

November 25, 1942  
Wednesday

17-25 North 1/2 End

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Absentees: Messrs. Hara and Kakuuchi

1. Report on census Committee, by Mr. Fujimoto:

1. Average cost of living for a family per month:  
Husband, wife, and two children.

Tobacco and candy	\$1.50
Soap	1.00
Medicine	1.00
Dry Cleaning	1.00
Magazines and periodicals	1.75
Stationery and stamps	1.00
Tooth powder and brush	1.25
Towel and Linen	.85
Hair cut	1.50
special food 7 cents per person per day	9.60
shoe repairs	1.50
	<u>\$23.10</u>
wages received	16.00
Overhead	<u>\$ 7.10</u>

2. Average Clothing Expenses on the basis of above family  
for a period of 5 months:

4 caps	\$2.50
4 Overshoes (\$2.00)	8.00
8 Underwears (\$1.25)	10.00
16 prs. socks and stockings (\$.50)	8.00
2 Woman's dress (\$4.50)	9.00
1 Woman's slacks	5.00
3 Overcoat	30.00
4 pr. Slippers	6.00
Women's panties	7.00
1 Snow suit (boy's)	5.00
4 shoes at \$4.00	16.00
4 Gloves at \$.75	3.00
4 Shirts at \$2.00	8.00
2 pr. Pants at \$5.00 each	10.00
4 Sweaters and jackets	18.00
4 Pajamas	10.00
4 Bathrobes	20.00
	<u>\$171.50</u>
5 months clothing allowance	62.50
To be requisitioned as public grants	<u>\$109.00</u>
public grants at Washington D.C.	

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2. Latrine stoves:

Labor Committee to request Mr. Robertson to assign two men to stoves in latrines and laundry rooms.

3. Sanitary inspection:

Mr. Tsunokai proposed to request the Administration to look into the matter of sanitary inspection in the women's latrines, and recommended women sanitary inspectors for such purpose. Mr. Fujioka supplemented said proposal by a recommendation that one woman per block be selected for sanitary inspection who makes connection with plumbers as well as watch and check on ironing boards and sewing machines in the laundry rooms. Proposal passed.

4. Juvenile Delinquency:

Mr. Kaneko proposed to recommend exoneration of penalty on one accused of shoplifting at Powell rather than going to the fullest extent of punishment in consideration of extenuating circumstances. Messrs. Fujioka and Hagano jointly contended that such consideration should not be recommended and that maximum penalty be imposed to such person as a warning to future possibility of encouraging misdemeanor. Mr. Hayashida informed that a Juvenile Court shall be provided within the Jurisdictional Commission to sit on cases of juvenile delinquency.

5. Shower-room Problem:

The proposal by Mr. Gorai was agreed by the Council to recover shower-room walls and ceiling painted with waterproof paint and a ventilation hole be bored in the center of the ceiling.

6. Recreation:

1. Indoor-sports for Children:

Mr. Gorai proposed to request that the Recreation Dept. furnish recreational rooms for indoor sports for children; the proposal passed.

2. Recreation Fund:

Mr. Koide reported that Mr. Kurtz was unaware of recreation fund available for the Recreation Dept.; therefore, he took it upon himself to call a meeting by the Recreation Committee (of the chairmen's council) with Messrs. Barber and Kurtz at 1:00 P.M. to discuss on requisition of recreational equipments. The Council appointed further Messrs. Koide and Hagamori to the Recreation Committee in addition to Messrs. Hara, Kawahara, and Fujimoto.

3. Library of Japanese Literature:

Mr. Hagano reported more than 400 volumes of the Japanese books, owned by a certain Nakashima of Block 6-14, are open to persons by means of membership with a fee of \$1.00 to cover expenses, surplus of which will be appropriated to purchase additional books for among the residents who wish disposal thereof.

4. "Floating Period" in music classes:

Mr. Tsunokai reported existence of a "floating period" in music classes. Council resolved to select 3 members per block to serve in the P.T. Coordinating Council which shall take educational problems.

5. Request by Mr. K. Matsumoto, Community Entertainment:

- (1) Wages for performers.
- (2) Funds for expenses in carrying out programs as well as for depreciation of performers' property.
- (3) Prohibition of all contributions to performers.

6. Thanksgiving Parties:

Mr. Moe Yonemura (at 11:57 A.M.) requested the Chairmen to recruit 4 volunteer janitors from each block to clear and clean 5 mess halls in which above parties will be conducted under the sponsorship of the Recreation Dept.

1. Mess Halls for the Thanksgiving Parties for Children:

8-30	for blocks	1, 2, 6, 8, 9
15-30	"	7, 14, 15
20-30	"	12, 17, 20, 21, 27
24-30	"	23, 24, 30
29-30	"	22, 25, 28, 29

2. Time: 7:30 P.M.--8:30 P.M.

3. Refreshment by Mr. Haller

4. Posters made for notification of said parties

5. Mess Hall for Dance: 6-30

7. Beautification of Center:

Mr. Nagamori proposed to beautify center by landscaping. Proposal seconded and passed. Mr. Nagumo informed this matter had been brought to Mr. Barber's attention, expense of which was estimated at \$15,000. Mr. Tsunokai reported Mr. Hartman's idea of planting pine trees by availing canal workers during the winter.

8. Withdrawal of Chairmanship:

Mr. Fujioka recommended for consideration of chairmen's withdrawal from present post and rest unconditional confidence upon nisei's governing ability. Mr. Ishikawa suggested amendment of said consideration to proposal. Mr. Hayashida read November 2nd memorandum of Mr. Bachford in which an indefinite term of present office was requested until the permanent Community Council is duly elected.

Mr. Koide reported recommendation for issei participation made at the Charter Drafting Committee meeting:

1. Denunciation of forming Advisory Board.
2. Recommendation of appointment of Advisor to each Block Councilman.

a. Method of Nomination:

Each Block Councilman to recommend 2 issei nominees from which one Advisor shall be appointed by the Community Council.

- b. Duty: To assist Block Councilman at the block meeting and to act as advisor.

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- c. Tenure of Office, Recall: Same as Councilman
3. Election of Block Councilman:  
Petition of at least 24 voter's signatures, half of which to be by issei and half by nisei.

Thus, Mr. Koide explained that concession in issei participation was agreed upon by both issei and nesei. This matter of Chairmen's retirement was open for further discussion.

Mr. Mineta proposed to request settlement of Chairmen's wages status by Mr. Rachford.

9. All mess chefs' meeting will be ehld at 14-30 tenth tonight.
10. Meeting adjourned at 12:20 noon.

BLOCK CHAIRMEN'S MEETING

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At 9:30 A.M.

A discussion took place on the following problems. As the result we request that the administration please take into consideration:

1. Recommendation of selecting a woman sanitary inspector for women's latrines, who also serves as a watch and a checker of ironing boards and sewing machines as well as making connection with plumbers if necessity arise .
2. Recovering all walls and ceiling of shower room, painting with water-proof paint, and boring a ventilation hole in the center of the ceiling.
3. Furnishing recreational rooms for children's indoor-sports.
4. Beautification of center by landscapes, such as poplar and pine trees.
5. Settlement of chairmen's wages or unemployment status.