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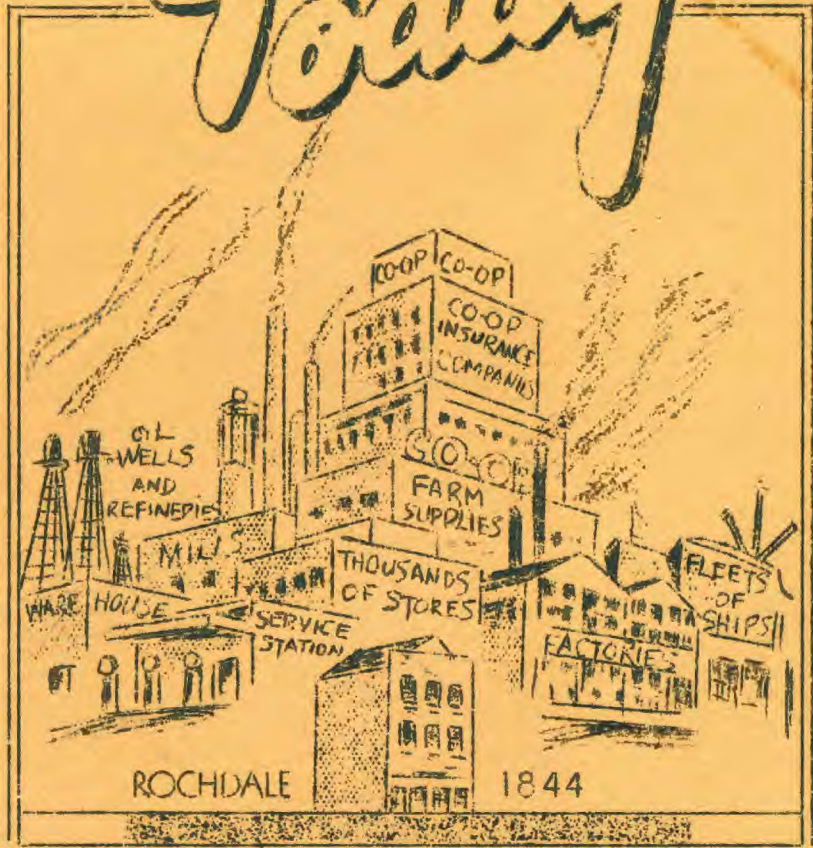


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TO THE EMPLOYEES

Out of the black emptiness of uncertainty caused by the war, especially to us of the Japanese ancestry, and the many years of confinement, the outstanding achievement is the cooperative movement as exemplified by the Amache Consumer Enterprises, Inc.

The heart of such movement is the staff of employees who, despite many difficulties and disappointments and handicapped by limitations, have accomplished much through your magnificent contribution of unselfish service during the last three years at the Co-op. Instead of assuming to know exactly what the public wanted in this unique and untried environment and circumstances, you have worked out generous revision and improvement in quick response to discovered needs. Your continued splendid cooperation has enhanced the glory of the Co-operative Spirit.

To honor you, and to convey to you the appreciation of your leadership, and your interpretation as well as execution of service, and to enliven the memories of your days at the Co-op, this book is dedicated to you. May it provide you with enjoyment in your later days.

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Johnson's Message



Fellow Cooperators:

It has been an interesting and enriching experience to me to have had the opportunity of being a part of the Amache Consumer Enterprises. I had, unlike most of the members, previous experience in the field of cooperative education and cooperative organization. From my own initial feeble efforts in establishing the old Canteen at 6-F and the Variety Store at 7-F, I saw a great enterprise develop. The greatness of Amache Consumer Enterprises, Inc., consists not only in the volume of business handled, satisfactorily as it has been, but in its teaching and principles of group cooperation and the sharing of group experiences. Amache demonstrated its belief in cooperation by putting more cash into memberships than any other center.

It has been a great experience to have worked with a group which could sit down together and pool its experience, and from these experiences set up an organization based upon brotherhood and good will, to serve the needs of some 10,000 people. I shall always look back upon these experiences with pleasure.

Please remember that in cooperation there is strength.

Cooperatively yours,

W. Ray Johnson,
Chief Project Community Management