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MESSAGE

By Charles F. Ernst
Project Director

With most people December 31 serves the dual purpose of dismissing the old year and welcoming in the new. It is not always clear which of these two events we celebrate. There is no doubt but what most of us face this new year of 1943 with courage and hope and, above all, determination to do what we can to make it count in our lives.

For there is hope in the very fact that we can, as individuals, and more particularly as part of a great national community, do something to influence the course of events in this coming year.

And so as we wish each other a Happy New Year, let us accept the responsibility of helping each other with faith and determination and hard work, knowing that our services will produce results beneficial to all mankind.

In that spirit I wish all residents of Topaz a truly "Happy New Year."

HISTORY

OF UTAH

PART II...

By W. Richard Nelson

I. The part played by the Mormons in the opening of the American Frontier:

Harsh frontier intolerance, which was severe and destructive, resulted in merciless persecutions and finally in the expulsion of the Saints from the State of Missouri.

A new haven where temporary peace and tranquillity were obtained was in Illinois. There the prophet Joseph Smith put into effect ideas which he had long before conceived in the building of the city of Nauvoo. It was patterned after the plan of the "City of Zion," and became a model American city in orderliness, discipline and beauty.

Once again frontier intolerance broke out in full fury. The beloved prophet was murdered and his followers were forced to seek safety in a more hospitable land.

Under the direction of Brigham Young, the Saints looked toward the great West, located more than a thousand miles from any other American frontier, as a place in which to establish their homes.

But even in the desolate, barren wastes of the Great Basin the Mormons did not remain free from conflict and persecution. There the federal government took a hand in the conflict, causing many of the devout church members to seek refuge outside the bounds of the United States, as all of the frontiers in this country were now occupied. Thus at the close of the nineteenth century, faithful Saints settled new frontier districts in Canada and Mexico.

II. The American Frontier.

What is meant when one speaks of the American frontier? What conditions prevailed there during the early part of

the nineteenth century which contributed to the rise, growth, and perpetuation of the restored Gospel of Jesus Christ? Why did the Mormons move westward from one frontier to another until the last American frontier was occupied by white men?

These and many other vital questions can be answered only partially in this brief history. However, through the perusal of the entire course of Mormon history, much light will be thrown upon the foregoing interrogation. We shall follow the heroic Saints—true frontiersmen—in their noble effort in helping to open several American frontiers to land settlement, and in their remarkable achievements in establishing a commonwealth in the Far West.

A SKETCH

By John M. M.

On October 9 two men were watching laborers put up fence posts around the city of Topaz. The two men were late arrivals from Tanforan taking an afternoon walk. They stood for a long time without comment. Then the shorter one spoke, "It looks bad. Fences around us once again. Just like the days at Tanforan."

He shook his head and nudged his friend. The latter did not speak. He watched the men with the posts and then slowly turned to his friend.

"What's wrong with it, friend?" he slowly asked.

The shorter one shook his head again. "Everything. I want to feel free. What are the fences for? We won't run away."

