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MONTHLY REPORT OF POSTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL - UNIT I

Month Ending October 31, 1942

Project: Colorado River War
Relocation

I. ORDINANCES ADOPTED THIS MONTH: (none)

II. RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED THIS MONTH:

1. That the building of the crematory on the hospital premises be stopped immediately and a more satisfactory site be chosen. (Action taken, October 7, 1942)
2. That immediate action be taken to remedy the delay in the issuance of the pay roll. (Action taken October 14, 1942)
3. That immediate action be taken to expedite installation of heaters, partitions, and screens to the residents. (Action taken October 14, 1942)
4. That a Personal Service Bureau in the Community Enterprise be established to supply the demands for domestic workers to be set up under the following regulations: employees will receive WRA wages; employers will pay the prevailing "outside" wages for such workers; the difference will be deposited in the "evacuee trust fund" for disposition as the Council sees fit. (Action taken, October 7--sent October 17, 1942)

III. OTHER ACTIONS TAKEN BY COMMUNITY COUNCIL:

A. Major:

1. To Project Director: recommended 90 day extension of the election of the Co-op representatives scheduled for October 15, 1942, to permit the residents to study the Co-op movement further so that they will be in a position to understand what they are voting for. (Action taken, October 7--sent October 12, 1942)
2. To Project Director: recommended that workers who accept "outside" private employment and commute from camp to place of work each day, such as the cotton workers, shall receive the maximum WRA wage of \$19, the difference between the prevailing wages earned and the WRA wage going into an "evacuee trust fund." (Joint action of the Council of Unit I, II, III on October 12, 1942)

3. A step toward the creation of a permanent government was taken when the first meeting of the Reorganization Commission composed of representatives of Unit I, II, and III was held October 9, 1942, and work on the draft of the Constitution was begun. A subsequent meeting of the Unit I representatives of the Commission was held on October 22 to work over the draft.
 4. A Board of Trustees of the "Evacuee Trust Fund" was created by the Council with the Council Chairman, Block Managers' Supervisor and the Chairman of the Issei Advisory Board elected temporarily to serve in that capacity. (Action taken, October 14, 1942)
 5. The recent actions of the Postal Department in confiscating lamps, etc. was strongly protested by the Council. (Action taken October 14--sent, October 15, 1942)
 6. The Council accepted the recommendations of the Housing Committee of the Council that screens, flooring, partition materials, etc. be distributed immediately by the Project. (Action taken October 2, 1942)
 7. The Work Projects Committee of the Council began to take definite steps toward the establishment of a Fair Practice Committee.
- B. Minor:
8. Three new councilmen (filling vacancies left when two members of the Council departed on work furloughs and a third joined the Sociological Research, a non-political organization) were sworn in. (October 7, 1942)
 9. The 36 Issei Advisory representatives to the Council (elected September 28, 1942) were sworn in. (October 7, 1942)
 10. The Council recommended to Project Director that a time signal device be installed in the community for the purpose of synchronizing the time-pieces.
 11. Because of the growing number of victims of dog-bites, the Council recommended the Law and Order Committee of the Council to add a section in the Poston Code of Offenses on the control of domestic pets. (Action taken, October 14, 1942--no action taken to date)
 12. To Project Director: To prevent individuals from becoming involved in the complications arising from

- private enterprise the Council recommended that instead of using private P. A. systems on a rental basis as suggested by the Community Activities Department of the Administration, the Project purchase these P. A. systems. (Action taken October 14, 1942--sent, October 15, 1942)
13. To Project Director: recommended that the sewing machines stored in the Project warehouse be distributed to the various blocks for block use. (Action taken, October 14, 1942--sent, October 15, 1942)
 14. The Issei Advisors elected its officers at its meeting on October 15, 1942.
 15. A private enterprise case involving a Unit I resident and the residents of Unit III referred to the Unit I Council by the Unit III Council was again referred back to the Unit III Council with the suggestion that they take it up directly with the Administration, inasmuch as only the residents of Unit III are mainly involved. (Action taken October 21--sent October 22, 1942)
 16. Because of the fact that residents have a limited income, also because funeral expenses are borne by the Project, the Issei Advisors to the Council went on record to discourage the practice of "koden" in camp--a Japanese custom of giving monetary gifts at funerals to the family of the deceased to help defray funeral costs. (October)
 17. To Project Director and Postmaster: recommendation for the immediate delivery of "special delivery" mail to the residents. (Sent, October 21, 1942)
 18. To Project and Assistant Project Director: recommendation that the delivery of telegrams be expedited. (Sent October 21, 1942)
 19. Two new councilmen (elected October 20 to fill vacancies left by two members of the Council who left on work furloughs) were sworn in. (October 28, 1942)
 20. The Council recommended to the Transportation Department that drivers of motor vehicles drive with care for the safety of school children. (Action taken, October 28, 1942--sent October 29, 1942)
 21. To Project Director: recommended a public announcement from his office in regard to the availability of screens, heaters, etc. (Action taken, October 28--sent, October 29, 1942)

ELECTIONS HELD THIS MONTH AND PURPOSE:

1. October 20, 1942 (in two blocks only)--to fill vacancies in the Council left by the resignations of two of its members who left on work furloughs.

