

# TOPAZ TIMES

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## ARMY SCHOOL WILL HOLD NEW COURSE

Having experienced a successful program with the first group of Japanese soldiers in special training, the Army Language School at Camp Savage, Minnesota, is planning to open a new course of Japanese instruction beginning July 1. The new class of 250 will be composed of male citizens of Japanese ancestry recruited from the 10 relocation centers and those chosen from the enlisted ranks, according to Colonel Kai E. Rasmussen, Commandant of the Language School.

The opportunity for voluntary enlistment in the U.S. Army is being opened to single and married ~~ni-seis~~ who meet the following qualifications:

1. Applicants must be male citizens of the United States, of draft age and physically fit for induction into the U.S. Army.

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## MASAOKA SPEAKS TO CITIZENS' GROUP

Addressing a group of young people identified with the JACL movement, Tuesday night at 32-8-EEF, Joe Masaoka, representative of the national JACL headquarters in Salt Lake City, discussed the latest operations of the organization in combatting the forces functioning against the loyal Japanese Americans in the country.

Masaoka, who is a volunteer in the special combat unit, declared that there should be more leaders to carry on the JACL program.

He pointed out that regional offices will be established in Denver, Colorado, and possibly, in Chicago, Illinois, and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, by the JACL to co-operate with the WRA and Church groups to aid in the resettlement effort.

## PROJECT CATTLE USED TO MEET BEEF SHORTAGE

To replenish the nearly exhausted supply of beef at the commissary warehouse, six head of cattle from the herd fattened on the Project area were trucked to Fillmore for slaughtering yesterday, it was revealed by Roscoe E. Bell, chief of the Agricultural division.

Due to an acute scarcity of beef in the stockyards this month, the City was unable to procure its full meat ration quota for April. Since beef is an essential item in the daily food needs, an emergency call was directed to the Cattle Raising section of Topaz by Brandon Watson, head of the commissary, to supplement the present meat supply.

The cattle crew were out on the range at 5:30 AM yesterday morning, segregating the six head of steer for subsequent butchering at Fillmore.

The cattle, which are of the best prime beef quality, weighed approximately 1,000 lbs. per head showing a gain of 300 lbs. since the time of their purchase last November. They were largely grazed and fed on crop residues supplemented by alfalfa hay and cracked wheat.

It was pointed out by William C. Farrell, farm superintendent, that the success in raising these cattle is the result of

## QUALIFICATION FOR ENLISTMENT MAY BE LOWERED

Physical requirements for rejected volunteers may be lowered in order to permit them to enter the United States Army, it was intimated in the following letter received today by Project Director Charles F. Ernst from Captain John M. Hall of the War Department:

"I am glad to report that some program has been made for the benefit of volunteers from the Japanese-American combat team who were rejected for physical reasons. The exact details of this program have not as yet been developed, but the general result will, I think, make the majority of such volunteers eligible for the combat team."

careful planning and endless effort on the part of the Cattle Raising section under the leadership of Kazuo Shikano.

## 'OUR TOWN' ACCLAIMED SUCCESS

Presented by the drama department of the Topaz high school last night at Dining Hall 32, the first performance of "Our Town," Thornton Wilder's stage hit on Broadway, was acclaimed a tremendous success. Approximately 300 witnessed the presentation.

Directed by George L. Lewis, those in the cast were as follows:

Kiyoshi Kumokawa, Paul Fukami, Masa Tatsuguchi, Kingo Kotake, Patsy Iwanaga, Liyoko Ishiyama, John

Katsu, Motoko Ishiyama, Vincent Shijo, Toshiko Suzuki, Akio Takai.

Shigeo Hotta, Kenzo Ishimaru, Kay Sakaguchi, Aileen Yamate, Jack Kawakami, Daisy Uyeda, Koji Ozawa, Shigeru Onori, Paul Kageyama.

Fumi Ebihara, Midori Hashimoto, Alice Mori, Hana-ko Abe, Eiko Otagiri, Alice Nomura, Kimiko Hirao, Sadako Yoshida, Elsie Itashiki, Asako Kusumi, Yoneko Takata and Michiko Nishino.



