

TO: Block Manager or Block Club.

MEETING

of

THE BLOCK-CLUB REPRESENTATIVES

April 4, 1944

" The prime objective of the meeting was a discussion of the coming "Bridge Tournament." Mr. R. Ritchie urged that every Block Clubs to start an initial bridge enthusiasts meeting, sign up players and form teams and elect a bridge club representative or "Block Bridge Manager" before April 18th.

Allowing two weeks for classification of players and that by May 1st. the block could be ready for competition. Mr. Ritchie and Dr. F. Tanaka will classify the bridge players into three different categories: beginners, intermediate, and advanced group.

He further added that a nominal entry fee would be assessed to accumulate a fund for a trophy or prize to be presented as final tournament honors. He stated that we could go ahead if six teams existed per block or two teams of each class represented in the tournament."

(It was agreed upon that every Block Club representative that were at this meeting will take the responsibility to see that a "Block Bridge Manager" was elected. So, to those Block Club or Manager that didn't send a representative, I ask, for your full cooperation to see that a representative is elected to take responsibility in your block. - Block Club Coordinator.)

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With Dale Morioka, supervisor of Block Clubs as Chairman, a general meeting of block club representatives was held on Tues. evening, April 4, 1944, at 7:00 p.m. in the C. A. headquarters building. Among the C. A. staff members present were the following: Dave Yamakawa, Assistant C. A. Supervisor; Bill Teramoto, Supervisor of Clubs and Organizations of C. A.; Dick Fujioka, "Y" Coordinator; Laura Fujiye, Toy and Games Supervisor; Ricardo Ritchie, Board of Trustees member; Saburo Yasuda, Ex-supervisor of Block Clubs.

The meeting was initiated by a meditative food for thought by talk by Bill Teramoto

Block representatives was called for a report of members, girls and boys in their respective organizations.

Dave Yamakawa rendered a talk on the subject, "The Need of Coordination of the Young People, the Need of Young People's Clubs," emphasizing that the Center in spite of its abnormal circumstances

afforded an excellent opportunity for meeting people from many sections of the West Coast, and that the young people should take advantage of this situation and make friends, thereby achieve more harmonious coordination of activities in camp as well as better adjustment in relocated life.

Bill Teramoto spoke on the topic, "Why We Need Leaders." He felt that merely building good citizens for tomorrow was insufficient, that leaders for these citizens had to be developed today.

In response to Laura Fujiye's inquiry regarding recreation hall furnishing, games and toys in each block, Dave Yamakawa advised that pending the building of more tables by W.R. A., each recreation hall could use two tables from the mess halls in the block, that is, one table from each mess hall. Miss Fujiye declared that Block 24 had a group of organized mothers who were supervising play for the youngsters of that block. On his inspection tour of recreation halls, Mr. Morioka noted that Block 29 had a collection of magazines and funny books at the disposal of children. In Block 6, Raymond Iriye stated that six supervisors took care of recreational equipment in the recreation hall. A general recreation hall contest was decided upon by the group present with honors going to the best equipped, best furnished recreational building with the best program.

Other business discussed included that following: mobilization of Center talent by submitting names to the Chairman or C. A. headquarters; feting the "1-A" men; holding a social among the Block representatives.

It was decided that at all future meetings, one general pertinent topic would be open for discussion at a short business meeting following which a social with refreshments would take place.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Secretary: Mary Sakimura

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