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1. To Acting Project Director: that the two evacuee residents held in the community jail, without charges having been filed, be released immediately. (Action taken and resolution sent on November 18, 1942)

III. OTHER ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE COUNCIL:

1. The Council approved the proposal of the Issei Advisors to the Council that they be permitted to hold their meetings a day previous to the regular Council meetings, instead of a day after as they had been doing in the past, so that they might be in a position to advise the Council in making its decision on any matter. (Action taken on November 4, 1942)
2. To Project Director: recommending that schools in Unit I be centralized as in Unit II and III rather than to leave the classrooms scattered throughout the community as it is at the present time; but this school centralization should be done with the least amount of dislocation of the residents of the community. (Action taken Nov. 11--sent Nov. 13, 1942)
3. To Project Director: recommendation that a paid executive secretary be hired to assist the Councilmen in their committee work. (Action taken, November 11--sent, November 13, 1942)
4. To Project Director: recommendations by the Housing Committee of the Council that heaters, partition and insulation materials, screens, water-pipes on each end of the barracks (instead of only on one end), cement flooring (instead of wood as it is at the present time) under the kitchen stoves should be distributed and installed immediately. (Sent November 14, 1942)

5. To Project Director: recommendation by the Housing Committee of the Council that vacant buildings in Unit II and/or Unit III be moved down to Unit I for use as school classrooms. (Sent, November 14, 1942)
6. Work on the draft of the Constitution was continued as a result of a subsequent meeting of the Reorganization Commission of the representatives of the three units on November 6, 1942 at which time a small group from the Commission was appointed to set the Constitution up in its final form. This group held a meeting on November 12 for that purpose.
7. During the month of November the Work Projects Committee of the Council completed in setting up a Fair Practice Board composed of seven members, covering every phase of work in the community, and a paid chairman of the Board.
8. The Council and the Issei Advisory Board resigned en masse because its demand for the immediate release of the two evacuee residents held on suspicion of assault and battery of another resident evacuee was rejected by the Acting Project Director. (Action taken, November 18, 1942)

(To be filed last day of each Month)

PART I (CM)

Month Ending October, 1942

PROJECT Colorado River War Relocation

COMMUNITY SELF-GOVERNMENT:

2. Arbitration Commission:

Number cases filed this mo. None Settled None Pending None

Comment: (types of cases, etc.) Not organized.

3. Judicial Commission

<u>Types of Cases Handled</u>	<u>No. of Acquittals</u>	<u>No. of Convictions</u>	<u>Types of Penalties</u>
<u>Traffic</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>Probation</u>
<u>Private Enterprises</u>	<u>1</u>		<u>(1 continued)</u>
<u>Molesting Children</u>			<u>Referred to Mr. Head</u>
<u>Malicious Mischief</u>		<u>1</u>	
<u>Violating Probation</u>		<u>2</u>	

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PART I (CM)

Month Ending October, 1942

PROJECT Colorado River War Relocation

INTERNAL SECURITY:

Fires:

Date & Time	Location	Cause	Estimated Damage
October 1, 1942			
2:25 p.m.	Hospital Kitchen	Overheated chimney	\$ 3.00
October 1, 1942			
11:18 a.m.	Block 309	Soot Sparks	2.00
October 2, 1942			
10:25 p.m.	H. and Block 18	Rubbish	none
October 5, 1942			
7:40 p.m.	Across Blk. 216 & 209	Rubbish	none
October 5, 1942			
8:20 p.m.	E. of Blk. 223	Rubbish	none
October 5, 1942			
11:30 p.m.	Block 225	Rubbish	none
October 8, 1942			
7:45 p.m.	Block 211	Rubbish	none
October 11, 1942			
11:00 a.m.	Block 12	Overheated stove	3.00
October 12, 1942			
1:00 p.m.	Block 12	Overheated stove	none
October 12, 1942			
2:47 p.m.	1/2 m. S. Camp 3 highway on e. of rd.	Brush	none
October 13, 1942			
8:25 a.m.	Block 229	Rubbish	none
October 16, 1942			
8:20 a.m.	Block 211	Rubbish	none
October 16, 1942			
10:25 p.m.	Blk. 326-14-0	Cigarette (carelessness)	5.00
October 17, 1942			
8:25 a.m.	M. P. Camp	Rubbish	none
October 19, 1942			
7:30 p.m.	M. P. Camp	Rubbish	none
October 22, 1942			
2:10 p.m.	Block 13 Kitchen	Overflow of fat in oven	none
October 22, 1942			
8:15 a.m.	Block 227	Rubbish	none
October 22, 1942			
8:00 a.m.	Blk. 309 (btn. barracks)	Rubbish	none

Date & Time	Location	Cause	Estimated Damage
October 27, 1942 9:20 p.m.	Block 325	Brush	\$ none
October 31, 1942 8:30 p.m.	Block 22 (N. end)	Straw (Carelessness)	none
October 31, 1942 8:30 p.m.	Block 229	Overheated chimney	none
TOTAL			<u>\$13.00</u>

Joseph M. Fien
Assoc. Fire Protection Officer

Number of Firemen Employed : On Regular Duty 111 Volunteer none

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C O P Y C O P Y
FORMATION OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANIZATION

We, the Local Council of Poston, Unit I, pursuant to Section 4, Article IV of the Constitution, hereby form this administrative body.

