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MINUTES OF HOUSE MANAGERS' MEETING

May 6, 1942  
8:30 AM

PETTY THIEVERIES

Mr. Spears request that house managers help cut down petty thievery of fuses from the grandstand and washrooms; pitchers, dishes and eating utensils from the mess hall; electric gloves, mattresses, etc. Mr. Cooper also reported a tremendous amount of breakage of dishes in the mess hall, loss of eating utensils in garbage pails. Requested that all dishes, etc., be returned immediately owing to the shortage. He also requested that dishes not be taken out of the mess hall only in the cases of food to be taken to the ill or invalids. Unless these internal discipline matters are adequately taken care of in time the military police will step in.

MESS HALLS

Toby Ogawa reported that Mess Hall #7 is running smoothly. Mr. Cooper requested that District #2 recruit a kitchen staff as equipment, supplies being delivered and will be ready to function by noon tomorrow, May 7.

INTERNAL MATTERS:

It was suggested that all internal matters be taken up with Mr. Woelflen and Mr. Lawson, also Mr. Green, directly through the Advisory Council composed of the following 4 members:

Tad Fujita - District #1  
Aki Moriwaki-  
Henry Takahashi - District #4  
Michi Nakajima - District #3

QUARANTINE:

Dr. Kondo reported that there is an epidemic of German Measles existing and requested the cooperation of house managers that cases be confined to their quarters that includes all members of the family under 25 yrs. of age.

Toby Ogawa requested that all cases of contagious diseases to be placed in a quarantine area under the jurisdiction of the hospital but owing to the limited personnel of the hospital staff, Dr. Kondo requested that house managers cooperate and confine mild cases in their quarters as it will be impossible and impracticable to move whole families, but will confine more serious cases, such as smallpox and diphtheria, in the restrict area. House managers are requested to report all sicknesses to the Housing Headquarters, who, in turn will notify the Hospital. Shinji Yamamoto request that house managers be informed of quarantine cases so that precautions may be taken. Dr. Kondo stated that quarantine signs will be posted which are to be taken down only by the permission of the medical staff.

DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION:

Henry Takahashi requested that bulletins be issued immediately to disseminate news to the public and rules and regulations to the new registrants. Bill Hata to be assigned to the Housing Dept. for the



issuing of all news and bulletins to the managers and the people, and to send for the Y.M.C.A. mimeograph machine and supplies.

POLICE DEPT.:

Frank Tsukamoto, assistant chief of police, asked to be present at this afternoon's meeting.

SANITATION:

Faucets will be placed in latrines. Troughs to be made for disinfectants and to be placed in showers to prevent spreading of athlete's feet. Housing managers to strictly enforce sanitation rule.

BLACK-OUT:

House managers to be held responsible to put out all lights and candles in case of black-outs. They are to instruct their tenants to stay away from the fences at all times so that there will be no unfortunate mishaps from sentries on duty.



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### ORGANIZATION OF POLICE DEPT.

Mas Takano, representative from the Police Dept., reported that the department is now being organized and to date there are 15 on the force, which will be enlarged from time to time according to the need and size of the community. The office is located in the Engineers' Office behind the Employment Office and on duty 24 hours a day. Mr. Arnold is the Chief of Police, with Frank Tsukamoto acting as assistant. Vandalism and petty thieveries now prevailing throughout the camp was called to the immediate attention of the department. Mas Takano requested that house managers make direct reports to the Police Dept. instead of waiting until the next meeting.

### CHANGE IN HOSPITAL PERSONNEL

Dr. Hajime Uyeyama of Berkeley has tentatively been appointed as Medical Director for the Camp Hospital, replacing Dr. Kazue Togasaki who will now take full charge of the Obstretical Dept.

### PERSONAL RECORD CARDS

House managers are requested to keep a record of all tenants in their buildings as to their conduct, discipline and cooperative spirit whenever asked to help, etc. These records will be passed on to the next camp where the individuals are to be transferred, and the type of employment he will be given there will depend upon his records.

### QUARANTINE RULES

Signs of quarantine placed on the door by the medical staff should not be removed until taken down by the medical staff.

No persons should enter quarantine apt. except members of the medical staff.

No persons should leave the quarantine premises unless given permission by the medical staff.

### LIST OF INFANTS AND ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES

The house managers are reminded to submit tomorrow morning a list of babies under 18 months and also a list of all electrical appliances owned by each tenant in his building so that the present electrical problem may be solved.

### SUGGESTIONS FOR PILFERING OF TOILET TISSUES

- 1 - Place in metal boxes with locks
- 2 - Holders
- 3 - Chains

### MATTRESSES

The delivery of about 2500 mattresses has been delayed and will not be here until 2:00 PM tomorrow afternoon. Therefore, emergency crew needed



to fill ticks for straw mattresses for the new arrivals. New mattresses will be furnished later for those who need them.

#### SYSTEM OF COMMUNICATION

Suggested that house managers contact police on duty in each district in case of emergency. Telephones will be available and are to be used only in extreme cases at the following points:

- 1 - Main gate
- 2 - South gate
- 3 - Corporation yard
- 4 - Police Office
- 5 - Hospital

#### MAIL DELIVERY

House managers to submit a census of his building so that the Postal Dept. may make a directory in order to facilitate mail delivery.



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OLD BUSINESS

Lists to be submitted:

- 1 - Census for Post Office so mail delivery can be expedited.
- 2 - 18 months babies and people over 65 yrs. of age, also sick and invalids.
- 3 - Electrical appliances (for survey purpose only)  
Items that can be used at present:  
Radios                      Clocks  
Lights                      Heating Pads  
All others prohibited.

Sanitation:

It was announced that Dr. Kondo will be in charge of the Sanitation Corps. and his corp will make inspection of latrines and showers twice daily.

Mattresses:

Suggested that new arrivals help fill own ticks. Sam Wakai to recruit volunteer labor among them appointing a temporary house manager.

Toilet Tissue:

Maintenance Dept. instructed to place in latrines tissues strung in pipe or rod to prevent further pilfering.

NEW BUSINESS

Iron Boards

Lack of ironing boards in the laundry rooms are compelling campers to use irons in own rooms to blow out fuses. Advisory Council to consult with Mr. Lawson for action. Suggested make any temporary arrangements in laundry room for the time being.

Garbage

All cans and barrels full. Fire Dept. and crew of 9 to make collection.

Request of Maintenance Dept.

House managers requested to submit list of repairs to be made, replacement of globes, fuses, etc. at the headquarters before commencement of meetings for the immediate attention of the Maintenance Dept.

Announcements by Medical Center

- 1 - Well baby clinic - 9:00 to 11:00 AM - Bldg. E - Dr. Fujita in charge  
1:00 to 3:00 PM (Dental Clinic)



- 2 - Prenatal clinic (pregnant women)  
9 - 11 AM Bldg. 3 Dr. Togasaki in charge  
1 - 3 PM
- 3 - Reaction of Typhoid shots - Received outside - straight typhoid shots  
" in camp - Army - double dose
- New Typhoid schedule: Every Monday and Wednesday from 9 - 11 AM  
for the rest of the month of May.
- 4 - Smallpox - Must be examined on the 3rd and 7th day after receiving  
vaccination. See schedule ~~xxxxxxxx~~ attached.
- 5 - Dr. H. Uyeyama now a regular member of the staff and has been  
appointed Medical Director of the center.
- 6 - An ambulance has now been procured for the exclusive use of the  
hospital.
- 7 - General clinic - 8-10 AM) 8-11 AM  
1- 3 PM) Daily Saturdays.



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- 2 - Advisory Council to take up with Mr. Cooper some sort of identification system assigning people to respective mess halls.
- 3 - Locks to be obtained for district mess halls.

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Saturday, May 9  
8:30 AM

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MESS HALLS

- 1 - Opening of Mess Halls #9, <sup>11</sup>10 and 12 delayed. Will operate as soon as crew solicited.
- 2 - Different colored cards will be issued to all individuals designating mess halls where they are to have their meals.
- 3 - All workers will be allowed 1 hour off during noon hour in order to give them plenty to reach their respective mess halls.
- 4 - Locks for mess halls to be placed by carpenters.

MATTRESS PROBLEM

Straw now available and 1200 ticks must be filled to take care of new registrants. Once these ticks are filled the mattress problem will be settled once and for all. House managers requested to solicit workers to fill ticks as there are not enough workers to meet the present demands.

CLEAN-UP of GROUNDS

An inspection of the camp grounds by high officials was made and ordered to clean-up of premises immediately. Tentative plan -

- A - Mr. Estes wants 30 men immediately to clean up grounds around the grandstand.
- B - Mr. Davis requested house managers to recruit workers from each building to pick up scrap lumber, loose debris, papers, etc. this afternoon and tomorrow. The work will be divided into following sections and workers will be given credit:

District    Bldg.

1	2 - 6	6 men each	- 30 men
2	7 - 10	10 " "	- 40 "
3	13 - 16	10 " "	- 30 "
4	18 - 22	6 " "	- 30 "
5	23 - 26	10 " "	- 40 "
6	27 - 103	6 " "	- 60 "

Total    230 men

The above workers are to report to Mr. Gallagher at the north end of the grandstand at 1:30 PM today. The managers are also instructed to appoint one man as foreman from each district.



ANNOUNCEMENT OF HOSPITAL

Examination of smallpox vaccination to be held at the hospital this morning.

Introduction of Dr. Ernest Izumi in charge of immunization. Immunization record to be kept for each individual which will be passed on whenever transfer is made. Announcements to be made later.

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Koji Murata  
Takeda  
Yamashita  
Takahashi  
Yoshino.

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Dr. Refut.  
Fire Dept.  
No debris under houses -  
No candles



Sunday, May 10  
8:30 AM

## MINUTES OF HOUSE MANAGERS MEETING

### REPORT OF CLEAN-UP COMMITTEE

Districts 1, 2, 3 and 6 organized and cleaning going on now.

Districts 4 and 5 not organized as yet as workers now being solicited for mess hall being set up in these districts.

From Barracks 104 up - request postponement of clean-up for time being owing to new tenants in this section, and now settling.

### ANNOUNCEMENT FROM MEDICAL CENTER

- 1 - Dr. Uyeyama would like to know of any specific cases where any persons having difficulty in procuring food for the sick or invalids. Will be reported to an Army representative for investigation.
- 2 - Uniformity of regulations of mess halls for distribution of food, especially milk for children.
- 3 - Aki Moriwaki to be in charge of Immunization records and ask the cooperation of house managers for procuring of data and distribution of of records.
- 4 - Suggestions for erections of first-aid sub-stations in different sections, medical cases in mess halls.
- 5 - Dr. Hirota announced that if any persons steps on a rusty nail, or pierces flesh, they should report to the general clinic for examination in order to prevent infection, lock-jaw, etc.

### FIRE DEPARTMENT

Introduction of Fire Chief Beckner and Bill Nakahara as his assistant.

- 1 - Deadline to be set for cleaning up of dry grass, papers lumber, etc. Ask removal of loose debris under and against houses.
- 2 - Use of candles absolutely prohibited.
- 3 - Will ask for volunteer fireman from each barrack.
- 4 - Extinguishers to be available for each barrack in near future.
- 5 - Information bulletin to be issued for fire regulations, means of communication to be set up, siren to be installed.
- 6 - Street lights to be set up for safety.



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### ELECTRICAL DEPARTMENT

- 1 - Suggested that requests for globes or fuses to be placed in a box for the convenience of the corps making rounds.
- 2 - Also suggested that definite schedule to set for the rounds of electricians.

### SANITATION:

Reorganization of the Sanitary Corps under the jurisdiction of the San Mateo County Health Department.

- 1 - Request of house managers for quick action on stagnant water in ditches, and puddles under elevated mess halls throughout camp.
- 2 - No removal of dry garbage from certain sections.
- 3 - Repairs of old and erection of additional showers, latrines and washrooms - Mr. Spears announced that the plumbing is under the Army contract and the Camp officials cannot take any action as long as the Army is in control. Also announced that work will commence tomorrow on ~~2~~ additional 6 latrines, 6 washrooms and 2 laundries.

### CANTEEN

The present facilities of the canteen in the main mess hall will soon be enlarged and will be selling necessities, such as toilet articles, etc.

### CONTRABAND

Butcher knives or any implements having a blade over 4" in length considered contraband. These articles are to be turned in at the Housing Headquarters fully labelled as to ownership and will be held for the duration. Straight razors still in question.

### BLACK-OUT

Siren for black-out warnings will be installed.

### CASHING OF CHECKS

Mr. McDonald of the Canteen Dept. will cash all government pay checks, travelers' and cashiers' checks, but no personal checks.

### REPORTS FROM ADVISORY COUNCIL

Mr. Nicholson desires to discourage individual cooking of food and in due time no cooking will be allowed.

Lumber has been ordered and iron boards will soon be distributed to laundries.



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Monday, May 11  
8:30 AM

REPORT OF CLEAN-UP

After completion of work, a full report of clean-up will be handed in to Mr. Joe Gallagher.

MESS HALL

At present, there are 7 kitchens in operations. Different colored cards will be issued to each individual assigning them to specific mess halls. House managers requested to make an immediate census for:

- 1 - Number of colored cards to be issued for each mess hall.
- 2 - Exact check of number of people registered.

NEW LOCATION OF POLICE DEPT.

New office established with the Printing Dept. opposite the front gate.

SANITATION

Make thorough investigation of water puddles in districts concerned to prevent formation of larvae. Suggest fill puddles or spread oil to check mosquitoes.

CONTRABAND

If tenants will not surrender contraband to house managers, report the matter to the Police Dept. Straight edge razors and certain types of flash lights under consideration.

FIRE DEPT.

Recommendation for safety - all candles to be confiscated. To be brought to the attention of Bill Nakahara,

SUPPLY HOURS

Supplies to be issued during the following hours daily, including Sundays:

10:30 AM - 12 Noon  
2:30 PM - 4 PM

MINIATURE TOILETS FOR CHILDREN

It has been suggested that toilets for small children be installed in latrines for their use.

MATTRESSES

Submit list of occupants tomorrow morning, May 12, of tenants using straw mattresses in Bldg. 1 - 14 inclusive.

QUARANTINED FAMILIES

See attached list.



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TANFORAN ASSEMBLY CENTER

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT

COMMUNICABLE DISEASES DIVISION

QUARANTINED FAMILIES

NAME	ADDRESS	LENGTH OF QUARANTINE <i>(Subject to change should contacts get disease)</i>	NO. OF PERSONS
Matsunaga, Hiroko	28-5	May 11	5
Morita, Shigeru	28-3	" 18	5
Akashige, Nancy	28-1	" 27	4
Morioka, Setsuko	27-5	" 1	2
" "	27-5	" 27	2
" Hiroko	27-5	" 1	2
Fukada, Mary	27-4	" 18	4
Takefuji, James	27-3	" 19	2
Sagimori, Minoru	27-2	" 15	3
Sakamoto, Grace	27-1	" 10	4
" Shinobu	27-1	" 17	4
Shimada, Mae	29-1	" 24	3
Noriye, Satoshi	29-2	" 26	4
Ono, Patricia	29-3	" 27	1
Maruyama, Yasuko		" 23	3
Nishimura, Dwight	72-1	" 21	4
Wakamatsu, Katsumi	73-3-	" 25	1
Takahashi, Harry	85-3	" 25	1
Bingo, Akiyo	4-33	" 25	1
Okawachi, Mary	5-34	" 26	1
Miyazaki, Ayako	8-73	" 26	2
Shimomura, May	72-5		3



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Tuesday, May 12  
8:30 AM

REPORT FROM MAINTENANCE DEPT.

1. Mas Teramoto announced new office location of the Maintenance Dept. at the north end of the Grand Stand together with the Construction Dept. He requested that all reports for repairs and complaints are to be handed in to the Maintenance Dept. direct, but Mr. Speares stated that until further notice, house managers are to file complaints through the Housing Headquarters.
2. This week will be a test week on fuses. If present rate of blowing-out of fuses is continued, heaters will be confiscated and 9 o'clock curfew to be put into effect.
3. James Hirano suggested that Maintenance and Sanitation Depts. get together and put in a joint complaint regarding the hot water supply in washrooms and laundries. Mr. Speares reported that repairs and installations are going on full speed and expected to be completed shortly.
4. Roof leakages to be taken care of shortly.

MATTRESSES

List of tenants in buildings 2-14 inclusive now using straw ticks to be submitted and cotton mattresses to be replaced on Thursday, May 14. In due time, all ticks will be replaced by mattresses as soon as they come in.

ANNOUNCEMENT FROM MEDICAL CENTER

1. Dr. Hirota announced that Mrs. Michio Naruo gave birth to a 7 lb. baby girl, at 8:50 PM yesterday, Monday, May 11. The first baby born at the Tanforan Assembly Center was named Judy, and it was reported that mother and baby are doing nicely.
2. Those people requiring refiling of prescriptions are asked to call at the hospital where pharmacists will do their best. If drugs are not available, the cases will be re-diagnosed and given a new prescription.

CONTRABAND

Mas Takano of the Police Dept. reported that straight edge razors are not contraband. Flash lights still under consideration. He also stated that neither the house managers nor the Police Dept. have the authority to collect contraband. The matter will be taken care of by the Army.

ORDERS AND INSTRUCTIONS TO HOUSE MANAGERS

Instructions have been issued to all Department Heads that any orders or instructions which they have for House Managers will be issued only through Mr. Cooper or Mr. Speares from now on. All orders from Mr. Lawson will be obeyed at once.



BUILDING OF NEW WASHROOM AND LATRINE NEAR BARRACKS 24 AND 25

It has been reported that ~~commence~~ foundations for new washroom and latrine are being laid over piles of manure. Suggested that the debris be removed before erection of the buildings for sanitary reasons. Mr. Speares to investigate the matter immediately.

NOTICES OF CHANGES OF ADDRESS

- 1 - Change of address must be reported to Draft Board.
- 2 - Aliens to report to Dept. of Justice, Washington, of change.

ART CLASSES

Tad Fujita announced the following art classes to commence:

- 1 - Elementary Class
- 2 - Jr. High and High School
- 3 - College
- 4 - Adult

Those interested are requested to register at the Recreational Headquarters.



Wednesday, May 13  
8:30 AM

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HEATERS

There have been 1,088 requests for heaters and only 88 are available at present. The distribution of the 88 stoves will be handled by the hospital to the most urgent cases which presently number 140. 250 additional heaters have been ordered.

POSTAL DEPARTMENT

Susumu Yamakawa reported that there is a considerable amount of dead mail owing to registration under another name. Census now being taken will be turned in to the Postal Dept. and in due time mail will be distributed. No general delivery service.

Suggested for the sake of convenience, appropriate boxes be placed in mess halls for pick-up mail.

No censorship on mail. Inspection of parcel post only for contraband.

