

SUMMARY FOR WEEK ENDING JULY 11 th

Nominations are being made for elections. Administrative staff is going around speaking and trying to explain the program. First council is to be temporary. Women are afraid to hold office for fear of disgracing the men.

Humorous articles about the weather.

Family Welfare meeting - there are a number of destitute families but they are hard to find. Hardships are imposed on families when father are interned.

Law and order code is being drawn up by Japanese lawyers.

Nursery Department receives trees.

Several repair organizations in formation.

Construction of ponds for fish culture begins. Plans for a tofu and tsukemono factory are under way.

110 residents registered for registration in Japan.

Some gambling, but police believe it is under control.

See 1 Sewing school and pre-school nursery started.

Dissatisfaction with the food and arguments between people, coolers and drivers of supply trucks.

More interest in the adobe project for the schools.

Spirited Jamboree held by girls. "Talent Shows" are being put on.

Camp #2 Press office opened.

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SUBJECT: RESUME OF EVENTS COVERING OCTOBER 19 - 26

MONDAY - Council meeting of the Poston III Christian Church. Roku I and II sections against the Roku III in petty factionalism causes the approval of the opening of Parish 2 issei services in Roku III, an added service to that now regularly held in Parish I in Roku I.

Block 308 and 316 have a party for the purpose of getting better acquainted with their respective residents.

Members of Block 330 started a park project among the mesquite trees as a step towards community betterment.

TUESDAY - Insurance advice given to insurance holders of Roku III at a meeting in 329 Mess Hall, 8:00 p.m.

Council meeting. Discussed: allocation of community enterprise funds..cotton picking..evacuee trust fund..the permission of soldiers (Caucasian) to enter project grounds while off duty..warning of picking Indian property..joint meeting with the Block Managers..resolution limiting any solicitations for funds affecting this community.

Block Manager's meeting. Discussed: cotton picking..travel log..organization of a symphony orchestra..need for rubbish collectors..representative from the Employment Office asks for at least one cotton picker from each block.

WEDNESDAY:- Special meeting of the Advisory Board of Industry. Discussed: moyashi (bean sprouts), a charge of 10¢ per pound to be made..artificial flower making, carpentry and "nigari" and their possibilities of development.

First meeting of the knitting classes.

First combined class of the Ukelele and Hula students.

Two tremors of earthquake. Very little reaction expressed except the expression, "Perhaps we'd better go outside."

THURSDAY - A shibai was put on by the Camp I talents. It was well received by a large audience.

FRIDAY - Poston III Fair Play Committees' first Meeting.
Election of delegates.

Public school faculty hold get-acquainted dance.

Block Managers' meeting. Discussed: market for Poston farm products..time-keeping methods..arrival of screens..care in handling insured mail..call for experienced shoe repair man..seeds for planting available..leveling project to be started in Block 330.

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SUBJECT: RESUME OF EVENTS COVERING NOV. 6 - 12

Friday. Nov. 6.

Block Manager's meeting. Discussion of diarrhea problem, mess hall coolers, and Parker crew working conditions.
Linoleum laying in the kitchens begins.

Saturday. Nov. 7.

High school students go cotton picking.
A boys club get into trouble after movies.
Movie: "23½ Hours Leave".
Announcement of a boy's club, "Twenty Squares", being sponsored by Police Department.
Block Manager of Unit III tangle with Unit I
Block Manager's softball team.

Sunday. Nov. 8.

Block Manager's offices to close on Sunday effective this week.
Pen Club, a Japanese Literary group, is organized, according to Press Bulletin.

Monday. Nov. 9.

Meeting of the Block Managers and the Issei Advisory Board held specially to discuss law and order with reference to boys' gangs.
Night Class. Algebra starts under Adult Ed. Dept.
Issei Advisory Council elections results announced.
Two more trucks assigned to Unit 3 Trans. Dept.

Tuesday. Nov. 10.

Block Manager's meeting. Discussion of selling soap, judicial council, Post Office problems, use of the Recreational Halls, and beautification of Unit grounds.
Council meeting.
Six beet workers return from Preston, Idaho.
Five Poston 3 youths were sentenced for assault and battery of last Saturday.

Wednesday. Nov. 11.

U. C. Alumni held meeting.
Second issuance of blankets began.

Thursday. Nov. 12.

Hon. John Collier spoke before high school students and workers.
First educational movies for high school students.
Community Activities went cotton picking.

SUBJECT: RESUME OF EVENTS COVERING OCTOBER 24 - 31

SATURDAY -

SUNDAY - Poston III Christian Church holds its first Communion services....the 17-voice choir makes initial appearance. (See PRESS BULLETIN, Oct. 27 - p. 6)

MONDAY - 93 arrivals from Santa Anita Assembly Center....next to last group to leave the Center....Majority housed in Block 327; others join families and relatives of Roku III.

TUESDAY - Dust storm occurring periodically throughout the day....Cotton picking of Poston III Block Managers, Council, departmental heads; nearly 40 men volunteer. (See PRESS BULLETIN, Oct. 27 - p.6)....Roku I highschool girls' club, "J.U.G.", hold first meeting. This represents the cliquishness and factionalism of the three sections of Unit III. A corresponding clique in Roku II is "Hi-Jinx"; in Roku III, "Crusaders"....No Council nor Block Managers meetings because of work in cotton fields.

WEDNESDAY - Block Managers Executive Council meeting cancelled because "nothing important to discuss"....Shibai cancelled because of threatening weather. Notice of cancellation made by announcement at all mess halls.

THURSDAY - First shibai composed of actors of Poston III. Curtains were bought by donations. Costumes valued at more than a \$1000....Senior class of Poston III high school go cotton picking. (75 in all, 1/3 of which are girls.) Purpose was to earn money for class fund....Physical examination of Poston III nursery school children begins today....Overall Committee chosen.

FRIDAY - Block Managers and Council hold joint meeting: Mr. Kennedy of the Employment Division presents plan by which each section of the camp goes out one day a week to pick cotton picking and the earnings to be deposited in Evacuee Trust Fund; question as to whether subsistence to be charged or not.

SATURDAY - Council meeting: discussion of yesterday's joint meeting. Report of the Housing Committee which had a confab with project director concerning soap, stoves, linoleum, clothing allowance. Letter for John Evans urging harmonious relationship between evacuees and Caucasian employees. Chairman Iwata and the Labor Committee responsible for accepting the Trust Fund without the definite approval of the whole Council. Iwata apologizes. PRESS BULLETIN representative heard from Project Attorney and Director of Employment that each Block Council will decide how the money earned by its volunteer cotton pickers will be distributed.

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RESUME OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF NOV. 13-20

- FRIDAY-
13 Former residents of San Diego hold Memorial Services for a person who passed away in an internment camp. Note that the deceased was not a resident of S.D. There was a Block Managers meeting...Mr. Burdick was present to answer questions pertaining to the kitchen...discussion of a shoe repair shop and voluntary fire department was held. Bookkeeping class social was held.
- SATURDAY-
14 Mattresses issued to Roku III. Intra-unit Sumo Tournament held at Block 324. Women meet to organize Mothers' Club. Movie: "Son of Fury"...first announcement of the Christmas Bazaar made at movie...bazaar sponsored by Block Managers for the purpose of raising funds for children.
- SUNDAY-
15 Fence posts are dropped around the camp.
- MONDAY-
16 Poston III School publishes first paper; a step toward their goal of creating more varied interests for students.
- TUESDAY-
17 Block Managers meeting and also Temporary Community Council.
- WEDNESDAY-
18 Executive Committee meeting...Geo. Furuta appeals to Block Managers to sponsor Christmas Bazaar. Camp Savage representatives here to recruit students for the Military Intelligence School. Basketball courts are being constructed between and near school grounds. Bus service to Unit I suspended because of the disturbance in Camp I.
- THURSDAY-
19 School faculty hold social. Mass meeting of the residents from 9:00 to 11:00 P.M...spectators and participants eager to know Unit III's part in Unit I disturbance.

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RESUME OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF NOV. 20-26

FRIDAY-

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Rumors flying high and wide as to what is going on at Unit I...Movie cancelled, also Cal-Stanford Alumni Rally and dance. Second Mass meeting of residents held at 1:30 P.M. Majority of blocks elect representatives to the Poston III Emergency Council. A group of niseis get together to organize a Nisei Civic Club; but failed...most of the participators were misinformed of the purpose.

SATURDAY-

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Emergency Council hold meeting. Senior Class Sweater Swingfest held in 324 Mess Hall...first get together of Seniors.

SUNDAY-

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MONDAY-

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Special meeting of the combined Council, Issei Advisory and Block Managers...About 200 registered for drafting class; daily and evening in English and Japanese.

TUESDAY-

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Council meeting...Block Managers meeting...discussion of fence...Japanese prohibited from going to Parker...first meeting pertaining to clothing allowance. Councilmen, Advisors, Block Managers and Emergency Congress call block meetings to inform residents as to latest developments in the disturbance. About 9:00 P.M., when most of the meetings were still progressing, announcement of the end of the strike was called.

WEDNESDAY-

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Assistant Administrator calls a meeting of the Department Heads to discourage card playing.

THURSDAY-

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No work because of holiday. Residents enjoy turkey dinner. Special Thanksgiving service held by Christian Church. Fifty Colorado beet workers return. Thanksgiving party and dance held in Block 329 for its residents and invited guests. Singspiration changed to ~~Thursday~~ Thursday evenings. Dental Clinic opened in new building.

SUBJECT: RESUME OF EVENTS COVERING NOV. 27 - DEC. 3.

FRIDAY - Block Manager's Meeting; they had discussion on the Block Manager's Notes and on the First Aid Classes. Announcement of dissolution of the Emergency Congress. 4100 Chinese Elms arrive in Poston III. Announcement of the Christmas Bazaar.

SATURDAY - 29-30 Club Dance. Beet Toppers return from Wyoming, Nebraska, and Colorado. Normal conditions at Units II and III aid in settlement of Poston I strike. It was pointed out by Project Director W. Wade Head before Unit III Councilmen, Issei Advisors, Block Managers, and Emergency Committee. Registration for First Aid Classes begin.

SUNDAY - Block Manager's Party at the river. Dr. Togasaki spoke on "Boy-Girl Relationships" to the Delphians. Children's Christmas Bazaar planned at Poston III. Moving day for Clinics of Unit III. Grid players under age of 21 participation in PC3A football must have parental permission in signature. 600 pounds of "mochi gome" has been planned for each block. Rev. Morikawa secured as speaker for the Evangelistic services, Dec. 2 through Dec. 4. New classes in Costume Designing and Accounting announced by Adult Education Department.

MONDAY - Press Bulletin came in to find out how many Aliens and Citizens in Camp III.

TUESDAY - Block Manager's Meeting; discussion on clothing allowance procedures. Temporary Council Meeting. Medical Staff opened in the new building.

WEDNESDAY - Executive Committee Meeting. Meeting with Miss Finley about the Clothing Allowance. Shibai group is practicing plays to be presented to the people on New Years Day. Koto instructor arrives in Poston to conduct classes. "War Reconstruction" was the subject of panel discussion with two Caucasians and two nisei teachers as speakers. Bazaar Concessions will feature Christmas gifts.