## e d i t o r i a l

## GEN. JOHN DeWITT

When Lt. Gen. John L. DeWitt, commander of the Western Defense Command, appeared before a Congressional subcommittee on April 13 and made a statement of prejudiced opinion, he earned nation-wide repudiation from many groups of American people. One of the most influential groups to voice protests against the General's bitter pronouncements was The Washington Post, a widely-circulated daily whose main office is situated almost in the shadow of the nation's Capitol.

The following is a reprint of the top-page editorial appearing in the April 15 edition of the Post:

"The Government of the United States--sometimes referred to as the symbol of democracy--now holds some 70,000 American citizens in places euphemistically called 'relocation centers.' These citizens were brought inland from the Pacific Coast on the morrow of Pearl Harbor because of their racial background. No violation of the law has been charged against them... They have been found guilty of nothing save the peculiar pigmentation of their skins. They are known as Nisei--native-born Americans of Japanese ancestry, as distinguished from Issei, who are Japanese aliens.

"Now Lt. Gen. John L. DeWitt, who, as commanding general of the Western Defense Command, carried out the evacuation and relocation, was quoted the other day as declaring: 'A Jap's a Jap. It makes no difference whether he is an American citizen or not...The West Coast is too vital and too vulnerable to take any chances.' The general should be told that American democracy and the Constitution of the United States are too vital to be ignored and flouted by any military zealot. The panic of Pearl Harbor is now past. There has been ample time for the investigation of these people and the determination of their loyalty to this country on an individual basis. Whatever excuse there once was for evacuating and holding them indiscriminately no longer exists."

On April 18--less than a week after his statement before the Congressional subcommittee--Gen. DeWitt announced that in the light of "national interests" he had signed a proclamation, effective the following day, which would permit any person of Japanese ancestry serving in the U.S. Army to travel freely within the Pacific Coast evacuation area.

This startling contradiction of his former statement leads one to believe that movements working for the lifting of unjust restrictions placed on loyal evacuees are making some encouraging progress. Inasmuch as these occurrences have considerable bearing on the evacuee resettlement program, it would be of profitable interest for residents to note these and further developments.

LEAVE CLEARANCE  
SYSTEM SIMPLIFIED

A long stride forward in the resettlement program was taken this week when the WRA leave procedure was decentralized and simplified. From now on, indefinite leaves may be cleared by the project directors as well as by the national WRA office.

A project director may issue indefinite leaves to loyal residents who have accepted permanent jobs or are able to show evidence of financial support. The most important test of loyalty is question 28 answered during the registration recently conducted in the relocation centers by the WRA and the War Department.

However, certain persons among the residents who are applying for leaves must still be cleared by the national WRA office. These exceptions are classified in the following categories:

1. Those who have applied for repatriation;
2. Parolled aliens;
3. Shinto priests;
4. Those who have been denied leave clearance by the national office.
5. Those whose record at the Project would not warrant the project directors' favorable action; and
6. Those whose first destination is the Eastern Army Defense Command.

ICKES SUPPORTS WRA  
RESETTLEMENT PROGRAM

Last week Harold L. Ickes, Secretary of Interior, made a public statement in a clear defense of the present resettlement program.

The following is a copy of the statement:

"I interested myself for 2 reasons in the location of 7 U.S. citizens who are of Japanese ancestry on my farm at Olney, Maryland, and on the farm of a neighbor.

"The first reason is that I believe we should do all that we can to ease the burden that the war has placed upon this particular group of our fellow citizens.

"I do not like the idea of loyal citizens, no matter of what race or color, being kept in relocation centers any longer than need be.

"The second reason is that these citizens have a background of farming in California and we need competent farm help badly.

"The individuals involved compose family groups... I have had excellent report on them."

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Relocation Center



## Job Openings

MALE

Joliet, Ill. Silver Cross Hospital. 2 or 3 young physicians. Also willing to take internes and give them year of interne experience.

Chicago, Ill. Henrotin Hospital. \$70 month and meals. No room. Wheel patients, carry trays, answer bells, various duties at direction of nurses.

Des Moines, Iowa. Peony farm. Starting wages \$50 month.

