr. Sato announced that the cash register system will replace the scrip system, beginning June 1, 1943.

A lengthy discussion followed after Mr. Sato's announcement and report;

The picnic question was brought up next. Mr. M. Dairiki, Mr. Matsuoka, and Mr. Miyamori were selected to aid the coming Co-op picnic.

The meeting adjourned for lack of further business at 10:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Akira Kikuchi
Secretary

MINUTES OF THE WARD MEETING
WARD IV -- June 3, 1943

Meeting: The meeting was called to order at 49 block manager's office 7:45 P.M. and adjourned at 9:10 P.M.

Attendants: Kobayashi, Morimune, Matsumoto, Sato, Abe, Watanabe, Kumasaka, Tanaka, and Tsuji.

Reports: Committees made their reports on their previous meetings. No question and no action took place.

Decisions Suggestion to management committee:
& Isn't it possible for each canteen to take over
Suggestion: empty bottles (soda pop) collected among the groups, such as Boy Scout and other private parties by paying them around 1 or 2 cent a piece?

Suggestion to Employee Committee:

Instead of closing all canteens on Thursday afternoon, if they close half of the all canteens at a time and the rest of half at another time, how would the effect be to canteen workers?

Suggestion to Executive Secretary:

May of the representatives have heard the unbelievable story regarding the buyers' trip. The story claimed that the buyers had receive their expenses for the trip from unknown source before the treasurer gave them necessary money for this trip. Since we have been hearing a number of stories many times already such as these:

Some amount of money has been slipping away out of bundles of counted money at warehouse or something this sort.

It is being felt by all of us that this matter should be clarified before the colonists regardless whether it is true or not. How they secured the money? Having heard these stories persons of integrity have been feeling unhappy to work for Cooperative Enterprise in this colony.

Respectfully submitted,

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Keant Morimune
Ward IV secretary

MINUTES OF WARD IV REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY

June 3, 1943

The meeting of Ward IV Representatives Assembly convened at Building 1107-D by Mr. Katagiri, Ward Chairman, at 8:00 P.M., June 3, 1943.

There were present: F. Dairiki, C. Nitta, C. Katagiri, S. Matsuoka, A. Kikuchi, M. Miyao, H. Dato, and K. Murakami.

The report was made by the Chairman on the motion picture theater and the newspaper proposal of the Board of Directors. The proposals were accepted by the Body and responded to leave the decision to the Board of Directors.

Suggestion was made relative to the management of the Co-op Stores that all employees should be Co-op members as there are cases where non-members are employed; therefore, the Body is desirous of presenting this point to the Employee Relations Committee for further investigation.

As there was no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:00 P.M. by the Chairman, Mr. Katagiri.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Takahashi

MINUTES OF WARD IV REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY
OF THE
TULE LAKE COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.

June 17, 1943

The regular Ward IV Representative Assembly of the Tule Lake Cooperative Enterprises, Inc., was held at Building 1107 on June 17, 1943, at 7:30 P.M. Ward Chairman C. Katagiri presided.

There were present: C. Katagiri, J. Takahashi, F. Dairiki, C. Nitta, M. Miyao, and F. Sakayeda. There were also present: Director S. Sato and General Manager T. Kubo.

Director Sato gave a detailed report of the last meeting of the Board of Directors as follows:

1. A donation of \$100.00 to the Community Activities Section for its July 4th celebration fund had been approved.
2. The resignation of Noboru Honda had been submitted and accepted.
3. The Treasurer had reported that June 30, 1943, will be the close of the first fiscal year, and that the management is contemplating the opening of a new office to handle cash register stubs to be called in shortly.
4. Construction on the fish market building had been commenced, and the building was expected to be ready in the early part of July.
5. Buyers Ichikawa and Takiguchi had returned from a comparatively successful buying trip to St. Louis, Chicago, and New York.

The Ward IV Assembly expressed its appreciation for the buyers' efforts.

In connection with the announcement that the fiscal inventory would be taken on July 1st, the assembled Representatives indicated that they would be willing to assist in spot-checking if and when their assistance is requested.

Upon unanimous assent it was decided that all matters with regard to the motion picture building proposal be left entirely to the discretion of the Board of Directors, trusting that negotiations would be made for the best possible arrangements.

With regard to employee relations problems, the Representatives in attendance requested that the Management Committee take steps to see that the employees are trained with the promotion of the colonists' welfare foremost.

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Thereupon on motion duly made, seconded, and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary pro tem

MINUTES OF WARD IV REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY
OF THE
TULE LAKE COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.

June 24, 1943

A special Ward IV Representative Assembly of the Tule Lake Cooperative Enterprises, Inc., was held at Building 1107, on June 24, 1943, at 7:30 P.M. Ward Chairman C. Katagiri presided.