THURSDAY - "Stoves actually arrive at Poston III". Residents were asked to not damage the fence or cut wires as present indication show that the stock barrier will be removed to a more suitable site. Adult Education issues final notice of evening classes.

SUBJECT: RESUME OF EVENTS COVERING DEC. 4 - DEC. 9.

FRIDAY - Father Clement of the Maryknoll Catholic Church opens a permanent office in Poston III. A set of 4 basketball court has been made by the PC3AA. Because of lack of medical facility, football and other "violent" sports have been discontinued by the PC3AA. Announcement regarding---nightwatchmen, travel permits, soldiers visiting camp to be charged for their subsistence, Planning Committee decides on open air theater, tennis and basketball courts, a stadium, swimming pool. Block Manager's Meeting.

SATURDAY - Area between Block 305 and the Warehouse Block decided as site for Poston III school site. Parents urged to help prevent major Chicken Pox epidemic. PC3AA receives \$50 to buy athletic equipment.

SUNDAY - Amphitheatre with seating capacity of 3500 is planned for Unit III. Poston III Christmas Bazaar to exhibit art objects. New employment procedure is disclosed. Sterilization of eating utensils of quarantined patients is recommended by Public Health officer.

MONDAY - Poston III Press Office issues an extra stating the fence will be removed and that Unit III will receive September's pay. Temporary Community Council Meeting; discussion of proposals regarding camouflage project.

TUESDAY - Sign-up for class in translation technique opened. Discussion regarding the 8th Grade Gang. Explanation of camouflage meeting. Suggestion made to set back the time another half-hour.

WEDNESDAY - School Department will participate in the Christmas Bazaar with a 2 hour program. Issei Shibai Group will perform for the Christmas Bazaar on December 11, 12, 13. The children of Block 328 will be entertained at a Christmas party by a girls' club, "Wee Duchesses". Volleyball Social scheduled for all girls participating in the league. Recreation Department is considering a Date Bureau if there are enough in favor of the idea.

RESUME OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF DEC. 11-17.

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- FRIDAY - Opening day of the Christmas Bazaar. Announcement of the opening of the office of General Promotion Manager for 3 units at Poston III with Kenny Hirose as Promotion Manager. This department is to facilitate promoting of various interests for the Press Bulletin. Their job, mainly, is to create new ideas through media of publicity, editorial features, outside contacts and to stimulate business in general and to collaborate with the managing editors of the three units.
- SATURDAY- Christmas Bazaar (Second day). Hawaiian Show and the sumo tournament were the main features.
- SUNDAY - The last day of the Christmas Bazaar. A talent show took place in the afternoon and a shibai in the evening. Spanish Consul-General de Amat at San Francisco spoke to wives of Issei Internees. Open House at Unit III Medical-Dental Clinic.
- MONDAY - Announcement that grammar school would start at 10:30 a.m. Wild cat caught on December 13 was attracting a large crowd to Block 329.
- TUESDAY - Block Manager's Meeting at which time the discussion of the following took place: (a) Fuel for the stoves, (b) Campaign for the adobe project, (c) Fire Fighting Squads. Block Managers were requested to make a daily survey of the diarrhea cases by the Unit III Medical Clinic. (In their respective blocks.) The purpose is to make a study of the cases and determine possible sources.
- WEDNESDAY- Small apartments received their stoves and fuel today while the larger apartments are waiting until chimneys are installed.
- THURSDAY - Constitutional convention of the high school. Miss Bertha Starkey has arrived from California to live with people here and help in every way possible. She is heading the Social Welfare Department.

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SUMMARY OF COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES
Dec. 11 to Dec. 17, 1942 (Incl)

1. Rohwer Relocation Center (Arkansas) officials, Lindsay Hatchelt and J. F. Raines, visitors in Poston.
2. Rev. G. Chapman outlines further steps toward relocation of students into inland colleges.
3. September pay for Poston I starts December 14th.
4. Compensation leave for overtime workers okayed under W.R.A. instructions.
5. Poston III Christmas Bazaar staged over 3 days period (Dec. 11, 12, 13) and proved very successful.
6. Announcement that families may join interned relatives.
7. Unit I Housing Department "freezes" all moves.
8. Project Attorney, Ted Haas, speaks before high school students regarding the Poston disturbance and Manzanar incident.
9. Police academy opens daily at Unit II. Course to last 4 weeks.
10. Community Enterprise committee of six drafts plans for election of Board of Trustee members.
11. Evacuee on "outside" employment may file for unemployment insurance announced.
12. Poston III three day Xmas Bazaar held on Dec. 11, 12, and 13 were very successful, attracting large attendance including many Poston I residents. Featured events were the Hawaiian show, school program, shibais, sumo, dances, and boxing.
13. New annex post office opened for business.
14. Election of councilmen for second temporary community council held on Dec. 15 in each block.
15. Announcement that interned aliens may be granted rehearing for release.
16. Spanish Consul, Senor F. de Amat, visits Poston on government business. Talked to various groups. Offered cup to champion of judo tournament.
17. High School class elections continued.
18. Unit II Administrator Crawford declares "conditions on outside deplorable."
19. People protest low flying of army planes over Poston community.
20. The newly elected city councilmen announced and sworn into office on Dec. 16.
21. W.R.A. leave forms made available.

22. Supply of kerosene stoves received by all three units and immediately installed in. Regular stoves installed in few places.
23. Announcement that 6,000 toys and games received from all over United States through efforts of J.A.C.L. To be distributed to Poston children.
24. Chief Steward Snelson reports a convention in San Francisco.
25. Report that clothing allowance files "nearly completed."
26. Basketball season begins.

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RESUME OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF DEC. 18-24.

- FRIDAY- Black-out from about 11:00 to 11:20 p.m. Mass Choir rehearsal. Stoves installed in large units in some blocks. Beautification work at Poston III became noticeable around Administration area; flowers were transplanted and the walks were set.
- SATURDAY- First meeting of the Translation Class. Unit III Council and the Issei Advisory Board went to Unit I to discuss camouflage meeting. Secret Santa Claus storeroom at Poston III had a load of toys for children, which is to be distributed at Christmas.
- SUNDAY- Buddhist S.S. Play Day at Block 318. Mr. Nakashima and Mr. Kusunose have sent for their furniture in Hollywood to furnish honeymoon cottage for newlyweds from all parts of Poston. Christmas
- MONDAY- Christmas Festival of Sacred Music, held south of Roku I. Nutrition Aids formerly known as Block Dieticians, held meeting with Miss Elizabeth Vickers as speaker. Dieticians Controls Office to be opened in Unit III.
- TUESDAY- Bussei discussed Post-War Rehabilitation problems. Dr. A. Harris, principal of Poston I school, as one of the speakers, gave the general attitudes of the Americans.
- WEDNESDAY- Small Pox vaccination for Roku I was held outside of the Medical Clinic.
- THURSDAY- Christian Church Christmas Program. Christian young people went caroling throughout the camp. Small Pox vaccination for Roku III.

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SUMMARY OF COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES
Dec. 18 to Dec. 24, 1942 (incl)

1. Franklyn Sugiyama elected chairman of Unit I Temporary Community Council; other officers elected.
2. Plans for charcoal industry begun.
3. Questionnaires sent to each block soliciting families who wish to be joined with relatives in internment camp.
4. Announcement that repatriation procedure to be handled through W.R.A.
5. Min Ito appointed as new Fire-chief, succeeding Tom Nishimoto.
6. Announcement by Project Director Head that Community I Council only recognized legislative body in Poston I; former "Central Executive Committee" delegates to advisorship role.
7. Newspaper named "Poston Chronicle".
8. Powell invites council aid in activity program.
9. 7,000 Xmas gifts, representing donations of churches from all over United States, distributed to Poston children at respective block Xmas parties.
10. Mass choir festival presented with 200 voices participating.

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RESUME OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF DEC. 25-31.

- FRIDAY- Worst dust storm to date. Christian Church Program. Special Christmas Service for former San Diegans held at Block 329.
- SATURDAY-
- SUNDAY- Poston Judo Tournament. Basketball game between All Stars and the Indians. Some more screens for the barrack windows arrive in Poston III.
- MONDAY- Stove pipes and elbows came in, so we were able to use our stoves for the first time.
- TUESDAY- Notice came in that we are to go on a 48 hour schedule; which was later clarified that the Evacuee employees were not affected.
- WEDNESDAY- Most mess halls had mochi gomi ready for New Years. Community Enterprise announced that Unit III shoe repair shop will open shortly; all is ready except for the electric motor. Unit III Education Council of Christian Church had it's last meeting of the year; decided upon policies for the coming year and also made plans for young people's Christian Endeavor.
- THURSDAY- New Year's Faggot Service held south of Roku I. Girl's club, Ophelians, gave dance at Rec. Hall 324. Canteen employees held dance at the new Community Store building.

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Resume of Events for week of Jan. 1-7

FRIDAY - Block parties

SATURDAY -

SUNDAY - Reverend Cuthbertson delivers final message.
Formation of C.E. societies. (Young Christians)

MONDAY - Block Managers and Councilmen met to discuss
camouflage problem.
Clothing allowances started in Roku I.

TUESDAY- Poston III Clinic closes today for employees to
obtain their clothing allowances.
New books arrive at library.
Residents warned to take fire caution.
Press moves to new location.

WEDNESDAY- Library party at Unit III for library staffs
of all 3 units.
Local high school forms constitution.
Statement of Christmas Bazaar released; net profit of \$2043.86.
Badminton tournament slated to start on Sunday.
Final vaccination day.
Executive Committee of Block Managers discuss
injustice of evacuation, method of collecting
allowances, letter of thanks for Christmas gifts
from outside, arrangement for oil distribution,
and fire drill plan.

THURSDAY- Thank you letters in acknowledgment of Christmas gifts are being written by the Christian Church.
New books and magazines ordered by local library.

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RESUME OF BUREAU ACTIVITIES:

Area maps of Camp III

Checking original data for computation

Comparison graph of Block Meetings

Rural and Urban graph

Had conference with Miss Colson on Wednesday

Continued studies of blocks and the Recreation
department

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RESUME OF WEEK OF JANUARY 22 - 28. 5

FRIDAY: George Carkeek of Salt Lake City was here on his third visit attending the ground breaking ceremonies. He is a mechanical engineer with the Indian Service and is assisting Mr. Popkins with the work involved in the school building... The Parent's Club of Mrs. Lambert's first grade class met last Friday to plan a Valentine party for the mothers and children of that group on February 12... Standley A. Harris of New York, Director of the Boy Scouts of America was here. He is visiting various relocation centers regarding Boy Scout work and has visited Gila, Manzanar and also in Arkansas. He was accompanied by Andrew J. Roberts, Scout Executive of Arrowhead Council, San Bernadino, California... It was announced that the Poston Chronicle's Soiree will be held at 310 Mess Hall on January 30. The outstanding event on the program will be a colorful spotlight floor show. Prizes, contests, and gifts at the door were listed as other attractions at the dance... Standard and Advanced First Aid classes will begin on February 11, 1943, and those planning to enroll are asked to register at the Red Cross Office... Delta Sigma Chi, an organization of the Block Manager secretaries, elected Cabinet members. The immediate event for this club is an Installation Dance with Tom Sakamoto as chairman... Clothing allotment forms are being filled by the Social Welfare office for clothing allowances for the months of October, November, and December.

