

[1945?]

WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY

Tuesday, 8:30 p.m.  
Lamar, Colorado

Dear Tamo:

I was unable to persuade Tad Fujii to appear before the block managers, partly to an unfortunate accident. Tad's father attended the meeting held last Saturday a week ago to arrange for the coming of the Spanish consul in the latter part of December, at the invitation of the block managers. One block manager is alleged to have said to Mr. Fujii that he should not have permitted Tad to let himself be played for a sucker by someone else who was keeping hidden and staying out of harm's way. Both Tad and Mr. Fujii have all along stoutly maintained that Tad wrote the letter himself on his own hook, and therefore this statement did not soothe Mr. Fujii's feelings much. When Mr. Fujii replied that Tad himself had written the letter and that he was not being played as a sucker, another block manager is said to have stated that Tad couldn't have written it, that he was too dumb to have written a letter like that. Mr. Fujii became quite resentful at such a slur on Tad's ability, but kept his temper, according to the report of the matter given me. When he told Tad of the incident, however, Tad became thoroughly angry. He came to me and told me about the incident as he understands it. He said that he was through with the whole business of trying to placate the block managers, that he was not out to make trouble, but that he felt that there was no need for him to apologize for anything that he had done, that if he tried further difficulties would undoubtedly arise, and that he is therefore not going to do anything about the whole matter, in view of the attitude of the block managers in speaking to his father.

This result is somewhat unfortunate, particularly in view of the rather decent writeup given the block managers and councilmen in both the nihongo and the eigo sections of the Pioneer last week. I happen to know that the Pioneer editors were under no pressure to print the statements from Mr. Lindley and Mr. Johnson, and that they printed these statements of their own free will as a factual statement of the relationship of our community governmental officials to the community. These statements, the conditions under which they were printed, and the remarks made about them by the Pioneer editors while they were in preparation, are, it seems to me, a pretty clear indication that the Pioneer staff, or at least its editors, are not trying to attack or injure the reputation of the block managers or councilmen, and that they are just as ready to point out to the community the appreciation which is due these officials for the services they do as they are to call attention to any other aspect of their functions in the community.

In view of my inability to secure any further concessions from Tad Fujii, and in view of the fact that the Pioneer has given the block managers a pat on the back for their services to the community, I suggest that we try to forget the whole business without further ado. I hope that the block managers will be able to accept this suggestion as a sincere recommendation from an earnest friend who feels that this will really result in the best for them. I shall drop around to your house about 8:15 Thursday morning and see what you think of it. I shall not be on the project Wednesday, and I have been so busy with various meetings and appointments that I could not get away today or yesterday to see you or Mr. Okubo about the matter. If you want me to report these results to the block managers on Thursday morning, I shall be at your service, or if you have any other suggestions I shall be glad to hear them at that time. I thought it best to let you know what the situation is, so that you could take whatever steps you feel desirable.

As ever, your friend,  
*John C. Rademaker*





Black Managers Assembly

Past. Ward 2704

Denver

Honorable Gentlemen of the Human Specie:

First, please stop arousing your curiosity as to the author's identity of this brief note to you for to so do is not immature innature and certainly not the attitude of highly rational public service men such as I think each and all of you are, each entrusted to discharge pragmatically responsibilities with long range point of views.

Lately, it does appear that many members of this your honorable group, namely the block managers have become too engrossed and inclined to be influenced expressively by personal opinions which when rational at the core, hold sense of values but when irrational can hold the most unscrupulous, malicious, senseless base, cowardly, and the depth of vulgarity reached whether that be outworldly discharged in form speech and conduct. The paleface administration be it that of Washington or of Amache are delighted to have as irrational Nipponese leaders as possible who will indulge in personal biased unreasonable opinions and personal petty jealousy so excessively as to be blinded from true leadership. The palefaces are delighted indeed for such cut-throat pettiness, for they are always anxious and fearful when any minority group coordinates their best effort in sincere interest of their group. Do you wish to please them in such a manner or do you prefer to pool your best practical ideas generously to the best of your ability in the best interest of this community, in other words, are you magnanimous and respectable Nipponese or are you jealous pea-brained pigeons of the finicky palefaces administration?