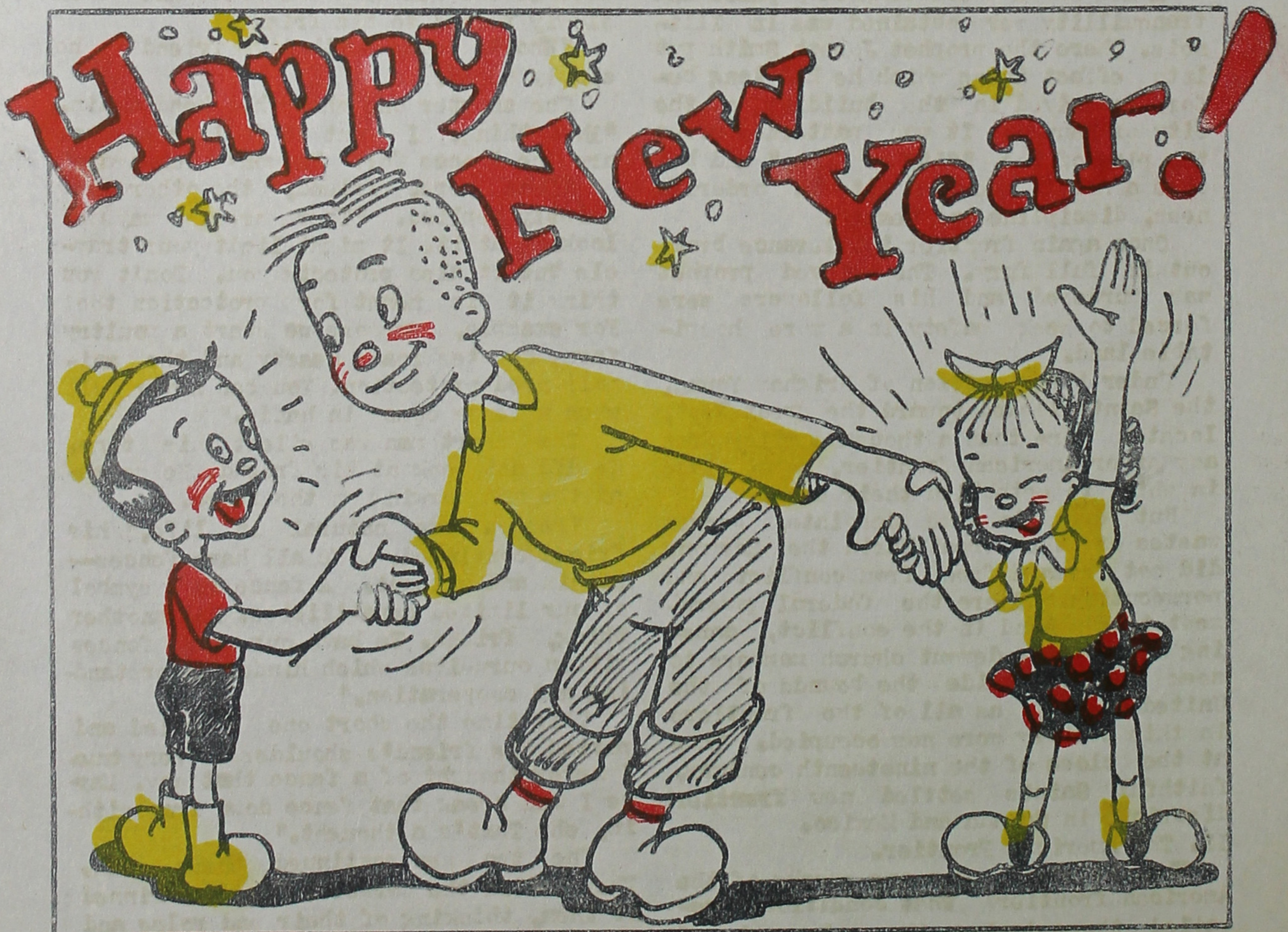
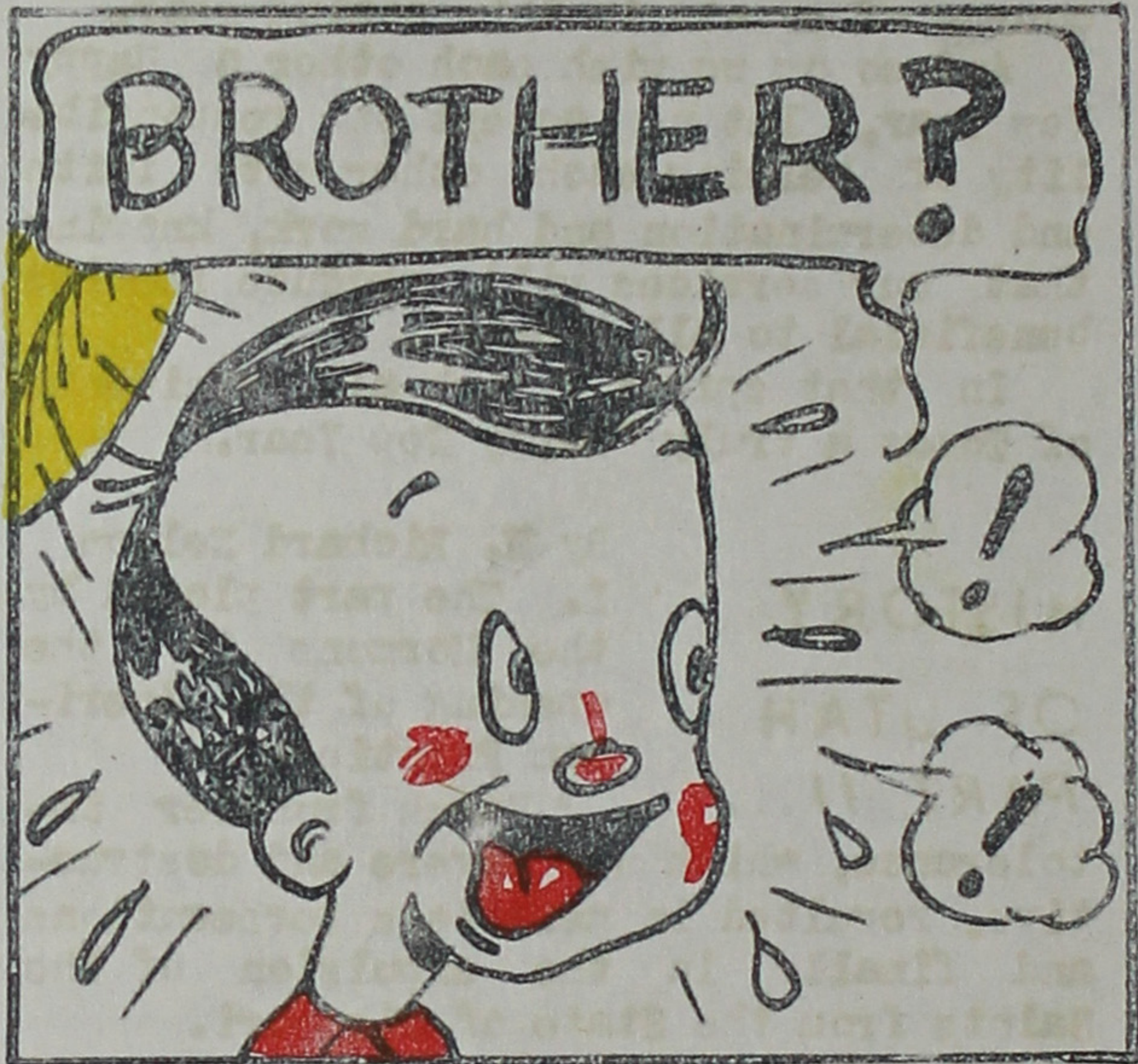
"Look here, friend," the other one quietly replied. "There are two ways of looking at it. It might limit your travels but it also protects you. Don't you think it is meant for protection too? For example, suppose we start a poultry farm. Coyotes roam nearby and the animals need protection. You can never tell when a fence comes in handy."