There were present: C. Katagiri, S. Matsuoka, T. Murakami, F. Dairiki, C. Nitta, and F. Sakayeda.

The resignation of Mr. M. Miyamori as a member of the Auditing Committee was submitted and accepted by the assembly. Mr. T. Ozaki, Representative of Block 12, was unanimously elected to succeed Mr. Miyamori.

The election of the following new Block Representatives was announced:

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| Block 11 | K. Uno (Nisei) Mr. Kuroiwa (Issei) |
| 12 | T. Ozaki (Issei) |

The minutes of the previous Ward IV Assembly held on June 17, 1943, were read and approved as read.

The proposed \$100.00 donation by the Co-op to the Community Activities Section for the July 4th celebration was unanimously approved by the assembly on submittal.

The motion picture theater building proposal was next presented for discussion. It was pointed out by the Chairman that the WRA has agreed to furnish the necessary facilities. The proposal was unanimously approved by the assembly on discussion. All negotiations and arrangements were left by the assembly to the discretion of the Board of Directors. It was recommended that the Management Committee be consulted on matters pertaining to the management of the theater, and that policies thereafter be formulated by the Board of Directors.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary pro tem.

MINUTES OF WARD IV REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY
OF THE
TULE LAKE COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES, INC.

July 21, 1943

The regular assembly of Ward IV Representatives of the Tule Lake Cooperative Enterprises, Inc., was held at Building 1107 on July 15, 1943, at 7:30 P.M. Chairman C. Katagiri presided.

There were present: Representatives Nitta, H. K. Kuroiwa, S. Matsuoka, F. Daiiki, F. Sakayeda, K. Uno, and C. Katagiri.

Reports were given as follows:

1. Mr. Sakayeda gave a report on the last meeting of the Membership Committee, particularly with regard to scrip and cash register stubs records.
2. Mr. Daiiki reported on the Management Committee meeting, concerning, primarily, prices on fish.
3. Mr. Matsuoka gave a report on the Auditing Committee meeting.
4. Mr. Nitta likewise gave a report on the Committee on Committees meeting.

The Board of Directors' proposed postponement of the general assembly and elections to August due to the circumstances outlined by it, was discussed and unanimously approved by the assembly.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary pro tem.

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MINUTES OF WARD IV ASSEMBLY

The regular meeting of the Ward IV Assembly was called to order by Chairman, Mr. J. Nitta on October 21, 1943 at 7:30 P.M. at 1107-D.

The following block representatives were present:

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| Block | 7 | A. Iida, H. Maruyama |
| | 8 | M. Inouye, W. Fujisada |
| | 9 | Y. Mani, E. Hatanaka, K. Kageyama |
| | 10 | S. Murakami |
| | 11 | K. Uno |
| | 12 | J. Nitta, D. Kawano, K. Ogata |
| | 19 | T. Yokota, T. Ito |
| | 20 | S. Hirota |

Chairman reminded that there will be a General Assembly of Block Representatives, Committee members, and Directors, on Saturday October 23, 1943, at Building 1920 at 1:00 P.M.

The purpose of the confirmation of patronage refund was explained and all errors should be reported to Warehouse 351 by October 27.

Notice of permit for check cashing has arrived from the WRA administration. And will be resumed by Saturday, October 23, 1943.

New Membership drive may still be done and necessary forms and information are available at the Central Office at 717-A.

Following recommendations were made at the Ward IV Assembly:

1. Property Fire Insurance to cover the only property owned by the evacuees.
2. Saving service.

As there were no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Kunihiro Uno
Ward IV Secretary

WARD VI
REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2, 1943

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman Mr. R. Yoshimura at the block #50 manager's office at 1:30 P.M.

The representatives present were:

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| Y. Tanemura | E. Takeshita |
| Y. Tsukida | K. Harano |
| Miss Y. Todoroki | K. Yano |
| T. Toyoji | S. Masaki |
| | T. Watanabe |

Board of Directors : Mr. R. Yoshimura and Mr. F. Abe.

Mr. R. Yoshimura made a report on the activities of the Board of Directors to date as follows:

1. Upon urgent request from some 60 Administrative personnel, Co-op members and after careful deliberation. The Board decided to reopen Canteen #4 on a smaller scale.
2. Canteen hours has changed, in the mornings from 8:30 to 11:45 in afternoons 1:15 to 5:00.
3. Army will permit entry of Sunday paper after inspection of news section.
4. With recommendation from Management and Employee Relations Committees, all non-members underaged, and inefficient workers discharged.
5. Ward V Assembly restored by Board mediation.
6. General Manager and division heads will meet periodically to settle differences.
7. Consideration given to abolish closing of canteens on Wednesday and Thursday.
8. Previous Certificates of Indebtedness will be paid in scrips before Christmas.
9. Inventory date December 31st changed to January 2nd. Also 5 representatives from each ward to aid in inventory.