Schedule of out-going mail: 1 and 5 PM daily  
12 noon Saturday

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Mas Takano reported that there are 73 men on the force and the department is working 24 hours a day. Suggested that policemen be given numbers for identification.

No court has been set up to date, and the matter has been brought to the attention of Mr. Lawson by the Advisory Council.

MUSIC DEPARTMENT

It was announced that a Music Dept. has newly been created. Musicians who have their instruments are requested to report to the Recreation Dept.

VISITING HOURS

Evacuees are permitted to receive visitors during 9 AM and 4 PM daily including Sundays; however, visitors are not allowed to go beyond the vicinities of the Grand Stand. Due notifications as to date of arrival and time should be given to the Police Dept. so that visitors will be allowed to enter the gates.

SANITATION

1. Garbage to be picked up from the following buildings:  
9, 20, 21, 22, 32, ~~44~~ 60-80, 82-100, 104-113, 147 and all of the infield.
2. It was moved, seconded and passed that the house managers



be relieved of the responsibility of cleaning latrines, wash rooms and showers and that the Advisory Council make recommendation to Mr. Lawson of organization of a maintenance crew under the supervision of the Sanitary Corp.

ADVISORY COUNCIL

To make following recommendations to Mr. Lawson:

- 1 - All problems in connection with sanitation i.e., uniformity of rules and regulations, maintenance of crew on full time basis, etc.
- 2 - Establishment of service departments, such as laundries, cleaning shops, barbers, shoe repairing shop, etc.



Thursday, May 14  
8:30 AM

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### POLICE DEPT.

- 1 - Mr. Harada announced the new visiting ~~hours~~ as follows:

10 AM - 4 PM

Visitors will be required to obtain a permit at the main gate. If visitors expected, kindly remain at home or arrange to have neighbors take the message so that runners can be dispatched to notify arrival of visitors. Be sure to notify visitors of correct address. Evacuees must entertain visitors in the parking lot off the main gate.

- 2 - Request house managers to appoint a volunteer police for respective building.

### HOSPITAL

- 1 - Those who have completed their immunization outside of the camp are requested NOT to apply for their immunization stub at present. They will be issued after those ~~one~~ who are now being immunized are completed.
- 2 - Smallpox vaccination should be examined the 3rd, 7th and 14th day so that bandage may be changed if necessary.

### ADVISORY COUNCIL

Henry Takahashi announced the following:

- 1 - Streets will be named shortly.
- 2 - Service departments will be set up in the near future on a paying basis.
- 3 - Camp to be divided into 5 precincts according to population and election to be held as soon as camp reaches its quota.
- 4 - Sanitation problem still under discussion.

### POSTAL DEPARTMENT

It was announced that make-shift boxes for pick-up mail will not be permitted. The only method will be either to give mail to the mail man or deposit them at the main post office.

### EMPLOYMENT DEPARTMENT

Mich Kunitani reported on the status of the department and explained due to the urgency, volunteer workers were placed in positions where workers were needed at the time. Classification of workers now going



on, and proper replacements will be made. However, he stated that it is Mr. Green's policy that volunteers workers should be given first consideration owing to their cooperation and willingness to work. The department is now drafting workers owing to labor shortage and if workers do not respond, they will be put on the black-list.

- Form 401 - Request for workers
- 402 - Order to work
- 403 - Discharge notice or transfer to another job

MATTRESSES

House managers in buildings 14-26 to submit a list of tenants using straw ticks for replacement of cotton mattresses.



Friday, May 15  
8:30 AM

MINUTES OF HOUSE MANAGERS' MEETING

MESS

1. Mr. Cooper announced that colored cards designating mess halls will be issued shortly through house managers. Until then, he requested that the managers instruct all individuals to have their meals in mess halls in their district as the filtration into main mess hall are depriving those who are entitled to eat there of their share. He stated that to date 7,400 are registered but rations for 9,000 distributed, which must be corrected immediately.
2. Rations and hours of all mess halls to be uniform:

Breakfast	7:00 - 8:30 AM
Lunch	12 M - 1:30 PM
Supper	5:00 - 6:30 PM
3. Wash trays will be built outside of each mess hall for washing of dishes. Sanitation rules to be strictly enforced.
4. Appointment of following committee to recommend purchase of appropriate bins and quality rice:

Toby Ogawa, Chairman; Tomato Sakai, Tom Okada  
and Isamu Yamakawa

AUTHORITY OF HOUSE MANAGERS

Mr. Speares announced that he has received complaints that house managers are taking advantage of their capacity and over-exerting their authority. They are asked to give full cooperation in every way possible, but should transfer ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ responsibility to the person assigned for the specific duty.

HOSPITAL

1. K. Inouye announced that for 1½ days, a 21-year old boy was missing and after an exhaustive search and inquiry, it was disclosed that due to an accident, he was sent to the San Mateo County Hospital, without the knowledge of the parents, Police Dept. nor the Administration. It was recommended that the Hospital staff notify all concerned whenever an individual is taken out of the camp by the Hospital in order to eliminate worry and confusion.

2 - Dental clinic open for emergency cases only - Bldg. 5

QUARANTINE

The chair requested Dr. Kondo of the Sanitation Corps that a list of quarantine cases be submitted every day for the information of house managers so that they may take necessary steps to check epidemic.



Koji Murata requested that the Sanitary Corps make a survey of all old buildings as to attic and rafters, especially Bldg. 18, before sweeping and cleaning is done, as it was reported that disinfectant was sprayed and should not be swept away.

#### FIRE DEPARTMENT

The force has now 25 men on the staff and would like to have the following houses appoint a volunteer fireman from respective barrack:

2, 3, 4, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 26, 31-33, 43-46,  
49-52, 57 or 59, 62-64, 75, 98 or 99, 107, 108,  
118-119, 137-138, 142-144, 148-155, 158-160.

They will be drilled 2 hours every day.

In addition to the above, any individual who is desirous of taking advantage of the fire drills are also invited.

#### CANTEEN

Mr. Cooper announced that the Canteen will sell the following articles in the near future: toilet articles, magazines, newspapers, candies, cigars, cigarettes, soft drinks, milk and ice cream.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. In case of maintenance emergency Saturday afternoon and Sunday, please contact:

Plumbers - Mr. Frank Hedani, 52-1 or  
Kazuji Kamiya, Men's Dorm.

Electricians - K. Ono, 14-18  
George Kamiya, 67-5

In case they cannot contact the above men, see Shin Suzukawa, 90-3.

On Saturday and Sunday nights, the electrical night crew will be on duty as usual.

2. In case of housing emergency after office hours, Earle Yusa may be contacted at 4-2.
3. All flower lovers are invited to bring in their plants or shrubs to be planted in greenhouse adjacent to Bldg. 26. Y. Kajiware in charge.
4. The first issue of a newspaper, which may be named TANFORAN TOTALIZER, expected to be distributed tomorrow, May 16.



Saturday, May 16,  
8:30 AM

MINUTES OF HOUSE MANAGERS' MEETING

INVENTORY

Earle Yusa requested that house managers make a survey and hand in an accurate list on Monday, May 18, giving number of blankets, shovels, brooms and mops issued to tenants for inventory purpose.

HEATERS

Nobu Nishimoto requested that house managers instruct those individuals who received heaters not to unpack them - that a crew will come around to set up the stove and give instructions.

MEDICAL

1. For purpose of recommending uniform distribution of milk - Dr. Hirota requested that the following lists be submitted on Monday, May 18:
  - a - Children 15 years and under
  - b - Pre-natal cases
  - c - Post-natal cases
  - d - Medical cases
2. Due to inadequate bedding facilities, request hospitalization be kept down as much as possible to emergency cases only.
3. Lack of doctors in camp brought to the attention of Dr. Hirota. Mr. Speares stated that the San Mateo County Hospital Staff is available in the event of emergency.
4. Quarantine cases in following buildings:  
4, 8, 13, 19, 20, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 55, 72, 73,  
83, 85, 93, 122.

MAINTENANCE DEPT.

Mr. Gush of the Maintenance Dept. explained the electrical-plumbing problem, and requested that house managers plead with their tenants for cooperation. Strongly requested that people do not tamper with valves in shower rooms. They have or will be regulated as to correct temperature in due time.

Mr. Gush will welcome all complaints, criticism and suggestions or they may be made through the Housing Headquarters.

SANITATION

1. Satoshi Fujinaga requested immediate action be taken by the Advisory Council to take up with Mr. Lawson the matter of cleaning latrines. However, until then, it is understood that house managers are responsible for cleaning and maintaining sanitation.
2. Recommended that windows in latrines and shower rooms be painted.

MESS HALL

Henry Takahashi brought up the question of how the Advisory Council



should overcome the matter of wages for Chefs in particular. It was suggested that

- 1 - Keep the good-will of the Chef.
- 2 - Up to residents to express their appreciation to the kitchen staff at every opportunity.
- 3 - Mr. Cooper and Mr. Speares to make a round of all mess halls and express personal thanks to the chefs.

#### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

It was suggested that change of address re draft and alien registration be handled in the usual manner, i.e., due notification to local draft board and Dept. of Justice, Washington, D.C.

#### FIRE DEPT.

It was recommended to the Fire Dept. that a fire drill be held and traffic system be set up in case of emergency.

#### REPRESENTATION OF EACH DEPARTMENT

James Hirano made a suggestion that the head or a representative from each department be present ~~at~~ at the house manager's meeting everyday so that all complaints and suggestions may be registered.

#### COUNCILMAN FROM PRECINCT 3

The following managers are requested to stay after the meeting to select a representative from the group as a member of the Advisory Council: from Precinct 3:

Yamauchi, Nishiyama, Takeuchi,  
Saito, Suzuki, Abe, Isoye, Kobayashi



Tuesday, May 19  
8:30 AM

MINUTES OF HOUSE MANAGERS' MEETING

MESS HALL

1. Mr. Speares reported that Mr. Cooper stated that after all evacuees have been registered, the main mess hall will be closed and additional mess halls will be opened in the infield to alleviate the mess problem existing the main mess hall. He added that the main mess hall may be run for working crew only. He stated that the bachelor quarters will be moved from the grand stand, which will be turned into a recreation hall. Mr. Fujii mentioned that the ventilation has not yet been improved in the bachelors' quarters.
2. Kenji Fujii mentioned that Mr. Lawson would like to have a list of those who suffered from stomach trouble and diarrhea resulting from quality of food served in the main mess hall on Saturday noon, May 16.
3. Mr. Cooper announced that a cooking school to be opened soon to train all men who are interested.

LATRINES

John Yamashita brought up the protest that he was criticized by the Sanitary Corps as to the method of cleaning of latrines. Mr. Speares mentioned that to date Mr. Lawson has not recognized the standing of the Sanitary Corp nor the Food Inspectors, and until official notification is given they are to be ignored. House Managers are to be held responsible for maintaining sanitation and it is their duty to appoint a janitor from their district to clean latrines and washrooms, who will be paid on a full time basis. If they cannot, they are to notify Mr. Speares who will in turn send in Form 401 for a janitor. In this respect, Victor Abe asked and was given the answer that it will be in order to go to Mr. Gunder for a list of janitors. There is a definite ruling that if a man is offered a job in his line and refuses the work, his name will be put on the black-list.

LAUNDRIES

Thomas Okada request that more laundries be set up. Mr. Speares suggested that people in affected areas get together, gather all data regarding this and any similar problems and have the Advisory Council take the matter up with Mr. Lawson.

ANNOUNCEMENT FROM POLICE DEPT.

Mr. Arnold requested the House Managers to discourage sending out money orders as much as possible in order to cut down the amount of packages coming in. The number is getting too great to handle.

MEDICAL

Dr. Hirota of the Hospital staff -

1. Requested survey list for milk distribution be handed in immediately.
2. Announced birth of baby boy to Mrs. Okayama of Bldg. 22-Apt. 6, at San Mateo Co. Hospital.



3. Quarantine list increasing. Up to those free from disease to stay away from the source.
4. Stated that active cases of T.B. are confined. Only arrested cases in camp. Impossible to isolate them. Stated that families affected know how to handle the cases.
5. Announced the following buildings having/quarantine cases:  
5, 8, 13, 19, 20, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 38, 55,  
72, 83, 93, 105, 122, 129 and 158

#### SETTING UP OF 3 COMMITTEES

After much discussion, in order to present concrete facts and shorten length of meetings, Victor Abe made a motion that 3 committees, namely, Mess; Maintenance and Health; and Canteen & Personal Service be created. It was seconded and passed unanimously.

1. Mess: George Kondo made a motion that one house manager from each kitchen be on the committee - that is 11 men which is the number of kitchens operating. Passed and Carried.
2. Maintenance & Health: It was moved, passed and carried that one representative from each of the 5 Precincts be on the committee.
3. Canteen & Personal Service: It was moved, passed and carried that one representative from each of the 5 Precincts be on the committee, but the present special committee continue until new committee formulated. by Tad Fujita

The above committees are to be formed within the house managers/<sup>group,</sup> but outside talents may be invited in making surveys, contacts, etc.

As mentioned previously, these committees are to present concrete facts of mutual problems at the meetings for discussion. If they cannot be solved by taking them up with the various heads of the departments concerned, recommendation for action to be taken up with Mr. Lawson through the Advisory Council. The Advisory Council stated that they are and will continue to exert every effort ~~to~~ to see that the demands of the people are met.



Monday, May 18  
8:30 AM

## MINUTES OF HOUSE MANAGERS' MEETING

### ADVISORY COUNCILMAN FROM PRECINCT #3

The chair announced that Thomas Suzuki was elected councilman from Precinct #3.

### LIST OF QUARANTINE CASES

German Measles, Measles, Mumps and Chicken Pox quarantined in following buildings:

8, 13, 19, 20, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 55, 72, 83, 93,  
105, 122, 129 and 158.

See bulletin board for names and addresses.

### UNIFORM SYSTEM OF DISTRIBUTION

It was suggested that uniform prorated system of distribution of soap, toilet tissue ~~km~~ be put into effect. However, Henry Takahashi suggested that until such time coupons are distributed, house managers to distribute according to their ~~distretion~~ and size of family.

### MAINTENANCE DEPT.

John Towata reported gravel will be available for other sections for improvement purposes only after roads in the infield are completed. He also mentioned that there is an extreme shortage of garbage cans and orders have been placed. If garbage cans are not emptied twice a day, house managers to file complaints with the Maintenance Dept. through Housing Headquarters. However, if garbage problem persists, Maintenance Dept. to take matter up with Mr. Lawson.

### MATTRESSES

Nobu Nishimoto announced that no delivery of mattresses is being made now. The 500 on hand reserved for new group of evacuees coming in this afternoon or tomorrow.

### HEATERS

Nobu Noshimoto reported that kerosene ~~for~~ heaters will most likely be delivered tomorrow, May 19.

### MESS HALLS

1. Tomate Sakai brought up the matter of food shortage and quality of food in main mess hall. All house managers whose tenants are having their meals served in main mess hall to meet and talk with Mr. Cooper at Housing Headquarters at 3:00 PM today.
2. Ask for return of milk bottles due to shortage. Min Isoye and Victor Abe instructed to publish this request in official bulletin as well as the newspaper. (English as well as Japanese.)



Wednesday, May 20  
8:30 AM

MINUTES OF HOUSE MANAGERS' MEETING

POLICE DEPT.

It was announced that the Police Force has been cut down to nine men.

RECEPTION OF VISITORS

Tad Fujita brought up the complaint that visitors have not been treated courteously by the reception clerk. Requested that this be brought to the attention of the proper authority.

MATTRESSES

Nobu Nishimoto announced that owing to the 275 new evacuees coming in today, the 500 mattresses will be distributed to them first and the remainder to those having Dr.'s orders and to tenants in old barracks lastly.

MEDICAL

Victor Abe reporting for the Hospital announced that T.B. cases in camp are only arrested cases. If there is any suspicion of T.B., the house managers are to directly contact Dr. Mas Hara, who is in charge of tubercular patients.

MAINTENANCE

John Towata reported that the Army has a contract with the Scavengers and they will make daily collection of garbage - not the Maintenance Dept.

CANTEEN

- 1 - It was announced that all drugs and toilet articles to be sold at the new canteen to be opened at the rear end of Hospital #4. Ichiro Imamura to be in charge.
- 2 - Hi Korematsu reported on the meeting of the special canteen committee with Mr. Lawson, who was very cordial and sympathetic with the cooperative idea. A plan is to be submitted for consideration

MESS COMMITTEE

- 1 - Mr. Cooper announced that the colored cards designating mess halls will be ready for distribution today. Every individual, except children 3 years and under, to be given meal ticket and house managers are requested to strongly emphasize to the people that these tickets are valuable and they must take good care of these cards. The following mess halls are to call for the colored cards at the headquarters at 3:00 PM today:

1, 16, 17, 2, 7 and 8

The remainder to be distributed tomorrow.



Mr. Cooper requested that mess hall numbers be indicated on the cards, each card to be signed by the individual and address given so that in the event of loss, they may be returned to the owner. In case of any transfer, it is up to the house managers to collect old ticket and new card will be issued by manager in district into which we moved. Hospital staff to be given special card so that they can have their noon day meal at Mess Hall #8. Special diets to be controlled by individual mess halls.

2 - Mr. Cooper added that a mess hall school will be set up to train men. Also meeting of all superintendents of mess halls every day to discuss mess hall problems.

3 - The following were appointed to serve on the Mess Committee:

Kitchen #2 - Hike Oda  
7 - Toby Ogawa  
8 - Torao Ichiyasu  
9 - Oishi  
10 - DAVE SAITO  
11 - Nishiyama  
12 - Isoye  
15 - Kubokawa  
16 - Nakamura  
17 - Kaz Shikano

#### LAUNDRIES

Henry Takahashi reported that the laundry problem has been taken up with Mr. Lawson, who in turn must consult with the W.C.C.A. Headquarters in San Francisco. At present the Cerciat Laundry, who has contract for the month of May, is calling for laundry from the mess halls and the hospital only. Since the laundry problem is so vital, it was suggested that a laundry committee be formed; Thomas Okada, chairman, to appoint his committee.

#### REPORT OF RICE COMMITTEE

Toby Ogawa read the following report of the committee:

"In contacting the individual Mess Kitchens, the committee found that:

- 1 - Almost every kitchen was cooking rice in large tin containers (dish pans) because usage of deep pots resulted in hard uncooked rice which is not eatable.
- 2 - This process of cooking in pans involves from two to three process whereby rice is first cooked over the stove and later allowed to slowly bake in the oven.
- 3 - In using the dish pans for cooking rice, another dish pan must be used as a cover which means creating a shortage of pans to prepare other vegetables and salads.
- 4 - The process of cooking rice with pans also consume tremendous



amount of space as it uses up at least one full stove out of 4, thereby limiting the capacity of cooking other foods by 25%.

- 5 - That the present process consume long labor and time in that each time the rice is prepared, it must be transferred from the pans into deeper containers, and this process has to be repeated from 10 to 12 times depending on the number of persons to be fed.