The short man was silent this time. He did not look at his friend. He watched the men working on the fence.

"Fences are natural in life," his friend continued. "We all have fences—within and without. A fence is a symbol of our limited capabilities. And another thing, friend. We have our own fences within ourselves which hinder understanding and cooperation."

This time the short one chuckled and patted his friend's shoulders. "Very true. I never thought of a fence that way. Maybe I can break that fence down from within, eh? That's a thought."

The two men continued their walk. They hailed the workers. The men grinned at them, thinking of their sad roles and unaware of the message of a fence.



WELFARE

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THE OFFICE: You've probably unsuspectingly dropped in some time or other into the Community Welfare Office at Rec 23--and maybe hastily dropped out again. Because there's usually so much bustling activity, you'd wonder whether you were in the right office. After all, you only wanted a bit o' service, some information about a visitor's pass, or about some stored property, and it wouldn't warrant all the beehive atmosphere.

But in skimming over the weekly reports of the Division, we find that perhaps they have been busier than one would think--in personnel alone, they jumped from 11 to 78 (including 12 ministers), and are still seeking more interested potential field workers.

As of December 2, they have "handled" over 1,261 requests for services, minor and major ones, and many more which were lost in the count. Requests for the installation of stoves tallied the most, with 206 requests; student relocation assistance numbered 218; visitors' permits boomed to 149; travel passes totalled 138; and special transfers to other relocation centers, 72. Business and medical matters numbering 65 and 65 respectively and requests to leave Topaz on indefinite leave for reasons other than employment, with 58, tallied 5th, 7th, 8th highest respectively in the section's count of services requested. Among the other items we note: Medical referrals, housing requests, insurance advice, stored property information, rejoining families in private life outside of the center, housekeeping service, requests to enter Topaz as residents from the outside, transfers to Topaz from assembly centers, employment adjustments, letter-writing service, marriage, selective service information, clothing allowances, telegram service, ordering of flowers, pet problems, information, personal services, soldier visitor service, lost merchandise on train, I. D. information, funeral arrangements, family problems.

THE METHOD: The lack of partitions gives a general air of chaos--but there is really "method in the madness". Actually, the Section is internally partitioned into seven major departments--Medical, youth, business, intake, field, housing, and clothing.