SATURDAY: A new advanced class in Japanese Translation was announced to be held Thursday night at 324-2-D. However all translation classes has been suspended temporarily today by order of Dr. Powell... All Blocks held mass meetings for the nominations of new permanent Block Managers, for respective blocks. The elections are to be held on Friday. The new Block Manager is empowered to select a complete new staff.

SUNDAY: Dr. Roy Smith, a Caucasian who lived in Japan for the last 35 years, spoke to the congregation at Block 329. He was accompanied by Reverend Nicholson. Isseis of the Christian Church gathered for mass meetings in the afternoon at both Rec. Halls, 329 and 305 simultaneously.

MONDAY: There was a fire in the 305 boiler room at early dawn. The fire was put under control when some-

one turned off the fuel. When the fire engine came, everything was under control.

TUESDAY:

An article which appeared in the Christian Century, written by William on "Jap Problem in America in Relation to Evacuation" was the topic for discussion at the Philosophy seminar. Dr. Powell and Dr. Bolderston lead the discussion. ...Christian Endeavor Society Slogan contest of Poston III ended on Sunday, January 24, 1943. The Seniors were revealed as the victors. The person submitting the winning slogan will be announced at the Slaugh Gaurhin social is to be held on Thursday, when the Senior group will be feted by the 3 losing divisions...15 mothers with pupils in Miss Louise Anderson's First Grade class met and elected 2 room mothers, who will be affiliated with the P.T.A....Poston III residents will be able to rest easier in the future now that the police force is going to be taught the art of Judo by Henry Uyeki, judo yodan.

WEDNESDAY:

Poston III could be accused as solely responsible for the rejection of the garnishing project plans. It was disclosed at a special meeting of the Unit III Community Council that all votes were mixed. In fact, some considered the high percentage of voters indicated the high interest of Unit III residents.

THURSDAY:

Nomination of new Commission Councilman at Poston III will be made by deadline of February 2. The new body of Councilmen will be elected by popular vote on February 9, 1943 together with Issei Advisors. It was the opinion of reliably informed sources that most of the present members of both groups would be elected to retain their old positions....Seven girls of Camp III have enrolled in Nurses' Aid training commenced at Unit I Hospital which take 1½ years to complete. They are receiving practical trainings in the wards as well as classroom studies. When they finish their training, they will be able to relieve registered nurses of much of their work...."LOUISIANA Lunatics" entertained the audience at the weekly singspiration in Poston III Church with the spirituals of Major Moron's Quartet.

permits will be issued for quarantine and pregnant cases.

TUESDAY:

Contractors began the surfacing with gravel of all roads withing Unit II⁺ on Monday morning, Administrator Morris Burge announced in a statement to the Chronicle. The work, which is planned for all three Units, is under U.S. Army supervision.

Flower arrangement classes have been scheduled to begin this coming week under the instructorship of Mrs. Takeda.

Honoring assistant supervisor Sam Fujita, who is leaving for Granada Center soon, the blocks heads of Poston III roughed it out for two days and a night at the Colorado River.

Camouflage opened today in Unit III. With Roku III leading in the number of workers, the project is progressing satisfactorily.

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FRIDAY--

The much awaited Unit III Beauty Shop will open for business within the next week. The shop will be located within the main canteen building in the firebreak ~~in~~ between 3.8 and 3.4.

Series of articles on Poliomyelitis, commonly known as Infantile Paralysis, to be written daily to acquaint citizens with this dangerous and contagious disease.

SATURDAY--

Vice Principal, Mr. George Takaoka, spoke on "A teacher's Viewpoint of our School" ~~in~~ at the P.T.A. meeting Thursday night at Mess 3.4.

SUNDAY--

Poston III public library will open Sunday afternoons on trial basis ~~from~~ ^{beginning} April 4. The hours will be from 2 to 5 p.m.

A Camouflage shop committee has been selected by the employees of the Unit III net factory. This Representative committee has been formed for the purpose of handling all grievances of the camouflage workers. Those serving on the committee are Mot Asakawa, Hideo Higashi and Shigenobu Yamanishi.

October clothing allowance for Poston III will be paid next week, it was announced. Acute shortage of manpower has been the cause of the delay in issuance.

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The Agriculture Department reports a loss of a duster and efforts to locate it have been in vain. It was stressed that unless this article is returned, further lending of agricultural equipment must cease.

Thirty-three young men were scheduled to leave today from Unit III for seasonal work at Logandale, Nevada.

MONDAY--Poston's 40 piece symphony orchestra makes its debut before an appreciative audience in Unit III.

Ralph E. Smeltzer, Director of the Brethren
Relocation Hostel for Japanese at Chicago,
speaks before a group of interested residents.

WEDNESDAY----

Nothing happens

THURSDAY--

The Poston III Police Department will soon be
minus 14 department members. 12 members will
be departing for outside employment while the
other 2 volunteered for induction in the United
States Army.

The much anticipated opening of Poston III
beauty Salon is scheduled for today. Office
hours are tentatively set as 8:30-12:30 a.m.
and 1:30 to 5:30 p.m. Customers are requested
to bring their ~~own~~ towels, pins, etc.

Several loads of #30 feet for ~~laying~~ linoleum
on all barrack floors except the Recreation
Halls, have arrived. Linoleum is ex-
pected to follow.

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WEEKLY SUMMARIES

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March 25, 1943
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Sentiments

March 19, 1943 Snelson explains menu set-up. Explains neck bones to take up slack in Chicago Meat District.

Residents resents bones in diet. Creates rumor regarding food shortage.

Ccnvass of Blocks for Nurse' Aides approved. Tuberculosis discussed

Bureau of Social Relations created. New body will be centralized around the existing social welfare and Public Relations committee.

In editorial, Fair Play Committee urges Nisei to believe in ideal America.

Firefighters urgently needed.

Morale low among fire-men

March 20--

Sugiyama to head Manpowers Commission Preliminary problems those of thrashing out policies.

Bill presented to amend Nationality act of 1940. Oriental may become naturalized citizens.

Seventy-seven cleared. Leave clearance to be speeded up.

Licensing of fishermen not promoted by C.E. Lenience during 1942 due to unestablished status of evacuee.

Sanitation Department seeks control of flies. Articles on method of fly control released.

Unused farm tool survey started in California. California Department of Agriculture began inventory yesterday

March 21

Unemployed may receive leave permits.

Shoe ticket distribution to be completed. 10,000 ration tickets have been issued for initial certificates.

First anniversary for ground breaking ceremonies for the Colorado River Relocation Project Held on March 21, '42.

Editorial on labor shortage states the lackadaisical attitude of the manpower commission.

Editorial on leave clearance giving facts on the better service from now on.

Regional Girl Scout Representative here to give leadership courses.

March 23

Slaughter house for project nears completion

Popkins obtains school materials.

Eighty depart for farm work in Denver.

Orange seedlings to be grown in Poston nursery.

Health views expressed in editorial. People must support hospital.

Bakersfield Oilers cop AA Championship title from Golden Bears, Sunday.

March 24

Poston volunteers number 233. Majority of American born Niseis, and aliens in Poston had affirmed loyalty to this country.

Credit union organized among appointed personnel.

Residence in center bars work with private groups. Evacuees who work for private contractors must live outside of the centers.

Processing procurement regulated. Procurement request to be limited to strictly emergency requirements. No request for purchases to be processed except for subsistence and health sections after March 31, 1943.

Enterprises workers clothing allowance clarified. Only member of family employed by C.E. to receive allowance from C.E. Rest of family to receive pay from project.

March 25

Transportation guarantee needed for seasonal work.

T.C.C. asks reconsideration of WRA ruling on Road Construction Work.

Gasoline to be allowed for evacuee cars stored in California. A cards to be issued to all evacuees with cars who are leaving Poston for resettlement purposes.

Red Cross Meetings scheduled as goal of \$2,500 war fund drive passed as 31 blocks reported.

Some eighty Nevada bound workers who were scheduled to leave Poston Tuesday mornin g were still waiting for bus to pick them up.

Poston symphony orchestra plays before crowd at Block 4 stage.

Three await trial for theft charges in Phoenix.
Federal misdemeanor charges filed.

Reorganization of block managers expected due to
changing condition in Poston. Major issue to
keep block manager's from resigning.

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WEEKLY SUMMARY - 3/12 - 3/18
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FRIDAY:

The net garnishing plant at Unit III will open on Monday, March 15, according to words received officially from W. Billicke, representative of the contractors, the Camouflage committee, and the Fair Practice Chairman yesterday afternoon.

Several plans for the disposition of the trust fund were discussed by the Committee Council, it was reported but not decisions were reached.

Arrangements are being made for new transportation regulations for Unit III residents who desire to visit patients in the hospital according to the memorandum issued by the administration to the dispatcher.

Nine sugar beet growers from Unit III left Wednesday evening with a group from Units I and II to make a tour of the beet farms in Utah and Idaho. The party is also scheduled to go to Chinook, Montana.

Because of lack of time and to alleviate a clerical help shortage, the Junior and Senior students of Poston III High School worked yesterday and today in 310 Mess doing clerical work, filling out papers on recent registration.

SATURDAY:

The cooperation of the parents in emphasizing the importance of good speech on the school grounds by the children was asked by the Principal of the school, Chester A. Potts at the PTA Council meeting Thursday afternoon. It was further stated that more respect to be given to the teachers and better behavior be shown at social gatherings.

A number of cases of Infantile Paralysis have reported and one death has already occurred in Unit III according to the Public Health Department. Recognizing the great importance of this problem, the local block managers are taking steps to obtain insect control supplies. However, elimination of the threat of the health of the citizens of Poston will be impossible without the full aid of the public.

SUNDAY:

Exceptions to the ruling of no ironing in the barracks have been made on certain conditions. Permits will be issued under the following conditions: 1. Permanent permits

will be issued for those who are caring for invalids needing constant care and those afflicted with chronic ailments and are able to produce a medical certificate. 2. Temporary permits will be issued for quarantine and pregnant cases.

TUESDAY:

Contractors began the surfacing with gravel of all roads within Unit III on Monday morning, Administrator Morris Burge announced in a statement to the Chronicle. The work which is planned for all three units is under U. S. Army supervision.

Flower arrangement classes have been scheduled to begin this coming week under the instructorship of Mrs. Takeda.

Honoring assistant supervisor, Sam Fujita, who is leaving for Granada Center soon, the block heads of Poston III roughed it out for two days and a night at the Colorado River.

Camouflage opened today in Unit III. With Roku III leading in the number of workers, the project is progressing satisfactorily.

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WEEKLY SUMMARY - 3/4 - 3/12

3-4-43: Unit One Net Workers elect Executive Board to represent them in dealing with the management.

3-4-43: Waac leader to address Poston women.

