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INTER-RACIAL CO-OP FARM BEING FORMED IN WASH.

Fund Payment Clarified

It may appear unnecessary for further explanations but there is apparently a little misunderstanding regarding the partial payments on the Revolving Fund Certificates. All payments are 30% of the amounts shown on your certificates, plus interest at 3% from July 1, 1943 to December 15, 1943. Therefore, your certificates still have 70% of the face value due you plus interest, payable to you at subsequent periods when announced by the Board of Directors at rates of distribution approved and passed by the Board.

We have had cases when members felt that they should receive the entire amount of the refunds at this time, while on the other hand, there were those who thought that present payments constituted payment in full on the certificates. Hence, we make this clarification.

SOAP SHORTAGE IN TULE LAKE

In a recent article appearing in the Tule Lake Cooperator, we noted that the laundry soap situation there is just as acute as it is here. From time to time, we have heard some people making remarks that up in Tule, the canteens were loaded down with laundry soap, as if to imply that our Co-op was not trying hard enough to get additional supplies or that we just did not have the proper contacts. The Tule Lake Co-op may have had ample supplies in the beginning, but now, they are experiencing the same difficulties as we are, and likewise, the same in other centers.

It is interesting to note that an inter-racial Co-op farming project is being formed just outside of Spokane, Washington. Originally, the idea was initiated by a group in Tule Lake and involves a 160-acre farm which costs around \$18,000.

Approximately \$5,500.00 have been raised among the Seattle residents, mostly from the church people, as a loan to the farming project. The farm will be operated on a cooperative basis. Caucasian, Japanese evacuees, Chinese and Negro families are to operate this cooperative farm, with evacuee family groups comprising the greater part of the project.

LAUNDRY SOAP SHIPMENT SOON

Numerous inquiries have been directed to us regarding the next selling date on laundry soap. A small shipment has arrived but is being held until the second shipment arrives, which is expected any day.

In the meantime, an equitable method of distribution must be worked out for Butte community. In Canal, cooperation of the Block Managers with the Co-op solved the problem nicely when soap was put on sale the last time.

PLEASE REPORT ADDRESS CHANGES

Considerable difficulties are being encountered due to members not reporting changes of addresses to the Co-op office. Especially, in keeping records of patronage refunds, this information is very important so that members can be traced readily. Secretary Kato requests your earnest cooperation in notifying the office immediately your new address, if you have not already done so.

MAIL ORDER WARTIME SHORTAGE LIST NOW HERE

It has been the experience of many who order directly from Sears that numerous items on their orders are unfilled due to wartime shortages. But there is no way of knowing just what the items are which are no longer available other than those already indicated in the catalog.

Now, the Mail Order Department of your Co-op is able to help you by informing you what are and what are not available. Mrs. Lillian Inouye, in charge, has a list sent to her from Sears, showing the latest list of items no longer carried. Therefore, when you place an order through her, she will be able to tell you which items are on the "not available list."

Also, bear in mind that the Co-op receives a percentage from Sears on all orders placed through the Co-op Mail Order Dept. This will, in turn, help to build up the patronage refunds of your Co-op.

OUR FUTURE IN OUR HANDS

In our hands lies the decision between an early frontal mass attack on social problems or a series of guerrilla sorties extending over generations. You cannot stand aside and be neutral. Either you are for cooperation and democracy and enlightenment, or you are against them. You and I cannot leave such matters to premier or president. How can we the people have a future unless we build it?—The Cooperative Consumer, Nov. 30, 1943.

IKENOUE ILL

General Manager Bunji Ikenoue has been away from the office due to illness. We are informed that his condition is much improved and is expected back at his desk shortly.

組合週報

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移轉した人は

新住所を

通知して貰ひたい

転住した會員の多数は其新宛名を知らせて来ないので組合事務所の方では事務を執る上に於て非常に困つて居る。併居金を送りたくとも宛名が不精確では送る事も出来ず又其他の記録作戦の上にも時間を浪費し事務も滞滞を来たす場合が多いので今後組合員で移轉した場合早達新住所を組合事務所まで通知して貰ひたい。又既に転住して居る方で未だ通知して居ない方は此際出来るだけ早く通知して戴きたいと加藤書記長は発表した。

運転資金

拂戻しに就て

運轉資金證書即ち買上高に準じて會員に拂戻す金額に就いては額面全部の拂戻を受けると思惟して居る人、又は希望する人もあつて眞に組合の方針を理解して居ない方が多いので再び説明します。現今拂戻しつゝある金額は金額の三十パーセントと本年七月一日より十二月十五日迄の利息三分の割を加へたもので残りの七十パーセントは後日重役会で決定して残り全部又は分割的に今後の利子を加へて分配する。併し其時期は今の如未定である。

石餘の不足は

トラばかりではない

洗濯石餘の不足につれて何時賣出すかとか又は他のセン

ターには充分にあるかの如く言ひ纏らし当組合の経営法を非難する者もあると聞きますが石餘の不足は何處も同じでソリレイキ組合新聞を讀んで見ても石餘の無いのは困つて居る模様である。当所では幸は現在多少入荷して居るものもあるもので次回の到着を待つて一般に賣出す豫定である。川の町では組合と区長が協力して分配法を講究し至極円滑に運んで居ると。

百貨店にも

品切品が多い

物資の不足には何處も困り抜いて居るがシーヤス百貨店の如きも品切品が多く注文しても仲々送つて来ない。併しどの品か切れて居るかさうばかり分らないので困つて居る方もありと想ひ当組合通信販賣部では皆さんの便宜を計つて品切品を一つ調査して其リストを作つてある。知りたい方は

重役會議

係りの中よりアン夫人に尋ねて貰ひたい詳しく説明してあげると。

本十五日午前九時より組合重役會議を開催したが目下当地に出張中のWRA副總裁ワロレンス氏も出席した。

全快近し

組合総支配人池上文治氏は病氣静養中であるが快方に向ひつゝあるので近日中には全快出勤せられるであらうと。

共同組合農場

ワシントン州スポーケン市郊外に日本人、支那人、黒人の各人種で協同經營せんとする共同組合農場の組織が道拂して居る。是れは以前ソリレイキに居つた一團が五英畝に百六十英畝の農園を一万八千坪の隙地で耕作する予定。資金はソールの教會員が積立中で既に五千五百ドルに達して居ると。