Into the Medical falls all vital medical social work problems--home visits prior to the discharge of patients from hospitals to see that home facilities are adequate, pregnant mothers' needs attended, consultations with the hospital staff members on particular problems and hospitalization referrals.

The Youth department hums merrily with youthful activity--mainly relocating students, but counselling in other matters, too.

Advice, clarifications, necessary actions, any sort of legal fuzziness may be brought to the Business department for assistance.

To the Intake worker falls the respon-

sibility of initial interviews--he determines the information required to render utmost assistance; if he can complete the service "at one setting", so to speak, he does so. However, if further follow-up is necessary, he passes it on to the field workers for final disposition.

There are 5 field units, each headed by a supervisor, and eventually to be staffed with a worker for each block. The field worker keeps in touch with John Public--knows what he thinks, needs and is saying. And if John Public can't quite understand the policies of the Section, or doesn't know how to tackle certain problems, he appeals directly to the field worker for clarification. Probably the most harrassed department in the whole of Topaz is the Housing Division. The terrific problem of housing, blankets and supplies, moving assignments, adjustments, is handled by this department with zealous patience and admirable stick-to-it-iveness. The responsibility is shared by five divisions--the adjustment committee, assignment section, blankets and supplies crew, part-time moving crew, and a director, file, and charts committee. Induction of new residents or those returning from outside employment, requests for housing adjustment due to social, family, or health reasons, the furnishing of a trucking service in making moves, the compilation of a directory covering family relationship data, and the distribution of cots, mattresses, and blankets--these are a few of the "headaches" faced by this important but extremely active department.

To the Clothing Department is allocated the all-important, over-all Center clothing allowance distributing problem. A hubbub of activity brews in this department particularly prior to the vouchering of the allowances and during the assimilation of data. To the appointive counsellor, a resident supervisor and two resident auditors have been added to assist in the functioning of the field workers and the clerical staff. For the initial grant it was necessary to make a house-to-house survey for determining basic family groups, and to compute the allowance due them. Hereafter, the huge task of consulting payroll sheets, other relevant data necessary for the distribution of these grants, and interpreting and clarifying basic WRA policies on clothing, will be undertaken by this staff.

EVENTUALLY: And there you have the tentative set-up of the Section, subject to such change and revision as new developments may necessitate. Eventually, the office hopes to be properly cubbyholed with partitions and precious privacy. Meanwhile, life goes on, services are requested, applications are accepted, assistance is rendered, and the Community Welfare Division continues buzzing with eager activity.

COMMUNITY

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Sports



Ward 2 defeated Ward 4, 6-0, last Saturday afternoon at the High School field in the first round of the all-star high school football league. Sparked by Sam Nakaso's accurate passing and tricky open field running, Ward 2 finally scored in the 2nd quarter after having been held on the goal line in the first quarter.

This Sunday at 2 PM, Ward 2 will meet Ward 1 for championship at the High School field.

In the second round of the industrial football league, the Fire Department trounced Maintenance 12 to 7 in a surprise upset at the High School field last Sunday afternoon. The Commissary and Post Office game ended in a 12 to 12 deadlock.

On Sunday, January 3rd, from 3 PM, the Fire Department will tangle with the Commissary for the championship at the High School field.

In an exciting game, the north all-girls team soundly trounced the south all-girls team, 4-0, last Saturday afternoon at the High school plaza in a speed-ball contest.

Played very similar to a rugby contest, the players either kick or pass to score a touchdown. Two points are given to the scoring team. Eleven players form a team.

North's scores came in the first quarter and the third quarter. In the first quarter, an accidental blocked kick by a south player resulted in a 2 point field-goal for the North. A drive down the field in the third quarter terminated by a touchdown pass from Kiyo Tate to Yo Ikeda was the final score made by either team.

Frank Ono umpired the game.

The Topaz All-star vs. Delta High game was called off last Saturday, due to the cold weather. Negotiations are being made to have the game at Delta instead of here at Topaz.

BRIDGE: Ward 3 will have an Inter-Block Duplicate Bridge Tournament at Rec 29 from 2:30 to 5:30 PM on Sunday, Jan. 3. The tournament will be conducted by Ken Yabe.

There will be four representatives from each block in Ward 3 who will compete for various awards. Ward 3 includes blocks 22, 23, 29, 30, 31, 32, 36 and 37.