Mr. Toyoji of the Management Committee made a brief report on the accomplishment of joint meetings held by Management and Employee Relations Committees to consider the problem of reducing the members of workers. He emphasized that the joint committees made their recommendations only after careful considerations in each case. He also stated, upon questioning, that decision has been reached to send all soap hereafter to block managers who will distribute them equally for sale to his block residents.

On behalf of Mr. Torami of the Committee on Committees, Mr. Tsukida presented several subjects for discussion and suggestions.

1. To donate unclaimed cash stubs accumulated at the canteens to organizations such as for educational purpose.

The assembly decided it would have no objection to this matter. However, Mr. Yoshimura stated that the Board also had the matter under consideration, but felt the matter needed further careful study.

2. To change the clause in By-Laws which states that treasurer must prepare a financial statement for the month by the 15th of the following month to read financial statement, which will be submitted by treasurer when he has prepared and after a public accountant will have certified the financial statement.

The assembly objected to this change on the grounds sufficient leniency has been shown each time the treasurer had difficulty getting the financial statement out on time, due to the late arrival of a public accountant and for other reasons in the past.

3. What would be the best method of accomplishing the dissolution of the Co-operative if and when the time comes.

The assembly recommended upon a suggestion from Mr. Yoshimura that a adjustment committee be elected in such a case. First consideration must be given to clear up the liabilities for merchandise, then the member's equities will be considered.

The findings of the special committee to investigate the motion picture plan were presented to the assembly by Mr. E. Takeshita and Mr. Harano, who spoke in behalf of Mr. Moriuchi who was unable to be present. Of the total 7 ward assemblies, only wards 2 and 7 had definitely given their approval to the motion picture plan. Ward 5 gave a conditional approval, and wards 1 and 4 had not given approval nor disapproval. Ward 6 definitely disapproved of the plan. There were some question as to what ward 3 had done. It was further emphasized by the committee that in no case had any of the assemblies submitted the plan to the members of their respective wards.

In view of the facts as stated by the committee, the assembly decided that the Board of Directors or those persons responsible must be asked to reconsider its decision to open a motion picture theatre by either submitting the question to the entire membership, or abandoning the idea altogether.

As there were no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:15 P.M.

There is a new representative from Block #57, Mr. Masaru Hata (5714-F).

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ K. Watanabe
Ward Secretary

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL WARD VI
REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY

Monday - - December 13, 1943

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman R. Yoshimura at the Block 50 Manager's office at 1:30 P.M.

Those present at the meeting were representatives Y. Tanemura, H. Okada, S. Maruki, S. Ikejiri, T. Tohara, T. Togami, T. Kimura, K. Watanabe, S. Morimoto, T. Toyoji, E. Takeshita, M. Hata, F. Moriguchi, K. Harano, K. Yano; Board of Directors: R. Yoshimura and K. Abe.

Mr. Yoshimura, as Director, explained the purpose of the meeting which was to submit the decision to the vote of the entire membership of a proposal made in a request from the Center's Negotiating Committee to abandon sales of several lines of merchandise in its entirety, which the Committee contended were in a nature of luxuries. In its first meeting with the Committee, the Directors replied that the request would necessitate careful study and asked for time. After a careful study of the proposal and its possible effect on business, the Directors found that if the entire proposal were put into effect, the canteens may possibly have to close because of failure in the present financial setup. A second meeting was therefore held with the Negotiating Committee in which the Directors sought for a modification of the original proposal. The meeting resulted in the decision to submit the proposal in its original form to the vote of the entire membership. The Directors decided that the vote would be conducted in each block by its respective block representatives.

Immediate questioning arose from several representatives on the possibility of the Board having acted too hastily in reaching its decision to submit the question to the vote of the members. The representatives felt these were ample possibility for further study and negotiation in view of the nature of the proposal involved. In a lengthy discussion that followed Mr. Toyoji of the Management Committee also explained the nature of the meetings held with the Negotiating Committee which necessitated the present decision. However, in view of the representatives' desire, Mr. Toyoji suggested a motion whereby the assembly would ask the Directors to reconsider its decision once more. Mr. Yoshimura reiterated that the Board had reached its decision only after thorough discussion and at the desire of the Negotiating Committee for a member's vote, and asked that such a motion be made separately from the main purpose of the meeting. The majority of the Assembly decided, it was best to follow the Board's decision for a member's vote.

Mr. Yoshimura explained the nature of the ballots to be used, and distributed them to the representatives together with a list of each block's members. The ballots were to be taken to Mr. Yoshimura's residence after the vote was taken.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:15 P.M.

Two new representatives were present at the meeting: T. Kimura (5314-B) and T. Tohara (5103-B).

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ K. Watanabe, Ward Sec.