Sincerely,

Curious observer

copy

San Francisco, March 13, 1944

Spokesman of the Residence,  
Granada Relocation Center,  
Lamar, Colorado.

Dear Sir:

A number of inquiries have been received in this Office from various individuals relative to the military service of Americans of Japanese descent. The instructions received from the Embassy in this matter are as follows:

"The Protecting Power is not authorized to act on behalf of American citizens, and it is solely with the American Authorities that they (the American citizens) must deal in these matters (American military service), since these Authorities are the only ones who can solve such problems."

May I also point out - as has been frequently and repeatedly emphasized by the Spanish Delegates in their visits to the various Centers - that the above mentioned memorandum is not limited only to military service, but to anything that concerns American citizens. They must approach their own American Authorities, not the Protecting Power, whose duties are towards the Japanese nationals in the United States.

Very truly yours,

F. de Amat  
Consul of Spain



Granada Project  
Azache, Colorado

GR:CM:WEJ

March 15, 1944

Mr. S. Tsunori  
7F - 10E

Dear Mr. Tsunori;

We are pleased to announce to you that your nomination for the position of Block Manager is acceptable to the Administration and that we would like for you to assume office as of March 16 or as early as you can conveniently transfer from your present position. You may consider this notice as your credentials to take over and serve in the capacity of a Block Manager. Publicity will be given in the Pioneer concerning your designation as a Block Manager.

We trust that you will attend the Block Managers' meetings regularly and promptly each Monday and Thursday at 9:00 a.m., and that you will feel free to express yourself in the assembly, ever holding in mind the needs and desires of the people in the block. We also trust that you will be able to receive such notices and orders as might be given to the Block Managers by the Administration and properly interpret such orders or notices to the people of your block. This type of relationship will lead to an expression of mutual cooperation on the part of the Block Managers and the Administration.

Very truly yours,

W. Ray Johnson  
Chief, Project Community Management

cc: Mr. R. Okubo, 7K  
Mr. Shigeto Sakamoto, 8F - 3D  
Mr. J. Ando, 8G - 5F  
Mr. Sadamu Hayashi, 8K - 4F  
Mr. Kazuo Kimura, 11F 6E  
Mr. Matsuo Kashiwabara, 12E - 4B

April 10, 1944

Mr. James G. Lindley  
Project Director  
Granada Relocation Center  
Amache, Colorado

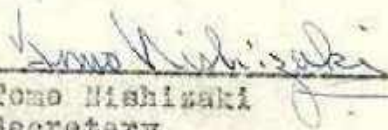
Dear Mr. Lindley:

The Block Managers' Assembly, Granada Relocation Center, being duly assembled on April 10, 1944, at Town Hall, Amache, Colorado do at this time make this following statement: "In appreciation of a peaceful center in which to live, during a troubled time, we reaffirm our faith and confidence in the federal and state laws as applicable to us and in the ordinances drawn up by the Community Council and adopted by popular vote of the Center residents. We believe that such laws and ordinances should be fully respected and we pledge our continuous efforts to this end."

Respectfully submitted,

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Joe Kayokata  
Co-Chairman

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
H. Okubo  
Co-Chairman

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Tomo Nishizaki  
Secretary



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JAMES G LINDLEY GRANADA

RE UTAH NIPPO ARTICLE, COPY FROM CORRESPONDENT, TOSHIO SHIGETOMI, HAS BEEN DESTROYED. UTAH NIPPO DOESNT PAY FOR CORRESPONDENCE AND SHIGETOMI WAS DESIGNATED AS CORRESPONDENT BY THE MANAGER OF THE COMMUNITY ENTERPRISES WHO DRIVES SOME LITTLE INCOME FROM THE SALE OF UTAH NIPPO WITHIN THE PROJECT. THEY ARE RELUCTANT TO GIVE PROJECT FULL CENSORSHIP ON SHIGETOMIS CORRESPONDENCE BUT ARE WRITING HIM ASKING HIM TO CLEAR WITH YOU ON ANYTHING OF A QUESTIONABLE NATURE. THEY WILL ALSO BE GLAD TO RUN ANY STORY PRESENTING YOUR SIDE OF THE INCIDENT.