Spanish Fork, Utah. Tractor driver. \$1.50 hour with room and board.

River Forest, Ill. \$150 month with lunch, no room. Need qualified chauffeur and gardener with some experience as horseman. Should be single.

FEMALE

Provo, Utah. Mrs. R. S. Tanner, 57 East 2nd North St. 2 girls or couple. Girls to get \$120-\$150 together per month. One to clean 4½-room house and other to cook. No heavy laundering. For couple, man to get \$90 and woman \$75.

Freeport, Ill. \$12 week, increased to \$60 month as ability warrants. General care of house, help prepare meals, assist ironing (mangler). Pleasant private room, radio, and bath.

MALE OR FEMALE

Oak Terrace, Minn. Waiters or waitresses. \$57.50 month for men and \$52.50 for women, with full maintenance. Married employees with home outside, \$22.50 extra per month with noon meal.

COUPLE

Salt Lake City. Young couple to do general farm work. \$70 month plus 3-room furnished house.

Snowville, Utah. Small cattle ranch. Man to feed cattle, drive team of horses, milk cows, irrigate hay and grain land. \$90 month plus room.

Manaua, Ohio. Man to tend animals, cut wood, repair fence; woman to do general housework. \$80 month plus board and 3-room furnished cottage.

## SUGAR, RAILWAY FIRMS CALL FOR LABORERS

### MEN NEEDED IN WAREHOUSE

Needed immediately are fifteen able-bodied men to help alleviate the serious labor shortage which is now being felt at the Project Warehouse. It was emphasized that unless this shortage can be remedied, many operations of the Project directly affecting the residents will be slowed down seriously.

Apply at the Placement office at Rec 4 for these positions.

### AIDES HONORED

The Nurses' Aides of the Topaz Hospital were recognized for their services at a ceremony held April 20.

Friends of the Nurses' Aides and members of the hospital staff and administrative personnel attended.

## LANDSCAPING PROGRESSES

Several thousand plants were procured recently through various sources to be used for the spring beautification program, which is now progressing at maximum speed, according to Tom Takaki of the Landscape and Gardening section.

A truckload of plants were donated to Topaz by E. Dobson and Neil Crossland of Holden, located 43 miles southeast of here. Included in this lot were numerous varieties of fruit trees, shade trees, shrubs and berry plants, most of which were immediately planted around the hospital buildings.

Also received last week was a shipment of 2,200 shrubs of many varieties from Logan to be used for landscape purposes around the dining halls and in the community gardens.

In reference to the backyard gardens Takaki announced that information pertinent to the methods most favorable for local growing conditions is available to residents at the Agricultural division.

### Beet Workers Called

The American Crystal Sugar company of Missoula, Montana, is recruiting beet workers from Topaz for immediate employment, it was learned today. Wesley Kato, the company's representative, is here and may be contacted at Rec 4. Kato stated that several truck farmers are also needed.

The following wages will be paid per acre: first hoeing, \$41.50; 2nd hoeing and weeding, \$3.50; pulling and topping \$1.25 per ton (12 tons per acre). 30 Section Hands Wanted

At the same time a call was issued for 30 men to work as permanent section hands for maintaining tracks by the Bamberger Railway company at Layton. Housing will be provided for the workers, it was pointed out.

Ed Yonemura, the company's representative will be at Rec 4 Saturday to conduct interviews.

## CAMP SAVAGE LISTS REQUIREMENTS

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2. While applicants should be preferably a graduate of either an American high school or a Japanese middle school, he must possess a fundamental knowledge of both English and Japanese.

Applicants are requested to fill out a qualification form in the Placement office at Rec 4 prior to the arrival of the army interviewing team in the near future. Successful candidates will be processed at an induction center in time to assure their assignment and arrival at the Army Language School at Savage not earlier than June 25 and not later than July 1.



## PROGRAM ADOPTED

The Topaz high school administration has established an orientation program for the relocation of senior students, according to Miss Eleanor Gerard, vice-principal.

Under this program, the vocational training section utilizes more than 150 students for part time work. Approximately 125 are in agriculture, and the rest are distributed in the industrial arts and home economics divisions. The industrial arts students are working on the site of the new high school building in carpentry, drafting and surveying. Other groups do miscellaneous repairs and minor constructions at the present school block. A number of girls in the home economics courses are training and working as nurses aides, and as waitresses in dining halls.