FOLE DANCING: The community will be invited to participate in the first Folk Dancing session at DH 1 on Saturday night from 8:30 PM. Featured on the program are "Schottische," "American Folk Dances," and "Waltzes." Miss Toshi Koba and her demonstration group will be present to simplify the dances as much as possible.

BOY SCOUTS: The Topaz Boy Scout Drum and Bugle Corps, numbering more than 40 young boys, will present a 45-minute concert at DH 1 from 7:30 PM on Saturday, January 2. Selections will cover everything from marches, semi-classics, to swing.



Two world famous violinists, Misha Elman and Fritz Kreisler, will be heard at the Library Concert on January 6th from 8 to 9 PM at Rec 16. The program includes: Souvenir by Brdia, Liebesfreud by Kreisler, Dans les Bois by Paganni-Vogrich, and Concerto in E Minor Opus 65 by Mendelssohn. The Concerts are open to the public.

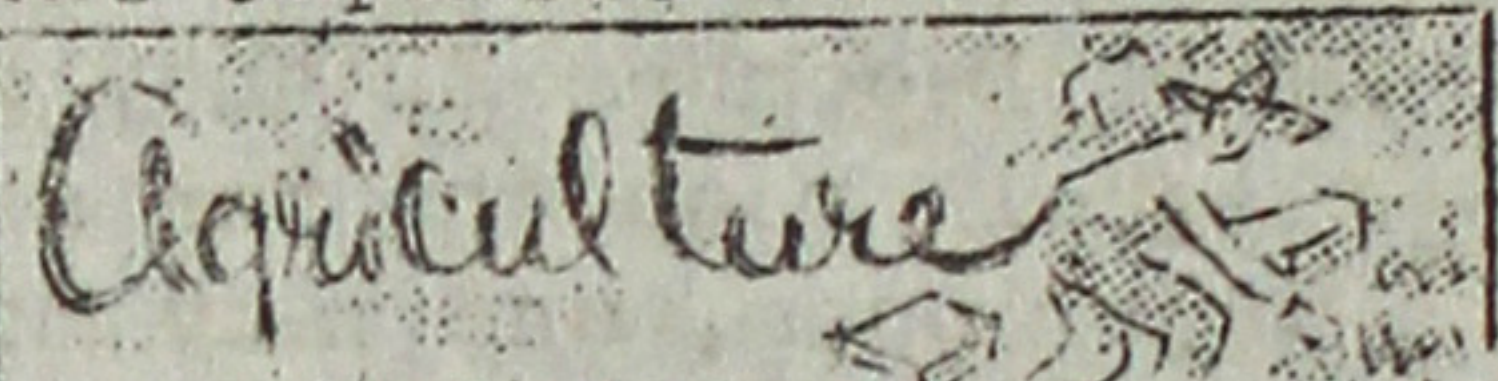
HOURS: The Public Library will be closed during lunch hours, 1 to 2 PM, from January 1st.

DONATION: 10 cartons of books and magazines arrived from the Ogden JACL, the largest donation of the month.

SOMETHING NEW: A special magazine rack for current issues has been made, and all latest copies will be placed there. A rearrangement now places all the adult books together in the west wing, with the magazines and children's section in the east wing.

FINES: Residents are asked to return books on time. A fine of 2¢ per day over due is being charged. The Notices for those 5 days or more overdue are being sent to borrowers.

BOOK BRIEF
Factories in the Field by Carey McWilliams: A documentary account of California's migratory farm labor problems, covering the minority groups accurately. Of particular interest is his section on the Japanese farmers.



INTRODUCTION: Due to rationing of various articles now being used for war production and inadequacy of the transportation system to Delta, the Agricultural Division of the City has been handicapped by the lack of materials, supplies and equipment. The division, however, has made great progress through the efficient management and spirited efforts of the personnel. Its tentative production program is to furnish the dining halls of the City with an ample supply of pork, beef, poultry and various truck crops.

SWINE: With the recent farrowing of several sows, the hog population has swelled to an aggregate figure of 182 head. Breeding of sows for spring farrowing is being carried on at the present time, and more hogs will be purchased in the near future.

Additional pens, self-feeders, hay-racks and sheds are being built continually to supplement the ever-increasing swine stock. Approximately 75 hogs were vaccinated recently by Dr. Irons of Nophi for cholera and mixed infections.

Present plans are to construct a new combined hog farm unit in Section 3 and to establish a breeding record and an identification system. The Utah State Veterinary has authorized the agricultural division to use the services of Rev. Kawanori-ta, a trained veterinarian, in the veterinarian of hogs.