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Granada Project  
Amache, Colorado

November 16, 1944

Mr. Y. Yoshizawa, Chairman  
Block Managers Employment Committee  
Amache, Colorado

Dear Sir:

I wish to thank you and your committee for their efforts and assistance in obtaining stokers for the High School Heating Plant and plumbers.

The stokers you sent us for the High School will let those who worked there in the emergency, go back to their other work-on the center pumps and other work.

The plumbers will be organized as a second crew as soon as they get the necessary experience and learn the details and kinds of work to be done, and will help to repair the many jobs that need it.

We know the continued efforts you had to make to get these men and appreciate your assistance.

Yours very truly,



William B. Broth  
Senior Engineer

WBW:js

Mr. Ray Johnson, Chief Community Management  
Mr. Walter Moers, Personnel Section  
✓ Mr. T. Nishizaki, Secretary Block Managers

QH-8-v  
Mr. T. Nishizaki



WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY  
Amache, Colorado

December 7, 1944

Mr. James G. Lindley  
Project Director  
Granada Relocation Center

Dear Sir:

Referring to your memorandum of November 27, asking suggestions we may have in regard to the relocation program. We have brought the subject before our Assembly on November 30 for discussion.

Because of the importance and detailed problems involved, the body decided to form an additional Committee on Relocation to study the subject. As you notice the Assembly has not any committee assigned to study to date.

For your information, the following were selected to the committee:

Mr. Y. Yoshizawa	11K
Mr. S. Fujino	7G
Mr. S. Kuramoto	11E
Mr. K. Nozawa	12H
Mr. T. Wishizaki	6H

At our first committee meeting the following suggestions were primarily made for your consideration:

- I To take full advantage of Federal Agencies such as Farm Security Administration or Reconstruction Finance Corporation, etc., evacuees should be fully informed of their functions. Therefore, we would like the War Relocation Authority to invite responsible officers to the center to deliver their messages. Particularly is this beneficial if San Francisco or Los Angeles offices were contacted, pending re-opening of coast area to us.
- II Referring to the above, we recommend the Administration to utilize as many WRA officials, in various agencies mentioned, who have had close contact, experience and interest with the evacuees and their problems to aid us financially most effectively.
- III Through Relocation Committee, WRA and evacuees continuously study the problems and make a policy according to needs and changes, to meet the requirements and desires.

Our committee will be glad to meet with you and study further at any time.

Very sincerely yours,  
BLOCK MANAGERS ASSEMBLY

By \_\_\_\_\_



UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Granada Project  
Apache, Colorado

GH: CN: WBY

February 2, 1945

Mr. Henry T. Ishino  
6E-7-C  
Apache, Colorado

Dear Mr. Ishino:

We have received from your block a notice of your nomination as Block Manager for 6E. We are pleased to announce to you that your nomination for the position of Block Manager is acceptable to the Administration and that we would be pleased to have you assume office as of February 6, 1945. You may consider this notice as your credentials to take over and serve in the capacity as a Block Manager.

We trust that you will attend the Block Managers meetings regularly and promptly each Monday and Thursday mornings at 9:00 a.m. at Town Hall, and that you will feel free to express yourself in this Assembly, ever holding in mind the needs and desires of the people in the block and the Center in general. From time to time notices will be sent to you from this office for you to announce and interpret to the people of your block. We trust that you will keep the residents of your block fully informed of the rules and regulations of the Administration for we feel that this will lead to mutual cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

W. Ray Johnson  
Chief, Project Community Management

GH-2-V  
MR. JONES IN CHARGE

UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Granada Project  
Amache, Colorado

GR: CM: WRJ

February 2, 1945

Mrs. T. Koda  
Block Clerk  
12F Information Office  
Amache, Colorado

Dear Mrs. Koda:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letters of January 31st, concerning your block meeting for the nomination of another Block Manager, and questions which were raised at the meeting concerning the reason of Mr. Kennotsu's transfer.