Since the people desire rice more often, and is almost a necessity item in the Japanese diet the committee would like to make the following recommendations:

Either to have a Central Kitchen for cooking rice or otherwise make little changes in the unit kitchens whereby conditions can be made more adaptable for cooking rice.

First regarding a CENTRAL COOKING SYSTEM:

The success of this plan is predicated on the following factors:

1. That adequate facilities be set up..., gas, sufficient pots for steaming rice, etc.
2. That transportation of rice from the Central Kitchen to the other mess halls must be done at certain scheduled time, and that this system can operate regardless of weather.

The Committee is of the opinion that if adequate facilities are available and that regular delivery system can be installed whereby rice can be transported to the unit kitchens on time and in "hot condition", the plan of a Central Kitchen may be a possible solution.

If such a plan is not feasible at present there is the second alternative of improving the unit mess kitchens.

THE SECOND PLAN:

The committee recommend that:

- 1 - One separate auxiliary kitchen or unit be built for experimental purpose. That this unit be built adjacent to any one of the unit kitchens now in operation. Following the opinion expressed by the majority of chefs, the committee recommend installation of a Chinese metal "kama". Almost every chef felt that this will greatly reduce the tremendous work in the preparation of rice, and will save time, and finally create the much needed stove space which otherwise would be taken up if rice was prepared under existing conditions. Cooking space was definitely overtaxed.



Furthermore, creation of such an experimental unit would definitely point out the outstanding advantages aside from the saving in time, labor and space. Rice will be well cooked in that there will be no steam leaking out, and since heat will be evenly distributed all around the pan, all moisture will be thoroughly absorbed by the rice. This will mean no hard uncooked, uneatable rice ... hence no waste.

- 2 The committee realize that installation of this one experimental auxiliary unit may require little time. In the meantime, the committee recommend that temporarily, covers be made for the pans as soon as possible. These lids can be made of tin or wood, and should preferably be constructed under the supervision of the rice cooks in order that they may be of acceptable forms, dimensions and weights.

The obvious immediate advantage would be that these covers will help to preserve moisture within the pans which is one of the essential requisite for a good rice. Furthermore, the covers will eliminate the usage of other pans that are now being used for covers, and they in turn can be used for other kitchen purposes.

Rice, well cooked, means that everyone regardless of age will eat all of it. Partially cooked rice is forced in the stomach and create indigestion, or is just wasted."

#### TRAFFIC

Every driver going faster than 15 miles per hour will be thrown out of the camp in case he is a Caucasian or will be fired if he is a Japanese.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT

There will be a Boy Scout Rally this Friday, May 22, at 7:00 PM at Mess Hall 14 for all scouts in camp.



Thursday, May 21  
8:30 AM

MINUTES OF HOUSE MANAGERS' MEETING

HOSPITAL

- 1 - Dr. Hirota announced the third birth of a baby girl in camp on Tuesday, May 19.
- 2 - Tad Fujita and Sam Naito (Mess Kitchen #2) reported 30 cases of vomiting and diarrhea yesterday. Owing to the seriousness, the house managers called on the hospital to send doctors. In the estimation of the people affected, they brought up the complaint that incompetent doctors were being sent out. Dr. Hirota clarified the matter by saying that it is not just for the public to say whether these men are qualified or not. The medical staff sends out men who are competent and qualified for the cases, and more experienced men will be called when there is a need for them. These experienced men are not slacking but are doing their utmost. He stressed that it is up to the house managers to impress upon the people that they must have confidence in all the doctors. Koji Murata suggested that a thorough investigation be made of Kitchen #2 for source of food poisoning, if any, by qualified people - Mr. Speares to take care of this matter with proper authority.

POLICE DEPT.

Reported that lumber, which is government property, is being taken away from the infield. Anyone found guilty will be fined \$2,000 or given two years' imprisonment.

BARRACK MEETINGS

Koji Murata announced that Barrack #18 has set up a government within the barrack, which meets once a week in their mess hall. Besides the House Manager, Chairman, Secretary and a women representative to ~~xxx~~ be appointed. He said that it was the desire of the barrack people to form same and has proved effective in spreading news, etc. to heads of families. It was suggested that all other house managers start similar organizations in order to prepare the public for the coming election, which is to take place in about 10 days. Regarding election, George Kondo asked whether or not a bulletin would be published ~~giving~~ giving duties of officers, etc. in order that qualified men can be nominated for different positions. Henry Takahashi reported that same will be published in ample time for study before election time. It was suggested that Mr. Lawson be invited to meet the house managers and explain set-up.

MESS

- 1 - Ration cards will be distributed to balance of mess halls this afternoon.
- 2 - Still 1,000 bottles short. It has finally been decided that



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of bottles  
owing to extreme shortage/in San Francisco, the milk company  
will only deliver as much bottles of milk as empty bottles  
returned.



Friday, May 22  
8:30 AM

MINUTES OF HOUSE MANAGERS' MEETING

BARRACK MEETING

Koji Murata reported that at the meeting of Barrack #18 last night it was decided that the house managers would act as chairman for the barrack and suggested that other house managers follow this recommendation.

POLICE

1. Due to stealing of lumber from the infield cannot be stopped, Kenji Fujii requested that a police replace deputies assigned to watch the lumber. Suggested that an announcement be made in the mess room to ask cooperation of the public.
2. The Police Dept. announced that each individual is to bring in all hatchets, axes and flashlights of all sizes for examination. However, this request not being official, to be held pending until thoroughly investigated by Mr. Speares.

LAUNDRY COMMITTEE

Thomas Okada asked the cooperation of the house managers to make a survey to find out how many sheets and pillow cases to be sent out per week to the laundry. The list to be submitted by Monday, May 24. The committee desire to present facts to Mr. Lawson as soon as possible. Approximate costs: Sheets ~~2~~ 4¢ and slips 3¢.

HOSPITAL

1. Dr. Hirota reported the third birth of a baby girl was born to Mrs. K. Ebiyasu.
2. Reported a small fire at the hospital, last night. Only minor damages to wall and ceiling.

MESS

1. Tad Fujita reported that the San Mateo County Board of Health made an investigation of Kitchen #2 yesterday and determined that stomach trouble and diarrhea was not caused by food poisoning and blamed the trouble on weather conditions.
2. Mr. Cooper again brought up the subject of shortage of empty milk bottles and it was decided that the house managers are to make a survey of living quarters for empty bottles at the same time laundry survey is made.
3. Mr. Cooper also mentioned that he read the report of the rice committee and while he appreciates the need for suitable utensils, he stated that the Administration has no authority to go ahead to make such purchases. However, he reported that if such pans could be gather at some central points, he would be more than glad



May 22

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to make some arrangements for a truck to pick them up from the outside and make whatever arrangements for the set-up of cooking rice at different kitchens where the pans will be used.

#### MAINTENANCE:

- 1 - John Towata reported that all lumber placed under barracks for storage must be removed and stored indoors; otherwise they will be taken away.
- 2 - Also complained that all debris, paper, etc., must be cleaned voluntarily by each barrack.

#### HOUSING

After the tenants who desire to move from Barrack 14 and bachelors from the grandstand have been taken care of, all matters pertaining to housing will be in the hands of Mr. Speares. Mr. Green will be in charge of personal service.

#### WAR RELOCATION WORK CORPS

Mr. Speares read a pamphlet entitled "THE WAR RELOCATION WORK CORPS" published by the War Relocation Authority in Washington, D.C., and requested that the house managers fully explain same to their tenants. Copies for distribution will be available tomorrow.

Meeting adjourned until 1:30 PM this afternoon.

1:30 PM

#### POLICE DEPARTMENT

- 1 - Mr. Speares reported that house managers are to disregard this morning's order regarding axes and flashlights until an official bulletin is issued by Mr. Lawson.
- 2 - James Hirano reported that effective 8:30 AM today, there was a rumor that the internal police has disbanded and policing to be done by the agents of the F.B.I. The Advisory Council to investigate this matter. The chair stressed that they ask for full explanation and also an opportunity be given to correct any wrong doings, (if any), before such drastic orders as above are given.



INSPECTION OF CAMP BY ARMY

Mr. Speares announced that tomorrow, Saturday, May 23, the army will make an inspection pertaining to housing as follows:

- 1 - Outside of buildings
- 2 - Showers
- 3 - Latrines
- 4 - Laundries
- 5 - Mess halls and ice box

It was decided that the regular house managers' meeting be held at 10:30 AM tomorrow morning instead of the regular time in order to give them time to clean their respective premises. The chair requested that everyone cooperate and do their best to make Tanforan No. 1 on the list.



Saturday, May 23  
10:30 AM

## MINUTES OF HOUSE MANAGERS' MEETING

### REPORT OF GENERAL CLEAN-UP

Every barrack manager reported that everyone cooperated in cleaning of premises, shower rooms, latrines and mess halls, except certain conditions which were beyond their control, such as stagnant water due to rainfall beneath certain buildings and also stagnant water in ditches due to lack of drainage system.

### CANTEEN

It was announced that the Canteen will recognize only coupons. Scrip book on sale for \$2.50. Cashing of travelers' check to be taken up by Mr. Speares. Mr. McDonald to be invited to house managers' meeting on Monday.

### FLAG RAISING CEREMONY

John Yoshino announced that in observance of the official opening of the Tanforan Assembly Center a flag raising ceremony will be held on Sunday, May 24, at Lake Tanforan at 2:30 PM. All residents are urged to attend since this is the first camp-wide affair at which they will actually be able to show loyalty to the flag.

### ABSENTEE BALLOT - SAN FRANCISCANS

Dr. Hirota announced through Yas Abiko that an election will be held in San Francisco on June 6 and that a letter is now being prepared addressed to the REGISTRAR asking for absentee ballot. He requested the cooperation of the house managers for distribution of these letters when ready to qualified voters.



Monday, May 25  
8:30 AM

## MINUTES OF HOUSE MANAGERS' MEETING

### REPORT OF CAPTAIN SPEARES

Inspection was made by army officials Saturday and a full report will be made known tomorrow. Kitchen #2 and area #2 made the best showing. Mr. Cooper was very pleased over it. A letter will be written to the house managers for their excellent cooperation in keeping the camp clean.

Mr. Lawson will go to Washington, D.C. and Mr. Davis will be the head of the camp until Mr. Lawson's return. Building 14 will not be evacuated today because of the rain, and the bachelors will have to wait until Building 14 is vacated.

All reports of leaky roofs will be handled through Mr. Estes's office.

### PROBLEM OF HANDLING PARCEL POST PACKAGES

Tom Suzuki had a meeting of his block and his people were unanimous in having the packages first inspected at the post office and then have them delivered to them. This was to speed up the delivery by the post office. Mr. Davis came and asked the house managers to get a written consent of all the heads of the families in their buildings to have their written signatures to have their packages inspected at the post office and delivered to their apartments. Those who refused to get give their consent and sign their signatures can come to the post office and claim their packages. Each house manager could have all the signatures signed on a sheet of paper. The purpose of this system is to speed up delivery of packages and to make it agreeable to the people. Proper identification slips or mail order slips should be presented to the post office when packages are not delivered because of lack of name or address. There will be two deliveries made daily.

### CASHING CHECKS

The Center Store cashier is authorized to cash checks. Personal checks will be taken under consignment. Government checks, Social Securities checks, ABC checks will be taken. In the case of COD packages the sendee should give the money to the mail orderlee or come to the post office and claim them. Mr. Davis reported that Mr. Thompson, the recreation head, had a purchase order from two



outside organizations.

James Hirano reported the lack of recreational and playground equipment. Therefore he suggested the idea of taking up a voluntary contribution from each person, 10 cents per each head, to buy the necessary equipment. This fund will be turned over to some responsible person and he will make a report of how the fund was used. Mr. Hirano said that if we waited for the funds to come from the Recreation Department, all the equipment will be worn out then. Captain Speares said that the necessary fund to buy the equipment has not come because the fighting forces have a priority. He will find out more about it and make a report later. Henry Takahashi reported that there are plenty of equipment that could be picked up ~~out~~ outside of this camp, and Mr. Thompson has a knowledge of it. A requisition has been already made. Captain Speares reported that the fund for the canteen is not handled by Mr. Lawson, but is handled by the San Francisco office. Mr. Lawson only provides the place for the canteen.

James Hirano reported that there is a broken sewer pipe near building #8 and 9.7.

#### COMMITTEE ON CANTEEN

James Hirano made a report for Hi Korematsu: The outline for the work of the canteen was to be brought up with Mr. Lawson. There is a need for another cash cooperative store. Captain Speares reported that according to Mr. McDonald prices of articles charged to him are at sales prices.

#### MESS AND HEALTH COMMITTEES

Henry Takahashi reported that there are several mess halls that do not feed sufficient meals and people go away hungry, especially the main mess hall and mess hall #16. Many people complained because they won't allowed to have second helpings. The young, growing boys need an adequate supply of food and especially for those working on the road gang.

#### REPORT OF MR. GREENE

He requests that all people who expect to have visitors should stay at home because runners are sent to notify them. He suggests that arrangements should be made beforehand as to the day and hour of the visitors coming into



this camp.

There is an oil heater being used in Mr. Greene's office and ~~th~~ if the Housing Department finds out that some person has an urgent need for it, the heater will be available.

REPORT OF MR. FOGARTY

In answer to Henry Takahashi's complaint about insufficient food, Mr. Fogarty remarked that some butchers were showing favoritism, which he must do away with, and because of the absence of the Japanese farmers there is a shortage of vegetables. He also said that all mess halls should offer food cafeteria style instead of family style.

The mess hall manager should sign the mess hall slips when he receives the food and state the exact amount. As bulk milk is less expensive, Mr. Fogarty is trying to decrease the bottle milk and increase bulk milk. Although 950 people should eat at the main mess hall, Tamotsu Sakai reported that 1383 people are eating there now.

It has been discovered that some kitchen chefs are stocking goods on the shelves which should be eaten. The kitchen managers will also be included in the House Managers' meeting tomorrow. Requisition for May and June has been filled out before Mr. Fogarty got here, and therefore he could do nothing but increase the supply. Visitors should not be admitted with special passes, and only colored cards should be honored. The kitchen in the hospital should be utilized.



Tuesday, May 26, 1942  
8:30 AM

MINUTES OF HOUSE MANAGERS' MEETING

HOSPITAL

Dr. Hirota announced that an information booth will be set up, probably between Buildings #1 and #4 for the convenience of the people.

The majority of the people will have been finished by May 30 but for the convenience of late comers, the date of inoculation will be extended as deemed necessary.

REPORT OF THE ADVISORY COUNCIL

Tad Fujita reported for the Council and the following matters were discussed with Mr. Davis:

- 1 - Sanitation problem - Contract has been closed to have faucets installed in latrines for washing bed pans and slop sinks outside of each mess hall for washing dishes.
- 2 - Service Departments - It has been decided that laundry, barber and beauticians services will be set up with Mr. Green in charge. Definite answers expected today. Beauticians must have the O.K. of the Health Department. The Laundry Committee is requested to meet with Mr. Davis directly after house managers' meeting this morning.
- 3 - Police Dept. - It was ascertained that Mr. Arnold is not responsible to the W.C.C.A. Administration nor has Mr. Lawson any jurisdiction over him. Mr. Arnold takes his orders from San Francisco. If there is a need, it was Mr. Lawson's suggestion that a Committee of Law and Order be formed.
- 4 - Roofing situation - There were 1,001 complaints filed yesterday and an emergency requisition was put out immediately for roof ~~material~~ repair materials.
- 5 - No action as to election - To be decided upon Mr. Lawson's return.

APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN FOR MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE

James Hirano announced that he was requested by the clergymen of the camp that a man be appointed among housemanagers to act as chairman for Memorial Day Services on either Saturday or Sunday, May 30 or 31, date to be announced shortly. The following were nominated: Dr. Carl Hirota, James Hirano and John Yoshino. James Hirano was unanimously elected as chairman.



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## MESS

Supplementing yesterday's report, Mr. Fogarty stated that he is working hard on a cooperative system between mess hall managers and house managers. Heretofore, individual complaints were brought to the direct attention of the house managers. This system is still to be in effect; however, house managers are to inform mess hall managers of these complaints. All food supplies issued are to be consumed on the designated days - there must be no hoarding on the part of the kitchen staff. Effective next month, menus will be put out for the entire week. Deliveries of food supplies will be made accordingly, but due consideration must be given as to full-filling of orders by consignees. He mentioned that due to lack of refrigerating space in individual kitchens, a butcher shop has been established and there is to be a uniform distribution of meat.

The question of uniform system of serving was brought up - whether family or cafeteria style be adopted. Mess Hall Managers #8 and #9 reported that it was the wish of the people that family style be used and it has proved quite successful in the opinion of the majority. Other mess hall managers are desirous of following same system but cannot due to lack of equipment. As it is necessary that a standard system be carried out, Mr. Speares will take the matter with Mr. Bose, Mess Consultant.

Mr. Fogarty mentioned that there is too much help in the kitchens and the staffs must be cut down and suggested that the staff work in shifts. Each kitchen help who handles food must have a health examination and these examinations will be given at the hospital between 9-11 AM and 1-3 PM this Tuesday and Thursday.

Thomas Okada brought up the question that the people of Pomona Assembly Center were receiving more than enough rations - why not Tanforan? Mr. Fogarty explained that this is due to the cost of living down ~~there~~ there is not as high as in San Francisco. Since the requisitions for May and June are already in, he can only ask for increase of supplies, but his requisition for July has been increased by 90% over the last two months.

Toby Ogawa reported that Chinese "Kamas" for cooking rice are available and asked where the responsibility should be placed after procuring same. It was decided that the Rice Committee get together with the Mess Hall Managers and contact Mr. Fogarty regarding this matter.

## LAUNDRY - IRON BOARDS NOW AVAILABLE

Mr. Speares reported that 32 folding iron boards will or already have been placed in each laundry and are not to be taken out of the laundries.

## POSTPONEMENT OF TOWN HALL MEETING

It was announced that the Town Hall Meeting, originally scheduled for



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Tuesday evening, has been postponed for Wednesday evening, May 27.

HANDLING OF PARCEL POST PACKAGES

Koji Murata suggested that qualified and competent people take charge of inspecting parcel post packages. The department requested that the list be turned in immediately for expediting deliveries of packages.



Wednesday, May 27,  
8:30 AM

MINUTES OF HOUSE MANAGERS' MEETING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Speares announced that Dr. Woelflen of the Medical Staff has been invited to meet the house managers on Thursday, May 28 and Mr. Arnold of the Police Dept. on Friday, May 29.

Mr. Speares announced that if arrangements made he will arrange to call for rice cooking pans on the outside.

The chair requested that house managers turn in immediately all property issue reports for inventory purpose.

MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

John Towata reported the following regarding clean-up:

Area 9	- Grounds will be cleaned up
Barracks	
7 & 10	- 20 boys now cutting grass
Barrack 8	- Filling road with gravel
Mess #16	- Filling premises with gravel
Mess #12	- Taking clay out and filling with gravel
Area 1	- Cutting grass
Mess #4	- Water puddles being checked and will be drained
Barrack #6	- Southend will be cleaned up

He also stressed that lumber stored under barracks must be moved immediately or the Maintenance Dept. will take them away.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT

Dr. Hirota announced the following two births at the San Mateo County Hospital:

Tuesday, May 26 - Baby boy, Tom Oiye, Jr. to Mrs.  
Mitoye Oiye

Wednesday, May 27 - 1:00 AM - Baby girl to Mrs. Haru  
Baba, 133-1

Both mothers and babies are reported doing well.

He also announced that Mrs. Matsuye Furusho, who was sent out from Tanforan Camp to the San Mateo County Hospital on May 18, passed away at 1:00 PM May 26. Mrs. Furusho, originally of Irvington or Centerville, had been ill for several years.

Typhoid injections and smallpox vaccinations are still being continued. Dr. Hirota stressed that those who have taken typhoid pills outside of camps must have injections in camp.



### INSPECTION OF PARCEL POST PACKAGES

More careful handling of packages was requested of the Postal Department. It was pointed out that there should be no need for rough handling.

### LAUNDRIES

It was reported that there was an explosion of boiler in Laundry #2 due to excessive pressure, but no damage. James Hirano suggested that a superintendent be appointed in each laundry in order to conserve hot water. Suggested that tables be placed in the laundries for convenience.

### CHECK ON RECORD PLAYERS

Henry Takahashi reported that his attention was called to the fact that radio turn tables or record players operated in camp can be heard on the outside and in order to eliminate any fear or suspicion of operating a transmitting station, it was suggested that the house managers tactfully explain to owners and ask their cooperation in stopping use of same immediately. House managers are to submit a count and make a report tomorrow morning.

### TOWN HALL MEETING

The Town Hall Meeting to be held tonight will be conducted as an open forum. Representatives from every department are to be present to give accomplishments and problems, and the house managers were requested to send a member. At this time, Toby Ogawa, stated that he is only acting as a temporary chairman and that a permanent chairman should be appointed. Kenji Fujii made a motion that Toby Ogawa be appointed as chairman of the housemanagers. The motion was seconded and carried. It was decided that Toby Ogawa, as chairman, is to represent the housemanagers at the Town Hall Meeting. Henry Tani, moderator, will act as chairman for the meeting.

### EQUIPMENTS FOR RECREATION AND EDUCATION

James Hirano suggested that a fund be raised for purchasing of equipment for the educational and recreational departments. Kenji Fujii suggested that representatives from these departments be invited to present the workings and their problems. Victor Abe reported that a bulletin will be issued to House Managers shortly by Mr. Kilpatrick, in charge of education.

### ELECTION COMMITTEE

Although the entire matter is still in the hands of Mr. Lawson who is away at present, Kenji Fujii suggested that an election committee be formed to make plans for the coming election. Also question was raised whether Isseis would be granted franchise, same as Nisseis. After much discussion pro and con, the following were suggested:



- 1 - That a mass meeting be held to those who are interested.
- 2 - That a qualified committee draw up plans.
- 3 - That the present Advisory Council draw up the plans.

It was unanimously decided that the Advisory Council are to draw definite plans for presentation to Mr. Lawson.

It was moved by Yasuo Abiko that it be recommended to the Advisory Council to limit members of the Advisory Council to American citizens and if necessary to have advisory council under representatives of precincts be anyone and that the age limit be left up to the discretion of the Advisory Council but definitely understood that anyone in camp is eligible to vote. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

It was further recommended by Thomas Okada that the powers and responsibilities of the Advisory Council be clearly defined, also to ascertain the extent of self-government to be permitted.

DATA REQUESTED BY CONGRESSMAN TOLAN

Chairman Toby Ogawa read the following which was brought to his attention:

"Memorandum for the Ass. Sec. of War - April 28, 1942  
Date requested by Congressman Tolan --

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4 An organizational structure to provide representation for the evacuees with the management has been established on the following basis: Each group of 300 to 400 evacuees is entitled to one representative of their own selection. These representatives will, in turn, select the council of not to exceed 5 members to deal with the management of the centers in working out the routine for the innumerable problems which come up daily.

5. The management staff is very limited in number and is responsible for the over-all direction of all phases of assembly and reception-center activities. The evacuees themselves are used to perform all phases of the work necessary in the operation of these centers. They perform all maintenance work and such additional construction as is necessary, all accounting and record keeping, do all the cooking and cleaning in connection with lodging and mess, staff the hospital and recreational programs and in



general they operate the centers under the direction and management of the administrative staff.

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8. The hospitalization and general health and sanitary facilities of these centers are under the technical direction of the U.S. Public Health Service. A fully equipped hospital has been provided in all Centers where local hospital facilities are inadequate to properly care for the evacuees.

9. A center exchange is being developed that will make available to the evacuees these incidental services compatible with health and sanitation, such as center canteen supplies for men, women and children, barber shops, beauty shops, shoe-repair shops; tailor shops, etc.

10. The food preparation for evacuees is based on menus which have been prepared by the best dietitians available. The food is simple and well-balanced and special diets are provided for young children and babies.

Very truly yours,

JL DE WITT

Lieut. Gen. United States Army,  
Commanding."



Thursday, May 28  
8:30 AM

## MINUTES OF HOUSE MANAGERS' MEETING

### MEDICAL

Mr. Speares introduced Mr. Woelfen, who is in charge of the medical center. He presented a short talk explaining his position, workings of the hospital and commended the present staff which, in his opinion, is composed of responsible and qualified people. A recommendation was made by the W.C.C.A. to establish an isolation ward to Dr. Gans of the San Mateo County Hospital but all recommendations must pass through many channels before action is taken. He mentioned that if the Army deems it necessary they will see to it that isolation ward will be erected. A diet kitchen will be set up under the jurisdiction of the hospital and this hospital kitchen will feed the staff as well as the patients requiring special diets. Only doctors and nurses are to receive special privileges. He mentioned that requisitions for necessary drugs will be made two weeks in advance and that the facilities of the San Mateo County Hospital are always available in case of emergency. The matter of more interior privacies in the hospital was brought up and Mr. Woelfen stated that he recognizes the inadequacies of the whole set-up and that he is doing his best to remedy them gradually. He asks for the confidence of the housemanagers and he will pledge all his energy, time and resourcefulness to bring about corrective measures that are desired within the scope of his authority for the welfare of the people in camp.

### POLICE DEPARTMENT

Mr. Speares announced that Mr. Arnold is no longer in charge of the Police Dept. and Mr. Estabrook has been appointed to take his place. Mr. Estabrook, who is an U.C. Graduate, passing with high honors in his class a few years ago, will appear at the meeting tomorrow morning. Since a new police force will be appointed, Mr. Speares mentioned that this would be an opportune time for the house managers to present suggestions or plans as ground work.

### TOWN HALL MEETING

Tad Fujita reported that Toby Ogawa, chairman of the house managers, made an impressive and comprehensive ~~report~~ talk at the Town Hall Meeting last evening and suggested a vote of thanks for his efforts.

### MATTRESSES

Mr. Speares announced that 60 tons of fresh straw has been ordered for refilling of ticks. To date 4,835 cotton mattresses and 3,115 straw ticks are in use. There are 160 cotton mattresses in the warehouse but these are being reserved for emergency cases or for those having doctor's orders.



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### MAINTENANCE

The maintenance crews are finishing clean-up of the grounds as reported yesterday.

John Towata reported that the maintenance crew, which numbers around 235 at present, are to have their noonday meal and supper at the main mess hall five times a week so that heavier meals may be served them. For Saturday lunch and dinner, they are to have their meals at their respective mess halls.

### JANITOR WORK ORDERS

Gary Sugawara requested that house managers contact janitors for latrines, and laundries in their district in order to expedite work orders. Also the house managers are to bring to the attention of the Housing Headquarters whenever janitors are not performing their work properly. It was also brought to the attention of the chair that supply rooms be made in convenient localities for the convenience of janitors.

### REPORT OF MESS COMMITTEE

Torao Ichiyasu, chairman of the mess committee, reported the following regarding the meeting with mess hall managers yesterday afternoon: Regarding shortage of milk, it was ascertained that the present supply calls for 2,400 bottles and 280 gallons of bulk milk, and suggested "spread" distribution. Dirty aprons must be returned at the main mess hall before clean ones will be issued to kitchen help. He reported there is a definite need for dishtowels to wipe silverware and it was suggested that empty flour sacks are available at the warehouse. As this committee is only a fact finding committee and as there is a mess hall managers group and in order to avoid duplication of work, Torao asked whether or not the present committee should continue. James Hirano made a motion that the mess committee continue and one member of this committee be represented in rotation at all times and sit in with the meeting of the mess hall managers. It was seconded and passed unanimously.

### LAUNDRY COMMITTEE

Thomas Okada reported on his meeting with Mr. Davis regarding the laundry matter. His recommendation was a central assembling and distribution point, giving contract to lowest bidder. However, he reported that Mr. Davis does not favor monopoly and suggested that contracts be distributed to as many laundries as possible. Owing to some misunderstanding, Mr. Speares is to talk the matter over with Mr. Davis for clarification.



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#### CHECK ON RECORD PLAYERS

All housemanagers whose tenants own record players are asked to remain after the meeting.

#### CANTEEN

Kenji Fujii reported that because of the Canteen hours, workers living in his district are unable to make purchases during their off hours. Asked that house managers make recommendation to the Canteen Dept. for extension until 6:00 PM and also to operate on Sundays. It was also suggested that perhaps candy can be sold in recreation halls on a cooperative basis. Henry Takahashi to look into this matter.

#### PARCEL POST

Mr. Davis admitted through Mr. Speares that parcel post was being carelessly handled and will be remedied immediately. If any contraband is taken, a receipt will be issued. It was also recommended that drivers contact housemanagers in order to facilitate deliveries of packages to tenants.

Thomas Suzuki reported that a tenant in his district reported confiscation of sugar, and would like to know where to report this matter. Mr. Speares will investigate.

#### PERSONAL AID BUREAU

It was announced that a Personal Aid Bureau has been established in camp to assist those who are unable to read and write English. Beginning Monday there will be a staff composed of Japan educated men, as well as men with legal education. Location: Mess Hall #3 - Office hours - 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM.



Friday, May 29  
8:30 AM

MINUTES OF HOUSE MANAGERS' MEETING

POLICE DEPT.

Mr. Speares introduced Mr. Estabrook, new Chief of Police, who has had 7 years' experience with the Berkeley Police Dept. Mr. Estabrook stated that he receives his order from and is directly responsible to Major Ashworth, not the Tanforan Administration. He realizes that there was considerable misunderstanding of the interior police and desires to make correction immediately. His duties are to see that law and order is maintained, inspect parcel post, and asks the cooperation and confidence of the people. He has no desire to regulate their lives. There are at present 13 patrolmen composed of Caucasians, 4 always on duty, 24 hours a day, and has the authority to increase it to 29 if necessary. His superior does not deem it advisable to have an auxiliary police; however, Victor Abe and James Hirano strongly stressed that as long as the people are to enjoy self-government, that the camp be given an opportunity to reorganize a civilian force of qualified and competent men to inform the department of the actual situation. Mr. Estabrook replied that he is in sympathy with the desires of the people and will endeavor to do his best along this line. He intends to:

- 1 - Recommend a formation of judiciary body composed of three civilians to hear minor cases.
- 2 - To issue a bulletin stipulating laws and regulations. All State and County laws are also to be enforced.
- 3 - To compile a list constituting contraband.
- 4 - In order to prevent further losses of large sums of money, he will recommend banking facilities be set up or that cashing of checks be limited to small amounts.

It was pointed out to Mr. Estabrook there are rumors that stool pigeons or undercover men are in camp and this point should be clarified. He stated that there are no F.B.I. men in camp to his knowledge and even if there were neither he nor the Administration would know of their presence. He will present all his recommendations to Major Ashworth and if he does not get any satisfactory action, he will try to get Major Ashworth down and arrange a meeting with the house managers so they may present their own views.

He added that the present force of 4 civilians are acting as guides only and Koji Murata requested that they be more courteous to visitors.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY MR. SPEARES

Mr. Speares made the following announcements:

MESS All people moving out of 14 and the grandstand are to have their meals in their original respective mess halls until the opening of Mess Hall #18 when new mess cards will be distributed.



- 2 - CANTEEN Answering Kenji Fujii's request of yesterday to extend hours of the canteen for the convenience of workers, Mr. Speares read an excerpt from Information Bulletin No. 9, which is self-explanatory:  

"Workers regularly assigned to perform work within these hours will be allowed time to make their necessary purchases upon request to their foremen or supervisors."
- 3 - HEATERS Any individual purchasing their own heaters will be supplied with kerosene.
- 4 - PERSONAL SERVICE Mr. Byron of the Federal Reserve Bank will be in camp every Monday, Wednesday and Friday to take care of any outside business for evacuees. He will give advices on all legal and monetary matters. He is also a notary public.
- 5 - CONFISCATION OF SUGAR Regarding Thomas Suzuki's query re confiscation of sugar yesterday, Mr. Speares reported that all late comers who received sugar ration cards outside are not entitled to have sugar sent in by their grocers since their allotment has been requisitioned for through the Army.

#### MAINTENANCE DEPT.

John Towata reported that areas around washrooms will be filled with gravel which will take about 6 days.

It was requested that the Maintenance Dept. ask Mr. Estes for replacement of electric globes to people using their own.

#### POST OFFICE

Kenji Fujii reported that the two Caucasian clerks in the post office are very discourteous to the evacuees, especially Isseis who cannot readily express themselves in English. He asked for correction. Mr. Speares will take this matter up with Mr. Davis.

Kenji Fujii also volunteered to make a more convenient slot in the post office for mailing letters, provided he can get authority from the postmaster to do so.

#### FOR "SUMO" ENTHUSIASTS

Those who are interested in "sumo" are requested to enroll at Recreation Hall No. 8. Tad Hikoyeda to be in charge.



MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE

Memorial Day Service will be held on Saturday, May 30, at Lake Tanforan with James Hirano acting as chairman. Since it is a campwide affair, everyone is urged to attend.

Since tomorrow has been declared a holiday, the next house-managers' meeting will be held on Monday, June 1.



Monday, June 1  
8:30 AM

MINUTES OF HOUSE MANAGERS' MEETING

REPORT OF OBSERVATION TOUR

Earle Yusa and Toby Ogawa made a tour of the camp to observe general conditions of latrines, grounds around barracks, garbage situations and found very conditions existing. The need for gravel is urgent in most localities. House managers are requested to immediately appoint janitors from their districts otherwise voluntary system of cleanup will have to be followed. On opening of new latrines, the need for janitors will be more acute. John Yamashita stated that people in his district are willing to work on 4 hours shift, however, Captain Speares request that a full time janitor be put on duty as much as possible.

POLICE DEPT.

Mr. Estabrook reported the following cases that was brought to his attention:

- 1 - There was a fracas between one of the guides and visitors.
- 2 - Canteen burglary.
- 3 - An attempt to attack a girl near Barrack #10.
- 4 - Gambling.

It was reported that there are many complaints against bachelors from families in Barrack #14. Mr. Estabrook brought the matter of resident patrol to this superior, but he was asked to leave this matter in its present state. Major Ashworth will make an effort to meet the house-managers in the very near future. In the meantime, Mr. Davis will announce a substitute suggestion or plan shortly. While Mr. Estabrook fully realizes the last patrol was not capable, in his opinion the best way to demonstrate ability to handle all immediate problems is to cooperate with the present situation. He mentioned that there seems to be a slight apprehension on the part of the people against his patrolmen, and it is up to the house managers to clarify to the people that the present of the patrolmen are for the welfare and safety of the people. Tamotsu Sakai asked for street lights. When rules and regulations are published, Victor Abe suggested that they be printed in Japanese also. Mr. Estabrook reported that curfew will be put into effect shortly for the protection of the people.

MR. LIVINGSTON

Captain Speares introduced Mr. Livingston who has been added to the Housing staff and he will be in charge of moving.

MAINTENANCE DEPT.

John Towata reported that men are cleaning up area around Mess Hall #6.



Mess Hall #11 put in a complaint that considerable ashes have been accumulated and the Maintenance Dept. will carry these ashes away if put in a pile. Tad Fujita reported that there is an immediate need for roof repairs in his building.

John Towata admitted that areas around mess halls, barracks and garbage cans are very dirty but not until the infield has first been fixed, will any work be done on the outside. He mentioned that Mess Halls #2 and 15 are the cleanest.

Koji Murata reported that the area between Barracks 18-19 has had no single dumping of gravel.

Toshi Kubokawa asked for white paint for painting of shower room windows. Mr. Speares will investigate and will report tomorrow morning.

#### FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

All house managers are requested to bring in a report of number of fire extinguishers in each building and recommendations. A qualified man has been asked to come in to demonstrate the operation of these extinguishers.

Toshio Suzuki reported that in his district extinguishers are placed inside every 2 apartments and at their mass meeting Saturday night, they recommended that these extinguishers be placed on the outside of buildings, tin cans filled with water placed in convenient places where meetings are being held, requested for demonstration, long hose for connection to fire plug which is readily available.

Captain Speares said that he will invite Mr. Beckner to speak to the house managers again.

#### HOSPITAL

Dr. Takahashi reported for the hospital staff and made the following reports:

Births: Mrs. John Minami 114-4  
Boy - 1 mo. premature - 3:30 AM  
Died at San Mateo County Hospital

Mrs. Mildred Davilla 55-2  
Girl - 7# 2 oz.  
8:35 AM - Born in camp

Mrs. David Tatsuno  
Boy - Rodney - 10:44 AM  
Born in camp

Mrs. Kimiye Yanagi  
Boy - 7:27 AM  
Born in camp



Mrs. Yoshi Hibino 13-2  
Boy - at San Mateo County Hospital

Mrs. Akiko Toriyama 148-10  
Boy - at San Mateo County Hospital

Mrs. Matsumoto 55-1  
Boy - Born in Camp

Deaths: Mr. Sakai, formerly of San Francisco, died  
on Saturday, May 30, at the San Mateo County  
Hospital.

Tad Fujita reported that he called a mass meeting of his barrack and the heads of families are satisfied with lodging and mess, but not with the hospital. Since the birth rate is increasing, they feel that the need of the medical staff is insufficient. Since there was no representative present, suggested that Tad Fujita bring this matter up again tomorrow.

At present there is only one dentist to handle 30 cases every day, which is inadequate. Koji Murata stated that doctors feel that they cannot afford to lose their reputation because of lack of drugs and supplies. James Hirano asked that if cooperation and confidence of the people are to be expected, house managers must make strong demands for the people. Kenji Fujii backed up his statement.