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

Article I. Formation:

Section 1. Members of the Poston 1 Local Council shall choose the Chairman, who, in turn, shall select persons for the Board and subject to approval of the Local Council of Unit I.

Section 2. The Chairman shall determine the number of persons necessary to the carrying out of the functions of the Executive Board and may, at his discretion, increase or decrease the number of members on his committee.

Article II. Term of Office:

Section 1. The term of office of the Executive Board shall be for the term of this respective Local Council.

Section 2. Any member of the Executive Board may be recalled by two-thirds majority of the Local Council consisting of not less than two-thirds of the total members.

Article III. Duties and Powers:

The Executive Board shall be the administrative organization of Unit I and shall administer its functions, including affairs related to labor.

Section 1. Shall act as advisor to the Unit Administrator and the Local Council of Unit I.

Section 2. Shall cooperate with evacuee and department heads and block managers and execute any and all recommendations of the Community Council and the Local Council approved by the Project Director and the Unit Administrator.

Section 3. Shall have the power to execute such other duties and functions as may be conferred upon it from time to time by the War Relocation Authority.

Section 4. Shall mediate any and all labor disputes which might come before the Board by request of the party or parties concerned.

Section 5. The Board shall study fair labor standards, wages and work conditions, work incentive and other matters for the maintenance of satisfactory labor relations and shall make recommendations for carrying out the result and findings of the study.

Section 6. The Board has the right to select or appoint, discharge or transfer evacuee personnel in key positions other than those personnel elected by the people, subject to the approval of the Unit Administrator or Project Director.

Section 7. Shall encourage and promote movements and activities conducive to the welfare of the residents of Poston, Unit I to the fullest extent of the limits defined by the rules of the WRA.

DATED: Nov. 18, 1943

APPROVED BY

/s/
W. Wade Head, Project Director

/s/ L. L. Nelson
Unit I Administrator

ISSEI ADVISORY BLOCK REPRESENTATIVES

Quad 1:

Blk 2 - Nagai
15 - Takemori
16 - C. Yamaguchi
19 - Nakachi

Quad 2:

Blk 3 - Nagai
4 - Matsubara
13 - M. Yamaguchi
14 - Kushiya

Quad 3:

Blk 5 - Sugi
6 - Omori
11 - Dr. Murakami
12 - Eddow

Quad 4:

Blk 17 - Nishijima
18 - Fukumoto
31 - Mohri
32 - Endo

Quad 5:

Blk 21 - Ishikawa
22 - Okazaki
27 - Kadowaki
28 - Nihiro

Quad 6:

Blk 35 - Matsumoto
36 - Mrs. Takahashi
45 - Dr. Mizushima
46 - Tsukamoto
30 - Murakami

Quad 7:

Blk 37 - Kanno
38 - Hara
43 - Takawata
44 - Sashida

Quad 8:

Blk 26 - Kawabe
39 - (none)
42 - Koga

Quad 9:

Blk 53 - Sakemi
54 - Nomura
59 - Kodama
60 - Niiseki

GENERAL INFORMATION

TO

MEMBERS OF ISSEI ADVISORY TO COUNCIL

Quad Representatives to Board and their Alternates

Quad 1: (B) <u>H. Takenori</u> (A) <u>I. Nagai</u>	Quad 4: (B) <u>T. Fukumoto</u> (A) <u>Y. Hohri</u>	Quad 7: (B) <u>K. Nakawatase</u> (A)
Quad 2: (B) (A)	Quad 5: (B) <u>K. Niino</u> (A) <u>K. Ishikawa</u>	Quad 8: (B) <u>P. Koga</u> (A) <u>K. Kawabe</u>
Quad 3: (B) <u>C. Sugi</u> (A) <u>S. Eddow</u>	Quad 6: (B) <u>Dr. Mizushima</u> (A) <u>Mrs. T. Takahashi</u>	Quad 9: (B) <u>S. Niiseki</u> (A) <u>K. Sakemi</u>

Commencing with the meeting of October 14, appointed quad representatives on the Advisory Board shall be present at the meetings of the Council held every Wednesday afternoons.

ATTENTION: Quad 2 - the following elected representatives should select one representative to the Advisory Board and an alternate: Block 3, M. Nagai; Block 4, N. Matsubara; Block 13, M. Yamaguchi; Block 14, S. Kushiya. Quad 7: an alternate should be chosen.