Residents may apply for shoe certificates.

Internal Revenue Men to Assist in Filing Tax on Monday.

3-5-43: Military Area changed. War Department Proclamation sets Poston, Gila, in Free Zone.

Unit I Council asks Dillon Myer for transportation aid in re-relocation.

Sheppard, J. W., Chief Proprietary Accountant is appointed to replace H. W. Smith as Fiscal Officer.

3-6-43: Leave Clearance Process speeded up, WRA officer Keno assures residents.

Attorney Hennesy states procedure for rehearing applications for an alien internee's case.

Administrative Instruction #46 revised on travel of evacuees and the transportation of personal effects issued on December 15, 1942 has been amended. Household effects and personal property of evacuees may be shipped at government expense.

Manpower shortage felt in Poston. First published in Poston Chronicle on this date.

2000 chicks arrive today for Unit I Agricultural Department. 1200 said to be ready for the table on April 9, 1943.

Unit I school to be completed by fall, statement issued by C. S. Popkin, Construction Engineer.

3-7-43: No cameras allowed on project.

Last two Kido's attackers released on suspension. G. Inouye and T. Hasegawa. Released on suspended good behavior sentence.

3-8-43: Net project to be coordinated. Tentatively scheduled meeting of the TCC, Fair Practice Board and the three units' Work Corp.

Senate investigating committee comes to Poston. Chandler not among those present. (3-10-43 - Poston Chronicle)

3-10-43: Evacuees may farm in Parker Valley. Plot chart of available farms forthcoming.

Complexities of the re-relocation of Arizona people back into own community discussed by T. Ishimaru.

Sugar firm representative here to recruit workers. Great Western Sugar Company.

3-11-43: Week's notice required for job change, announced by W. Wade Head.

Shoe certificate declared valid after 30 days after issuance. Len Nelson.

Labor caucus slated for March 12, 1943.

Reckless driving to be curbed. Police Department.

3-12-43: Chicago WRA Office reports numerous employment offers. States Miss Prudence Ross, relocation officer.

Exchange of nationals denied. Those interested in repatriating to Japan were informed that American proposals for a further exchange of nationals on April 1 were rejected by Japan in an announcement from the State Department.

Section V Volunteers for the army feted at social.

Student Relocation Bureau transferred to Employment Division.

3-13-43: Department Heads meet for two day confab. Acute manpower needs developed at opening meeting in Unit 1.

Shoe sales to start Monday at the canteen.

Army team leaves Poston. Volunteers to leave soon. Team consists of Lts. John H. Bolton and William L. Tracy, four caucasian Sergeants and two Nisei Sergeants.

Crusade against the house fly launched by the combined efforts of the Stewards Department and the Health and Sanitation Department.

Nelson clears chief cooks duties in a letter to the TCC.

3-14-43: Golden Bears and Bakersfield battle for Poston I basketball title at Field 13.

Manpower Commission Proposed. Unit I Labor Relations Board cites need for central control.

Poston third in center enlistments. 218 volunteers from Poston.

Cash menon cut by net workers. February income totals made known in report filled by Sugiyama.

Permits to Phoenix, Gila on quota basis announced.

Editorial on loafing in Parker. Not conducive to building good public relations.

3-15-43: Manpower Conference concluded today at noon. Wants commission set. Resolution proposed to Project Director. Asks for 12-man Committee to A to this week on Acute Labor Shortage problems.

First report that WRA workers help weave nets. 20 members of the work corp in addition to their regular day-time ~~ties~~ ^{ties}, are assisting in the net camouflage plant during the evenings.

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FRIDAY -

Poston III Camouflage Production is increasing daily. Starting from 45 nets on the first day, production has increased to 163 nets completed on the 24th.

SATURDAY -

Philosophy Classes discontinued. All text - "Dialogues of Plato" have been requested to be returned.

Seven men, out of a group of thirty, returned from Sugar beet inspection tour into Idaho and Montana. General conditions were reported as being favorable.

The Merit Rating Board members were appointed by the Community Council at a meeting held Wednesday morning, March 24, 1943.

SUNDAY -

Forms for the return of certain contraband articles deposited by Japanese at the Police Department prior to evacuation, have been received by Gerald Wumino. Request for application may be made in his office in Administration Building A.

All residents who purchased coolers through the Maintenance Office are requested to hand in a list of the necessary fittings for their cooler installation to the Maintenance Office, Administration Building B, Room 8 as soon as possible.

MONDAY -

After lengthy and heated discussion between several representatives of the camouflage workers, councilman, departmental heads, the Community Council, at a special meeting with the Issei Advisors, voted for the division of 65% for the workers and 35% for the trust fund, retroactive to opening date and subject to change in future.

TUESDAY -

Fourteen more weavers are needed at the Unit III Garmenting factory, according to foreman. The weavers will form a new crew and will begin work at the first of the month.

The proposed plan of the rotation of mess halls for community dances was rejected at a joint meeting of the Block Managers and Block Chefs.

WEDNESDAY -

Screens have been obtained for the remaining un-screened windows of apartments in this Unit. Tar paper for all side doors of barracks, Recreation Hall doors, and Mess Hall doors, have also arrived.

Unit III began receiving clothing allowance today with Roku I going to pay station. Roku II and Roku III will receive theirs on Thursday and Friday respectively.

THURSDAY -

The Administration Area Landscapers under Mr. T. Yamamoto have completed a combination shade and waiting room between the Unit III Medical-Dental Clinic and the Post Office, for the convenience of the residents.

Poston III's 9-hole golf course is now open to the general public. Reservations may be made at the course, which is located west of blocks 307 and 308.

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BUREAU OF SOCIOLOGICAL RESEARCH
WEEKLY SUMMARY - 4/2/43 - 4/8/43

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4/2/43
Friday

A committee to represent the Unit III Community Council at the meeting on clothing allowance to be held at Unit I, Friday, April 2nd was appointed at a meeting, Wednesday morning.

EDUCATION

Aiming to obtain a wider knowledge of the Spanish culture and customs, "Los Caballeros", a Spanish Boys' Club was organized under the sponsorship of the Poston III High School.

SELECTIVE SERVICE

Some 75 Volunteers from the all-Nisei Combat Unit, took their preliminary physical examination at Poston General Hospital, Thursday morning & afternoon.

Final examination for Volunteers today in Unit III.

4/3/43

First Junior-Senior Prom was held in 305 Mess Hall.

4/6/43

Adult Education Department wishes to announce the resumption of Spanish night class Tuesday evening, April 6, 1943.

RELIGION

CAMOUFLAGE

BLOCK MANAGERS

4/4/43 An all day Missionary Conference honoring the Caucasian Missionaries was held by the Poston III Christian Church.

4/5/43 Rev. Frank Udale, a Buddhist minister from San Francisco, came unexpectedly to Poston to deliver an inspiring sermon to the group of interested Bussels at 306 Buddhist Church.

4/6/43 Work at the Unit III Camouflage was temporarily halted today. It was caused by the discontinuation of incoming burlap strips from Unit I.

4/7/43 Music was furnished to the Camouflage workers today--- one hour in the morning and one hour in the afternoon.

Block Managers approved the formation of Service Bureau through which the orders for Sears Roebuck, Montgomery Ward and Chicago Mail Order House will be sent.

EVACUATION

W.R.A.

BLOCK MANAGERS

4/7/43

Remember April 7th? All the San Diegans do, of course. How could they forget? This was the momentous day--- one year ago---when they tearfully bade San Diego aloha until -----?

4/8/43

According to instructions given the Block Managers, the WRA will provide vans to pick to household goods stored in private homes and transfer them to a new 11 story moth free and burglar proof WRA warehouse in Los Angeles, at no cost to the evacuees.

The Block Managers* of Unit III are conducting a survey of private farm and automotive equipments belonging to the Evacuees, whether in use or storage, for the WRA to help the authority combat the adverse propaganda and contemplated legislation the anti-Japanese block in California are stirring up.

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RESETTLEMENT

RELIGION

LEAVE

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#/9 Friday--Mr. George E. Rundquist, executive Secretary of the Committee on Resettlement, spoke at a special meeting of the Block Managers. His topic----- What the Friends Service Committee and the W.R.A. Relocation service are doing to educate and sometime combat and pave the way for the Japanese leaving for outside employment.

Washington Post urged in an editorial Sunday that "trustworthy evacuees" of Japanese ancestry be returned "to their former homes" on the west coast in order that there might be a "substantial increase" in food production.

#/10 Saturday--

Buddhist Church presents impressive Hana Matsuri program at the 310 stage.

Mr. George E. Rundquist speaks to residents of Roku III at Rec. 322 on resettlement.

#/11 Sunday--Mr. George Rundquist speaks to residents of Roku II at Rec. 316 on resettlement

LEAVE

#/12 Monday--Leave permits to any point in Yuma County cancelled for twenty-one days.

#/13 Tuesday--

#/14 Wednesday-Unit III's quota of indefinite leaves permits will be limited to ten a day.

#/15 Thursday-No ironing warning was again issued by the Supervisors of the Block Managers.

HOUSING

Plans for the insertion of screens and panels on each apartment door of the center barracks were announced today.

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTICE

Effective Monday morning, April 9, 1943, Poston will go back to the regular working hours of 8:00 A.M. - 12:00 noon. 1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.

HEALTH

#/15 Thursday--A summary of the Chicken Pox epidemic as released by the Unit III Medical Clinic reveals that in all 147 cases which is 33% of the population was reported.

EDUCATION

At a P.T.A. Council meeting today, it was decided to present awards to outstanding students in the local schools.

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Council accepts and adopts Codes of Offenses and a traffic code which will govern all decisions handed down by the Judicial Commission.

BUREAU OF SOCIOLOGICAL RESEARCH - III
WEEKLY SUMMARY - 4/16/43 - 4/22/43

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HEALTH

POST OFFICE

COMMUNITY ENTERPRISE

14 24a
Friday Poston General Hospital
appealed today to resi-
dents of Unit III for
10 orderlies and 25
to 30 nurses aides.

It was announced today
that no further ins-
pection will be made
on Parcel Post and
Express packages by
the Military Police

Stamps No. 17 from War Ration
Book No. 1 are accepted by
Center stores for the pur-
chase of rationed shoes.

Saturday Announced that definite
steps had been taken to
hospitalize a portion of
the T.B. cases at the
Indian Sanitorium at
Phoenix.

RELIGION

POSTON CHRONICLE

ASSOCIATIONS

Sunday

Last night of the
Pre-Easter Confer-
ence in Unit I.

First printed Poston Chronicle
appeared.

First drowning case occ-
urred this year in Camp 3.

BLOCK MANAGERS

Tuesday Block Administrators of
Unit III met to discuss
with the Fire Chief, Mr.
Evans, the many fire ha-
zards existing at present.

COUNCIL

Council met to discuss
petition submitted by
Subsistence Department
to the effect that all
kitchen personnel be
given \$19.