43 babies are expected this month and it was stressed that everything should be done to ease the minds of the expectant mothers. It was suggested that a medical committee of 3 house managers be set up to contact the medical staff; and the following were elected:

James Hirano, Koji Murata and Toby Ogawa

#### RELOCATION CENTERS

Tomate Sakai would like to know whether this is the proper time to bring up the matter of relocation centers. Shibutani reported that at the next Town Hall Meeting, Mr. Fryer, regional director, WRA, has been invited to speak. It was suggested that questions be compiled and the Advisory Council submit recommendations to Colonel Harrison, Messrs. Fryer and Eisenhower. It was also suggested that the W.R.A. pamphlets be translated into Japanese.

It was reported that 16 oz. bottle of Sol. Boric Acid from Switzer Pharmacy, Berkeley, which was brought in yesterday, is in reality poisonous and house managers are requested to make an immediate search for this bottle and turn it in to the Canteen.

Meeting adjourned until 1:30 PM today.



Tuesday, June 2  
8:30 AM

MINUTES OF HOUSE MANAGERS' MEETING

MAINTENANCE DEPT.

John Towata reported that 36 boys from the Maintenance Dept. will act as volunteer firemen and 5 boys will be sent to each drill to be held at the following hours every week:

Monday - 2:00 PM	Tuesday - 2:00 PM
Tuesday- 8:00 AM	Thursday- 8:00 AM

He also reported the following clean-up:

Morning:	Areas near Barracks 2-6	Cleaning up of wood pile.
	" " " 7-11	" " " "

All of infield

Working on gravel

Grandstand:

15 boys are cleaning up.

Afternoon: Picking up of garbage from the same details.

Thomas Suzuki put in a complaint that although requisitions for repairs of leaking troughs in L 26 has been filed some time ago, no action has been taken to date. Same also true of L 6.

FOR SUMO ENTHUSIASTS

Fred Koba announced that there will be a meeting for those interested in SUMO at Recreation #8 at 7:00 PM tonight. He asked for the cooperation of the housemanagers to have as many turnouts as possible.

MATTRESSES

Sat Fujinaga asked for mattresses for his tenants. Captain Speares stated that the 90 now in the warehouse are being held for emergency and orders of doctors. However, it was brought up that the hospital will no longer issue orders for mattresses - Capt. Speares to look into the matter.

POLICE DEPT.

The Advisory Council took the matter up with Mr. Davis, who reported that the Administration has no jurisdiction over the Interior Police. However, the Administration will set up a law enforcing body and members of the court will be appointed by the Advisory Committee. A Bulletin in this regard will be issued tomorrow.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

Tad Fujita desires to have a list of all people who are entitled to Unemployment Insurance as Mr. Davis will endeavor to get same for those



eligible. It was pointed out by Yasuo Abiko that if he is not successful, there is a lawyer in San Francisco who will put up a fight in court for American citizens and will charge a small sum only if he wins the case.

### SANITATION

Toby Ogawa read the following bulletin which was signed by Dr. Gans, Health Officer, San Mateo County:

#### "INSPECTION SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE ASSEMBLY CENTER SANITARY INSPECTORS

1. Supervision of sewage disposal (wash rooms, latrines, laundries, etc.
2. Garbage disposal (maintainance of storage and collection of the same.)
3. Food Control (Sanitation of kitchens, facilities, and utensils and all commissaries, milk supplies, food supplies, sanitation of mess halls, main dining room, inspection of food supplies and correct methods used in handling and preparing the same.
4. Inspection of housing facilities and grounds.

Inspectors are privileged to enter all premises between 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM for the purpose of obtaining facts and submitting reports and recommendations to the San Mateo County Health Director and the Assembly Administration.

Inspectors will be maintained in mess halls and kitchens during the preparing and serving of meals.

Inspectors will direct labor and squads engaged in sanitary work.

Inspectors will be identified by wearing arm bands inscribed "San Mateo County Public Health Sanitary Inspector, Tanforan Assembly Center."

Information regarding these activities can be obtained from Mr. Wolflen or Dr. Kondo at the Assembly Center Hospital Office."

After much discussion, it was decided that the medical committee contact Dr. Kondo on the following points:

1. Will the washrooms, latrines, laundries, etc. be maintained by the crew working under the supervision of the Sanitary Inspectors?
2. Inspectors should be qualified people.
3. Suggestions and recommendations regarding mess should be submitted to proper authority and not to the individuals.



4. Re housing:

- a. Mice in every barrack.
- b. Lack of linoleum, straw in lofts.

James Hirano suggested that Dr. Gans be invited to make his expressions, however it was decided advisable that the Sanitary Corp first be given the opportunity to render their services and Dr. Kondo, who is in charge of the Sanitary Corps, be invited to speak to the house managers. The Advisory Council reported that they were advised by Mr. Davis that a Caucasian M.D. has been appointed to reorganize the administration of the hospital.

SPECIAL DELIVERY SERVICE

There are two specific cases where special delivery letters took more than four days to reach its destination. It was pointed out that the local Post Office is closed on Saturday afternoons and all day Sunday. Tomate Sakai asked whether or not arrangements could be made to expedite deliveries of special delivery mail over the week-ends

Capt. Speares reported inspectors have been instructed to handle packages more carefully and that Mr. Davis will talk to the postal clerks personally and ask for more courtesy on their part. He also reported that he was asked by Mr. Davis to appoint an interpreter to work outside the window for the convenience of the people who cannot express themselves clearly, and he asked that house managers notify him of a qualified person.

MEETING TO DISCUSS RELOCATION

The chair reported Mr. Green announced that a meeting will be held in the grandstand at 10:00 AM this morning to discuss relocation.

ELECTION:

Henry Takahashi of the Advisory Council reported the following regarding election:

Nomination of candidates may be made by petition to be signed by a minimum of 50 eligible voters who are over 21 years of age. Qualifications of the candidates are that he must reside in his district, must have passed his 25th birthday and is a citizen of the United States.

system of petition  
The above/was agreed only after ascertaining that it is used in other camps and expedites the election.

He stated that Mr. Davis made an inference in this time that house managers are taking too much of an aggressive stand. Capt. Speares has also been told by Mr. Davis that housemanagers are overstepping their authority and that their duties are fully outlined in Information Bulletin #2.



Due to lack time, the following will be put on tomorrow's agenda:

1. Election
2. Suggestion of Soft Ball League -  
Tad Fujita
3. Laundry Report - Thomas Okada

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chief Beckner announced there will be a test made on the fire extinguishers at Barracks 73 and 14, at 2:00 PM this afternoon. Those interested are invited to be present.

Every Thursday morning, Chief Beckner will be present at the house managers' meeting to make reports, announcements, etc.



Wednesday, June 3, 1942  
8:30 AM

MINUTES OF HOUSE MANAGERS' MEETING

ACTION OF HOUSE MANAGERS

Toby Ogawa announced that the time has come for the house managers to formulate a policy. He stated that there was a slight hint from the Advisory Council that the house managers are overstepping their authority and the administration may have to curb their activities. The chair asked that house managers be more tactful in directing questions to representatives of the various departments. Their questions must be made directly to the point of the problem and no personal issue should be brought in. There must be a general understanding that they should not go around on their own volition to make demands, etc., but instead they should go through proper channels to make requests of their people whose interest they have at heart. He stressed that the house managers should not be recognized as agitators, rather that it should be the other way around - it is their duty to approach agitators and make them understand the circumstances. He stated that the house managers owe a vote of thanks to Capt. Speares who understands their position and has stood by them when confronted by the Administration. Capt. Speares reported that the following are existing in other camps:

No intercourse between divisions of a camp in Oregon.

Curfew at 9 o'clock.

No visitors allowed.

Articles cannot be sent for.

Capt. Speares said that he believed the reason why there were no such restrictions in this camp is because the administration has had the cooperation of the people. Therefore, he suggested that the house managers make requests through the proper channels, not demands.

ELECTION:

Toby Ogawa read the minutes of the Advisory Council's meeting with Mr. Davis ~~yesterday~~ on Monday.

Victor Abe and Kenji Fujii requested that if the people are to enjoy self-government and in order to educate the younger people the principles of democracy that voting age be set down to 18 years instead of 21. However, the Advisory Council decided that 21 is the age when they become of age and this is the age limit in other camps. John Yamashita stated this camp should be run by adults, therefore, voting privileges should be restricted to them. James Hirano requested that present manner of voting age be left as it is



and it was voted 33 to 11 that the voting age be set at 21 years.

Yasuo Abiko brought up the question that the population of the infield is greater than other precincts and therefore, entitled to greater representation, but Henry Takahashi stated that Mr. Lawson will not change his original plan of dividing precincts. It was voted by the house managers 25-13 that the house managers recommend to the Advisory Council that they take up with Mr. Lawson to change the present numerical population so that the number will be as equal as possible.

Since information cannot reach the people in time, it was decided unanimously that petitions for nomination of candidates be postponed until June 10 and election to be held on June 16. In order to avert any criticism later, it was decided that plenty of publicity must be given and the cooperation of the bulletin staff was solicited.

The election of house managers was also brought up at this time, but Capt. Speares said that there will be no change in the present system of appointing them until deemed necessary otherwise. Aki Moriwaki mentioned that the Advisory Council are to contact all divisions of the camp, not only the house managers. Henry Takahashi stated that the mechanism of the election will be set forth in the bulletin.

#### SANITATION:

Dr. Kondo, in charge of the Sanitary Corps, reported that the rules and regulations are set forth on the outside by Dr. Harrison of the Army. Assistants in the camps have had training and their only duties are to make inspections and recommendations. Due to an emergency, Dr. Kondo was called out of the meeting and would be glad to come in again to clarify the Sanitation Corps.

#### SOFT BALL LEAGUE

Tad Fujita ~~XXXX~~ reported that he was approached and requested that a house managers' baseball team be formed to join the industrial league, and that a representative be sent to meet with the group on Friday. It was decided that Tad Fujita will represent the managers.

#### LAUNDRY REPORT

Thomas Okada reported that he has received the following quotation from a laundry:

2½¢ - sheets  
1½¢ - pillow slips  
1¢ - towels

Collection and distribution will be in charge of Aki Moriwaki to



be handled by former laundrymen who are familiar with the work, to be put on the payroll. In all probability, the contract will be signed this weekend and collection will be made immediately thereafter. He also added that this laundry problem has been brought to the attention of the Army and they may pay for washing of sheets as one of the sanitary measures.

#### MATTER OF PETITION

Hi Korematsu requested that the canteen petition be submitted immediately. However unfortunately, 1 sheet was brought to the direct attention of the Administration which may cause a misunderstanding. Therefore, it was decided that the canteen petition is to be recalled and that hereafter all petitions should be presented for discussion before distribution. Capt. Speares will explain to Mr. Davis that the canteen petition was not passed with the knowledge of the housemanagers nor the Canteen Committee.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS BY CAPT. SPEARES

1. He announced that 1,100 coffee cups are shy.
2. Cooks will be allowed to move into district where they are working.
3. Dr. Fujita will speak to the house managers tomorrow morning regarding immunization of babies against dietheria.
4. All special delivery letters arriving at the San Bruno Post Office on Saturday afternoons and Sundays, will not be delivered until Monday morning.
5. Mr. Nomura has been appointed to succeed Koji Murata as housemanager of Barrack #18. Koji Murata moved into the infield due to the return of his father who has been ill.
6. It was suggested to Capt. Speares that Mr. Byron be invited to speak to the managers regarding personal aid service tomorrow if possible. Mr. Byron will be in camp on Tuesday and Thursday instead of Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

#### MAINTENANCE DEPT.

John Towata announced that all complaints must be filed through Housing Headquarters, not to Maintenance Dept.



Thursday, June 4, 1942  
8:30 AM

MINUTES OF HOUSE MANAGERS' MEETING

MAINTENANCE DEPT.

John Towata reported that self-adjusters are being placed in showers near Barracks #2; gravel between 4,5,6, to be put in and 15 boys are weeding in same district. He also commented that the premises around Mess Hall #17 has improved, Messes 2, 12 and 15 good and 10 and 11 are the dirtiest. Gravel work in the infield is in the completion stage and work has already commenced on the outside. Tad Yamada, mess manager of #7 requested wiring and lights to be set up over slop sink outside the mess hall. The Maintenance Dept. will remove all wood piles between Barracks #23-26 in order to make way for the scraper to go through.

MATTRESS

John Yamashita inquired whether his tenants will be given mattresses and Capt. Speares stated that the 90 mattresses have all been distributed and has no knowledge when more will be coming in. However, fresh straw will soon be available for refilling of ticks.

MR. DAVIS - NEW CAMP MANAGER

Capt. Speares announced that Mr. Frank Davis has been appointed Camp Manager of Tanforan Assembly Center, replacing Mr. Lawson who was only temporary manager.

FIRE DEPT.

Mr. Beckner, Chief of ~~Police~~ Fire Dept., reported that a fire drill was very successful and demonstration of extinguishers with old fluid worked very well. He believes small fires can be controlled with the limited facilities in camp and his only fear is in the case of dropping of incendiary bombs and can be checked by throwing sand, buckets to be placed in convenient locations. The red buckets are for the exclusive use of the fire department - if borrowed, they must be returned. There are 681 extinguishers distributed in various parts of the camp - in new 5-room barracks - Apt. 2 and 4 and in 10-apt. barracks - in Apt. 3 and 8 and also in barracks where heaters have been installed. Each of the 37 volunteer firemen and housemanagers are to have extinguishers. They will also be placed in recreation, and mess halls. Mas Narahara asked if the night shift crew could be doubled and Mr. Beckner would take the matter up. The two reasons why extinguishers could not be kept outside are:

- 1 - They may be tampered with.
- 2 - Sunlight will deteriorate the fluid.

Dave Saito stated that the people in his district are asking for a mass drill. A siren will be placed in Mess #14. All meetings, socials, etc. must be reported to the fire chief so that in the event of alert or blackout, warnings may be given.



#### POLICE DEPT.

Mr. Estabrook requested the cooperation of the house managers in telling their people that when a group is ordered to disband, as in the case of last night's alert, that they do so immediately.

#### ELECTION

Toby Ogawa read the draft of election bulletin prepared by the Advisory Council. Henry Takahashi suggested that the Advisory Council and House Managers of each precinct get together after the meeting to appoint an election chairman. He added that the numerical population cannot be changed. The House Managers recommended that provisions for recalls of Advisory Council be drawn up at this time.

#### PERSONAL AID SERVICE

Mr. Byron will be in the Administration Bldg. every Tuesday and Thursday to take care of any unfinished business on the outside, give advice re property and banking. Yasuo Abiko asked for a registrar to check ballots on Monday.

Answering Toby Ogawa's query, Mr. Byron stated that all evacuees are to enjoy all rights they had before they came with the exception that they cannot go out of the camp. He added that in all probability a banking facilitating will be set up by Federal Reserve Bank in a relocation centers, as in Manzanar at present.

#### CANTEEN

Hi Korematsu reported that the canteen committee made a recommendation that the matter of canteen be under the jurisdiction of Advisory Council. He stated at this time that there have been many unpleasant accusations against him and Toby Ogawa announced that if there are any personal attacks against house managers, they should be brought to him as chairman of the managers and Capt. Speares, and not to the individual.

#### LETTERS OF APPRECIATION

Tomate Sakai recommended that a letter of thanks be sent to Mr. Fogarty for the improvement of mess and Victor Abe recommended a vote of confidence to the Hospital. It was also suggested that a letter of congratulations be sent to Mr. Davis upon his new position.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS OF CAPT. SPEARES

House managers are requested to return all tools borrowed out of the tool boxes.

House managers are requested to check time on janitors and they must be on call 8 hours a day.



INTERPRETER AT POST OFFICE

Mr. Iyeki, newly appointed interpreter for the Post Office recommended that the house managers notify their tenants the following:

- 1 - Cannot purchase postage stamps with scrip coupons.
- 2 - In order to cash money orders, identification must be presented. Suggested drivers' license or alien registration card in case of alien.
- 3 - In order to expedite matters, suggested that money orders be filled out before presentation at window.
- 4 - Post Office will cash only Federal Government checks.



Friday, June 5, 1942  
8:30 AM

MINUTES OF HOUSE MANAGERS' MEETING

SOLICITING FUNDS

John Yoshino requested that a precedent must not be set by other districts to solicit funds for parties and tokens of appreciation. Tad Fujita stated that his people spontaneously decided to have a party for their kitchen staff. It was unanimously decided among house managers that parties be kept at a minimum.

CANTEEN - RECREATION - EDUCATION

Tomate Sakai brought up the question of canteen and Capt. Speares stated he was told by Mr. McDonald that as soon as sufficient funds are available from the sale at the canteen, the profit will go toward free scrip to be issued to heads of families. Due to need of supplies and equipment for recreational and educational purposes, it was recommended that the profits go towards purchasing of necessities for the two departments and that Messrs. Thompson and Kilpatrick, in charge of Recreation and Education respectively, be invited tomorrow morning to present their problems.

Capt. Speares announced that Mr. McDonald of the Canteen Division will talk to the House Managers 9:30 AM Monday, June 8.

PERSONAL AID

Hi Korematsu reported that the working crew want to call a strike due to lack of clothing and shoes, and since the people were promised replacements, something should be done for them. John Towata stated that Mr. Estes is going to take care of the matter for the boys.

Henry Taka hashi reported that due to priority, the Administration cannot get barbers' equipment and suggested that barbers get together and compile a list of their own equipment which are available to be recommended to Mr. Davis by the Advisory Council. It was decided to submit a list of cobblers at the same time.

SCHOOL FOR INTERMEDIATE GRADES

Toby Ogawa read the following announcement:

"SCHOOL FOR INTERMEDIATE GRADES, 4th, 5th and 6th will open on Thursday, June 4, at 8:45 AM. Please announce the division of geographical areas for classrooms as follows:

1. Bldg. 1-14, incl.  
Bldg. 151-180 incl. report to  
MESS HALL #5  
TEACHER: Miss S. Hikoyeda
2. Bldg. 15-26, inclusive report to  
BLDG. 104 IN THE INFIELD  
TEACHER: Miss M. Yamamoto



3. Building 27-92, incl. report to  
MESS HALL #13  
TEACHER: Miss F. Sugihara
4. Building 93-150 inclusive report to  
MESS HALL #14  
TEACHER: Miss E. Hosoi



Saturday, June 6, 1942  
8:30 AM

## MINUTES OF HOUSE MANAGERS' MEETING

### HOSPITAL

Victor Abe reported for the hospital: Monday and Wednesday, June 8 and 10, will be the last days for smallpox vaccinations and typhoid shots. Those who are ill and the aged are to notify the hospital immediately so that doctors may come to their apartments for shots.

Henry Takahashi announced that a 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ # baby boy was born to Mrs. S. Shigeo.

Also that Dr. Hirota has messages to convey to families from patients in the San Mateo County Hospital. He will be at the dental clinic during this morning and will be at 56-5 during the afternoon.

