

HEART MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING
BLOCK MANAGERS' OFFICE

December 3, 1943
Friday
9:30 AM--11:50 AM

Attended: Messrs. Todd, Anderson, Ryan, Main, Carroll, Lane, Runley, and Larsen of the Administration. Former Warehouse #17 crew.
Absentees: Mr. Motoyoshi. Tardy: Mr. Oki.

Minutes of November 30 meeting were read and passed without correction.

Following communications were reviewed by the Council. Mr. Myer to Mr. Robertson by a teletype message suggesting a discussion on and appraisal of situation in this center reported to him concerning the anniversary of "the Pearl Harbor Day". (quotation is the expression used by Mr. John M. Costello of the Dies Committee in the letter to Mr. Myer)

Memorandum from Mr. Main to the Council on mess hall personnel and ratings.

Former warehouse #17 crew members reported five of them had been terminated as of November 29 on the ground of insubordination, and made an appeal to the Council to arbitrate the discharged with proper authority for their reinstatement to the former position. The Labor Committee was requested to take charge of the matter.

Mr. Iwamura of Block 14 informed of his intention to publish a literary magazine in Japanese and obtained the Council's approval. He informed that the English translation of a copy for every issue will be submitted to the Reports Division and the proceeds of 15 cents per copy will be forwarded to the Community Activities section as a future fund.

The Welfare Committee was asked to take up a matter of tombstones and religious ceremonies in setting them up.

Above mentioned Administrative staff have reported to the Council meeting to go over the agenda which had been submitted to the Project Director for discussion. Mr. Main, Procurement Officer, took up the matters of mess workers club's petition and milk supply. The former subject will be taken up by himself at the Denver conference to be held during next week. Only means for us to do on the latter problem is to make a direct appeal to the Washington WRA authority.

Mr. Lane, Manufacturing Superintendent of the Industry section, went over the tofu production here. Should get started within a week or ten days, he asserted.

Mr. Runley, Fire Protection Officer, discussed on improper wiring. He explained that wiring is not the main cause for fire hazards, but rather home installations such as hot plates and improper installation of extension cords are direct cause for fire danger. Inspection to date revealed 470 cases of such dangerous installations. Overloading fuses is another violation. No more than three cords should be allowed, he contended.

Mr. Carroll, Chief of Employment Division, expressed his opinion on the Council's resolution recently passed on relocation conference. It will certainly be approved by Washington, he ascertained. Mr. Hoffman from Washington also concurred on the resolution, he said.

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Mr. Ryan, Assistant Project Director, along with Mr. Larsen, Cost Accountant, followed on the question of workmen's compensation. The Appropriation Act of Congress, February 1934, Statute 48 provides rate of compensation for CCC and WPA workers. This Act is applicable to evacuees in the relocation centers. Temporarily injured receives two thirds of his wage plus his clothing allowance plus subsistence and quarters (\$16.00, 3.75, 19.00, 6.50, respectively) minus subsistence and quarters during the period he receives the compensation for a persons getting \$16.00 per month. If permanently injured, such figures for subsistence and quarters shall not be deducted. This compensation applies only of the Husband's income for widow; 10% for each child under 18 years of age. Maximum rate for a family is set for 66.2/3%.

On the question of issuance of police uniform, Mr. Anderson, Assistant Project Director, informed there is no way whereby any WRA fund can provide police uniforms to evacuee policemen. Such a fund should come from outside of WRA fund.

The proposed ordinance on restriction of the use of fire hydrant was adopted by the Council with a rescission of a few wording. Its publication was withheld pending the Project Director's approval.

Meeting was adjourned till 9:30 AM, Tuesday, December 7, 1943.