BUREAU OF SOCIOLOGICAL RESEARCH III
WEEKLY SUMMARY - 4/23/43 - 4/29/43

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Leave

Subsistence

- 4/23/43 A draft of request and complaints, drawn up at a meeting of members from the Temporary Community Council and the Issei Advisory Board of Poston III were presented to Dillon S. Myers, WRA Director.
- 4/28/43 Council meets to discuss manpower shortage problem.
- Council reveals that a swimming pool 63 x 150 feet will be constructed near Block 324.
- 4/29/43 Council meets with the Medical, Fire and Subsistence Warehouse Departments to solve acute manpower shortage existing in these departments.

To avoid unnecessary confusion and last minute rush on part of department as well as the person leaving, the Unit III Leave Office requests all people leaving to notify the department 24 hours prior to their departure.

Over 100 mess hall workers attended a Steward Night at 310 Mess Thursday evening.

Associations

4/24/43 Miss Chiyeko Ooka presented her Roku II students at a successful recital This evening at Recreation 316.

4/25/43 Religion

The Poston III Christian Church had an impressive sunrise service atop one of the sand hills east of Camp III.

Education

4/23/43

A Panel discussion was held by members of the Senior and Junior classes of Poston III High School.

In the evening, the PTA sponsored a program on resettlement with guest speakers, Miss Nell Findley, Mr. Galen Fisher and Mr. Iwao Ishino.

BUREAU OF SOCIOLOGICAL RESEARCH
WEEKLY SUMMARY - 4/30/43 - 5/6/43

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Association -
Education

5/1/43 - Poston Public Schools 5/4/43

5/2/43 hold an exhibit in
conjunction with the
Junior Red Cross Ba-
zaar.

5/2/43 Golf Tournament held
in honor of the volun-
teers.

Health

A Physiotherapy Clinic
to be established in
Poston III in near fu-
ture.

Beginning today, dentis-
try will be performed for
the school children on
Tuesday and Saturday mor-
nings at the Dental Cli-
nic through an appoint-
ment with their respect-
ive teachers.

Miscellaneous

5/1/43

Telephone communication
goes into effect in
Camp III.

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BUREAU OF SOCIOLOGICAL RESEARCH, III
WEEKLY SUMMARY OF - 5/7/43 - 5/13/43

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INDUSTRY

5/8/43

Industry Exhibit postponed. Reason unknown.

ASSOCIATIONS

5/8/43

Camp I presents shibai before Unit III residents.

SELECTIVE SERVICE

5/10/43

Nineteen Volunteers for U.S. Army leave camp following tremendous send-off.

5/12/43

Camp I presents shibai to Camp III residents. Young adult kibels presented one and young children presented another.

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WEEKLY REPORT - 5/8/43 - 5/15/43

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LEAVE

5/10/43

Dr. Gordon K. Chapman
speaks to Isseis on re-
settlement.

COMMUNITY GOVERNMENT

5/12/43

Temporary Community Council to
set up \$2,000 emergency fund.

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BUREAU OF SOCIOLOGICAL RESEARCH, III
WEEKLY REPORT - 5/14/43 - 5/20/43

May 20, 1943

Miscellaneous

5/14/43

Unit III tractor crew started work on the swimming pool, which will be located north of Block 324 school grounds.

Associations

5/15/43

Miss Rose Takahashi's piano class presented a recital at 306 Recreation Hall.

5/17/43

The first organized indoor game of this season drew a huge crowd. The game was between a representative team from Camp I and the Unit III High School Varsity. The latter emerged the victor.

Religion

5/16/43

Post Easter Conference began at Parish II, Block 329.

5/20/43

Post Easter Conference terminates.

BUREAU OF SOCIOLOGICAL RESEARCH
WEEKLY REPORT - 5/14/43 - 4/20/43

CITY MANAGEMENT

5/17/43

Tom Sakamoto, Supervisor
of the Block Managers,
resigned today.

COMMUNITY GOVERNMENT

5/18/43

Camp III votes on whether to
accept or refuse the new Pos-
ton Constitution.

OUTGROUP RELATIONS

5/19/43

Rumors that 5 seasonal
workers were killed in
Idaho. Also that one
was shot in Colorado.

24 WEEKLY SUMMARY

WEEK OF MAY 21 to 27 (inclusive)

LAW ENFORCEMENT:

On May 20, Thursday night the Unit III Police vice Squad, made a surprise raid on the M. Fujino residence and arrested 11 men and 1 woman for gambling and conducting a gambling establishment. 4 decks of Hana, 2 tables and an empty whiskey bottle and \$9.85 were found.

LEAVE:

On May 21 many workers left for seasonal work, especially those from Roku III.

PTA meeting held on May 20, the regular meeting at which time Dar. Powell talked about the outside sentiments and his trip.

A farewell party for Internee families was held for the departing families in Block 330. May 23.

A block party was held in Block 526 celebrating the completion of the block ramadas. May 23

On the 24th of May five Volunteers from Unit III were given a farewell dinner at the 310 Mess Hall.

POLITICS:

The Block Managers gathered information of the total block output of vegetables to attach to the recommendation to be presented and also petitioned Mr. Burge to retain Tom Sakamoto as the Block Manager Supervisor.

INTERMENT:

The first group to wives and families that have expressed their desire to rejoin their interned husband or fathers in the Reunion Camp left Poston III for Crystal City, Texas. May 24

Shibai, "Chushingura" was put on by the Unit I group. May 25

RELIGION:

A farewell party for a few members of the Christian Endeavor Society who are leaving the center May 25 Morning Prayer meetings being held every morning with an attendance of about 25.

CAMOUFLAGE:

The Camouflage Net Factory closed on Tuesday May 25.

On May 25th the local residents went to their respective Block Polls to vote for their Council man.

POLITICS:

May 25 Residents of Unit II went to the polls and re-elected 10 incumbants and voted out of office 6 council men. Mr. Sugimura as elected in Block 307 but he resigned and the residents returned Mr. Tatsuo Kirihara; the former was an Issei. In Block 305 Mr. Horibe resigned and Mr. Nishimine was elected in his place. There two Issei Councilmen, Mr. Itaru Kubota and Mr. Nishimine and two women represent atives, Mrs. Mabel Hibi and Mrs. Tei Trokey.

RELIGION:

May 25 Hilarious pentomine was featured in the weekly Bussei Nite sponsored by Blk. 329.

24 WEEKLY SUMMARY
WEEK OF MAY 21 to 27 (inclusive)

EDUCATION:

George Takeoka, Vice principal and instructor in the Poston III Secondary School resigned from his position last week because of ill health.

24A COMMUNITY WEEKLY SUMMARY
WEEK OF MAY 21 to 27 (inclusive)

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May 20	PTA meeting held on May 20, the regular meeting at which time Dr. Powell talked about the outside sentiments and his trip.		
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May 24			On the 24th of May five volunteers from Unit III were given a farewell dinner at the 310 Mess Hall.
May 25	Shibai, "Chushingura" was put on by the Unit I group.	A farewell party for members of the Christian Endeavor Society who are leaving the center. Morning Prayer meetings being held every morning with an attendance of about 25. Hiharicus pantomime was featured in the weekly Bussei Nite sponsored by Blk. 329.	

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WEEK OF MAY 21 to 27 (inclusive)

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CAMOUFLAGE

LEAVE

POLITICS

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May 24

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WEEK OF MAY 21 to 27 (inclusive)

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>INTERMENT</u>	<u>LAW ENFORCEMENT</u>	<u>EDUCATION</u>
May 20		Unit III Police vice Squad, made a surprise raid on the M. Fujino residence and arrested 11 men and 1 woman for gambling and conducting a gambling establishment. Found: 4 decks of Hana, 2 tables and an empty whiskey bottle and \$9.85.	
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May 25			George Takaoka, Vice principal and instructor in the Poston III Secondary School resigned from his position last week because of ill health.

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SUMMARY OF WEEKLY EVENTS
May 28 thru June 2, 1943

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On Tuesday, the first meeting of the over-all Community Council took place and officers were elected. Caucuses were held preliminary to selection of the Chairman in which the representatives from Unit 3 seemed to participate very little. The Chairman elected was Mr. Nakamura of Block 18, and Mr. Sakamoto of Camp 2 was chosen Vice Chairman. The feeling in political circles within the camp such as members of the Executive Board was that the selection of Mr. Nakamura indicated a reactionary tendency in politics. Although a great deal of pressure was put on Mr. Nomura of the Community I Council to assume a role in the over-all Council, he refused and would not even allow himself to be elected a member of the group.

There is evidence of a very low level of interest in politics particularly in the establishment of the over-all council. The result has been the failure up to date of six blocks in Poston 1 to elect councilmen. In Block 11, the failure to elect a councilman resulted in stimulating a new interest based on a feeling of guilt at having fallen down in an important community responsibility.

A couple of weeks, the Community Council in Poston 1 worked out a plan for securing volunteers to work on the school construction. This consisted in stimulating each block individually to send a number of volunteers. The blocks worked it out in turn beginning with Mr. Nagai's block, then Mr. Nakachi's and Dr. Mizushima's and Mr. Nomura's. The order in which the blocks were taken indicates that an effort was made by

the leaders of the Executive Board, Labor Relations Board and the Council to set an example to the rest of the blocks. The program was furthered by the establishment of a bulletin board at the main canteen on which the response of the various blocks was shown from day to day. The result of this campaign was twofold: In the first place, considerable numbers of workers turned out on the school construction; at the same time, it seems to have given rise in many blocks to resentment and feelings of being driven by leaders and the administration. The latter seems to define the cleavage between people who are disposed to cooperate and the people who feel that the government should do everything.

During the week the immediate program of the agriculture department has been the subject of extensive discussion on the part of both the administration and the evacuee leaders. Mr. Mathiesen has been considering the elimination of the committee within the agriculture department which has been determining policy and program and substituting a simpler type of organization. In line with this, Mr. Sonoda has been given charge of the field crop production department. At the same time, the necessity for stimulating agricultural production has been brought to the attention of the people. This has been taken up with the Unit 1 Council by Mr. Nelson, with the City Council by Mr. Gelvin, and to the people of the blocks through a memorandum from Mr. Mathiesen to the block managers. It has been pointed out that there is provision in the budget for only 31¢ per person per day for food. If this is to be brought up to 45¢, it can only be through the efforts of the evacuees themselves.

The councilmen are now discussing the holding of meetings with block councils to present this problem and discuss ways and means of solving it.

It is apparent that there has been a great deal of satisfaction throughout the community (felt in a very personal way) over the removal of General DeWitt from the Command of the Western Defense Area. Coupled with this is great satisfaction over the probability of General Ramons from Hawaii assuming DeWitt's post. There is also the feeling that this has an important bearing on the possibility of return to California and consequently those whose hopes lie in that direction have been pleased by the change.

During the week an important meeting of the reverends and leaders in the Shin (Buddhist) sect was held to discuss the need for separation of Buddhist sects. It is held by the shin-shu reverends that the plan was originally to consolidate for one year only and now is the time to reconsider the consolidation. They maintain that children are being confused by the mixed ritual in the united services and by listening to reverends of other sects. The Nichiren and Shingon leaders do not seem to favor the separation. So far, no decision has been made in this matter.

On Wednesday night, graduation ceremonies were held for the Nurses' Aides who have been trained during the year in the hospital. There was a good deal of satisfaction expressed over this fulfillment of one part of the hospital program.