### RECREATION

Mr. Thompson stated that this center has the best physical facilities, the personnel is one of the finest, but so far the Federal Government has not made any purchases of equipments; all athletic goods are frozen. All equipments on hand has been donated by organizations and private individuals. He will not sanction a financial drive, rather his personal opinion is that donations should be reserved for the relocation center instead. However, if contributions are to be made, he suggested that they should be given through the house managers for the use of the recreation center in which the donor resides.

### EDUCATION

Mr. Kilpatrick briefly outlined the educational program of the Tanforan Assembly Center. The classes - 1st to 5th grades has commenced, and although it is not compulsory, suggested that as many children attend as possible. Art, music and first-aid classes have been opened. At present, he is working on Jr. High and High School program, registration to take place next week. All classes are conducted on an informal program, but in time formal program will be carried out. The Administration has no funds available to purchase books and supplies and all present supplies are donations through the efforts of Mr. Kilpatrick and Miss Hoshida, librarian of the center.

### MAINTENANCE

As John Towata has been made general foreman of the work crew, Bush Nakaso will represent the Maintenance Dept. hereafter. Mr. Nakaso reported that as soon as flood lights have been installed outside the front gates, street lights will be put in throughout the camp.

Starting next Monday, he asked that all requests for fuses to be placed on bulletin board outside each manager's door for the convenience of the electrical man on night duty from 4 pm to 11 pm every day.



W.R.A.

Toby Ogawa reported that a small group composed of Advisory Council, house managers and residents met with 5 W.R.A. officials yesterday regarding the relocation problem. It was decided that a survey be made regarding the abilities and adaptability of the people toward the industrial program as projects to be carried out in relocation centers, such as sewing, ceramics, handicraft, etc. The cooperation of the house managers was asked to select people in their barracks to offer their suggestions and opinions at the Town Hall Forum on Wednesday, June 10. It was decided that announcement will be made in mess halls tonight and survey will commence on Monday.

The meeting was adjourned until 2 PM this afternoon as it was getting very late.



Monday, June 8, 1942  
8:30 AM

MINUTES OF HOUSE MANAGERS' MEETING

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY CAPT. SPEARES

There are still 1,350 milk bottles shy and house managers are asked to strongly request the people to return them, otherwise there will be no milk delivered.

At 2:30 PM today, the fire siren will be tested.

MAINTENANCE

Butch Nakaso reported that:

1. Street lights in process of designing.
2. Flood lights in front gates now completed.
3. The reason for no hot water in shower rooms is because the fuse is taken out. People must be educated not to remove fuses.

Tad Fujita requested that a uniform sign be placed over new porcelain tubs in shower rooms that they are to be used for washing chambers only.

RELOCATION SURVEY

Toby Ogawa read the draft of survey prepared by Earle Yusa for suggestions and approval. Aki Moriwaki, in charge of the survey, will endeavor to get them ready for distribution tomorrow, Tuesday.

POSTALINTERPRETER

Mr. Iyeki wants to have Capt. Speares clarify to the postal clerks the purpose of his presence in the Post Office.

CANTEEN

Capt. Speares introduced Mr. McDonald in charge of the Canteen. He reported that due to more important matters requiring the immediate attention of the Administration, the canteen was set aside and was opened on an emergency basis. All efforts are being made to stock as many lines in quantities as possible. He stated that government regulations are that no purchase can be made for the government without competitive bids.

KOREMATSU: Does the government set prices of articles?

MCDONALD: Yes.

SAKAI: Does the profit revert back to this camp?

MCDONALD: No. It is transmitted to the U.S. Treasury immediately.



OGAWA: Are you afraid that if you got in all the goods, it won't be liquidated?

MCDONALD: I want to say that that hasn't come up for discussion under different stock to be brought in. My one thought has been for the comforts and needs of the people and I personally got on the telephone to expedite the necessity and travel of forms, to hurry everything.

ABE: Do you think the regional office will have any objection to formation of a cooperative store in this center?

MCDONALD: This camp is only temporary and under the control of the W.C.C.A. Personally, I don't think there is any bar putting the request through the Advisory Council.

HIRANO: Can you tell us the condition of the canteen in the military camp?

MCDONALD: No, sir.

HIRANO: Do you know?

MCDONALD: No, sir.

ABE: Can you tell us when the requisitions were sent in?

MCDONALD: No, I can't tell you.

FUJII: Can we see the requisitions?

MCDONALD: I don't see why you should see them. Why should I show ~~them~~ my papers if you will not take my word?

FUJINAGA: Can coupons be redeemed or are they good in relocation centers?

MCDONALD: No, they cannot be redeemed nor will <sup>they</sup> be honored in relocation centers since the Assembly Centers are operated by the W.C.C.A. and Relocation Centers run by the W.R.A.

TAKAHASHI: How many books have been sold?

MCDONALD: 3,100 books - approximately \$8,000.00

KOBAYASHI: When government supplies are awarded, can we be assured that quantities will be unlimited?

MCDONALD: The worders will be filled, but encumbrances will have to be made.



OGAWA: What do you think the main problem is?

MCDONALD: Time. I think time is the main problem.

Since Mr. McDonald's powers are limited, it was decided that the house managers take the policy to reveal the true facts to the people. Tad Fujita recommended since Mr. McDonald has no power, that the Canteen Committee compile a request ~~xxx~~ and submit same to Mr. Davis and to the Regional Office of the W.C.C.A. in San Francisco.

#### PERSONAL SERVICES

Tomate Sakai brought the attention to the chair that the attendant at the front gate is very discourteous to visitors and it may cause reflection on the Administration if this situation is not corrected immediately. Capt. Speares to contact Mr. Estabrook.

Thomas Okada reported that the laundry representative did not show up yesterday. Will report tomorrow.

A barber shop will be set up in Mess #19 shortly.



Tuesday, June 9, 1942  
8:30 AM

MINUTES OF HOUSE MANAGERS' MEETING

MAINTENANCE

Butch Nakaso requested that house managers contact the following electricians for any emergencies for fuses during the night:

Barracks 2-13	Omura	3-4	
	Matsuki	4-17	
" 13-26	Nishimoto	26-95	
	Onishi	26-64	
Infield	Nakazaki	174-4	
	Hayashida	171-4	
All other areas	Furuki	8-5	) Truckmen making rounds
	Sato	2-13	

He asked the cooperation of the house managers when the last two mentioned men come in to check fuses.

LAUNDRY

Thomas Okada reported that the laundry representative was here on Sunday but was unable to get in due to a misunderstanding. He has contacted by telephone and expects to receive a letter in a day or two.

"PACIFIC CITIZEN"

Dave Tatsuno requested through Min Isoye that the 200 copies of the "Pacific Citizen" be distributed to former San Francisco members of the League. They are requested to notify the headquarters in Salt Lake City their change of address.

CENSUS AND MOVING

House managers are asked to turn in census requested by Mr. Livingston immediately. They are also to notify their tenants that no moving can be made without his authorization and are to report changes, if any.

REGISTRATION FOR HIGH SCHOOL

Registration for high school classes will be held tomorrow, Tuesday, June 9, from 9 to 11, and 2 to 4 at the "Tanforan High School" (Mess Hall 19 in the infield nearest Tanforan Lake).

All prospective high school students are asked to register. Individuals who desire to teach may also register at the same time. Signed Frank E. Kilpatrick, Jr.



MONEY BELT LOST: If a silk money belt is found, kindly return same to Ken Yabe 5-30.

TOWN HALL MEETING

"Will you please re-announce to your house managers that they are to contact at least ten persons in their barracks concerning the Industrial Program of the W.R.A. for Wednesday nights Tanforan Town Hall.

It is absolutely important that some previous thought on this matter must be given before a successful program such as you have anticipated can be made possible.

Thank you for your cooperation. Signed Ernest S. Takahashi"

MESS COMMITTEE

Torao Ichiyasu requested that the Mess Committee remain after the meeting this morning.

SHORTAGES IN MESS HALLS

Mr. Cooper reported that an inventory of every item is now being taken and the following items are missing from the mess halls:

59 - 5	qt. aluminum pitchers
3,000	knives, forks and spoons
756	dinner plates
839	soup plates
75	aluminum bread trays

15% allowed for breakage. This matter will be called to the immediate attention of the mess managers. Toby Ogawa reported that the bottle situation is very bad. 100 bottles are shy every day. Suggested that each mess hall check all bottles issued. Originally 3,000 bottles ordered but the present supply is 2,200 daily. In order not to jeopardize kitchens working efficiently, it was suggested that all bottles be recalled immediately.

JAPANESE BULLETINS

Mr. Numajiri asked the cooperation of the house managers to see that Japanese translations of official bulletins are placed on bulletin boards for the convenience of the Isseis.



### ELECTION:

In answer to John Yoshino's question as to the manner of campaigning, it was decided that the same rules as on the outside will apply, i.e., no one can electioneer within 100 feet from the polls, etc. It should be confined to the district where he is running.

### HOSPITAL

Dr. Hirota reported:

- 1 - birth of a baby boy to Mrs. I. Uchima 16-16 yesterday.
- 2 - death of Mrs. T. Nakamoto 23-52 (formerly of San Francisco), who has been suffering from cancer for many months. This is the first death in camp.
- 3 - ~~reported~~ that the Yasumura boy who has oftentimes been rumored to be dead, is very much alive and has been removed to the Agnew Sanitarium, where he is better off.
- 4 - At present there are about 35 people in the San Mateo Community Hospital and he will be glad to take messages and necessities to them from friends and families. An information bureau has been set up near the hospital with Miss Morioka in charge, who will record all messages. Dr. Hirota makes his visits to the hospitals either Thursday or Friday every week.

### DAILY COUNT

Orders from Colonel DeWitt through Mr. Davis that a count, twice daily will be enforced in every camp; at Tanforan, once in the mess halls and again at 6:30 PM in barracks. The daily count will be in charge of Aki Moriwaki. It was decided that the following recommendations be made:

- 1 - House managers to be held responsible for the count and
- 2 - Under him barrack captains to be appointed.
- 3 - Uniform work sheets to be provided.
- 4 - Physical count to be made inside barracks.
- 5 - Mess and Hospital to make own count.
- 6 - Areas to have uniform regulations with the exception of the infield.



- 7 - As soon as count made, runners to be dispatched to Advisory Council in the precinct from a central point.

VISITORS

It was brought to the attention of the chair that visitors are not allowed on Monday. Advisory Council to look into the matter.

REGISTRATION - SUGAR BEET FIELDS

Mr. Sargent of the U.S.E.S. reported that on the strength of the very favorable reports from the 13 men who were sent to Idaho, he will register any additional workers who may be interested at the grandstand at 9:00 AM tomorrow, June 10.



Wednesday, June 10, 1942  
8:30 AM

MINUTES OF HOUSE MANAGERS' MEETING

MAINTENANCE

Butch Nakaso reported that the Printing Dept. will make signs to be placed over basins in latrines in English and Japanese. Messrs. Inouye, Iwao Shimisu and Fujita to prepare wording. He stated that windbreakers must be removed from barracks, especially Barrack 16. He has been asked by electricians to report tampering of fuse box in 90-5 and make correction immediately.

TOWN HALL MEETING

The chairman announced that house managers are to disregard yesterday's request for 10 people to direct questions to the chair as Mr. Ferguson of the Relocation Board has been procured to speak at the forum this evening at 7:00 PM. The following questions were drafted for presentation

1. Will you be able to join your family when relocation movement takes place and what is the procedure of uniting?
2. Will there be adequate funds to procure the necessary goods for evacuees in relocation areas in the future, that is, the appropriation of funds may be a political issue?
3. Will students be allowed to return to respective relocation centers after completion of course?
4. Will there be free correspondence with the outside world?
5. What economic system will prevail in the relocation areas - will individual enterprises be permitted?
6. How soon will these areas become self-sustaining? Will the people decide when they shall become self-sustaining or will the government decide the question?
7. Will we have self-policing?
8. Will agricultural people in Tanforan, which is 10%, be segregated from the group and be sent elsewhere?
9. Will the educational facilities be set up along the lines of the outside system?

Suggestion to be given to the forum chairman to make it clear this meeting is specifically for relocation program and has nothing to do with work corps.

The small pamphlet giving information regarding the relocation program will be available at 4:00 PM this afternoon for distribution to the people.



POLICE DEPT.

In answer to Tomate Sakai's complaint of yesterday regarding discourteous treatment of visitors, Mr. Estabrook stated that he will try to clarify and remedy the situation. It was strongly stressed to him, however, it is the desire of the people that this privilege not be taken away from them by putting too strong a protest on the part of the people. It was the unanimous opinion of the house managers that there should be no tipping allowed and Mr. Estabrook added that this ruling may stop soliciting of tips.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY CAPT. SPEARES

1. Condemnation of buildings in San Francisco ceased immediately as soon as it was ascertained that the buildings owned by Caucasians were in bad condition and those by Japanese were in good condition.
2. Mice problem will be taken care of immediately.
3. Regarding mattresses, either fresh straw or cotton mattresses will be available soon.
4. He was advised by Mr. Davis that every family will be given a free scrip book.
5. There is no restriction on the use of the Japanese language except telephone calls and meetings conducted in Japanese only.
6. Daily count - a head count is to be made at mess halls between 7-8 AM each morning. Persons not present at mess will be required to be in their abode until the captains have been able to count them. A count will be also made in the evening. Each house manager will be allowed one paid helper for each 30 persons, and they are to bring in the names of the helpers to tomorrow's meeting. These counts are mandatory and must be given in writing.

HOSPITAL

The chairman read the following letter signed by Dr. Fujita and Dr. Uyeyama, which is self-explanatory:

"Could I please ask your house managers for their help again. They did a swell job in getting the very accurate census of the children in our camp for the Diptheria immunization program. About 800 or more showed up but we still have about 250 who did not respond. Will you please have the house managers call on the houses which are not checked with either a "✓" or a "C". It is compulsory that each child be immunized and for those who have had toxoid at home or school before arriving at camp we are doing Schick tests this afternoon, Wednesday, 1-3 PM to see if the immunity is sufficient. The late stragglers for the Diptheria Toxoid we will do Friday afternoon 1-3 and since this will be the only day please impress the mothers of the importance of cooperating.



Every child must have been seen in this Diphtheria clinic and we would greatly appreciate the help of your managers. Could they please return these sheets to you tomorrow morning so that we can keep the records? Thank you all again for your courtesy."

Housemanagers are requested to comply with the request by tomorrow morning.

LOST MONEY BELT

The chair requested if there was any further information regarding the money belt lost by Ken Yabe yesterday. He requested the efforts of all to locate this belt as it included all his monetary possessions.



Thursday, June 11, 1942  
8:30 AM

MINUTES OF HOUSE MANAGERS' MEETING

POLICE DEPT.

Mr. Estabrook reported that 200 feet of electric wire and 200 glazed insulators were stolen from the electric shop. Toby Ogawa to look into the matter.

ELECTION:

It was unanimously decided among house managers and mess hall managers that political campaigning will not be allowed in mess halls and should be confined to precincts in which the nominee resides. Joe Sano, chairman of the election committee, stated that the ballots will be printed in English and Japanese; introduction of nominees will be made at the talent show tonight and that there will be an election parade on Monday night, June 15.

LAUNDRY

In answer to Thomas Suzuki's request for regulations be made for laundries, James Hirano read the rules and regulations set up by the House Managers in his district, which has proved satisfactory. It was suggested that the sign committee prepare uniform rules and regulations for all shower rooms and laundries. James Hirano was also put on the sign committee.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Toby Ogawa read the following announcement signed by Ernest S. Takahashi of the Educational Dept. "Please announce to all parents in your barrack that the first community-wide program of the Elementary Educational Department will take place in front of the flag pole in the infield this Friday morning, June 12 at 9:30 AM. All the children in the first six grades and their parents will gather to commemorate Flag Day.

There will be an introduction of the Director of Education and the faculty. A short program will follow with each schoolhouse participating. Please attend."

2. House managers to meet at the clubhouse at 2:30 PM today to receive instructions for the occupational survey.
3. John Yoshino reported that there is a movement by the Flower Market Association to have flowers sent in for observation of Flag Day and Fathers' Day. Further announcements will be made later.
4. There will be an ordination service for George Aki and Mas Aki and Mas Wakai, today at 3:00 PM at Mess Hall No. 14.



The house managers and the Housing Personnel are cordially invited to attend. Also open to the public.

5. Tad Fujita reported that there will be a baseball practice tomorrow at 6:30 PM and the first game will be held on Tuesday evening.
6. An announcement was made that \$250 worth of baseball and basket ball equipment has been received in camp.



Friday, June 12  
8:30 AM

MINUTES OF HOUSE MANAGERS' MEETING

VOLUNTEER BLOOD DONORS

Dr. Kondo requested the house managers solicit volunteer blood donors in camp. He stated that it should be arbitrarily known that the donor is in good physical condition and has not had an operation within the last month or so. Donors are requested to contact Mrs. Hasegawa of the Hospital Laboratory as to type. The drawing of the blood will be done at the San Mateo County Hospital.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. John Yoshino announced that classical music recitals will be held at the Tanforan Music Tavern every Saturday evening; Mr. Iwanaga in charge.
2. Toby Ogawa reported that he contacted Mr. Estabrook yesterday and exhibited a sample of the wire, porcelain insulators which were removed from the electric shop. Mr. Estabrook requests the cooperation of the house managers to be on the lookout for same.
3. House managers of Barrack 14 are requested to remain after the meeting.
4. Tad Fujita reported that he contacted Mr. Estabrook, who is still on the lookout for evidence.
5. There will be classes started in English conversation, reading and writing for Kibei and Isseis. Classes will be held at 9:30-11:30 AM and 2:30-4:30 PM daily at Mess #13.
6. All individuals must be immunized prior to relocation. Dr. Togasaki will personally visit sick persons to administer immunization. House managers are requested to turn in a list of these cases to Dr. Togasaki or Miss Margaret Saito at Hospital No. 3.

MESS

Mr. Fogarty announced that in the past mess hall managers and cooks have come into warehouse, but hereafter no one will be allowed to enter in order to avoid partiality. He asked for the sanction of the house managers to distribute choice meat to one-half of the camp one week alternately so that everyone will have a share. It was unanimously approved accordingly. Mr. Fogarty pointed out that he has stressed to mess managers ~~am~~ that all food distributed must be consumed on the day designated. Regarding misunderstanding of the Commissary personnel, he has made improvements, but does not see anything wrong personally. He desires to have proofs and facts before making accusations.



#### TOO MANY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tomate Sakai stated that lately announcements made in mess halls have been increasing and does not have the entire attention of the people, and recommended placing restriction. Tad Fujita suggested that an official announcer be appointed. Henry Takahashi recommended that this question be left up to the mess managers' discretion. It was generally decided that non-essential announcements would be weeded out and announcements be made at the discretion of mess hall managers.