For all concerned, I feel it best that Mr. Kennotsu's resignation and transfer be recognized as an accomplished fact. However, if the two block advisors wish to come to my office and discuss this case they may arrange for an appointment. No written statement or explanation will be given. There are men in your block that understand the reasons back of Mr. Kennotsu's resignation and transfer.

I shall be glad to arrange a transfer with the block advisors if it is their desire, otherwise I would like to consider the case closed.

Sincerely,

W. Ray Johnson  
Chief, Project Community Management

CH-3-V  
LOWE HYPERTON



Mrs. T. Koda, Block Clerk  
12F Information Office

February 5, 1945

W. Ray Johnson, Chief, Project Community Management

Resignation of Hiroshi Kennotsu as Block Manager of 12F

About the middle of December, 1944, I came to Mr. Kennotsu's home and discussed with him the desirability of his transferring to another job in the Center. He stated that he would be willing to do so, but asked that he be permitted to remain as Block Manager during the New Year celebrations. I consented to this and told him that that would be all right. I asked him at that time, however, what type of work he would be interested in doing in the Center, and when I came back to the office I discussed with Mr. Ben Okubo of the Employment Section the fact that he might be leaving in the near future and to find a good place for him in the offices if he desired to work in the offices. Mr. Okubo did not call upon Mr. Kennotsu until about the 30th of January. At that time Mr. Kennotsu stated that he did not want a transfer but he wanted to be terminated, and then he would go to another job possibly to the Fire Department. Consequently, we wrote to your Block Advisors on January 27, 1945, stating that Mr. Kennotsu was leaving the position of Block Manager for some other job. We asked you at that time to have a block meeting and select at least two nominees for the position of Block Manager. You will remember that your block had a meeting in which Mr. Kennotsu attended and discussed the possibility of a new Block Manager. Following this meeting, Mr. Kennotsu mailed me his written resignation as Block Manager. Under the circumstances, his resignation was not absolutely necessary because he stated to Mr. Okubo that he desired to be terminated; however, we would like for you to know that Mr. Kennotsu did hand in his written resignation. We made an official request to the Employment Section for Mr. Kennotsu's termination. This termination was made by them, effective at the end of business, January 31, 1945. Since that time your block has been without a Block Manager.

Will you please attend the Block Managers' meeting on February 8, 1945, so that your block might have an official representative at this meeting. We would appreciate knowing whether or not your Block Advisors are interested in coming to my office and discussing this matter, or do they desire to call another meeting to select nominees for the position of Block Manager. In case they do not desire to participate further in the securing of nominees for the position of Block Manager, this office will, of course, have to make an appointment from what advice we can secure through our regular advisors.

Will you please let me know the block's wishes concerning the nomination of a new Block Manager?

W. Ray Johnson  
Chief, Project Community Management

CH-D-V  
JORDO H. SPITZBERG



AMERICAN RED CROSS

AMACHE UNIT

GRANADA RELOCATION CENTER

AMACHE, COLORADO

June 25, 1945

Chairman

Block Managers' Assembly

6H Town Hall

Amache, Colorado

Dear Mr. Chairman:

One of your members, Mr. K. Nozawa, has been very ably representing your organization and acting as one of the members of our executive committee. Now that he is relocating himself to Los Angeles, his place is vacant. We wish very much to ask you to have someone elected or appointed, as the case may be, to fill the vacancy.

We take this opportunity to thank your organization, and particularly Mr. Nozawa, who was so willing to assist and cooperate with us.