Another phase of the orientation program is the guidance division, which determines whether the students, desirous of going to colleges, have been provided with the college preparatory requirements and qualifications.

## TOPAZ PUBLIC LIBRARY

### INTER-LIBRARY LOAN SERVICE

Residents who desire to obtain books of college level which are not in our library, are urged to take advantage of the inter-library loan services offered by the Universities of Utah and California and the Utah State Agricultural College. Books may be borrowed for a period of three to four weeks and may be renewed. There is a charge for the postage and insurance. Please leave all requests with the librarian at the desk.

**GIFTS:** Books and magazines were received from the F. O. R. of Topaz, Mrs. E. G. Eastman, I. Kawakami, and E. Matsumoto.

**NEW TITLES:** THE HUMAN COMEDY by William Saroyan, BLACK-OUT IN GRETLEY by J. B. Priestley, GOLF MASTERS

## OUTDOOR SERVICE TO CLIMAX LENT

Two worship services of community scope at the high school plaza Sunday will climax the observances in Topaz of the Lenten season, it was revealed by the Protestant Church.

The sunrise worship at 6 o'clock will include a vocal solo, "The Lord's Prayer," by Kaoru Inouye, baritone, and choral numbers by the women's choir.

### S.L.C. MARRIAGE REVEALED TODAY

Mr. and Mrs. Y. Yoshino, 3-2-E, announce the recent marriage in Salt Lake City of their daughter, May, to Shigeru Horio, son of Mr. and Mrs. Toroji Horio of Salt Lake City.

The new Mrs. Horio is enrolled at the University of Utah. Horio is a third year medical student at the same university.

### WASHINGTON POST EMPLOYS TOPAZAN

Miss Mary Kawata, 3-10-C, was notified this week of her appointment as a secretary in the Agricultural and Construction division of the WRA in Washington, D.C.

Miss Kawata, who has been secretary to Henry R. Watson of the Public Works division for the past 6 months is expected to leave April 27.

The Rev. E. Kawamorita will deliver the Easter message, followed by a baptismal service conducted by the Rev. M. Nishimura.

The 11 o'clock morning service, presided by the Rev. Joseph Tsukamoto, will emphasize music in its worship. Participating on the program will be Miss Kazuko Hoshiga, violin; Mrs. Alice Goto, vocal solo; Newton Tani, piano solo, and choral numbers by the three church choirs. The Revs. M. Nishimura and T. Goto will give the sermons in Japanese and English.

### Soldiers On Leave

Since Thursday, April 15, the following six soldiers are in the Project visiting their families:

Tech. Sgt. Hirumi Wada, Camp Savage, Minnesota.

Tech. Cpl. William T. Iino, Camp Robinson, Arkansas.

Sgt. Yoshio Nakagawa, Fort Riley, Kansas.

Staff Sgt. Akira Yamuchi, Camp Robinson, Arkansas.

Pfc. George Okai, Camp Crowder, Missouri.

Cpl. Kazuo Mayeda, Camp Robinson, Arkansas.

### MATH CLASSES RESUMED MONDAY

The algebra and trigonometry classes were resumed from Monday at 32-1-CD from 7:15 PM, according to the Adult Education department. M. Hamachi will direct the classes.

It was stressed that special attention will be given the former students of John Izumi's classes so that they may complete their textbook without delay.

by 14 golf champions, THE SEVENTH HILL by Amy Fisher, LAND HUNGER by Carl Rister, THE UNITED NATIONS OF THE WORLD by Haridas T. Muzumdar, SHADOW OVER WIDE RUIN by Florence Means, DARE YOU FACE FACTS? by Muriel Lester, HUMILIATION WITH HONOR by Vera Brittain, SECRETLY ARMED by Allan Hunter, and a number of new juvenile books.

**CONCERT:** The Friday evening record concert for April 23 from 8 will consist of MOZART'S works.... Concerto No. 20 in D Minor with Jose Iturbi, pianist and the Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra with Iturbi conducting from the piano, "Eine Kleine Nachtmusik", Felix Weingartner conductor and the London Symphony Orchestra, and Symphony No. 40 in G.



