

Oct. 31, 1942

Conference Room

9:00 A.M.

Absentees: Messrs. Oshihasi, Yokota, and Nagamori.

1. Mr. Paulley reported that those who have experience as a good worker will receive guarantee of 50 cents per hour with meals, transportation, housing free. This applies to wages on hour basis, and not to contract workers. For contract workers, meals will be free on days unfit to work.
2. Mr. Rachford; on Agenda, 10/26.
  - # 4. This request has no point at the present time. At present no rent is charged and no wages paid are being charged against the Community Enterprises. This basis was supposedly to be applied until Cooperatives (wages and rent charges) is established.
3. On Agenda, 10/28: This problem is being taken care of by Mr. Lummis.
4. On Agenda, 10/30:
  - # 1. Additional medical equipments received. San Francisco ordered list of shortages. Present situation will clear up soon.
  - # 2. a, b, c; taken care of by the Administrative procedure. Details will appear on the newspaper.
  - # 3. The Administration has not been able to get anything from W.C.C.A. or Pomona on clothing allowances to be issued in Assembly Centers. No definite information on hand as to which families had already received and how much stock is still available. Difficulty is where additional clothing allowances will be made. Questionable for W.R.A. to issue allowances in lieu of W.C.C.A. which was supposed to have made such issuance. Wire from W.C.C.A. referred that arrangement would be made to authorize Mr. Durning for Pomona allowances and stated only 30 families are qualified for the allowances but as to stock, it is difficult to trail its whereabouts.
5. Mr. Rachford reported that the whole members of the Police tendered resignation.
6. In response to the wire requesting information on fire insurance. The letter from Washington Office stated: That Federal Government never insure its public buildings;
  - That no insurance covers on buildings;
  - That as to injuries suffered because of fire, hospitalization and medical care is all they will do;
  - That as to insurance on personal property, the residents should have safe-keeping of value;
  - That Mr. Rachford is anticipating that the residents will have to depend on insurance companies, or as a group insurance. Mr. Rachford asserted that he is not in a position to give final answer.
7. Mr. Fujimoto reported to Mr. Rachford that termination of the Temporary Chairmen's Council falls on 11/3. Mr. Rachford expressed appreciation for the Council's effort and cooperation shown in line with the welfare and improvement of this project. He stressed that the Council has charted the course for the community that he hopes will be followed, and that the Council laid foundation that will

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either break or keep civic welfare, and that he enjoyed working with the Council.

8. Mr. Barber reported freight rates as follows:

- a) From California;
  - \$4.27 per hundred for L.C.L. (Small broken shipments which is less than carloads)
  - \$1.99 per hundred for carload.

- b) From North Portland;
  - \$4.27 per hundred for L.C.L.

9. Mr. Barber announced general recreation programs for November and December which would require the use of mess halls;

- 1. Motion picture--each week; Tuesday--Saturday.
- 2. Social Dancing--each week; Wednesday and Saturday.
- 3. Music appreciation--Sundays; 2-4 P.M.
- 4. Talent Shows: Each week
- 5. Holiday Entertainments; Armistice Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas.
- 6. Girls' Clubs or Girls Scouts' Mass Meetings
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10. Mr. Fujimoto requested information on water pipe line situation to which Mr. Rachford replied that:

- a) The Administration succeeded in obtaining expansion joints.
- b) He expects prompt organization of repair crew.
- c) He expects ample supply of water in the tank at North-west hill of the project.

11. Mr. Tsunokai proposed to request inside stories be explained by Messrs. Matsui and Griffin.

Motion seconded.

12. Mr. Oka proposed to request for emergency Police Force to maintain law and order during registration, election, and Halloween.

13. Meeting adjourned at 12:00 P.M.



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1:30 P.M.

Discussion on Temporary Ceasing of Police Protection

Mr. Matsui, ex-chief of the resident Police Force explained reasons and circumstance in which he was forced to tender resignation. He pointed out the differences in opinions in handling cases with that of Mr. Griffin in such a way as the former contends prevention of crimes as compared to Griffin's exposure and prosecution of crimes. Also the tyranny of Mr. Griffin's superiority complex had been almost intolerable. As to the direct cause for the present trouble, which lead to wholesale resignation of the Police Force is the rumor of smuggling and bootlegging of prohibited liquor by one of the members of the Police Force. In order to retain reputation the rumored tendered his resignation to Mr. Matsui. Mr. Griffin proved to be uncompromising with the opinion of Mr. Matsui who requested leniency on inquiry in the matter and the case was a total rumor; hence, no further investigation was necessary.

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As Messrs. Matsui and Yokotake left, Mr. Robertson entered. He contended that the situation of no police protection be taken up with Mr. Griffin. However, Mr. Griffin was no where to be found at the time.

Mr. Barber entered and expressed that he did not see any motive for the resignation of the Police Force members as he surmised as to the nature of actual issue. He thought it proper for Block Chairmen to take up responsibility in such a way as to set up a temporary vigilante committee on a voluntary basis. Mr. Robertson and the Council seconded the idea and concluded.

Mr. Yokotake consented later to inform at the meeting of the former members of Police Force to the effect that the Temporary Chairmen's Council had been authorized to set up temporarily such a committee as to maintain the public peace for the duration of registration, election as well as Halloween.

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Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 P.M.



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