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## PREPARE CONSTITUTION FOR VOTE

In order to have a framework for the City government, the Topaz Constitution has been framed and ratified by the Community Council and will be submitted to the residents of Topaz for a vote of ratification or rejection on Tuesday, Dec. 15.

One important understanding is that the requirement that all Council members be American citizens is a part of WRA administrative instructions and was not suggested by the constitutional committee itself. Non-citizens, however, may be appointed to committees.

All councilmen are expected to hold meetings in their respective blocks before Tuesday to explain the document to the residents.

The location and time of the vote on the Constitution will be announced in the Times.

## WINTERIZATION CREWS RECEIVE OCTOBER CHECKS

477 pay checks, aggregating the value of \$3,052.78 are now available for winterization workers who were employed during October, the Fiscal Accounting Office stated yesterday. The Pay Station will be open on week-days from 10 AM to noon and from 2:30 to 5 PM, and on Saturdays from 10 AM to noon. Residents are requested to present identification cards when claiming their checks.

It was also indicated that 29 checks for work performed under the WCCA and WRA during the periods Sept. 22-Oct. 21 and Sept. 1-30 are available for residents whose I.D. numbers are: 47A, 75A, 140D, 210B, 248A, 286B, 333C, 389C, 472A, 519A, 547E, 638A, 882C, 936F, 1176A, 1314A, 1314E, 1322A, 1515B, 1526H, 1531B, 1552A, 1583D, 1679B, 1861A, 1963A, 2189A, 2189B, and 2202A. Unless claimed before the end of the week, these checks will be returned to the U.S. Treasury Disbursing Office, the Fiscal Office warned.

## FARM GROUPS MEET IN FIRST GENERAL CONFAB

"The responsibility of meeting the basic food needs of our City lies with us," declared Ryosaku Matsuoka, senior agricultural counsellor, last Tuesday night before the agricultural staff at its first general meeting. Held in the Agricultural Counsellor's Office, the meeting was to coordinate the inter-relations of the various farm enterprises. Matsuoka pointed out that success could only be attained through cooperative and pioneer spirit.

In the general discussion, reports and suggestions were made on transportation and personnel problems, selection of lands best suited for the different crops, and availability of equipment for the Project.

Roscoe E. Bell, chief of the Agricultural Division, said that assistant farm superintendents William C. Farrell and George N. Church have proved themselves invaluable by their familiarity with local farm conditions. It was added by the division chief that non-evacuee personnel were useful also in that they could easily leave and enter the Project Area to handle personally any business transaction which necessitates representation of the local farm enterprises at places outside the Area.

In regard to outside farm employment, Bell indicated that according to the tentative plan, residents best suited for outside farm work will be placed for such employment jointly by the Agricultural and the Placement Divisions.

## News Briefs

### CLOTHING ALLOWANCE:

Residents are expected to bring their clothing allowance forms for cash at the Topaz Pay Station within 3 days after receipt of the forms from the block managers. Residents who fail to apply for the cash within the time limit must wait till second individual notices are issued.

### AMERICANIZATION CLASSES

Tonight's lectures from 7:30 o'clock at Dining Hall 16 will include the following subjects: "The Military Strategy of Northern Africa and American Aim," by Roy Hoko Ikeda; and "The Great Salt Lake, Historical Descriptions" by Kantaishi Nishimura. In Dining Hall 26 Tsutow Morozumi will speak on "Stories of American Court Decisions" and "Background of the Discovery of America" by James Oki.

**SCOUTS:** George Suzuki of the Community Activities Section stated today that organization of Boy Scouts will be undertaken in Topaz in the near future. Plans are now under way to form a local district council here, with the possibility that it may be divided into 4 separate units later.

At present there are more than 500 scouts and former scouts in the City. Enrollment is now open for new recruits.

**FORUM:** A series of open "town hall forums" to present all sides of important civic and other problems will be presented soon under the supervision of B. Hata, the Community Activities Section stated.

**NOTICE:** Nurses' Aide class will open Monday at 2 PM in the classroom of the Hospital Administration, according to Mrs. C. Kitow, instructor.

### WEATHER REPORT

Minimum temp. 18° F. and  
Maximum temp. 47° F.



# THE CONSTITUTION OF TOPAZ

Supplement

TOPAZ TIMES

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## PREAMBLE

We, the people of Topaz, hereby recognizing the basic principles of human rights and our self-determination as exemplified in the democratic form of government; in order to insure equality and justice and to promote the general welfare; do ordain and establish the constitution of the Community of Topaz, County of Millard, State of Utah.

## ARTICLE I LEGISLATIVE

SECTION 1. All legislative powers herein defined shall be vested in the Council of Topaz.

SECTION 2. Composition. (A) The Council shall be composed of members elected semi-annually from districts within the Community consisting of four blocks each. (B) Representation of a district in the Council shall be by members equal in number to the inhabited blocks therein. (C) A member of the Council shall be a citizen of the United States who has reached the age of twenty-one years.

SECTION 3. Selection. (A) Any person who has reached the age of eighteen years will be eligible to vote. (B) There shall be a general election of the members of the Council on the fourteenth day following the ratification of this Constitution. (C) The term of a member of the Council shall be for six months, commencing on the fourteenth day following the general election. (D) The ensuing elections for a member of the Council shall be conducted on the Tuesday two weeks prior to the new term.