## CONTEST FOR TOPAZ SONG ANNOUNCED

A contest for an official Topaz song will be sponsored by the Community Activities Section as a part of the National Music Week program being set for May 2 to 9, it was learned today. Tad Hirota is in charge of the event.

The contest officially opened today and any resident may submit one or more entries between now and noon of May 7 to CAS headquarters at Rec 3. Songs may be written to any popular, classical, march or college tune. Those capable of writing original music to their words may do so.

Three awards in the forms of plaques and merchandise orders will be given. Judges for the contest are Tosh Suzuki, Sadie Towata, Toshi Koba, Tats Nakamoto and Kim Obata.

## CAS FINANCIAL STATEMENT READY

Although the financial statement for the Community Activities section has been completed, it would not be feasible to publish it at the present time due to limitations of space in the Topaz Times, James Lamb, CAS head, announced

## TSUJI'S ORCHESTRA TO PLAY AT EASTER DANCE

Featuring the music of Tom Tsuji's orchestra, the Easter week-end dance will be held this Saturday night at Dining Hall 32, it was disclosed today. The affair will start at 8:30 PM and end at 11:30.

The Easter dance will be for couples only and will be a program function. Boys will be required to wear coats and ties. A nominal sum of 25 cents will be charged to defray expenses for the event.

The dance will mark the first appearance of Tom Tsuji's orchestra since its successful engagements in Salt Lake City. Guests of honor at the affair will be the members of the Topaz all-star basketball team which won the JACL tournament held recently

## CITY-WIDE EASTER DAY HUNT SET FOR SATURDAY

A city-wide Easter Egg Hunt for youngsters between the ages of 6 and 14 will be sponsored by the special events division of the CAS on Saturday, April 24, it was announced today. Rules and regulations for the hunt will be as follows:

1. There will be 2 divisions--Class A (ages 6 to 10); Class B (ages 11-14).

2. There will be 10 awards for each division, which will be presented to 10 persons in each division who find the most eggs. Also, the child in each block who brings in the most eggs will be awarded a prize.

3. Those who wish to participate must register at Rec 10 at 10:30 AM on Saturday, April 24.

4. The searching area will be divided according to classes.

5. Directions leading to hidden colored eggs will be given at the time of registration.

6. Contestants cannot team up.

7. Contestants must turn in eggs at Rec 10 by 3 PM on Saturday.

The committee handling the event includes Tad Hirota, chairman; Masako Ikeda, registration; Yo Kasai, prizes; Yosh Isono, Johnny Oshida, Fred Obayashi and Nuiko Haramaki, general publicity; and Mary Fuji-kawa, Keichi Kawamoto and Sadie Towata, judges.

Any resident, however, who is interested in the financial status of the section is welcome to drop in at Rec 3 where information may be obtained.

at Salt Lake City. The trophy awarded the team will be displayed at the dance.

Tickets for the event are now available at rec halls 3, 10, 20, 34 and 36. Members of the committee in charge of the affair are Tad Hirota, Seigi Hamasaki, Bill Hata, Eiichi Koizumi, Tets Takayanagi, Kats Sakai, Tom Tsuji, Yosh Isono and Effie Kawahara.

## BLOCK 16 TEN SECURES REVENGE AGAINST OILERS

Playing under a blazing sun, the Block 16 softball team emerged with an 8-6 victory over the Topaz Oilers last Sunday afternoon. The victory avenged a previous defeat suffered by the Block 16 ten at the hands of the Oilers who had stopped the Block 16's 4-game winning streak.

Nabby Ide, pitching for the Oilers, was blasted by a 6-run Block 16 uprising in the second inning which was featured by a home run by Kaz Masuda with bases loaded. Although touched for 8 hits by the opponents, Tom Honda, Block 16's twirler, tightened up in the pinches to hold the Oilers down.