Abbreviations: B - Board; A - Alternate

Committees of the Issai Advisory Board

All of the Issai Representatives have been appointed to the various committees of the Council in an advisory capacity:

Law and Order:

N. Matsubara (Blk 4)
K. Niino (Blk 28)
M. Nagai (Blk 3)

Public Relations:

H. Nakachi (Blk 19)
Mrs. T. Takahashi (36)
J. Omori (Blk 6)
B. Kodama (Blk 59)

Social Welfare:

M. Nishijima (Blk 17)
S. Niiseki (Blk 60)
C. Yamaguchi (Blk 16)

Recreation:

Dr. T. Murakami (11)
B. Okazaki (Blk 22)
S. Kushiya (14)

Community Enterprise:

I. Nagai (Blk 2)
H. Takemori (Blk 15)
K. Kawabe (Blk 26)

Housing:

K. Matsumoto (Blk 35)
K. Endo (Blk 32)
J. Murakami (Blk 30)

Education:

T. Fukumoto (Blk 18)
Y. Hohri (Blk 31)
K. Nakawatase (43)

Public Health:

M. Yamaguchi (Blk 13)
P. Koga (Blk 42)
S. Kanno (Blk 37)

Food:

C. Sugi (Blk 5)
S. Sashida (Blk 44)
U. Hara (Blk 38)

Work Projects:

S. Tsukamoto (Blk 46)
S. Eddow (Blk 12)
K. Ishikawa (Blk 21)
H. Nomura (Blk 54)

Building and Landscape:

J. Kadowaki (Blk 27)
Dr. Mizushima (Blk 45)
K. Sakemi (Blk 53)

Committee Chairmen of Community Council

Law and Order: S. Nomura (45-8-B)
Public Relations: H. Ogawa (38-1-B)
Social Welfare: M. Kawashima (19-3-B)
Recreation: Y. Murakami (44-5-A)
Work Projects: S. Katow (12-12-C)
Building and Landscape: F. Kuwahara (39-12-D)
Community Enterprise: H. Amano (36-7-A)
Housing: F. Kawai (32-4-C)
Education: Mrs. M. Tachibana (43-12-D)
Public Health: H. Hanamura (4-12-D)
Food: H. Miwa (13-12-D)

It is advisable that the respective Issai committees meet with the Council committees and discuss the problems concerning their individual committees.

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Dr. T. G. Ishimaru
Chairman of Community Council

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We the Temporary Community Council and the Advisory Board of Poston Unit I, in order to have harmonious, prompt and efficient execution of recommendations made by ourselves and approved by the Project Director realize the necessity of evacuee administrative body do hereby form

Executive Board

Formation:

Article I

Section 1. Executive Board shall be composed of eight committee members consisting of four Issei and four Nisei.

Section 2. The Chairman shall be chosen by the Advisory Board and Vice Chairman shall be chosen by the Community Council. The Chairman shall appoint three Issei committee members and Vice Chairman shall appoint three Nisei committee members. All committee members must have the approval of joint (Advisory and Community) Councils.

Section 3. Chairman of the Board shall be Issei and Vice Chairman shall be Nisei.

Section 4. In the event of resignation of Chairman or Vice Chairman, the vacancy may be filled by Article I, Section 2, and the newly elected Chairman or Vice Chairman may at his option change any and all respective members of the committee subject to approval of joint councils.

Section 5. When vacancy happen in committee members, it shall be filled as set forth in Article I, Section 2.

Article II

Section 1. Term of office of Executive Board shall be for one year. ^{Present} Members appointed to this board will be for the life of this Temporary Community Council.

Section 2. Any member of Executive Committee may be recalled by the two-third majority of the joint councils consisting not less than two-third of total members.

Article III Duties and Power

Executive Board shall be the Administrative organization of Unit One and shall have the following functions:

Section 1. Shall act as advisory to Project Director and and Unit Administrator.

Section 2. Shall have the power to hold consultation with evacuee and department heads and block managers, execute any and all recommendations of the Community Council that are approved by the Project Director and Unit Administrator.

Section 3. Shall have the power to appoint or remove

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persons to or from important and key evacuee positions whose policy is detrimental to the Community with the approval of joint councils, Project Administrator, and Unit Administrator.

Section 4. Shall have power to execute such other duties and functions as may be conferred upon it from time to time by the Project Director *and unit administrator.*

Facts or Complaints to be presented
to the Congressional Investigation
Committee

- * Clinic to have efficiency in case of
emergencies, communication
and transportation system
to be improved installation
Telephone
- * Sewage Disposal - ~~chemical~~ ^{chemical} treatment
of unpleasant ~~odor~~ ^{odor}
- * Recreation Budget - funds should be
reserved for
other things beside
athletic facilities
by the government.
educational
activities
- * Living Quarters - screen doors should be
provided as well as linoleum
- water faucets should be
extended to each apt..

The presentation of conditions in
camp should be presented or introduced
in a tactful way. Activities which
would possibly give unfavorable im-
pression should be taken into consid-
eration.

