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**BLOCK MANAGERS' MEETING**

**DATE:** September 27, 1943  
**TIME:** 8:45 a.m. P. S. #28  
**CHAIRMAN:** Jerry Uchiyama

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Jerry Uchiyama.

1. **Wood Problem:** Previous suggestion to distribute equally, last winter's wood belonging to individual blocks, among other blocks, proved unsatisfactory.

Shortage of lumberjacks reported.

With the return of seasonal workers and short-term leaves, it is expected to have those men relieve the shortage of lumberjacks.

There will be more work available for women on the farm, thereby releasing men for wood cutting. Fifty farm workers are now employed as lumberjacks.

It is expected to haul five truck loads of wood per day.

Return of all tools which were used last winter for wood cutting, is requested.

**Accidents:** Discussion of accidents which have occurred and the compensation. Any person instructed to work in the capacity of lumberjack and is injured while on duty, is entitled to compensation.

Suggested to distribute instruction sheets regarding lumberjacks and the compensation regulation in connection with accidents occurring while on duty.

**Power Saws:** Shortage of power saws necessitates rotation of their use in the Center.

Suggested to obtain one extra power saw to replace any saw requiring repairs.

11. **Mr. Wisdom, Social Analyst,** explained the survey requested of all Block Managers, regarding census of the Center.

He requested cooperation to fill necessary 23 sheets required for the survey.

He stated that the statistical report will be of no value to WRA in regards to relocation of evacuees.

Result of survey will be available to Center after its completion.

111. A memorandum from Dr. Griswold was read, regarding English classes for High School graduates who wish to study further, its correct usage.  
Registration for classes at 31-2-D.  
Classes will be held Monday and Wednesday by Dr. Silver at 31-1-D.

IV. Housing: Permits will be sent to persons desiring to make moves.  
Reservations can be made according to prevailing standards.

Discussion of the inconvenience of sulphur fumigation.

Reported suggested to use soap and water for cleaning vacant units. Objections regarding units which have been previously occupied by ill persons.

Suggested to use a disinfectant.

With a shortage of laborers in the blocks, it is difficult for laborers to perform own duties besides extra requirements regarding cleaning of units.

Problem to be investigated further.

Reported that Housing Committee will meet every Friday. All Managers requesting information regarding problems, are asked to present them to the Committee. Result of the meeting will be reported.

Mr. Yoshi will fill vacancy left by Mr. Mori on the Housing Committee.

Problem regarding temporary visitors: Blankets, beds and mattresses may be requisitioned. Block Managers may report needs to Mr. Riser.

V. Cemetery: Suggestion to beautify cemetery. A donation from each block suggested to purchase evergreen. About one dollar from each block is sufficient.

Unanimously approved by all Managers.

Committee: Messrs: Ito, Ota and Oshita.

VI. Babies' Beds: Report of clarification of beds which were to have been made some time ago.

Approximately 23 mattresses are available.

Mr. Johnston will be contacted in regards to babies' beds.

VII. Clothing Checks: Request to hold checks which do not belong within the block. Returning of checks may cause difficulties.

- VIII. Public Works: Persons needing repairs on housing, must leave necessary information with block manager or block office, in case of their absence.

Request that persons refrain from taking out lumber belonging to Public Works Dept.

- IX. Explanation of work assignments will be taken up at the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 noon.

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Respectfully submitted.