24A COMMUNITY WEEKLY SUMMARY
WEEK OF MAY 27 - JUNE 3

<u>DATE</u>	<u>PERMANENT COMMUNITY COUNCIL</u>	<u>JUDICIAL COMMISSION</u>	<u>LEAVE</u>
May 27	The new Community Council, elected by Unit III's residents Tuesday held their first meeting, following the installation ceremonies in the Council Room. Morris Burge, Poston III Administrator administered the oath to the new body.	M. Fujino of Block 317 was arraigned before the Judicial Commission of Unit III on charges of operating a gambling establishment and for gambling.	Paul Satow, formerly of Adult Ed. and camou flage now heads the Unit III Leave Office which was left unfilled since the departure of Don Iwahashi.
May 29	The ex- Councilmen Issei Advisors and the new Councilmen and their families enjoyed the whole day of fun and entertainment at the river with wiener bake.		

24A COMMUNITY WEEKLY SUMMARY
WEEK OF MAY 27 - JUNE 3

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>CAMOUFLAGE</u>	<u>RELIGION</u>	<u>LAND PLANNING BOARD</u>
May 29		Ayako Noguchi active Bussei leader from Jerome Center spoke before a capacity crowd relating her interesting trip through the worst Mississippi spree and scenic Rock Mountain regions.	
May 30		Special services were conducted in the temples and the churches to commemorate the Memorial Day.	
June 1	With each weaver contributing \$2 to the non-weavers, the collection from 71 workers amounted to \$142, according to the statement released by the Camouflage Shop Committee of Poston III.	Unit III Busseis were treated to an impressive and well organized program by the Unit I YBA.	Unit III Land Planning Board met in the evening with over 20 department heads and arranged for 12 committees, each to take over certain part of the construction of the swimming pool, bowling alley, dancing pavilion, showers for the swimmers and the amphitheatre, and other similar projects in the community.

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NATIONAL STUDENT RELOCATION COUNCIL

June 2

Mr. Bodine, Field representative of the NSRC spoke to interested students at the school recreation hall June 2, evening. He saw these who are interested individually the next morning. until noon.

24 WEEKLY SUMMARY (Ending 6/10/45)
(EXPLANATION OF GRAPH)

ASSOCIATION:

This week at 305 there was a picture, "I Wanted Wings", shown to the local residents. It attracted about two thousand men and women and children; there was a fairly large number of Isseis, probably due to the fact that there wasn't any form of amusement or entertainment for the older group this week. Of course, there has been softball games going on during the week with the different age groups participating.

With the continuous days of hot weather, many residents have been going to the river to fish and to swim. The number of classes in the grade schools have been holding picnics and going to the river during the week. The life guards from the Water Safety Division of the Red Cross have been voluntarily serving the local resident by accompanying the different groups going to the river. The increase of the school children hiking to the Colorado River may be attributed to the sanction of the parents, feeling secure to know that life guards are accompanying them.

There has been the continued interest in the summer recreation for the school children and a meeting was held last Friday but no decision has yet been made. Miss Gruhe spoke to the mothers of Block 329 concerning the summer recreation for the children on Sunday.

LAND PLANNING BOARD:

The Land Planning Board has begun a community project on a local Civic Center which is to include a dancing pavilion, amphitheatre, sumo arena in addition to the swimming pool which has been already started on. This project will affect the entire community since the manpower is to be supplied by the volunteers from the Rokus alternately. Also a plan has been made to pool all available manpower from each department for the construction of the civic center. Pleas has been put in the paper for cooperation of the residents and also large signs in Japanese such as "Warera-no-ase-de yuen wo tsukuro" are posted throughout the camp in conspicuous places.

RELIGION:

This week there has been no special program in the Christian group aside from the regular weekly church functions, the Sunday morning and evening services, prayer meetings, and other meetings. In the Buddhist group a new organization was formed during the week and the officers were elected. This body is the Junior branch of the Young Buddhists Association. The Y. B. A. elected their new officers and held an installation during the week also.

VOLUNTEERS:

Though the interest in the volunteers have dropped considerably during the week there still remains the dissatisfaction among the volunteers who are waiting to be called. With many of their friends leaving for the outside on seasonal or indefinite leaves, they feel restless waiting, not knowing when they would be able to join their fellows that have been called all ready.

TRUST FUND:

Aside from the announcement that three hundred dollars had been given to the Parent Teachers Association for the scholarship fund for the students of the local school, there has been no news as to the division of the Trust Fund as yet.

INDUSTRY:

The Council has been conducting its investigation of the local Industry Department but no statement has yet been published about the progress. There seems to have been no interest among the residents with the exception of some isolated groups in the investigation. There has been an editorial written in the Unit III section about the failure of the Council Investigation Committee and criticized its technique, but the sentiments expressed were more personal than public. In spite of all this, the people are still receiving tofu regularly from this department.

LEAVE:

There still remains among the residents, especially the younger generation a great interest in resettlement and outside employment but during the week there has been a considerable drop in the number leaving the center. There were half as many leaving this week as there were last week.

New job offers have been coming in continuously with better prospects of good jobs in different parts of the country. Civil Service has been opened to the greater number Niseis who are interested also. Another hostel was opened in the east for the purpose of aiding those desirous of resettling on the outside.

There has been a slight change in the type of publicity given for the new outside employment and about resettlement. Probably due to the experiences some of the evacuees had encountered in resettling on the outside. There has been a tone of caution and warning expressed in the project paper.

But there remained some dissatisfaction among those who intend to leave the project due to the difficulty of getting suitable employment on the outside.

OUTGROUP RELATIONS:

During the week there has been some interest in the Arizona House Bill 187, which restricts the sales of merchandise to restricted, but it has not been very strong since many, the majority of the residents do not expect to remain in the state.

A series of articles and pictures of the local project has been running in the Los Angeles Times which has a fairly circulation in the center. Interested in the pictures and the favorable comments, many residents tried to get a hold of a copy but the copies were sold out in no time. Countering the favorable writeup on the local project, articles on the report made by the Dies Committee on its finding brought to the front a very unfavorably false distorted picture of the center and aroused considerable resentment among the Evacuees. But having been conditioned so many such propaganda, the people have not taken the reports too seriously.

Since very few if any subscribe to the papers of the other states besides the western states, they have not heard much about the sentiments of the east very much with the exception of letters from those resettled in the east. Thus many have concluded that the strong anti-evacuee feeling is prevalent throughout the nation.

INTERMENT:

With some of the families joining their husbands and fathers at Crystall City, Texas in the previous week, there was much confusion and misunderstandings within the families due to their difficulty in making decisions. But this week with about thirty persons having returned from the internment camps as parolees to join their families there has been optimism and joy expressed by families and friends. Many

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internees are having rehearing made and there is a possibility of many more joining their families in the center. Some of internees in Louisiana are being sent to Santa Fe and those at Lordsburg are being sent to Santa Fe and Montana.

LAW ENFORCEMENT:

In the first part of the week Hamada succeeded Ken Sato as Police Chief since the latter was promoted to the position of assistant to the Internal Security Officer E. Miller, but there has been no sentiments expressed as to the new Chief.

As there has been some pilferage of green melons and vegetables from the agricultural project and the individual gardens and resentment and anger has been expressed by the growers and the agriculture department. Also there has been some robberies in certain part of the camp, arousing dissatisfaction among the residents.

POLITICS:

There has been some dissatisfaction among certain groups about the prolonged investigation of the Industry Department by the Council but there has been no strong interest in the Council among the residents as a whole.

On Monday Mr. Sakamoto had an interview with Mr. Burge and both had decided that the former should not return to the Office of Block Managers' Supervisor. But on Wednesday Mr. Ikeda and Mr. Shirazawa approached Mr. Burge and asked that he retain Mr. Sakamoto but the latter refused. The Block Managers are 100% for Mr. Sakamoto but it seems that they cannot have him return.

representing the Block Managers and their staff,

SUBSISTENCE:

This week shrimps were on the table a few times to the satisfaction of some people, especially the older people; but for majority of the Niseis it isn't much of a delicacy. Corn was also served on the tables this week but all were not sweet, some were bitter, tough and dry. But those who were fortunate to receive the sweet ones enjoyed them very much. The children enjoyed the plums the most. On the whole there was a general satisfaction about the food among the populace.

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A SSOCIATION:

This past week there has been parties going among different groups. In the schools the Junior classes and the Seniors were having classes during the week with the closing of the semester approaching. Also among the smaller groups, there have been many going to the from school after receiving the sanction of their parents; in some cases the parents have been accompanying their children. With the favorable for swimming some of the older boys have been camping at the river overnight and others have been going to the Unit II swimming pool for a change.

There has been an increase in the sport of softball with the formation of mixed teams of both male-female and the young-old groups. There has been more softball diamonds made; and the blocks seem to take into rest in these mixed team games within the blocks. After supper one sees many games going on throughout the camp on the different block diamonds. The Christian Endeavor group has closed their volleyball season and are beginning in their softball games.

In Block 316 a block club was formed for the benefit of the late adolescent group to keep them occupied with something more educational to eliminate the rowdism; but due to leave many of the former clubs have been automatically dissolved.

Last Friday the show "Biscuit Eater" was not considered a major attraction but it drew a fairly large crowd. The picture emotionally moved the girls and the small children so much that sniffles could be here and there. It was enjoyed more by the small children than those of the adolescent group.

All in all there has been much satisfaction shown among the local residents; but the lack funds has been a problem in many cases.

RELIGION:

There was the YBA conference held in Unit II during the week which brought the Buss ei leaders together for first meeting of the new officers, and also Junior YBAs have been organized locally in each roku and the installation of the Roku II officers was held on Wednesday night, at which time about one hundred young people gathered.

Among the Christians this week has been more or less as usual with the weekly programs continued; but there seems to have been some drop in the enthusiasm for singspiration and other activities with many of the leaders leaving the center. There has been some notice of the decline of the interest among the leaders themselves with the loss of some of their best colleagues. This week Rev. McKnight and Dr. Mayberry renewed their visit to the project and have been well received by the people, especially the Iseei.

Compared to the past week there has been a increase of interest in the religious groups, with also a sign of decline of interest in certain groups.

INDUSTRY:

There is still some suspicion on the part of the people concerning the profits of the Industry Department, since they do not know where the profits go. This will probably be cleared with the publicity of the results of the Council Investigation, but the latter is not in such a position as yet. There has been some element of satisfaction with the improvement of the tofu quality which is distributed to the local mess halls; also they had produced some moyashi for the mess halls after period of production suspension. They have also resumed the classes in Artificial Flower making which is conducted in each mess hall on different days.

This week there has been an increase in the interest of the Industry Department with more satisfaction over the food produced and the flower-making classes.

VOLUNTEERS:

This week a few more volunteers were called for induction; but there still remain quite a few who are yet to be called. For some it was "Oh, at last!" but there has been restlessness among the many who are waiting for induction. Having been disgusted of waiting to be inducted, some had already gone to wait on the outside to be inducted. But there hasn't been much interest within the camp about the volunteers.

