

Absentees: Messrs. Kaneko, Kakuuchi, Nagamori

1. Dr. Kinoshita on U.S.O.

Mr. Kinoshita requested Chairman's assistance in disseminating U.S.O. purposes to residents, and gave following informations:

1. No rational support due to not enough soldiers (minimum number+ 3000) in the locality, hence this center has to start on own.
2. 50 hostesses volunteered to U.S.O.
3. Problem of financial drive, 12/8-15/42
 - a. Small contributions
 - b. Service mothers go around mess halls where contribution boxes will be provided.
 - c. Money will be appropriated for ping pong tables, sheets curtains.
4. 10-15 Service men daily
5. U.S.O+ room at 23-26. Administration donated beds, furnitures, and place.

Mr. Tsuneishi objected to have service mothers go around to collect contribution boxes in mess hall, and recommended U.S.O. hostesses for the purpose. Dr. Kinoshita accepted recommendation and requested chairman to announce to purposes of contribution drive at block meeting. *TL*

2. Report on Movement of Mr. Rachford's Retention by the Council:

The movement was denied by Mr. Rachford with the explanation of his physical inability and other private reasons.

3. Fire Hazard:

Mr. Kurihara requested Chairman's opinion in selling chickens, fish, shrimps, etc, at the Community stores, which necessitate hot plates. Mr. Hayashida told that it will be taken up at the meeting of the Advisory Board of the Community Enterprises this afternoon.

In the cases of community entertainment there are possibilities of fire danger, and told that request had been made to the Administration in:

1. Prohibition of paper decoration
 2. Prohibition of admissions over 350 to prevent mass hysteria
 3. Attendance of firemen to all gathering for precaution
- The Council decided to publish above items on the bulletin.

4. Community Entertainment:

Mr. Matsumoto made request to the Council to effect eligibility of entertainment performers for wages, and alleged that if any financial support could not be gained for the Entertainment Committee, it would become impossible to continue entertainment hereafter. The Council assured that this will be taken up for discussion with Mr. Kurta on Tuesday, Dec. 8.

5. Masonite Covering of Mess Tables:

Masonite covering of mess tables was proposed by Mr. Goral for the reasons of cleanliness, sanitation, and good looks. Proposal passed.

6. Problem in Women's Latrines:

Mr. Oka proposed to have a door in front of each toilet in the women's latrine due to various embarrassing incidents in the past. The Council decided each block shall attend to this matter to prevent embarrassment.

7. Fences around Cemetery:

Mr. Oka proposed to erect fences around the H. Mountain cemetery and plant greenery for the beautification of the place. Proposal passed.

8. Tentative Plans of Recreation Conference:

The Council discussed the plans of the to be discussed at the Conference, and arrived at the conclusion:

1. On appointment of an issei executive staff within the Dept. to assist Mr. Kurtz in coordinating recreational programs and activities.
2. On wage problems of entertainment performers.

9. Meeting adjourned at 12:00 noon.

BLOCK CHAIRMEN'S MEETING

December 7, 1942

At 10:00 A.M.

Ans. M. Ralston

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

1. Covering of mess tables with masonite.

*Will find
wherein
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Sanitary*

If already arranged, we request you to expedite on the operation of covering.

2. Erection of fences around the Heart

*it will
not must wait
until
next spring*

Mountain cemetery grounds, and planting of greenery there to beautify the place.

December 9, 1942
Wednesday

At 12-26 P.

At 9:30 A.M.

Absentees: Messrs. Hara, Kakuuchi.

1. Internee Family Meetings:

Mr. Koide reported that there was a few opposition to signing on informations to be sent to Washington office. Questions were brought up on:

1. Whether the families will receive same treatment or consideration as that of the internees.
2. Whether such families will be repatriated and citizen members expatriated.

Mr. Eddie reported that according to Mr. K. Ono of 21-23-E, recently returned from a detention camp, related that conditions in the camp were very liberal and moderate, and that there would be no mistreatment. Mr. Ono also confirmed that the statement of informations was issued to families of internees by the request pushed from a detention camp. Mr. Koide informed that said statement will be handed in to the respective Block Chairmen.

2. Location of Barber Shops and Beauty Shops:

The location of the barber shops and beauty shops were agreed by respective Block Chairmen at the following places and reported to Mr. Toda for recommendation:

Barber Shops: 8--29, 17--28, 25--29
Beauty Shops: 9--28, 21-29, 25-28

3. Community Enterprise Advisory Board:

Mr. Hayashida reported that following problems were discussed by the Advisory Board:

1. On 10 per cent Reduction on prices of merchandise-
6 per cent to be converted to the community trust fund;
4 per cent to be discounted to customers on selling prices:

The Advisory Board will exert its power for the realization of the proposal.

2. On Use of Hot Plates: *discussed*

Advisory Board that fuse boxes be installed outside the barracks. As to sales of chicken, etc, the Board did not consider them as luxuries, therefore the matter was left to the free will of people.

3. On Congestion at M-8 Store:

It will be taken up with Mr. Toda for proper measure.

4. Following Committees were selected and appointed to various divisions:

- 1) Personnel Complaints: Paul Wakadate, Enjiro Watanabe.
- 2) Purchases Dept: Tom Sashihara, Ken Sato, Keeko Suzuki.
- 3) Finance Dept: Ed. Matsuda, Yoneo Bepp.
- 4) New Enterprises: Rinta Morimizu, Shimpei Nagao, Keeko Suzuki.

4. Meeting adjourned at 12:10 P.M.

EDWARD J. ENNIS
Director

Reply to:

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
ALIEN ENEMY CONTROL UNIT
WASHINGTON

C O P Y

TO INTERNEES AND MEMBERS OF THEIR FAMILIES

I wish to advise internees and members of their families that this Department is desirous of uniting family groups in all worthy cases.

In situations where the husband and wife are both aliens of enemy nationalities and have both been interned, this Department can arrange for their joint transfer to a camp under the jurisdiction of the Immigration and Naturalization Service. It is proposed to establish additional accommodations at this camp for the care of family groups of present internees. Wives or husbands and minor children can file applications directly with this office for permission to join the internee in a family camp when these accommodations are available. This procedure is open to all persons irrespective of whether they are aliens or American citizens.

At centers under the War Relocation Authority no provision has been made for the custody of persons interned under a final order of the Attorney General. Consequently internees may not be admitted to relocation centers, even in cases where their close relatives are there. However, the wives and children of Japanese internees who are now at relocation centers may likewise apply to this office for admission to our family camps.

A special appropriation has been provided for the relief of needy wives, children and other dependents of internees, whose straitened financial condition or loss of support results from the internment. Application for this relief may be made to the United States Attorney in the district where the dependents reside. On request this office will furnish the name and address of this United States Attorney.

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