Very truly yours,

*Ted I. Akahoshi*  
Ted I. Akahoshi, Ex. Secretary

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UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
WAR RELOCATION AUTHORITY

Granada Project  
Amache, Colorado

GR:PD:JGL:dcl

August 7, 1945


Mr. Yasutoshi Yoshizawa,  
Block Manager  
11K-120  
Amache, Colorado

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing a copy of a communication regarding the closing of mess halls in blocks 9L and 12K.

A copy of this notice is being forwarded to the Pioneer for immediate publication.

Sincerely yours,

  
James G. Lindley  
Project Director



[1945 Aug. 7. - enclosure.]

Mess halls in Blocks 9L and 12K will be closed August 13; the last meals in these mess halls will be served Sunday, August 12. Residents in Block 12K will be served in the 11K mess hall. Residents in Block 9L will be served in 8K mess hall.



Granada Project  
Amache, Colorado

GR:PD:JGL:ddl

August 7, 1945

Mr. Yajiro Fukuyama  
Block Manager  
9L-4F  
Amache, Colorado

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing a copy of a communication regarding the closing of mess halls in blocks 9L and 12K.

A copy of this notice is being forwarded to the Pioneer for immediate publication.

Sincerely yours,

James G. Lindley  
Project Director

cc: Amache Community Council  
→ Block Managers Assembly  
Project Steward

Same letter to:

Sadamu Hayashi, Block Manager, 8K-4F  
George Nakamura, Councilman, 12K-10E  
Yasutoshi Yoshizawa, Block Manager, 11K-120

[1945 Aug. 7 - enclosure]

Block 9L  
Block 13K  
H. J.

Mess halls in Blocks 9L and 13K will be closed August 13; the last meals in these mess halls will be served Sunday, August 12. Residents in Block 13K will be served in the 11K mess hall. Residents in Block 9L will be served in 8K mess hall.



Grenada Project  
Amache, Colorado

GR:CM;WRJ:dcl

August 8, 1945

Mr. Sadase Inouye  
7E-9E  
Amache, Colorado

Dear Mr. Inouye:

We have received from your block a notice of your nomination as Block Manager for 7E. We are pleased to announce to you that your nomination for the position of Block Manager is acceptable to the Administration and that we would be pleased to have you assume office as of August 9, 1945. You may consider this notice as your credentials to take over and serve in the capacity of a Block Manager.

We trust that you will attend the Block Managers meetings regularly and promptly each Monday and Thursday mornings at 9:00 a.m., and that you will feel free to express yourself in this Assembly, ever holding in mind the needs and desires of the people in the block and the Center in general. From time to time notices will be sent to you from this office for you to announce and interpret to the people of your block. We trust that you will keep the residents of your block fully informed of the rules and regulations of the Administration for we feel that this will lead to mutual understanding and cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

W. Ray Johnson, Chief,  
Project Community Management

cc: Mr. Joe Kayokata  
Chairman, Block Managers Assembly  
6E-7F



Granada Project  
Amache, Colorado

GR:CM:WRJ:dcl

August 23, 1945

Mr. Kameshiro Shinta  
10E-12F  
Amache, Colorado

Dear Mr. Shinta:

We have received from your block a notice of your nomination as Block Manager for 10E. We are pleased to announce to you that your nomination for the position of Block Manager is acceptable to the Administration and that we would be pleased to have you assume office as of September 1, 1945. You may consider this notice as your credentials to take over and serve in the capacity of a Block Manager.

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Sincerely yours,

W. Ray Johnson, Chief,  
Project Community Management

cc: Mr. Joe Kayokata  
Chairman, Block Managers Assembly  
6H-7F



Granada Project  
Amache, Colorado

GR:CM:WRJ:mi

August 29, 1945

Mr. Kiyonobu Masuda  
11H-5-B  
Amache, Colorado

Dear Mr. Masuda:

We have received from your block a notice of your nomination as Block Manager for 11H. We are pleased to announce to you that your nomination for the position of Block Manager is acceptable to the Administration and that we would be pleased to have you assume office as of September 1, 1945. You may consider this notice as your credentials to take over and serve in the capacity of a Block Manager.