- have an ~~evacuee~~ ^{evacuee} guide
- all community activities to be
under full control

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COLORADO RIVER WAR RELOCATION PROJECT
POSTON, ARIZONA

February 3, 1943

MEMORANDUM TO: F. M. Haverland, Supply and Transportation Officer

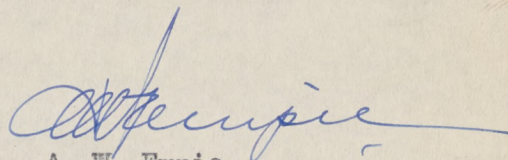
There is attached hereto a memorandum from Mr. Franklyn Sugiyama, Chairman of the Temporary Community Council, Unit I, making reference to transportation problems with particular reference to bus services. Please reply in an appropriate manner to Mr. Sugiyama's memorandum.

I would like to again state that it would be well to hold a meeting with representatives of various Units at the earliest convenience at which could be discussed the various transportation problems. Will you please make arrangements for one as soon as possible?

Attachment

SUPPLY & TRANSP OFFICER		
REC'D	FEB	3 1943
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and 2/11/43
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A. W. Empie
Chief Administrative Officer

COLORADO RIVER WAR RELOCATION PROJECT
Poston, Arizona

January 22, 1943

TO: Mr. A. W. Empie
FROM: Temporary Community Council
SUBJECT: Transportation

In regards to your meeting scheduled for December 30, 1942 and indefinitely postponed, the Council Committee investigated one small phase of it, that is, transportation problems arising from the bus service between Unit I, II, and III.

The results were;

1. There are many persons who obtain passage to Unit I from Units II and III on vehicles other than the regular bus and without first obtaining tickets which are issued by dispatchers in each unit. As the largest movement is to Unit I from II and III in the mornings and from I to II and III in the afternoon, this congests traffic at regular times during the day.
2. There are only two busses at present, one leaving Unit I at 8:45 in the morning for Units II and III, and one bus leaving Unit III for II and I at the same hour.

After conferring with the dispatchers, we have been assured that this problem would be greatly alleviated by;

1. Addition of one more bus to operate between Unit I and II.
2. Strict adherence to the ticket system.

We request your prompt consideration of these proposals.

TEMPORARY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Franklyn Sugiyama
Franklyn Sugiyama, Chairman

Proposed and submitted by
Transportation Committee

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Motor Pool

CHIEF ADM. OFFICER	
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NOTICE OF ELECTION

An election was held at Poston I on July 21, 1942 to elect 31 block representatives to a Temporary Community Council. The following committees of this council are now functioning:

Building and Landscape
Community Enterprises
Education
Housing and Food
Law and Order
Public Health
Public Relations
Recreation
Social Welfare
Work Projects

Several blocks in Poston I and III and most of Poston II have been filled since this election. In order to enable the residents of these blocks to be represented, one block representative will be elected from each of these blocks on September 1, 1942, between 7:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

The councils for Poston I, II, and III will be authorized to make recommendations on local matters relating to education, health, recreation, welfare, and other matters of internal administration. They will function until a permanent council is elected with more powers for self-government.

All persons eligible for enlistment in the War Relocation Works Corps may vote by secret ballot.

For further details see the election regulations.

W Wade Head
Wade Head
Project Director

NOTICE OF NOMINATION

This is to certify that at a meeting of the Block
Council for Block _____ held on _____ 1942
the following were nominated for the office of
Block Representative for Block _____ to the Temporary
Community Council of Poston, Arizona.

	Name	Address
1.	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____

Block Manager
_____ 1942

I accept nomination as candidate for the office of
Block Representative for Block _____ to the Temporary
Community Council of Poston, Arizona.

Signature of Candidate	Date of Acceptance
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

NOMINATION PETITION
BLOCK REPRESENTATIVES OF TEMPORARY COMMUNITY COUNCIL
OF POSTON, ARIZONA

We residents of Block _____ nominate _____
of Block _____ Apt. No. _____ for the office of Block
Representative to the Temporary Community Council of
Poston, Arizona.

	Signature	Address
1.	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____
5.	_____	_____
6.	_____	_____
7.	_____	_____
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REGULATIONS FOR ELECTION OF BLOCK REPRESENTATIVES TO
TEMPORARY COMMUNITY COUNCIL OF POSTON, ARIZONA

1. Qualifications for Voters

All persons eligible for enlistment in the War Relocation Work Corps shall be qualified to vote. Each Block Council shall compile a list of the eligible voters in its block.

2. Temporary Community Council

The temporary Community Council shall consist of one representative from each block, who shall serve until a permanent Council shall be elected.

3. Qualifications for Block Representatives

Each Block Representative shall be a citizen of the United States, over 21 years of age, and a resident of the block which he represents, and shall not during his incumbency in office, be eligible to hold an appointed office in the Project Area. Such offices are at present those of Block Manager Supervisor, Assistant Block Manager Supervisor, Block Manager, Fire Chief, and Police Chief.