TRUST FUND:

Though nothing else has been announced about the distribution of the Trust Fund, the school has already received the three hundred dollars for the PTA scholarship fund. This has brought some interest among the students also.

LEAVE:

Compared to the drop in the number of leaves last week there has been a gain this week with more leaving the center on seasonal leaves to Nebraska, and elsewhere. With the investigation of the Dies Committee and the rumour that leave will be suspended for a week or two, there has been anxiety aroused among those intending to leave. Also there has been some fear that leave grants will be cancelled or suspended at the same time.

The type of employment offer vary from day to day with good or bad offers, but there has been greater interest the job offer listed in the job offer sheets. There has also been fairly good civil service openings for the Nisei recently.

OUTGROUP RELATIONS:

During the week there has been great publicity given to the investigation of Poston by the Dies Committee in the Los Angeles papers with the testimony of the former employees of the project and the Project Administrative Staff members. This publicity had drowned the favorable series of articles on the center appearing the Los Angeles Times; and has aroused resentment among the people, though most of the Issei know through their former readings of the Japanese papers as the activities of the Martin Dies Committee. People cannot but laugh at the distorted picture of the camp but they realize the effect it would have upon the sentiments on the outside towards the Evacuees.

In the latter part of the week a delegation of Arizonans went to the Dies Committee at Los Angeles and testified that if a Evacuee or a group of Evacuees should resettle there will be blood shed. This brought great headline on the papers.

Some of the small town papers which had been favorable to the Evacuees have changed their policies and have begun to publish unfavorable comments. Especially in the town of Reedley which had been very friendly towards the Japanese. There seems have been some change of sentiments. Some former residents of Reedley attribute this to the certain members of the Chamber of Commerce who had always been anti-Japanese.

But all has not been pessimistically to the worse. Dr. Kendall of the Central Methodist Church in Phoenix in his sermon over the radio branded the new law being enforced in the state as patterned after the Nazi law against the Jews and unconstitutional and throughout his sermon he stood for the minority group. Also during the week favorable comments have been coming in from the East and the Middle West.

With the rumour that there will be a suspension of leaves for a certain period, there has been some anxiety and dissatisfaction aroused among those interested.

INTERMENT:

The families with members interned in New Mexico or Louisiana have somewhat gained some optimism with the rehearing being conducted. Many have heard about their husbands and fathers from those who had been paroled and returned to their families. Many have been waiting anxiously to hear about their opportunity to return to their families, but there has been some dissatisfaction who have not been able to get information whether the internee is returning or being detained or possibility of having a rehearing. This week there has been a decline in the interest but there seems to be a general satisfaction among the people.

LAW ENFORCEMENT:

The last week end there had been announcements made in each mess halls concerning the stealing of the vegetables and fruits from the community and individual gardens. The Police announced that all who are caught will be sent directly to Phoenix without trial. This statement was necessitated by the frequent occurrence of vegetable stealing from the individual and community gardens. There have been incidents where green watermelon and honey balls thrown out in the street. This aroused some concern on the part of the elders about their children in some blocks.

SUBSISTENCE:

On Sunday chicken was served in all the mess halls in unit III, this brought great satisfaction among the residents. The fowls were very young and tender. This was the first time that they had had fowl since the New Years and the people were greatly pleased to know that these were raised here with possibility of having more chicken in the future.

Cantaloupes were also served several times during the week. It was very timely since we have had some hot weathers recently. Also with their

arrival of more rice, the staple food of the populous here, there has been an increase in the satisfaction of the food.

COOPERATIVE:

Though the Cooperative is not as yet completely organized there has been some interest aroused by the dividends that are to be distributed among the members of the organization in the very near future. Many have filled the envelopes and returned to the block managers to have them sent to the Co-op office. There has been some dissatisfaction in that some did not save any of the receipt slips or sometimes did always get receipts. With the dividends being distributed there will arise greater interest in the future.

SCHOOLS:

With the termination of the school year rapidly approaching, the junior and the seniors have been holding frequent parties during the week with joy that the school would soon close. Among the parents and the seniors there has been great interest in the graduation which is to be held next week. In the school a Victory Work Corp has been formed to aid the Civic Center project with their available manpower. The Scholarship Fund granted to the PTA has brought some satisfaction among the students as an encouragement. There are all satisfaction but there has been dissatisfaction about the standard of education of Poston, believing it to be not higher as that of the California State.

LAND PLANTING:

During the last week and the Roku II residents volunteered for the Civic project and went to the mountains on Sunday to get rocks. The manager seemed to have been pleased with the turnout of the volunteers. Also recently a name contest was announced to arouse interest of the people in the center. There seems to be some satisfaction in the beginning and cooperation being received.

SUMMARY OF WEEK ENDING JULY 4th

The administration is busy trying to explain the situation to the evacuees. There are many misconceptions they are able to clear away (such as, will the Japanese always be kept here like Indians) but many are questions to which no one knows the answer.

New arrivals coming in everyday - between 450 and 500. Everybody helps to make things as easy for them as possible.

A party by the Kamaainas to honor Dr. Cary.

Community No. 2 is opened.

60,000 guayule planted.

Ironing houses being built for each block.

A man gets lost and has a terrible time with thirst in the mesquite.

Fourth of July celebrations. The Irrigation water reaches Poston. Trees planted in Founders Grove, pageant in evening. Exhibition of furniture.

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ASSOCIATIONS:

Again this week there were two movies held, "My Favorite Blond" and "Hot Spot" which brought great response of laughter from the crowd.

For the Isseis there were no special program held. They enjoyed the movies with the Niseis and were satisfied to hear the commentary on the current news by Rev. Mitani.

With the continuance of warm weather there has been a steady number of visitors to river to Unit II swimming pool. Also with the slough near the camp there has been a popularity in fishing for the young and the old.

In the community activities there was a sendoff for the volunteers of the three units held in Unit III on Friday evening. Also the first Poston Commencement was held on Saturday evening which drew a large crowd at the sight of the new amphitheater.

There were many individual parties going this week with parties for those leaving and school parties.

In the sports new old men teams were formed and there was greater number of inter block games going on, between the mixed groups.

There has been some dissatisfaction this week with the announcement that there will be only one payed instructor in each unit for Japanese entertainments. Also parents were anxious as to the recreation for the children during the summer.

RELIGION:

Pres. Cornelious Haggard spoke two nights to the Christians; he is the president of the Pacific Bible College. The Christian ministers took part in both the sendoff and the commencement with no representative from the Buddhists but there seemed to be no apparent dissatisfaction. Some satisfaction brought to the young christian with the announcement by Rev. Nagano that he will be willing to help anyone having problems. Among the Buddhist group, the Jr. YBA has begun to be active in the religious circle.

VOLUNTEERS:

This Friday a sendoff for the volunteers of the three units was held in Unit III. The crowd was conspicuously composed of Isseis in the front. There were representatives from Camp Savage looking for more recruits in Poston.

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TRUST FUND:

There has been some anxiety expressed as to when the Trust Fund is to be distributed to the residents.

LEAVE:

There has been continued dissatisfaction among those who had made application for employment and were ready to leave but at the last moment their jobs were cancelled. Also with the limitation of ten to leave from the project per day has changed the schedule of some who have been anxious to leave early.

With the announcement that indefinite leaves will be given without definite employment on the outside brought some satisfaction. The recent call for about 200 farmers has brought some interest among the Issei farmers with the recent order to reduce the employees.

Also another hostel has been opened in Chicago for those interested.

OUTGROUP:

With the Dies Committee continuing investigation in Washington after their visit to the Camp has created some interest as the report that would be made on the project.

Comic strip "Superman" has entertained a propaganda scheme of the saboteurs in the relocation centers, but there has been a conspicuous lack of articles on the center in the Los Angeles Times for the last few days of this week.

With the announcement of the new appropriations there has been created some anxiety among the residents with the feeling that they are the object of a squeeze by two opposite forces.

INTERMENT:

Fire in Santa Fe Detention Camp brought some anxiety among the families and friends of the internees but the telegram that all is well brought relief to them.

LAW ENFORCEMENT:

The Police Commissioners were approved by the Council this week and their duties have been drafted. This brought relief to the police since the former will act as their public relations men.

With the effective warning of the previous week there seems to have been no stealing committed either in the blocks or in the ag project.

There has been a recurrence of robbery in Block 322 which has been going on for some time, now.

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SUBSISTENCE:

With watermelons, cantaloupes, there seems to be a general feeling of satisfaction among the residents. With cucumber and tomatoes available for salads from the local project general contentment. There has been some complaints about the liver sausage and the hard beans and starchy food in various mess halls but on the whole there has been more satisfaction.

SCHOOLS:

On Saturday the first commencement was held in Poston III at the future site of the amphitheatre. Great satisfaction on the graduating students to receive their diplomas and to feel that they have finished the grade schools.

There was some dissatisfaction among the parents and the others during the commencement when they could not understand the long talk given by the speaker.

After the exercises a party was held in honor of the graduates at the 324 Mess Hall.

LAND PLANNING BOARD:

It was decided in the Monday night's meeting of the committee that instead of having volunteers from the departments and so many from the rokus that they should have three volunteers from each block each day.

This will affect the camp residents more than it had before.

EMPLOYMENT:

With the closing of school there has been an increase in the labor supply; the students have been going to different departments in search of work.

Though it may affect the unit immediately, there has been the announcement of reducing the employees in the project from 8,000 to 5,600 which has brought comment of dissatisfaction among the residents.

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ASSOCIATIONS:

For the Isseis this week there were two events which mainly for them, the Shibei held on Sunday night and the Report on Current events by Rev. Mitani. This was the first time that he had appeared in Unit III. The Isseis were greatly pleased to have the current events explained to them in detail since most of them do not have access to any source of commentary on the news and it is the main thing the Isseis are interested in camp.

This week there were two movies on Friday and Saturday which attracted both the Isseis and the Niseis. "Fleet's In" brought much response of laughter from the audience and the Travel Log brought many memories of California and Santa Anita.

There has been more soft ball games being held in the camp in the different parts with greater enthusiasm shown by the Isseis and the Niseis. There has also been a steady number of swimmers going to the river or to the Unit II Swimming Pool.

RELIGION:

This Sunday being father's Day special services were held in the Christian Churches and also the YBA held a special program in honor of the fathers. The Christian Services on this occasion were well attended for the special services.

INDUSTRY:

A special meeting was held between the Council Committee and the Industry department. Though among the residents there has been no apparent interest concerning the investigation, they were satisfied with the tofu and moyashi that they have received in their mess halls. But among those in close touch with the council or the Industry there was some dissatisfaction, in the investigation.

VOLUNTEERS:

There was a call for volunteers for induction in the early part of the week with a supplement of another list of names. This brought some satisfaction among the friends of volunteers as well as to the volunteers themselves. But some dissatisfied for not having received their notices have left for the outside or are waiting restlessly for their call.

LEAVE:

On Tuesday evening the Santa Fe Railway cancelled the reservations made by the evacuees planning to leave, giving the reason as troop movements being conducted. This brought anxiety among those who had intended to leave soon and those who had friends that left that night and who were reported to be stranded at Cadiz, or Wickenburg. There were rumours and dissatisfactions due to the cancellation.