We trust that you will attend the Block Managers meetings regularly and promptly each Monday and Thursday mornings at 9:00 a.m., and that you will feel free to express yourself in this Assembly, ever holding in mind the needs and desires of the people in the block and the Center in general. From time to time notices will be sent to you from this office for you to announce and interpret to the people of your block. We trust that you will keep the residents of your block fully informed of the rules and regulations of the Administration for we feel that this will lead to mutual understanding and cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

W. Ray Johnson, Chief,  
Project Community Management

cc: Mr. Satoru Kuramoto  
Chairman, Block Managers Assembly  
11H-5-B

CC: BLOCK MANAGERS ASSEMBLY

Granada Project  
Asahe, Colorado

GR:CM:WRJ:dcl

August 31, 1945

Swiss Embassy  
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

We are submitting herewith records of death  
and burial in duplicate for the following persons:

Yoriaki Tsutsui  
Nagamor. Mizutani  
Masano Yoshioka  
Matame Murakami  
Kichi Yoshimoto  
Giju Sugita  
Arakichi Yoshimura  
Eikichi Tanita  
Kanzo Araki

Will you please advise us to whom in the  
Embassy we should send these records in the future.

Respectfully yours,

BLOCK MANAGERS ASSEMBLY

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Yasutoshi Yoshizawa  
Coordinator

Enclosures - 9



Granada Project  
Amache, Colorado

GR:CM:WBJ:dcl

September 8, 1945

Mr. Fumio Tani  
9L-7E  
Amache, Colorado

Dear Mr. Tani:

We have received from your block a notice of your nomination as Block Manager for 9L. We are pleased to announce to you that your nomination for the position of Block Manager is acceptable to the Administration and that we would be pleased to have you assume office as of September 1, 1945. You may consider this notice as your credentials to take over and serve in the capacity of a Block Manager.

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Sincerely yours,

W. Ray Johnson, Chief,  
Project Community Management

cc: Mr. Y. Yoshizawa  
Vicechairman, Block Managers Assembly  
11K-120

Granada Relocation Center  
Amache, Colorado  
September 17, 1945

GR:PD:JGL

Mr. Kiyonobo Masuda  
Block Manager 11H  
11H - 1D  
Amache, Colorado

Dear Sir:

The mess hall in Block 11H will be closed September 20.  
The last meal will be served Wednesday evening, September 19.

Residents of 11H will take their meals in 10H mess hall.  
Residents of 12H who have been taking their meals in your  
mess hall will take their meals starting September 20 in  
11K mess hall.

Please see that this notice is read at meal time in your  
mess hall and in the mess halls of ~~11H~~, 11K and 10H.

Sincerely,



James G. Lindley  
Project Director

cc: Yoshitoshi Yoshizawa ✓  
Block Manager 11K

cc: Keishi Hashii  
Block Manager 12H

cc: Wm. Wells, Project Steward

cc: Community Council

cc: Kiyonobo Masuda  
Block Manager 11H



Mr. Sugukita -

[1945?]

From the 23<sup>rd</sup> of July you quit the job as black staker, but your name was still included on the payroll. Mr. Hidajiro Sumida worked through the rest of the month ~~and~~ which totals to 60 hours - the amount being 2.00 - 66¢ for 8 hours.

Could you please give Mr. Sumida ~~the~~ the \$2.00 - Thus it will even up between Mr. Sumida & you -

Trueman  
L. H. H. H. H.



臨時總會

来る七月三十日(月曜日)午後七時よりテリーホール  
に於て臨時總會を開催し前總會に於て未了  
の會計報告と共に監湖市協議会の情報  
及び組合解散に対する諸種の重要事項の快  
を致し度候向万障御繰合せの上御出席  
被下度此致御通知申上候

昭和十五年七月二十四日

巫所共同消費組合

組合員各位