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DR CARLISLE LEAVES CITY

Dr. John C. Carlisle, superintendent of Topaz schools, will leave the City New Year's day to recommence former duties at the Utah State Agricultural College as Associate Professor of education and assistant to President E. G. Peterson. Dr. Carlisle, who was in Topaz since Sept. 9 on a leave of absence from the college, released the following statement Wednesday:

"My 4 months in Topaz have endowed me with rich experiences, the most important of which has been the opportunity of knowing and working with such fine people.

"The foundations of an educational system have been established, but much remains to be done before the schools can attain the level equal to the people they are designed to serve.

"The Project is fortunate in having a Director of social vision and sincere human interests. Such characteristics are also true of the chief of the division of which the education section is a part. With such leadership and with the support of the people the school system cannot be other than a worthy one. In many ways I regret very much that I cannot be any active part of this continued growth.

"Should future events make it possible for me to return and be of further service here, my family and I would be indeed most happy."

ESSAY CONTEST WINNERS ANNOUNCED

In conjunction with the Christmas Festival Committee, Topaz High School students participated in an essay contest on the general subject of "Christmas in Topaz," according to Henry Tani of the education division.

The winners in the three grade-groups are as follows: Rentaro Hashimoto, 7th and 8th; Sachi Kawahara, 9th and 10th; and Ken Shimomura, 11th and 12th.

These students received merchandise orders at the Co-op as awards.

3250 ENROLL IN ADULT EDUCATION

Out of 5254 residents--the total population over 18 years of age--62 per cent are enrolled in Adult Education with an average attendance of 50 per cent, it was disclosed today by Dr. Laverne C. Bane, director of the Adult Education Department.

The following figures released by the Department indicate the enrollment and average attendance, respectively, of the various classes: Art, 459, 337; flower arrangement, 172, 150; music, 534, 477; sewing and knitting, 980, 714; basic English, 198, 162; mathematics, 104, 85; evening classes, 400, 396; and Japanese lectures, 403, 340.

The enrollment under the extensive program totals 3250, and average attendance is 2618.

INTER-FAITH GREETINGS

A Happy New Year from the Inter-Faith Ministerial Association! Within these words, as old as mankind itself, we find anew the force that keeps us working towards the Ideal.

We greet the New Year amidst a surrounding which until yesterday was a barren desert land, far from the community which we called home. It is fitting that we adhere to the meaning of the spirit that lies behind the greeting of the new leaf on the calendar. In making resolutions, it is our sincere wish to make a resolution for all of us: "I will keep alive Hope in mankind."

This may outwardly be a simple one; yet, when we consider all its aspects, we shall be taxed to live up to it as evacuees. We must awaken to the dangers of lethargy which are apt to overcome us because of the far-seeing policy of the WRA. Again, it will be difficult to live up to hope if we find fault with our mode of living and live in yesteryear.

Though we are in relocation centers where the meaning of material life has diminished, let us be thankful that ours is a life not limited to material wealth alone. The spiritual and religious life which is beyond the powers of mankind gives to us the greatest strength to survive. With faith in the religion of our hearts we can sustain that hope for harmony and peace with all mankind; we can see the day when once again we shall be part of a normal community; we can keep alive the hope for the victory of the democratic ideals of equality; and living in that hope it behooves us to do our utmost towards the realization of the good of all men.

BUDDHIST CHURCH

SUNDAY: YP Service from 10 AM at Rec 28 with Rev. Kumata, speaker, and M. Murayama, chairman; Church classes from 11 AM at Rec 28 with Rev. Kyogoku, speaker, N. Kitagaki, story, and K. Harano, chairman; and at Rec 8 with Rev. Z. Okayama, speaker, Y. Fukushima, story, and Sutei Sugaya, chairman.

CATHOLIC CHURCH

SUNDAY: Mass from 8 AM at Rec 14 with Father Stoecke.

WEDNESDAY: Rosary Prayer from 7:30 PM.

PROTESTANT CHURCH

SUNDAY: Church Classes from 10 AM at Recs 5, 22 and 27, and DH 32; YP Worship from 11 AM at DH 32 with Rev. Aki, speaker, and Rev. Tsukamoto, chairman; Combined YP Worship from 7:30 PM at DH 32.

WEDNESDAY: Special New Year Worship from 7:30 PM at 32-12 with Dave Tatsuno, speaker, and Agnes Mori, chairman.