#### SUPPLIES

Captain Speares reported he has received complaints from janitors that house managers are not supplying them with equipment and supplies, and asked their cooperation. Tomate Sakai requested house managers who came early and received their share of brooms to share them with the house managers in the infield who came later. Nobu Nishimoto is to take an inventory of brooms and make a report.

#### LAUNDRY AND CLEANING SERVICE

Thomas Okada reported that he received the following quotations:

5¢ for sheets  
3¢ for slips  
2¢ for towels  
1¢ for bath towels

Since Aki Moriwaki has been assigned other duties, Thomas Okada was requested to appoint an efficient man to take charge. Henry Takahashi reported that Mr. Davis sent out inquiries for bids but the price of 10¢ for sheets was decided out of the question. Thomas Okada is also to check into the dry cleaning service.

#### RELIEF PROBLEM

John Yoshino brought up the question of relief problem. Capt. Speares and Henry Takahashi stated that this question has been taken up by the Advisory Council with Mr. Davis and a Social Welfare Bureau will be set up shortly. However, if any action is to be taken up immediately, they stated that a list of names and their apparent needs must be submitted before presentation. John Yamashita suggested money grants. Capt. Speares offered his aid in making arrangements with the social welfare outside the camp if no immediate aid is given by the administration.



Saturday, June 13  
8:30 AM

MINUTES OF HOUSE MANAGERS' MEETING

FATHERS' DAY PROGRAM

John Yoshino requested the chair to appoint a committee to formulate plans for Fathers' Day on June 21. The following were appointed: Nishiyama, Nieda, Katayama, Frank Ogawa, Takeda, Henry Takahashi, Oishi and Korematsu.

BANKING FACILITIES

Captain Speares announced that the Bank of America will conduct business on every Wednesday morning from 9:00 - 12:00 AM. If condition justifies business hours will be increased. The following service charges will be made for cashing checks:

10¢ Up to \$25.00  
15¢ From \$25.00 to \$100  
25¢ Over \$100

Regular fees will be charged for issuance of cashier's check.

MR. IYEKI OF POST OFFICE

James Hirano was approached by Mr. Iyeki and requested that house managers notify their tenants that his services are available at the Post Office.

ELECTION

George Kondo stated that Isseis would like to have information on procedure of voting. Joe Sano reported that precinct chairman will have charge of rallies in their respective districts. Full voting instructions will be given to the Isseis; meal tickets to be means of identifications. Hiroshi Yamauchi asked that Joe Sano be present every morning to report on the progress.

SIGNS

Mr. Cooper announced through Capt. Speares that signs in laundries and latrines be modified, that is, there is to be no restrictions as to hours. Japanese signs are to be held pending for clarification by the Administration with the Army officials.

CHANGE OF NOON MESS HOURS

Victor Abe asked the chair whether noon mess hours could be changed so that high school students can get to classes by 1:00 PM or that schools hours be changed. Victor Abe has been appointed to contact Henry Tani regarding this matter.



RELIEF PROBLEM

Captain Speares reported that the W.P.A. have supplies and equipments to make 2,000 shoe repairs and the Administration has put in a requisition for them. He ascertained from Mr. Davis that the free scrip will be distributed as soon as all the coupons have been received so that every family will be taken care of at the same time. He also stated that requisitions for 200 pairs of shoes has been filed and will be distributed to members of the work crew. Toby Ogawa asked for a vote of thanks to Capt. Speares for his efforts.



Monday, June 15, 1942  
8:30 AM

MINUTES OF HOUSE MANAGERS' MEETING

VOLUNTEER BLOOD DONORS

In connection with Dr. Kondo's request for blood donors, Captain Speares reported that this request has the approval of Mr. Davis, Center Manager.

DAILY COUNT

Aki Moriwaki requested that house managers to ascertain whether appointed captains will be willing to work for \$4.00 per month, and also instructed them to fill out temporary forms of the daily count which is to commence Wednesday evening, June 17. Count will be made twice a day as follows:

Morning count: Captains to take head count at mess. Babies, invalids and the sick who do not go to mess are to hand in a written statement to the captains that they may make count in their apartments later. Captains to turn in report to house managers who will hand same to Housing Hdqtrs. at the time of their meeting.

Evening count: At 6:25 PM one blast of the siren will be blown which is a warning for all people to return to their barracks. At 6:30 PM captains will take count except mess, hospital, maintenance and fire department personnel, and turn in the reports to house managers, who will in turn send same to census taker.

A bulletin will be issued shortly.

Captain Speares stated that house managers who have over 200 people to take care of in their buildings may have an assistant, whose salary is \$12.00 per month.

ELECTION

Joe Sano, election chairman, reported that the election parade will start from Mess 3 at 7:00 PM tonight and will go through the camp ending in front of the Administration Bldg. He requested that the house managers impress upon the people that eligible women are also allowed to vote. Prof. Chiura Obata has volunteered to make the following precinct banners:

Precinct #1 - Yellow  
2 - Blue  
3 - Green  
4 - Red  
5 - "Dark Horse"

Joe Sano stated that all persons over 25 years of age are eligible for "write-in" candidates. Regarding limitations of candidates to Nisseis,



Henry Takahashi stated that Mr. Davis decided same as it was so decided at all other assembly centers, and requested the election chairman that the residents be informed accordingly. Captain Speares added at the Administration had nothing to do with the issue, and that the orders came directly from Colonel DeWitt.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

The chairman read a letter from John Yoshino, in charge of Public Relations, announcing Father's Day program to be held on Sunday, June 21, Dr. Henry Takahashi to act as chairman, Ben Oishi as chairman of ushers and Hi Korematsu and Sam Narahara to be in charge of decorations and buttoniers. There will be two speakers, one young man and one young lady and two musical numbers.

Victor Abe contacted Henry Tani who stated that the high school hours could not be changes; therefore, arrangements must be made with individual mess halls.

Tad Fujita announced the baseball schedule. See bulletin board.

James Hirano asked the Advisory Council to ask the Administration for information regarding relocation. Captain Speares stated that the Administration has no information regarding same.



# *Election day for council*

Tuesday, June 16, 1942  
8:30 AM

## MINUTES OF HOUSE MANAGERS' MEETING

### CLEANING OF LATRINES

The chairman read the following letter from H.L. Thompson, Director of Recreation:

There are two latrines that the Pre-School Play Centers are using in the morning. I wonder if you could have your clean-up man clean-up these up other than the hours between 9 and 11 a.m. They are the ladies' latrine next to Recreation Center No. 3 and the one next to Barracks 24 and 25.

Thank you very much for all you may do for us in this matter."

The house managers affected were asked to take note of the above.

### BASEBALL

Tad Fujita reminded the house managers that there will be a baseball game between the mess managers and house managers.

### DAILY COUNT

Aki Moriwaki announced that the daily count will commence tomorrow evening, June 17.

### KARUTA KAI

The chairman announced that there will be a "Karuta Kai" for ladies tomorrow afternoon from 2:30 PM at Recreation 5.



Wednesday, June 17, 1942  
8:30 AM

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

George Kondo reported that the House Managers' Team AA barely won 13-12 against the Mess Managers yesterday evening. The A Team lost by default.

Capt. Speares announced:

- A - The Bank of America representative will open office this morning from 9-11 AM at the counter under the southeast corner of the Grand Stand to take care of all banking business.
- B - All cotton mattresses must be covered with covers and requested house managers to make exact count so that covers can be distributed as soon as possible.
- C - He has received official notice that he is to speak on Father's Day Program on Sunday, June 21.
- D - Mr. Easterbrook phoned in to report that Jack Mizuhara 166-7, 17 years old, the boy who threw a rock at the sentry, has been taken into custody. Credit is to be given to James Hirano for his good piece of detective work. The house managers were asked discourage residents not to be familiar with sentries.

### ELECTION

The chairman read the following letter addressed to house managers from Yoshio Katayama:

"There seems to be a misunderstanding as to what was said in a campaign speech in District I.

To those of you who have misinterpreted my speech, I want to offer my sincere and humble apologies.

Your job is the most thankless and most trying of any here at Tanforan. Everyone has only the highest respect and regards for your kind assistance and your constant and untiring efforts.

Since the past month, my office has been cooperating with your people on many difficult personal and business problems. I hope we may continue to assist your people.

Please accept this as an apology and may our cordial relations be continued."

Tomato Sakai protested that a certain candidate who is a house manager included in his campaign speech that in his opinion house managers are not qualified to carry on the work and should be elected. The chairman requested that Thomas Suzuki be sent for to clarify his stand in order to straighten out the misunderstanding among house managers. Thomas Suzuki stated that he did not question the qualification of the house



managers but that in his speech he advocated that house managers be elected by the people so that they will have expression on the matter. James Hirano stressed that house managers must have a united front. John Yoshino suggested that the new Advisory Council be invited to meet the house managers so that they can pledge them their cooperation and support. Toby Ogawa stated that he was disappointed to note that Isseis were more interested in the election than the Niseis and if they made that much representation at rallies, they could easily sway votes and house managers' position would be taken over by the Isseis and then there would be no unity between the Niseis and the Isseis. Tomato Sakai pointed out to Thomas Suzuki that it was the policy of the house managers that all problems brought up in the meetings should be confined to house managers only. It was decided that this group has no authority to discuss the ~~election~~ election procedure and that the house managers will be ~~an unified group~~ a unified group. Victor Abe voiced his opinion that the Isseis are still disgruntled and recommended that house managers should take the stand of informing people of the true facts in order to cure their attitude. Tomato Sakai stated that the misunderstanding is due to the lack of information and recommended that the problem be presented to the new Advisory Council as soon as they take office next week. Yasuo Abiko stated that all news could be disseminated through the aid of newly appointed house captains. The general opinion was that the Isseis want to express their opinions and are entitled to it. The chairman suggested that since John Yoshino is in charge of public relations that he could take steps to eradicate this misunderstanding. Dave Saito asked whether it would be possible to discuss it at the Town Hall Meeting. Toby Ogawa stressed that citizens must do everything to protect their franchise, but while in camp the Nisei and Issei problems are one. It was suggested to postpone discussion but Victor Abe wanted to bring up this matter now because he is of the opinion that house managers are too complacent about the matter. It was decided that this problem be brought to the immediate attention of the new chairman of the house managers to take up with the new Advisory Council.

#### ELECTRICAL PROBLEM

Anthony Sato, an electrician, reported that if another transformer is blown out tonight, a curfew will be enforced. He asked the cooperation of the house managers to impress upon the tenants the seriousness of using electrical appliances in the apartments. James Hirano suggested that they be stored for the time being in order to educate the people. John Yamashita recommended that house managers collect stoves and return them whenever the people wanted to use them in laundries. Tad Fujita recommended that before drastic steps are taken that a bulletin be issued to notify the residents of the many leniencies at this center. He pointed out that in other centers, no fresh food is allowed to be sent in. Anthony Sato requested that the house managers inform all people to wrap their stoves and that his crew will come around to seal them. It was decided for today that Capt. Spears would take up the matter of curfew with the Administration and report tomorrow.



### SHORTAGE OF MILK BOTTLES

The chairman read the following letter addressed to house managers signed by Mr. Fogarty:

"The following is the report of milk bottles as returned by the various kitchens of this Center relative to the request made by this Division some ten days ago for the week from June 10 to June 16, inclusive:

No. 2 Kitchen	Shortage	None
7 "	"	8
8 "	"	None
9 "	"	74
10 "	"	80
11 "	"	21
12 "	"	None
13 "	"	"
16 "	"	"
17 "	"	"
18 "	"	11

It is respectfully requested that the House Managers in the area of Kitchen Nos. 7, 9, 10, 11 and 18 again impress upon their residents the necessity of returning these bottles.

Thanking you for the cooperation you have given relative to this matter, I am - - "

The above designated house managers were requested to act accordingly.

### DANCES IN LAUNDRIES

Anthony Sato requested to stop gathering of young people and dancing in laundries. House Managers are requested to discourage them and if they cannot cope with the situation, the matter will be turned over to the interior police. Bill Kato suggested that the Recreation Dept. be approached in order that they may remedy the situation by giving warning. It was recommended that an announcement be made in the mess hall. Due to time was getting short and more pressing matters to be discussed, this problem was to be put on tomorrow's agenda.

### DAILY COUNT

Aki Moriwaki explained the procedure of filling out the daily count forms to commence this evening.

### ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN OF HOUSE MANAGERS

Due to his election as councilman, Toby Ogawa asked for nomination of chairman to take his place. The following were nominated and Tad Fujita was elected chairman:



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Tad Fujita	25	Votes	John Yoshino	2	Votes
James Mirano	13	"	Tomate Sakai	1	"
Victor Abe	3	"	Kenji Fujii	1	"

Total: 45 Votes

A vote of thanks was given to Toby Ogawa who immediately turned over the chairmanship to Tad Fujita

#### PERSONAL AID SERVICE

Tomate Sakai reported that he learned that at Pomona the Administration is allowing people to go to town to buy shoes and asked if such arrangements could be made here in Tanforan. Butch Nakase reported that the Maintenance Dept. has orders to make a barber chair and wants to know the name of barber who made a swivel chair so that it can be copied.

Thomas Okada reported that the laundry committee presented their plan to Mr. Green who was not infavor with it. Mr. Green was called in and he reported the following:

- 1 - A barber shop will be opened in Mess 19 as soon as facilities are set up. Due to difficulties in getting equipments, the men will be asked to use their own.
- 2 - Bids for laundry services and dry cleaning have been sent out. He is asking for discount and that the residents be charged the net amount.
- 3 - In connection with shoe repairs, he had nothing to say at present because he has no information. He stated that there was a possibility of obtaining some equipment through the W.P.A.
- 4 - In answer to John Yamashita's query, Mr. Green stated that he knows that there is a need for a social service bureau and they are working on the matter at the present time. However, he could give no assurance of aid until he gets more information. He said "you can be assured that the Administration is doing everything they can to get everything that is needed here."



Thursday, June 18, 1942  
9:00 AM

MINUTES OF HOUSE MANAGERS' MEETING

ELECTRICAL PROBLEM

Capt. Speares has not as yet contacted the Administration regarding curfew and will report tomorrow. Tomate Sakai requested that the electricians submit a report to the house managers' meeting whenever there are blowing out of fuses and transformers so that a check can be made as to districts of occurrences. Anthony Sato said that he would comply with this request.

DANCING IN LAUNDRIES

It was learned that dancing is going on in laundries 2, 3 and 6 almost every night. George Kondo suggested that if this matter cannot be controlled, it should be turned over to the Internal Police. It was recommended that prohibition of dancing in laundries be incorporated in the rules and regulations to be set up by the Administration for laundries.

INVITATION TO NEW ADVISORY COUNCIL

It was decided to send a formal invitation to the newly elected Advisory Council to attend house managers meeting every morning. Later, Toby Ogawa introduced the following councilmen:

- Precinct 1 - Toby Ogawa  
2 - Mr. Iiyama  
3 - Mr. Frank Yamasaki  
4 - Mr. Kozakura  
5 - Vernon Ichisaka

Capt. Speares and Tad Fujita welcomed the group and pledged the support and cooperation of the house managers; Vernon Ichisaka responded on behalf of the group. Thomas Suzuki, on behalf of the retiring council thanked the house managers for their cooperation in the past and pledged their support to the new council.

John Yoshino, in charge of Public Relations, stated that the <sup>new</sup> above/council men will be inducted officially at a service to be held on Tuesday, June 23, at 10:00 AM. He also added that on Friday, June 26, there will be a mass meeting and the Advisory Council will be invited to speak to clarify misunderstandings between the Isseis and Niseis.

FIRE DEPT.

Bill Nakahara announced that there will be a fire drill at 2:00 PM today to test whether or not volunteer firemen are on the alert. A bulletin will be issued shortly to house managers giving signals as to districts.

In case of a fire, he asked the cooperation of house managers to take care of traffic.



He added that telephones are accessible in case of fire at the following points:

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| 1 - South Gate       | 5 - Hospital             |
| 2 - Music Tavern     | 6 - Recreation #2        |
| 3 - East Gate        | 7 - Housing Headquarters |
| 4 - Corporation Yard |                          |

#### FATHERS' DAY PROGRAM

Ben Oishi repeated his request that the house managers submit a list of all men over 75 years of age and also stated that he is looking for the youngest father in camp. Tad Hirota and Kiyoko Kazai will speak, Cecilia Miyamoto will render a musical selection and Captain Speares will be the main speaker. It was suggested that this program and all similar affairs be held in the grandstand.

#### HANDLING OF PACKAGES

Victor Abe asked for correction on handling of packages brought in to residents by friends. Thomas Okada asked if arrangements could be made whereby the people receive them direct from the visitors. Nobu Nishimoto pointed out that they are volunteer workers and suggested that it may be remedied by placing responsible worker in charge. Capt. Speares to look into the matter.

#### OCCUPATIONAL SURVEY

Earle Yusa announced that the survey may be extended until next Tuesday as they are not being filled out properly and corrections have to be made.

#### MESS

Toby Ogawa announced that he was just informed of a misunderstanding between the Commissary and Mess #15, and suggested that the affected house managers look into the matter immediately. Torao Ichiyasu, chairman of the mess committee, asked Toshiro Kubokawa and Hi Korematsu to explain the situation that was prevalent a few days ago in detail.

James Hirano suggested and Tomate Sakai collaborated that if man in charge cannot control the situation he should be replaced by a more qualified man. After much discussion, Torao Ichiyasu asked that the matter be dropped as far as the house managers as a whole were concerned and that it be thrashed out by only those affected. He said that the mess committee would get the facts and present them to the mess hall managers meeting this afternoon.

James Hirano gave an interesting account in detail of how the boy, who threw a rock at a sentry, was taken into custody.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 AM.



Friday, June 19, 1942  
8:30 AM

MINUTES OF HOUSE MANAGERS' MEETING

MESS

Torao Ichiyasu reported that the misunderstanding in Mess #15 has been clarified and corrected. Mr. Fogarty has issued an order that it will be the duty of the Commissary to deliver supplies to the mess halls and once it has been checked and signed for by a responsible party, the Commissary will be relieved of its responsibilities. It will be the duty of the responsible party to see that the supplies are taken into the mess. In order to protect themselves, the Commissary requested that only mess managers be sent to ask for supplies. If he is unable to go, he is to send a responsible party with a written statement.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY CAPT. SPEARES

- 1 - Checked with Mr. Estes and ascertained that if every there will be confiscation of electric appliances and curfew enforced, the residence will be given ample notice officially. The electricians merely took it upon themselves to try to correct further blowing out of transformers and fuses.
- 2 - Maintenance Dept. will come around to take down all single signs in Japanese. Where signs are translations of rules and regulations in English, they will be permitted.
- 3 - Ascertained from Mr. Easterbrook that in most cases the people are not at home to receive packages and they are left with neighbors. Also that dispatchers have been instructed to handle packages more carefully.
- 4 - Telephones cannot be installed in the infield due to lines are only available outside the tracks.
- 5 - The boy who threw a rock at the sentry was given verbal chastisement by Mr. Easterbrook and because he was thoroughly scared, he did not need any further punishment.