4. Nominations

- a. Each Block Council shall nominate for the office of Block Representative not less than two persons from its respective block. The names of such nominees shall be filed with the Project Director not less than 15 days before election day.
- b. Any qualified person may also be nominated for the office of Block Representative by a petition signed by not less than 10 eligible voters. This petition shall be filed not less than 10 days before election day.

5. Ballot

- a. The order of the names on each ballot shall be determined by lot.
- b. Ballots shall be in the following form:

Place a cross (X) in the box opposite the name of one candidate	
Joe Takaki - - - - -	<input style="width: 40px; height: 20px;" type="checkbox"/>
George Nakamura - - - -	<input style="width: 40px; height: 20px;" type="checkbox"/>
Jack Watanabe - - - - -	<input style="width: 40px; height: 20px;" type="checkbox"/>
Tom Maeda - - - - -	<input style="width: 40px; height: 20px;" type="checkbox"/>
Ben Sato - - - - -	<input style="width: 40px; height: 20px;" type="checkbox"/>

6. Voting

- a. Each Block Manager shall construct in his office a polling booth, properly screened to insure secrecy.
- b. The polls shall be open on election day from 7 A.M. to 2 P.M.

- c. Each qualified voter shall receive a ballot from the election board at the polls, and shall be allowed one minute in the polling booth to cast his vote.
- d. The voter shall fold his ballot and deposit it in a voting box which shall be provided in each polling place.
- e. Each candidate may remain at the polls on election day or have one representative present.

7. Election Board

- a. An election board shall be appointed for each block consisting of one member of the Block Manager's staff and one person appointed by the Block Council. At least one member of the board must remain at the polls during election hours. The duties of the election board shall be as follows:

- (1.) Supervise voting.
- (2.) Check votes against list of eligible voters.
- (3.) Count ballots and certify the count.
- (4.) Place votes in sealed envelope.
- (5.) Deliver sealed envelope to collector.

8. Collection of Ballots and Ballots Boxes

- a. The Block Manager Supervisor's staff shall collect sealed envelope containing counted ballots, and the ballot boxes, and give a receipt for same to each election board. The staff shall deliver these articles at once to the Project Director who shall hold them for 30 days.

9. Notice of Election

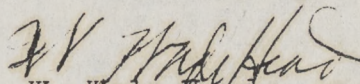
Notice of the date of election shall be posted in Block Manager's office, mess halls, and other convenient places.

*10. Date of Election

The first election shall be held on Tuesday, July 21, 1942.

11. Future Election

Elections shall be held in each block as soon as it has received substantially its full quota of inhabitants. The method of procedure set forth in these regulations shall govern election of these Block Representatives.


W. Wade Head
Project Director

* The second election shall be held on Tuesday,
September 1, 1942.

COMMITTEES OF TEMPORARY CITY COUNCIL
OF POSTON

	Blk.	Bldg.	Apt.	Educ.		Age
<u>Law and Order</u>						
Shigeo Inamura	6	11	B	1	H	27
Seiichi Nomura*	45	8	B	1	U	47
George Fujii	23	9	A	2	U	27
<u>Public Relations</u>						
Thomas Yano	22	2	D	3	U	30
Kay Nishimura	26	14		1	HJ	31
Hidemai Ogawa*	33	1	B	2	U	29
<u>Social Welfare</u>						
Seichi Hara	53	4	B	2	G	45
Harvey Suzuki	54	2	D	1	U	30
Masaru Kawashima Jono*	19	3	D	2	HJ	30
<u>Recreation</u>						
Tukito Murakami*	44	5	A	1	HJ	25
Frank Tanaka	46	1	B	2	H	30
Harry Nishioka	35	7	D	2	H	33
<u>Community Enterprises</u>						
Hideo Nakai	27	6	A	1	HJ	29
Bill Kasuga	11	12	A	1	U	27
Hiroshi Amano	36	7	A	1	HJ	27
<u>Education</u>						
Dr. Frank Saito	21	1	A	2	U	29
Robert Sakai	42	9	A	1	U	23
Mary Tachibana*	43	12	D	1	H	31
<u>Public Health</u>						
George Adachi	50	12	C	3	U	25
Harvey Hanamura*	4	12	D	1	H	29
Arthur Nakano	2	2	A	2	H	36
<u>Housing and Food</u>						
Hideo Miwa*	13	12	D	2	J	36
Kay Uno	60	9	A	1	H	37
Nobuo Uragami	59	12	B	2	H	31
<u>Work Projects</u>						
Henry Kanegae	5	6	D	2	U	25
Andrew Sugimoto	3	5	B	2	J	36
Smoot Katow	12	12	O	1	U	29

COMMITTEES OF
 TEMPORARY CITY COUNCIL OF BOSTON

<u>Building and Landscape</u>	<u>Blk. Blkg. Apt.</u>					
Frank Kavanahara *	89	12	D	2	F	30
Paul Maganeton	37	9	B	5	H	33
Roy Knite	14	1	A		U	29

* Chairman

RECOMMENDATION FROM THE CHIEF OF POLICE AND THE LEGAL DEPARTMENT
IN THE CITY OF POSTON TO THE LAW AND ORDER COMMITTEE OF THE
TEMPORARY COMMITTEE COUNCIL

Traffic Ordinance for the City of Poston, Arizona:

Sec. 1

All drivers must obtain a drivers' permit from the Transportation Office. In order to obtain the drivers' permit, they must pass an examination given by the Police Dept. of Poston.