## KANEKO-ARIMOTO TEAM WINS 2ND MAJOR TOURNEY

The team of Ray Kaneko-Kano Arimoto won the second major bridge tournament held Sunday afternoon at Rec 1 by scoring 30 match points. Ken Yabe and Iwao Kawakami took second place with 27x and the duo of Frank Ogawa-Joe Takatsuno placed third with 25x. Frank Ogawa is leading the major race with 12 rating points.

Ken Yabe, tournament director, announced that the major tournament on Sunday afternoon had been changed to Sunday night. The majors also play Friday night, while the advanced players' night is Wednesday.







再度生徒募集

教育終了者にして、日

六ヶ月あり同科草

兒童の邱採レ大會

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四同師探し盛域H.A.B.

華仁先生元曲

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1. On M. I. S. L. School.
2. On City-Wide Easter Day Hunt.
3. To The (Wo) Men.  
(Kirimura)



# 農業科教授計畫

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ユタ州の地方戦時而生産訓練部の監督マクニール氏は去る火曜日常市を訪れ當地に農業を設置する件に付き農業部のダクタ、ロスコーベル氏及び成人教育部のラウー、ベーン氏と協議した。此の企画はユタ州の職業教育部及び合衆國文部省の農業教育部の協力に依りて實施されるものである。

當市に至急設立するべきものは第一農具の修繕及び製造教授として農園労働者の訓練とである。そして必要に応じて具、地養豚養鶏牧畜及び野菜類耕作課と進々と組織するべし。

## イースター

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来る廿四日土曜日に、會所の特別興行部の催しで六歳から十四歳の少年少女達のためにイースター

## 卵狩競争

エググ捜し競技が行はる。事になつて居る。本日發表された。七、競技者は皆其の見出した卵を廿四日の午後三時迄までに登録所へ届けねばならない。

一、競技はAとBとの二組に分つ。A組は六歳から十歳の間はB組は十一歳から十四歳まで。

二、各組に對し十個の褒賞が與へらる。即ち各組で最も多くの卵を見出した者十人に與へらる。又各グループで一審多く卵を見出した者にも與へらる。

三、此の競技に参加せんとする子供等は廿四日土曜日朝十時半までに第十レウホルルに於て登録せねばならない。

四、卵を捜す区域は組に依りて分けらる。五色附けの卵が隠されたる所を方向は登録する所を教へらる。

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數學教授再開始

審判係

通信係

原卷又子

小林フレド

吉田セイネー

磯野田シエ

竹立升要

賞品係

池田マサ子

登録係

廣田ニッド

子エヤーマン

此の催しを司る委員

は次ぎの通りである。

六、競技参加者は組を

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金曜日午後七時十五

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完全ならしむる爲め

に前に象ジヨン氏の

クラスに出席した人

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## 成人教育部主催

寺事座談會

金曜日午後七時半

場所、第十ニ食堂

戦争ニュース

西村閑太史

法律ニュース

西村閑太史

雨、角傳

國際ニュース

池田豊科

國內ニュース

秋谷一郎

## 保健委員会

よりの注意

毛ある動物及び鳥類

は色々の熱病を傳染

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多しした式でも傳染

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## トバズ市歌

並に作曲募集

本日委員長グッド廣田

氏の聲明に依れば

来る五月二日より

日まで一週間に亘り

全國的音樂週の催し

一部として當市社會

運動部の特別の催し

係に依りて當市の公

認トバズ市歌の作歌

競争が全市的に催さ

る。事になつた。

Explanation  
1. Agricultural course. 2. Easter egg hunting. 3. Mathematical course. 4. Adult Education lecture. 5. Warning against pets. 6. Song composing contest.

此の競争は本日から正式に開始された。そして佳氏諸氏誰れも一首或は二首以上の作歌を来る五月七日午後迄に第三

レク、の社會運動部より御提出成し下さる様お願ひします。

そして此の市歌は如何なる流行歌或は古歌、牧歌等にも行進曲の調子に歌はれる様に作曲すればよいのである。

又自作の歌詞に適當なる樂譜をも作る事もある。来る五月二日より、尚ほ優秀作三首に對して賞品として賞牌又商品券を進呈致します。

而して此の競争の審判役は鈴木利男、本多、タツ、磯綿サダ、小畑、キム、及び木庭トシの諸氏である。