DAILY COUNT

Aki Moriwaki asked that house managers tell their captain to indicate in their daily count the number of mess where mess people are working, and asked that house managers supervise the workings of the daily count. Forms may be able this afternoon and will be distributed to house managers at mess.



NEW BUSINESS

James Hirano requested that now that roads have been fixed, trucks are driving very fast and wanted correction for the safety of the people. Toshb Suzuki added that he was approached by the Recreation Dept. also to correct this matter. House managers are instructed to report any such occurrences noting license number, name of party if possible, etc.

James Hirano suggested that the entire track be watered due to the very strong wind raising dust. Capt. Speares mentioned that the water bill per month is \$4,800.00

George Kondo put in a complaint that the service charges of the Bank of America is out of line.



Saturday, June 20, 1942  
8:30 AM

MINUTES OF HOUSE MANAGERS' MEETING

VOLUNTEER BLOOD DONORS

Tad Fujita reported that he was approached by Dr. Kondo who stated that to date he has not registered any donors for the blood bank. He would like to have at least 50 names submitted by Wednesday and on Thursday, July 2, the drawing will be made at the San Mateo Community Hospital.

COMFORTS FOR RESIDENTS

Tomate Sakai read excerpts from bulletins issued at Pinedale and Sacramento Assembly Centers in which was stated that carpenters have received orders to make furnitures for residents, laundry services established, 3 bottles of milk were being distributed daily to all children over 16 years of age. Since the people were promised some when they first registered here, he asked that the new Advisory Council follow up the matter with the Administration.

DAILY COUNT

Aki Moriwaki announced that forms for daily count will be available for distribution by 10:00 AM this morning.

MOVING:

In order to find a vacancy for five nurses who are on the night shift and must sleep during the day, Capt. Speares has been ordered to make some changes in order to accommodate them. He explained the reason why single men were asked to move was because in his estimation moving single men is easier than moving families. When it was learned that handicapped people lived there, it was straighten out and they were permitted to remain.

FATHER'S DAY PROGRAM

Ben Gishi requested the House Managers to invite all fathers to attend the Father's Day service tomorrow at Lake Tanforan from 2:30 PM.

RELOCATION

James Hirano asked whether there was any information regarding relocation as his people are quite anxious to know. Capt. Speares answered negatively and added that farmers are being sent to Tule to make preparations. In this connection, Earle Yusa reported that in his findings from the occupational survey completed to date, he learns that the percentage of the farmers in Tanforan was less than expected. The largest percentages were made up of office workers and seamstresses.



### JAPANESE SIGNS

Capt. Speares checked with Mr. Beck that only sign where they were put up only in Japanese were to be taken down. There is no definite ruling on Japanese books as yet.

### REPORT OF ADVISORY COUNCIL

Toby Ogawa reported that the old and the new Advisory Council met last night to draft by-laws and constitution, and the main topic was what part the house managers should play. It was deemed inadvisable to elect house managers and decided that they should be left intact as there would be disorganization in camp. In order to give the Isseis an opportunity to express their opinions, since they are not eligible to hold office, it was decided by the Advisory Council to form an Advisory Committee to be elected by the people in respective precincts - one representative for each 150 people and they will be responsible only to the Advisory Council. The house managers would be a separate group which is responsible to the Administration, i.e., Capt. Speares. The qualification of member of Advisory Committee is that he must be 21 years of age and over. Victor Abe expressed his opinion that duties of the Advisory Committee would be a duplication of the house managers. Tomate Sakai asked that before the Advisory Committee is elected and before they can exercise the power to have the house managers elected, he asked for an expression from each house manager whether they are of the opinion that house managers should be elected or not so that they may put up a unified front. At this juncture, Toby Ogawa stressed that the main points of argument were that the Isseis have no channel by which they can voice their views and that the house managers are overstepping their authority. James Hirano stressed and Tad Fujita added that now is the time for house managers to take inventory of themselves to find out whether or not they are qualified to continue their work. Roll call was taken and expressions were made as follows:

Tad Fujita: He believes he is satisfactorily taking care of the wants of his people.

Masaru Nakao: He had political problems in the mess hall from a Mr. Kawaguchi.

Hayaji Oda: His troubles are misunderstanding of supplies, which have been corrected by assigning work to the people grumbling.

Victor Abe: Asked that his expressions be postponed.

Hi Korematsu: He was blamed for moving. Reason for his passing out toilet tissue to individuals was because it was the desire of the people, to which he desired to comply with.

George Kondo: A few of the people are not satisfied with him. These people are the trouble makers in his barrack - fuses are always blowing out - complaining about mess - in other words, he cannot get cooperation from them. However, he is getting 100% cooperation from the others.



Capt. Speares: Where the people are not law abiding, suggest that these people be brought to the attention of the Advisory Council.

Toby Ogawa: If they are brought to the attention of the Advisory Council, these problems will be taken care of. He welcomes any constructive suggestions in setting a judiciary body to take care of Japanese problems.

John Yamashita: He is not satisfied with the services that he can't give, such as brooms, etc.

Yuzen Shimizu: His only grievance is lack of supplies.

Hitoshi Katayama: 95% okay.

Hiroshi Yamauchi: Plays no favoritism and feels that 99% of his people are with him.

Bill Takeda: At election time a few of the families were supporting the opposite party. Before that, he was having trouble with cotton mattresses.

Dave Saito: All complaints received are made by an outsider but he listens to them on the grounds that they are being made for the interest and welfare of his people.

Thomas Okada: He told his people that he would try to do his best to help them and has received no complaints.

Shigeru Hieda: All satisfied except mattress situation. People are complaining because the Buddhist group are chanting all day long and asked for correction. *7 Buh*

Sam Narahara: Has been on the job only 10 days.

Sat Fujinaga: All okay until the moving problem came up.

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All/house managers are satisfied and believe their people are satisfied with them.

It was pointed out that if house managers are not performing their duties satisfactorily, the people are to bring in their complaints to Capt. Speares.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT

Ben Oishi announced that the mess committee are to notify respective mess managers to contact Mr. Oshima for flowers in mess halls. They were reminded to set aside flowers for buttoniers for Father's Day services.



Monday, June 22, 1942  
8:30 AM

## MINUTES OF HOUSE MANAGERS' MEETING

### HOUSE MANAGERS

Continuing the discussion regarding the qualifications of house managers on Saturday, Hiroshi Yamauchi suggested that a standing committee be formulated to investigate their status with the people and to ascertain whether they are fulfilling their duties. Nobu Nishimoto stated that Jiro Hirano, who is replacing Mas Wakai, will be available to the house managers and recommended that he make the necessary contacts.

In this connection, Tad Fujita added that there is some trouble in the infield regarding moving which affects a number of people and Sat Fujinaga reported that these people refuse to move. Capt. Spears stated that no moves will be made today.

### PACKAGES FOR RESIDENTS

James Hirano brought up a complaint from one of his tenants that salted peanuts, fresh apricots and bananas were missing from the packages delivered from the main gate yesterday. Kenji Fujii recommended that some sort of receipt system be installed to correct the situation. Bill Takeda added that one of his tenants complained that a wire was stuck through their cakes. These complaints were turned over to Mr. Easterbrook for investigation.

Capt. Easterbrook mentioned that the boys at the front gate are doing a good job. Packages received after 4:00 PM yesterday are now being delivered. Mr. Easterbrook asked for the cooperation of the house managers and asked them to meet at 8:00 AM tomorrow morning, the purpose for this meeting to be revealed then.

### DAILY COUNT

Thomas Okada stated that he was approached by the mess manager in his district to change the time of head count from 6:30 to 6:45 PM. Since this was a situation which was peculiar to his district only, it was decided that it should be remedied with the mess manager.

### OCCUPATIONAL SURVEY

Earle Yusa requested that the survey must be completed and turned in by 5:00 PM tomorrow for compilation.

### PERSONAL SERVICES

Min Iscoe asked whether laundry, shoe repairing and barber shop services have been set up. All these are in the hands of Mr. Green at present.



#### MATRESSES

Dave Saito asked whether or not it is permissible for some of his tenants to purchase their own mattresses, since no cotton mattresses are available in camp.

#### ADVISORY COUNCIL

Toby Ogawa stated that although the new Advisory Council has not as yet been formally inducted, they met unofficially Saturday evening for discussion and gave hearings to interested groups who desired to express their own views. He brought up this matter at the present time as he desired no apprehension about this meeting on the part of the house managers. The new Advisory Council is meeting directly after the house managers meeting this morning to formulate community organizations and Toby Ogawa invited all who were interested to attend.



Wednesday, June 24, 1942  
8:30 AM

MINUTES OF HOUSE MANAGERS' MEETING

MESS

Mr. Fogarty announced that effective July 1, the Army has ordered delivery of 1/2 pint bottles of milk will be discontinued and will be replaced by quart bottles. This order was brought about from a health standpoint because it was learned that children were drinking directly out of the bottles. He asked the cooperation of the house managers to notify residents that children, invalids and mothers receiving milk are to bring their own containers, i.e., cups or glasses, as no bottles are to be taken out from the mess. Sanitary paper cups will be provided for children attending pre-schools and nurseries.

He also stated that 3 Army engineers will take over the kitchens in turn during this week for repairs and due to the fact that they cannot deliver drinks hot enough from the main mess, he is endeavoring to substitute milk during these few days. Tomate Sakai asked whether or not babies' milk quota will be increased and Mr. Fogarty replied that from July 1 they should be getting more milk but reminded that there is a shortage on the outside; same true of coffee and tea.

He added that he is now looking for a man who has had experience in the shipping business to take charge of the meat situation so that each mess will receive uniform portions.

He concluded by stating he expects to receive some ideas regarding food from the older generation and having no knowledge of Japanese food, would like to have the opinion of the younger people and the Advisory Council.

SEARCH FOR CONTRABAND

Mr. Easterbrook thanked the house managers for their cooperation during the search yesterday. He stated that lots of books, tools and knives were collected and he will submit a list of the items to Mr. Davis, who will decide what items can be returned to residents.

Thomas Suzuki complained that there was no uniformity in the search. Knives belonging to cooks will be returned; screw drivers, blunt saws and alcohol in small quantities will be returned to owners, Mr. Easterbrook added.

He also remarked that his men reported that they did not run into any opposition, which showed the splendid attitude of the people to cooperate and should be complemented.



APPRECIATION TO JOHN TAKEUCHI

A vote of thanks was given to John Takeuchi for his work of art, water coloring of Mess 7, which was presented to the Housing Headquarters.

MATRESSES

Capt. Speares announced that 60 tons of fresh straw has arrived and will most probably be issued tomorrow. Residents will be instructed to dump old straw and refill their own ticks.

As the Induction Ceremony is to be held at 10:00 AM, the meeting was adjourned at 9:45 AM.



Thursday  
June 25, 1942  
8:30 AM

### MINUTES OF HOUSE MANAGERS' MEETING

#### RETURN OF VARIOUS ARTICLES

Capt. Speares announced that bibles, text books, hammers, blunt saws, paring knives, tools, etc., with the exception of key hole saws, axes, and hatchets, that were taken up during the search for contrabands will be returned to the residents through house managers.

#### REPRESENTATIVE TO "TOTALIZER"

The chairman stated that he was approached by Charles Kikuchi of the "Totalizer" staff if it would be in order for his department to get a copy of the minutes of the house managers' meeting so that they might select and publish items of general interest. It was decided that minutes are not to go out of the headquarters but will be available to anyone interested there. John Yoshino made a motion that Victor Abe be appointed to represent the house managers on the "TOTALIZER" staff and motion was unanimously carried.

#### RECORDS OF IMMUNIZATION

At the request of Dr. Togasaki, Thomas Okada announced that a number of the immunization certificates issued on the outside before coming to camp are not in and asked that the house managers check with their tenants to turn in their records as soon as possible. A complete list is expected to be compiled in two weeks.

#### MATTRESSES

Since it was a wet day, it was decided to leave the matter of distributing straw until tomorrow. There are only 710 clean ticks and will be distributed as far as it will go around. The procedure is to be worked out by Nobu Nishimoto and presented tomorrow morning.

Nobu Nishimoto requested the house managers to set aside Monday to take a new and complete inventory and explained the procedure of filling out property receipt forms.

#### JAPANESE AT SANTA ANITA TAKEN INTO CUSTODY

Capt. Speares read a release received by Yasuo Abiko from the W.C.C.A. signed by General DeWitt in which was stated that 6 aliens and 5 Japanese Americans in the Santa Anita Assembly Center were taken into custody. The charge made against them was that a secret meeting was conducted in the Japanese language, without a secretary, and no minutes were kept. The Federal authorities will appeal before hearing boards for the purpose of determining whether they shall be interned for the duration of the war.

Capt. Speares counseled the house managers that it is their duty to keep the morale of the people so that similar occurrence may be precluded here. Hi Korematsu recommended to the Advisory Council that it may



clarify the language restriction if an official bulletin was issued in Japanese for the benefit of the older people.

Tad Fujita reiterated by stating that it is up to the house managers to boost the spirits of this camp, instill in the minds of the people the situation, disseminate good news and clarify rumors for the good of the people.

Victor Abe requested the Advisory Council to inquire whether there will be an interpreter at Town Hall meetings. The policy of the forum is that all meetings will be conducted in English. The Advisory Council will contact Mr. Davis and get a ruling on this matter.

Capt. Speares announced that any rules and regulations to be put up in mess halls, latrines, shower rooms, laundries, etc., must be presented through Capt. Speares to the Administration for censorship. All prepared speeches must be okayed; extemporaneous speeches are not out of order.

Hiroshi Yemauchi suggested that an Army translator be made available in this camp to expedite censorship, but it was not deemed feasible. Tomate Sakai suggested a meeting of all heads of family be held for clarification, but it was the general opinion that precinct meetings could take the place of such meetings.

Henry Kobayashi suggested that discussion be dropped until there is a clarification of the Japanese language.

#### INFORMATION BULLETIN NO. 17

Capt. Speares read the following bulletin, which is self-explanatory:

"I. GENERAL It has been brought to our attention by the Western Defense Command and Fourth Army, Civil Affairs Division, that evacuees in many cases have not advised their banks as to their present addresses, thereby creating somewhat of a problem with respect to the forwarding of statements and conduct of other business between the individual evacuee and his bank.

II. NOTIFICATION In order to correct this condition it is requested that evacuees immediately correspond with their respective banks to inform the bank of their current address and any future change of address should be immediately communicated to their bank so that their normal banking business may be carried on."

#### SEWING LESSONS

Torao Ichiyasu announced that in his barracks, there is a former sewing instructor willing to give lessons free of charge and would like to have a classroom. It was recommended that this matter should be taken up through Mr. Kilpatrick of the Education Department.



LAUNDRY SERVICE

Yasuo Abiko made the inquiry regarding laundry service. Thomas Okada stated that this is already in the hands of Mr. Green who has appointed Mr. S. Iwai, 84-4, to take charge. He is to be invited in tomorrow morning to report to what extent laundry service has been set up.

FREE SCRIP

Tomate Sakai asked whether free scrip books are available as other camps have received theirs. Toby Ogawa reported that Mr. Davis said they were in.



Friday, June 26, 1942  
8:30 AM

### MINUTES OF HOUSE MANAGERS' MEETING

#### MASS MEETING

Rev. Shimada announced that the first camp meeting will be held at the Grandstand tonight at 7:30 PM; topic: "OUR MORAL RESPONSIBILITY"; Toby Ogawa, chairman, Mr. Easterbrook, the main speaker, with musical selections by June Ezaki, pianist, and Cecilia Miyamoto, violinist. Asked that announcement be made at mess.

#### INTRODUCTION OF MR. SHIBATA

The chairman introduced Mr. Shiro Shibata, successor to Hiroshi Korematsu, who is going into the educational field.

#### DAILY COUNT

Capt. Speares reported that Sabe Moriwaki has been called down by the Administration for the inaccuracies of the count. He stressed that it is the responsibility of the house managers to see to it that the house captains are to make actual counts of only people they see, and make notation of the missing individuals. They are to instruct the people to remain in their barracks until notified by the house captains that they are free to go.

At the same time, Capt. Speares announced that the Administration will not be responsible for articles that are missing from packages that are brought in to camp by friends; the dispatchers are purely voluntary, cakes must be punctured with either a wire or knife and suggested that for correction that handling be in the hands of the older people who are responsible. Toby Ogawa elaborated by stating that the Administration said that it is a lot of trouble and bother to them, and if such complaints of pilfering are continued, they will put a stop to it altogether. Toby Ogawa felt that if the house managers could be responsible by employing capable Issha people, investigate thoroughly with the cooperation of Mr. Easterbrook, it will boost the morale of the people. He suggested that a committee be formed to study and control the situation. Hiroshi Korematsu made a motion and it was seconded that a fact finding committee be formed, with regard to delivery of gifts and packages from the outside to the residents. The motion was unanimously carried. The following committee of three were appointed: Messrs. Inouye, Kanehara and Tom Yamashita.

#### LAUNDRY

Mr. S. Iwai reported that Mr. Green is working out details at present and that facilities are ready just as soon as bids are in, that it will be carried on a cash and carry basis, net price, assembly point near



the Canteen. He mentioned that the present bids are as follows which seemed to be out of line:

	<u>SHEETS</u>	<u>DRY CLEANING</u>
BID #1	10¢	\$1.25
#2	5¢	.85

#### SHOES

Capt. Speares reported that Mr. Estes put in a requisition for 200 pairs of shoes two weeks ago and has just received notice that it has been disapproved by the Army. A letter has been written requesting acquisition of machinery and leather to repair 2,000 shoes.

#### MATTRESSES

Nobu Nishimoto announced the following schedule of straw to be distributed:

Group I - Bldgs. 2-26	Friday afternoon
Group II- " 27-102	Friday afternoon and Saturday morning
Group III- " 103-180	Saturday morning

Old hay is to be dumped in pile directly north of Barrack 26 as directed by the Fire Dept. Each individual to refill ticks with new hay. Clean tick covers will be issued in exchange for soiled or torn covers as far as it goes around. Asked for the cooperation of the house managers.

#### HOSPITAL REPRESENTATIVE

Thomas Okada brought up the following for discussion:

1. Who is going to take the place of Dr. Carl Hirota about calling on the San Mateo Hospital and Canyon Sanatorium.
2. What plan can be suggested for continuing to have families call on sick people in outside hospitals.

Since there is a shortage in the medical staff, the hospital wants to have the house managers take care of the situation. Thomas Okada stressed that this medical representative is the only contact the families have with the outside hospitals, and if the people take an indifferent attitude, the privilege may be taken away from them. Tad Fujita is to look into the matter and report.