FRIDAY: Church choir practice from 7:30 PM at 32-8-E with Ed Iino, director.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

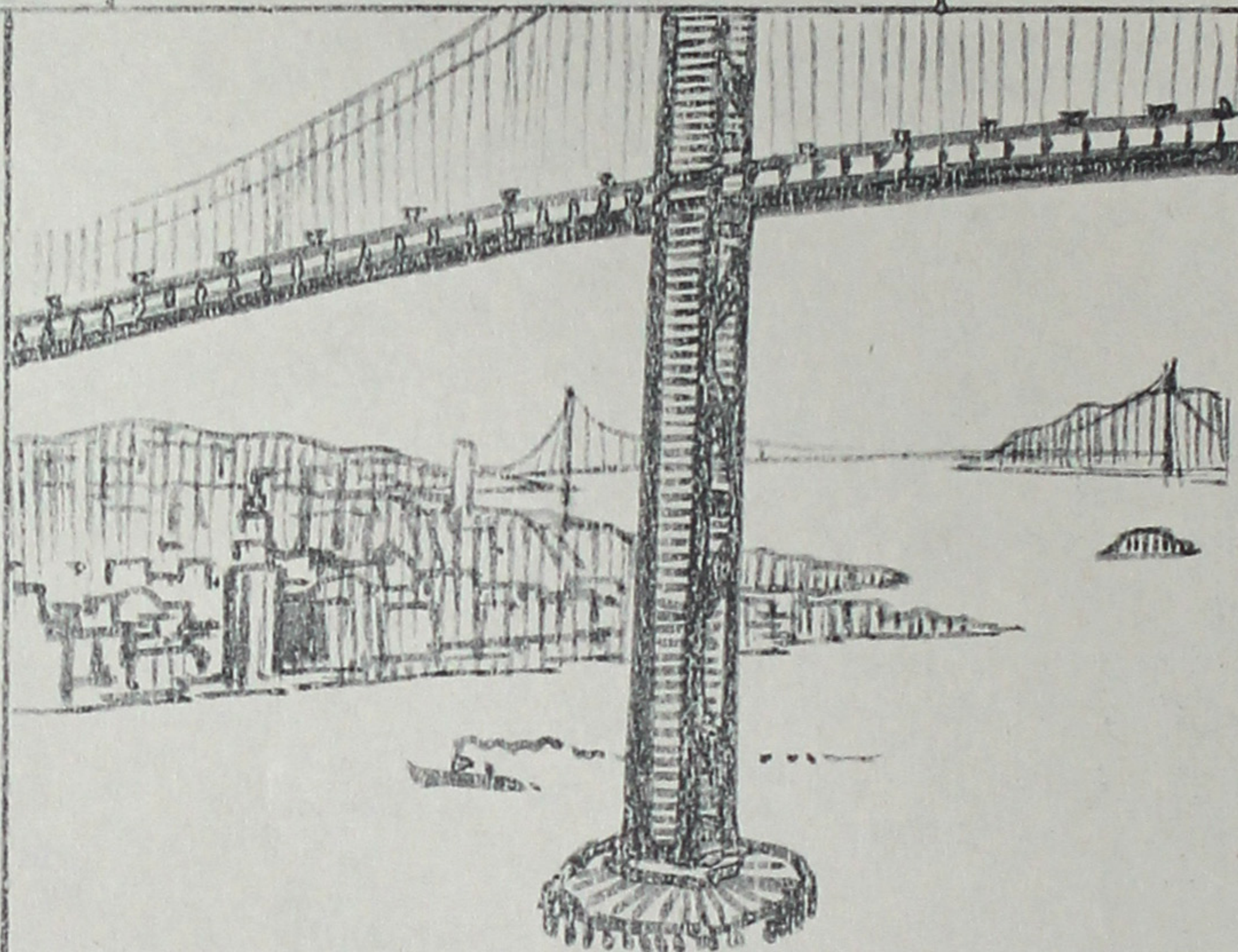
SATURDAY: Sabbath Worship at Rec 14 from 9:30 AM; Meeting at 10:30 AM, and Missionary Volunteer Society Meeting at 2:30 PM.