Sec. 2

These ^{vehicles} ~~trucks~~ are for use on Government business only and will never be used for private service.

Sec. 3

Equipment on permanent assignment within the camp area will report to the transportation office and register also point at which equipment will be parked when not in use will be stated.

Sec. 4

^{vehicles} ~~Trucks~~ will not be allowed to drive between buildings. In serving kitchens the approach will be made from side street to the back of the building.

Sec. 5

Proper hand signals will be used at all times and turns made only at street intersections.

Sec. 6

Key must be removed from ignition lock when truck is parked and driver leaves the vicinity.

Sec. 7

Driver carrying passengers will at all times be accompanied by a helper who will assist the driver in enforcing the following regulations:

- (a) Never more than two in front seat with driver.
- (b) No one will be allowed to ride on running board or fender.
- (c) Only normal capacity of passengers will be allowed inside the ^{vehicle} ~~truck~~.
- (d) Under no circumstances will anyone be allowed to stand on the drop gate at back of truck.
- (e) After passengers have boarded the truck, driver will not start until notified to do so by his helper who will supervise the loading.
- (f) In unloading passengers, the helper will notify the driver when all are clear before the truck is started.

Sec. 8

No person shall drive a vehicle upon a highway or on the streets of Poston at a speed greater than reasonable or prudent having due regard for the traffic on, and the surface and width of highway or street and in no event at a speed which endangers the safety of person or property.

Sec. 9

The speed of any vehicle upon a highway or street not in excess of the limits specified in this section is lawful unless clearly proved to be in violation of the basic rule declared in Sec. 8 hereof.

The speed of any vehicle upon a highway or any street in excess of any of the limits specified in this section is Prima Facie unlawful unless the defendant establishes by competent evidence that any said speed in excess of said limits did not constitute the violation of the basic rule declared in Sec. 8 hereof at the time, place, and under the conditions then existing.

The Prima Facie limits referred to above are as follows:

- (a) Fifteen miles per hour within the city limits of Poston #1, #2 and #3.
- (b) 35 miles per hour on the highway between Camp #1, #2, and #3 and on the highway to City of Parker, Arizona.

Sec. 10

All equipment must be in proper condition to be operated with safety.

- (a) lights
- (b) brakes
- (c) doors
- (d) windshield and wiper
- (e) muffler
- (f) steering apparatus
- (g) tires

Sec. 11

All drivers must obey rules pertaining to Traffic.

- (a) detour signs
- (b) no parking sign

Sec. 12

Parking Ordinance:

- (a) 20 feet from fireplugs
- (b) 20 feet from any building or structures
or from any material that is combustible.
- (c) No motor vehicle should be parked upon
the streets of Poston after sundown.

Sec. 13

Registration slips to be placed in Driver's compartment in a conspicuous place--card bearing signature and address of party vehicle is assigned to, similar to the cards issued by the Department of Motor Vehicle of California.

Sec. 14

Accidents: Duty to stop and report to the Police Dept.

Render Aid

Sec. 15

All Motor Vehicles in the City of Poston shall cross bridges at five miles per hour.

Sec. 16

All Motor vehicle in the City of Poston upon approaching an intersections shall immediately reduce their speed to not more than ten miles per hour with due regard to the safety of pedestrian and property.

HISTORY OF SELF-GOVERNMENT IN POSTON

In several memoranda and circulars issued by the War Relocation Authority in March and April, 1942, the residents of the relocation centers were promised an opportunity to govern themselves. During the month of May a Civic Planning Board was created in Poston, composed of eight representatives, one from each of eight groups of blocks called "grads." Under the chairmanship of Roy Yoshida, Hosaku Tamura, and Elmer Yamamoto, the Board considered various plans for self-government submitted by Poston residents. Utilizing the various proposals, the Board drafted a constitution, the Preamble of which is as follows: "We, the residents of Poston, Arizona, in order to secure for ourselves a just and democratic form of government, to promote through mutual cooperation the general welfare of our community, and to insure the maximum contribution of this community to our nation's welfare, do establish this constitution." The constitution provided for voting privileges and right to hold office for all residents of Poston, regardless of citizenship, and outlined a system of municipal government.

While the Civic Planning Board was still working on its plan, an order was issued by the War Relocation Authority in Washington establishing a set of regulations for self-government in the relocation centers. This order, dated June 5, led to the disbanding of the Board. It provided for a temporary government with elected representatives forming a Community Council. Seats on the Council were restricted to American citizens, and the Council's relationship to the administration was established as advisory. During the latter part of June, plans were laid with the assistance of T. H. Haas, Project Attorney, for the establishment of the new government. On July 21st, a regular election was held in Poston 1. A heavy vote resulted in the election of thirty-one representatives, one from each occupied block. The Council members were sworn into office at the Pioneer Grove on July 22, 1942. A subsequent election on September 1 increased the number of councilmen to thirty-six.