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OUTGROUP:

This week in the Examiner there was an article on the resolution by the American Legion of Portland recommending that the Niseis in the centers be trained in democracy so that they may be sent to Japan after the war to indoctrinate Democracy in them. The cancellation of leaves via Santa Fe railway brought some anxiety and dissatisfaction among the residents, but there was some relieve when on Saturday a statement was issued that ten will be permitted to leave from the project per day.

LAW ENFORCEMENT:

It was announced that Police Commissioners were appointed to aid the Police Department in the capacity of advisors.

SUBSISTENCE:

There has been a continued satisfaction, a general contentment on the part of the residents with fairly good food on the table. The children were especially satisfied with the presence of cantaloupes and fruits at meal time.

SCHOOL:

This being the last week of school for the students and the last week of grade school life for the seniors there were many activities going on with the weeks calendar filled.

LAND PLANNING BOARD:

The various departments have been satisfactorily aiding during the weekends in the construction of the swimming pool and the rest of the projects in the Civic Center. The School students and the Roku volunteers have also been contributing to the community effort.

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WEEKLY SUMMARY
RATINGS GIVEN FOR THE SENTIMENT CHART

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TOPICS	MAY 21 - 5/27		
	T	S	d
Association	4½	4½	
Religion	5	3	
Industry	1	½	½
Volunteers	5½	3	½
Camouflage	1½	1½	
Trust Fund			
Leave	7	6	1
Out Group Relation	2	1	1
Internment			
Law Enforcement	5	2	1
Politics	4	3	1
Subsistence	1	½	½
	30½	25	5½

Out Group
Relation

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RATINGS GIVEN FOR THE SENTIMENT CHART

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<u>TOPICS</u>	<u>MAY 28 - 6/3</u>		
	<u>t</u>	<u>s</u>	<u>d</u>
Association	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	4	$\frac{1}{2}$
Religion	3	3	
Industry	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1
Volunteers	1 $\frac{1}{2}$		1 $\frac{1}{2}$
Camouflage			
Trust Fund . . . . .	.1	1	
Leave . . . . .	.7	6	1
Out Group Relation	3	2	1
Internment	3	1	2
Law Enforcement2	.1	1
Politics	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$
Subsistence	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
	28 $\frac{1}{2}$	20	9

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RATINGS GIVEN FOR THE SENTIMENT CHART

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TOPICS	JUNE 4 - 6/10		
	t	s	d
Association	4	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$
Religion	2	2	
Industry	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$
Volunteers	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$
Camouflage			
Trust Fund	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	
Leave	5	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$
Out Group Relation . . . . .	.5	2	3
Internment3 $\frac{1}{2}$	3	$\frac{1}{2}$
Law Enforcement	2	$\frac{1}{2}$	1 $\frac{1}{2}$
Politics1	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$
Subsistence	2	1	1
	27	18 $\frac{1}{2}$	8 $\frac{1}{2}$

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RATINGS GIVEN FOR THE SENTIMENT CHART

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<u>TOPICS</u>	<u>JUNE 11 - 6/17</u>		
	<u>t</u>	<u>s</u>	<u>d</u>
Association	4	5½	½
Religion3	3	
Industry	1½	1	½
Volunteers1	½	½
Trust Fund	½	½	
Leave . . . . .	.64	4	2
Outgroup Relation	6	2	4
Internment	3	1½	½
Law Enforcement	2	½	1½
Subsistence	3	2	1
Cooperative	1	½	½
School	2½	1½	1
Land Planning Board	3	3	
	35½	23½	12

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RATINGS GIVEN FOR SENTIMENT CHART

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TOPICS	JUNE 18 - 6/24		
	t	s	d
Association	5	4	1
Religion	3½	3½	
Industry	1	½	½
Volunteers	1½	1	½
Trust Fund			
Leave . . . . .	.6	2	4
Outgroup	5	2	3
Internment			
Law Enforcement	1	½	½
Subsistence	3	2	1
Schools	3	2½	½
Land Planning Board	2	2	
Employment	<hr/>		
	26	18	8

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RATINGS GIVEN FOR SENTIMENT CHART

July 6, 1943
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TOPICS	JUNE 25 - 6/1		
	t	s	d
Association	5	4	1
Religion	3	3	
Industry2	1	1
Volunteers	2	1½	½
Trust Fund . . . . .	.½		½
Leave . . . . .	.6	3½	2½
Outgroup Relation	5	2	3
Internment	1	½	½
Law Enforcement	1½	1	½
Subsistence	3	2	1
Schools	3½	3	½
Land Planning Board	2	2	
Employment.	3½	½	3
	38	24	14

24 WEEKLY SUMMARY
Week - July 15 to 21

EMPLOYMENT: July 15

D. C. Employment Official on inspection tour.

Davis McIntire assistant chief of the WRA employment arrived here Monday evening on inspection tour of all relocation centers. He remained for two days. He was pleased with the progress of relocation here, reporting that Poston ranked first in the number of evacuees who have been re-settled.

RELIGION:

The Buddhist Summer School. The second summer school today from 8 to 9 o'clock at 316, 317, 318, and 322 Recreation Halls. Sunday School Teachers guide the classes.

JULY 16: Friday

Dale Okazaki, who was recommended to succeed Tom Sakamoto as Block Manager supervisor was officially accepted into the office by Morris Burge.

Movie, "A Night in New Orleans" shown at Block 305, starring P. Morrison and Preston Foster. Other short subjects, comedy and sports parade. Attended by large crowd.

Mr. Morris Burge left for Los Angeles this morning to see his wife, Mrs. Burge, who is ill in the Los Angeles Hospital.

Reefer packed with melons from Gila Relocation Center.

JULY 17: Saturday

Block 316 meeting. Purpose: Employment
Block affairs

JULY 18: Sunday

Regular Christian and Buddhist services.

Sunday school teachers enjoyed outing at the river.

JULY 20: Tuesday

Oratrical Contest at 310 stage, drew a large crowd. Eight Buddhist members participated; Frank Doi, taking first place; Noboru Yamakoshi second; and Sumi Tashiro, third. Judges for the contest were George Takaoka, James Wakashima, and M. Matsumoto. Chairman for the evening, Toru Ikeda.

JULY 22:

RELIGION

Rev. Kumata, Nisei pastor from Topaz Center and National Y. B. A. director spoke before a large congregation at 322 Recreation Hall. Mike Maruyama accompanied Rev. Kumata on the way to Poston.

JULY 23:

ENTERTAINMENT

Movie, "The Great man's Lady", shown at 317 was enjoyed by both isseis and niseis. Other short subjects chosen were sports review and cartoon.

JULY 25:

RELIGION:

Regular morning services for Christian and Buddhist.

VOLUNTEERS

The second largest contingent of Army volunteers for the all Nisei Combat Unit at Camp Shelby, ~~xxxxxx~~ were given a traditional farewell party at Block 4 stage before a large crowd. George Katahira and Hiratsuka were only two from Unit III.

FIRE -- 11:00 P. M.

Personnel Mess of Unit III caught on fire. The prompt arrival of the Fire Dept. prevented the fire from spreading, thus -- no damage.

JULY 27:

RELIGION

Y. B. A. Night held at 306 Rec. Hall, sponsored by 308 proved successful, as usual. Various talents and community singing were enjoyed.

JULY 28:

ENTERTAINMENT

Issei talent show was held at 310 stage with block representatives contributing with musical numbers. Due to the fact that the whole program was in Japanese, the niseis didn't enjoy it as much as the isseis.

August 5-11, 1943
Typed Aug. 14, '43

SEGREGATION:

The first hearings began Saturday morning August 7 in all three units of Poston. All hearings in unit 3 are to be completed by August 20 so that the list may be sent to Washington on that date.

RELIGION:

Christian - Sun. Aug. 8

Joint worship of the young people and older adults was held at the 305 Red. hall in observation of the Poston III Christian Church anniversary. After a message delivered by Rev. K. Imai, a large special anniversary cake was enjoyed by all.

Buddhist - Tues. Aug. 10

A successful Symphony in Swing, presented by the 318 Moonlight Serenaders drew a capacity crowd in their second round of the YBA Nights.

Yoshiko Aoki acted as chairman of the devotional service while Kiyoshi Kawamoto emceed the musical entertainment.

ENTERTAINMENT:

Aug. 11-

The 318 Starlight Symphony was held under the serene shade of "Paradise Garden" with Miss Alice Grube as commentator. Music lovers enjoyed the many recorded selections.

SPORTS:

Aug. 9-

308 Globetrotters and 322-23 met for the Poston III Block League Championship on the Sportsman's Park. 322-23 aggregation emerged victorious over the 308 Globetrotters as approximately 2500 fans anxiously looked on. Thus the 322 boys are the undisputed champions of the Block League and entitled to two loss before they are eliminated in the playoffs.

MOVIE:

A hilarious movie, "Henry Aldrich Editor" drew a huge crowd at block 323 on Aug. 7.

August 12-18, 1943

RAIN STORM: Mon. Aug. 16 -

The worst storm ever to have swept over Poston, struck Monday afternoon at about 1:45. Its severity was concentrated on Camp III.

Approximately 285 man hour labor was sustained by the high school agriculture of unit III. Roofs of three school buildings were blown off by strong wind. Other damages were inflicted upon the warehouses, amphitheatre and poultry of the Agriculture Department.

SUBSISTENCE: Mon. Aug. 16 -

At 9:30 a.m., east of Camp II highway, a Camp I Subsistence truck heading for Camp I capsized. Lettuce, green pepper and jars of jam were destroyed. Of the three men on the truck, two escaped injury. Driver, Mr. Kobayashi of Camp I, who was knocked unconscious, was rushed to the Camp I hospital by the Camp II ambulance. Extent of injuries was not released.

ASSOCIATION: Tues. Aug. 17 -

Classical odoris was presented at the 310 stage beginning at 9 p.m. Fifty talents trained since the beginning of the Shiba Department performed.

BON ODORI:

With Bon Odori slated for August 21 and 22, obon practice began Thursday, Aug. 12 and was held every night by the 310 stage. Attendance of large number of boys adds gayety to the practices.

RELIGION: Sun. Aug. 15 -

Christian: -

Rev. Hubert Davidson, outstanding minister of Baptist church in Southern California spoke from 10:30 a.m. at 329 Christian church. Rev. H. Potter delivered a sermon for the evening.

ENTERTAINMENT: Aug. 18 Wed. -

One of the liveliest events in camp was "Starlight Symphony" at 318 Garden held Wednesday night. With perfect atmosphere and surroundings, restful symphonic music was enjoyed by all who attended.

LEAVE:

The relocation program is proceeding as usual although slightly decreased by segregation.

MOVIES:

Fri. Aug. 13 -

A fast-moving thriller, "The Lady Has Plans" featuring Ray Milland and Paulette Goddard was shown at block 305 9:15 p.m.

Aug. 14 -

Block 305 was the location for the second showing of the Japanese movie, "Chi Chi" Saturday evening. Noticeable was the number of Issels.