SECTION 4. Removal and Vacancy. (A) A recall of any member of the Council shall be initiated by a petition signed by three-fourths or more of the members of the Council or by fifty or more of the electors of the district which he represents. (B) Any member of the Council shall be removed from office by a majority vote of the electors of the district from which he was elected. (C) When a vacancy happens in the Council from any district, the Chairman of the Council thereof shall issue writs of election to fill such a vacancy, except where it occurs within two weeks of a general election, when the Chairman of the Council shall have the right to appoint a member from the district for the remainder of the term.

SECTION 5. Duties and Powers. (A) The Council shall provide for the health, safety, and promote the general welfare of the people. (B) The Council shall have the power to enact all ordinances necessary in the fulfillment of its functions. (C) The Council shall have the power: 1. To licence within the prescribed regulations of the WRA. 2. To appoint its Administrative officers; and provide for the administrative functions of the government. 3. To present resolutions

and recommendations to the Project Director. 4. To appoint committees and commissions. 5. To determine the rules of its proceedings. 6. To solicit and receive funds and property for the benefit of the people; and to administer such funds and property.

SECTION 6. Officers. (A) There shall be a Chairman and a Vice-Chairman of the Council elected by the Council from among its members. (B) An officer of the Council shall be removed by a two-thirds vote of that body.

SECTION 7. Meetings. (A) The Council shall have regular meetings at least once a week. (B) The regular meetings of the Council shall be open to the public.

## ARTICLE II JUDICIARY

SECTION 1. (A) The Judicial Powers shall be vested in a Judicial Commission and a Board of Arbitration.

SECTION 2. Judicial Commission. (A) The Judicial Commission shall be composed of seven electors other than the members of the Council to be appointed by the Council for a term of six months. (B) The Judicial Commission shall hear all cases involving violations of any ordinances enacted by the Council.

SECTION 3. Board of Arbitration. (A) The Board of Arbitration shall be composed of a panel of fifteen electors to be appointed by the Council for a term of six months. (B) The Board of Arbitration shall hear civil disputes which concern the people of Topaz.

SECTION 4. Duties and Powers. (A) Rules and regulations set forth by the Manual on Judiciary shall be followed by the Judicial Commission and the Board of Arbitration.

## ARTICLE III AMENDMENT, INITIATIVE, REFERENDUM AND ADOPTION

SECTION 1. Amendment. (A) An Amendment to the Constitution may be initiated by a two-thirds vote of the Council, or by a signed petition of one-fourth of the qualified electors. (B) An amendment shall become effective immediately upon ratification by the majority vote of the electors.

SECTION 2. Initiative and Referendum. (A) Initiative--A legislative bill may be initiated by a petition signed by five hundred electors. Such a bill shall become effective upon the approval by the majority vote. (B) Referendum--Any enacted law shall be referred to the electorate upon the signed petition of five hundred electors. The majority vote shall prevail.

SECTION 3. Adoption. (A) This Constitution shall become effective immediately upon a majority vote of the electors.

## BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I. (A) Robert's Rules of Order shall govern all proceedings of the Council except where specified otherwise.



# トパズ自治憲法制定

## 關係筋月餘の苦心結實

トパズ自治體勢確立の必須條件たるべき憲法の制定については、關係筋月餘の苦心遂に結實して、今日ここに發表を見ることとなつた。

残るは將來本憲法によつて擁護され同時に亦制限をうける市民の一般投票にかけ、その神聖なる審判を仰ぐのみとなつたが、右「審判」の如何によつては我トパズ市將來の平和に甚大なる影響を及ぼすべく、全市民はその投票に當つて特に慎重を期すべきものと思考される。

憲法全文左り如し。

**トパズ自治憲法**

ユタ州ミラト郡トパズ居住民の民主主義の原則に則り人類の自由平等及び居住民

安寧秩序ヲ保證シ福利増進ヲ圖ル  
トパズ自治憲法ヲ制定ス

### 第一條 立法部

第一項 トパズ自治立法権ハ参事員會ニ附屬ス

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### 第五項 權限及ニ義務

第一節 参事員會ハ健全ナル社会ヲ建設シ以テ善政ヲ維持シ以テ一般居住民ノ福利増進ヲ圖ルモノトス

第二節 参事員會員ハ其義務遂行ニ必要ナル諸法規ヲ制定ス

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一 WRA法規ノ範圍ニ於テ諸種札ヲ下付

二 行政機關設置及ニ其役員ノ任命

三 トパズ市警察局長ニ參事員會ニ決議及ニ請命提出

四 委員會及ニ理事會ノ設置及ニ其役員ノ任命

五 議事規定ノ決定

六 公共資金募集及ニ其管理

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第八項 参事員會員ハ互選ニ依リ議長副議長ヲ定ム

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第十項 會議

第十一項 参事員會定例會議ハ一週一回以上開行ス

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第二項 司法理事會

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第二節 司法理事會ノ任期ハ其任期ハ六月トシ但シ参事員會員ニ依リ再任ス

第三節 司法理事會ハ以下ノ權能ヲ有ス

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二 司法官ノ任命

三 司法官ノ罷免

四 司法官ノ懲戒

五 司法官ノ俸給

六 司法官ノ職務

七 司法官ノ資格

八 司法官ノ選考

九 司法官ノ任期

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Japanese translation of whole Constitution of the community of Topaz.

**細則**

第一條 参事員會ノ職務遂行ニ當リシテ特別ニ指定サルベシノ限リトシトスルルベシ

オフォーダー (ORDER) 遵德サルベキモノトス