The first meeting of the Council was held on July 23. Dr. T. G. Ishimaru was elected Chairman; Mr. Hidemi Ogawa, Vice-Chairman; Mrs. Mary Tachibana, Secretary; and Mr. Frank Kuwahara, Sergeant at Arms. The Community Council has met at least once weekly since its first organization, at first in mess halls or recreation halls in various parts of the community, and more recently in the new administration building.

The Council proceeded to become active in the solution of the immediate practical problems of the community. Its first action was to set up ten committees designed to promote the welfare of the residents of Poston. The committees included the following: Law and Order, Public Relations, Social Welfare, Recreation, Community Enterprises, Education, Public Health, Food and Housing, Work Projects Building and Landscape. The committee on Food and Housing was later reorganized as two separate committees and a finance committee was appointed.

The committee on Law and Order, working with the Chief of Police and the Poston Law Department, promptly drafted a Code of Offenses designed to regulate the behavior of the citizens of Poston and to provide a basis for authority for the Police Department. It also drew up a set of traffic regulations. Both of these codes were quickly passed by the Community Council and submitted to the Project Director for his approval. The Code of Offenses has not been approved and is being revised. For the purpose of enforcing the codes, a Judicial Commission was established, composed of three council members of the Law and Order Committee, under the chairmanship of Mr. Seiichi Nomura. At present court hearings are held at least twice weekly and are open to the general public.

The committees of the Council have taken the position that action should be based on knowledge and have accordingly organized inquiries into various aspects of Poston life. These are regarded as preliminary to constructive action and so far have dealt with the following: hospital and medical care, food supply, community store, education, social welfare, and labor relations.

POLICY COVERING THE USE OF DOMESTIC SEWING MACHINES

This policy is drafted to clarify the various questions with regard to the use of Domestic Sewing Machines being procured from surplus by the War Relocation Authority and assigned to the Unit I of this Community.

Article I. Usage

Section 1. As it is stipulated in the Administrative Instruction No. 50 of War Relocation Authority, these machines will be used for domestic purposes, i.e., for the repair and make of garments for family use by individual residents, either in their own homes or in sewing centers, whichever seems more practical under the circumstances.

Section 2. All such activities will be under the direction of the Chief of the Community Services Division; the Chief of the Division may designate the custody of these machines to any employee of the Division if necessary.

Article II. Distribution

Section 1. The Block Manager or Assistant Block Manager will be responsible for the usage of the machines assigned to his block.

Section 2. In case these machines are assigned to any other department, the said department is requested to appoint or select a person who will be responsible for these machines; and the said is responsible for the loss and damages of these machines and their parts.

Section 3. The Chief of Community Services Division will decide upon the distribution after consultations with the representatives of those departments to which these machines will be distributed.

Article III. Custodian

Section 1. The Chief of Community Services Division will appoint a Custodian of these machines.

Section 2. The Custodian will be responsible for the up-keep of these machines; the Custodian may request for a crew of repairmen.

Section 3. It is the duty of the responsible person of the various Departments to which the sewing machines were allotted to make the monthly report of these sewing machines

to the Custodian stating the condition and whereabouts of these machines.

Section 4. The Division representatives responsible for these machines are requested not to transfer these machines to any other Department nor to any other section of his department other than those designated without the permission of the Custodian and approval of the Chief of the Community Services Division.

Approved by:

/s/ Masaru Kawashima
Masaru Kawashima
EXECUTIVE BOARD, V.C.

/s/ Nell Findley
Chief of the Community Services
Division

/s/ John G. Evans
Unit Administrator

EXHIBIT I

October 2, 1942

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 50

Subject: Use of domestic sewing machines on relocation centers

This instruction is to clarify the policy with regard to the use of domestic sewing machines being procured from surplus and assigned to the Relocation Centers. These machines will be used for domestic purposes - i.e., for the repair and making of garments for family use by individual evacuees, either in their own homes or in sewing centers, whichever seems more practical under the circumstances. All such activities will be under the direction of the Chief of the Community Services Divisions and are not related to the work of the Industrial Division.

The use of sewing equipment for the production of clothing and related goods for sale or distribution to evacuees is a responsibility of the Industrial Division.

John H. Province
Acting Director

POSTON COUNCIL CAMP NO. 1

Name _____ Age _____

Address _____

Educational Background:

High School _____

University _____

Degrees _____

Public Service _____
(Participation in clubs, organizations, and
_____ offices held)

Former Occupation _____

Present Occupation _____

Interests: Check first and second preference

Law and Order	Education
Public Relations	Public Health
Social Welfare	Housing and Food
Recreation	Work Projects (Labor Relations)
Community Enterprises	Building and Landscaping