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C. Glata

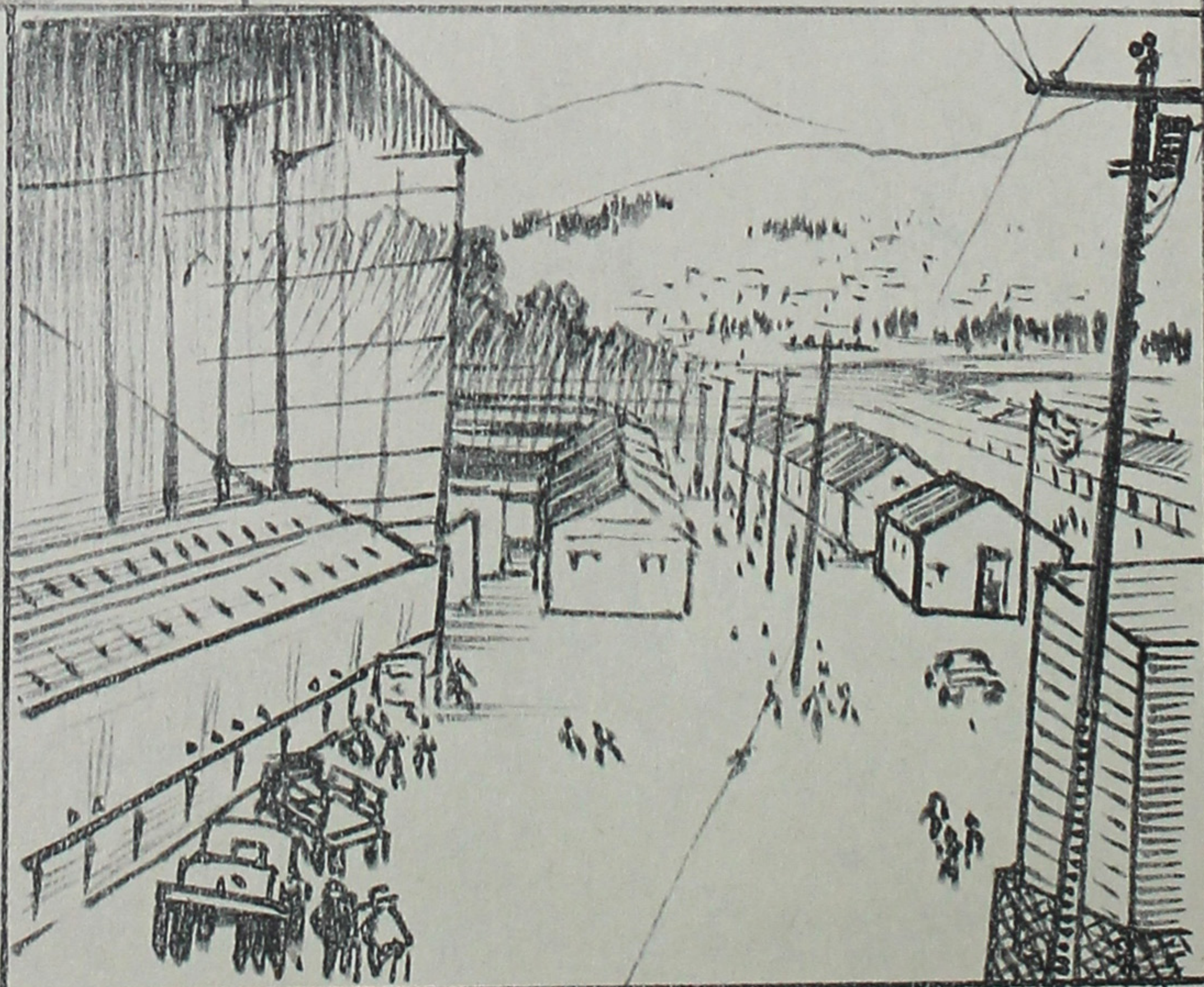
旅の終

真珠湾軍港へ爆弾一下してその瞬間我々の運命は大なる意志によつて決定された然し誰かその運命の路順を知り得たものがあらうか今となつて我々は自分から歩いて来た路を回顧、どこにたまたまない郷愁と共にある運命のパノラマを見る一暖り泣く春雨に迷はれて宿命の兒らの旅が始まる(バクレイ出發)



借り切り(バス)かひた走りに走る、何時の日にか再び見られよう懐しい桑名鉄橋上から雨に煙るシスコの一角に回つて皆が皆心のうちで「さようなら」を云つたに違ひない、大聲をあげて泣きたい様な愛着だ

「泥海とはよく言った、飛んでもない泥潭だ、泥に足をとりれ喘ぎ喘ぎやつと馬小屋へころがり込んで、果して泣かなかつた者が幾人かあらう、そして我々のダンフォールランに於ける生活が始められた。

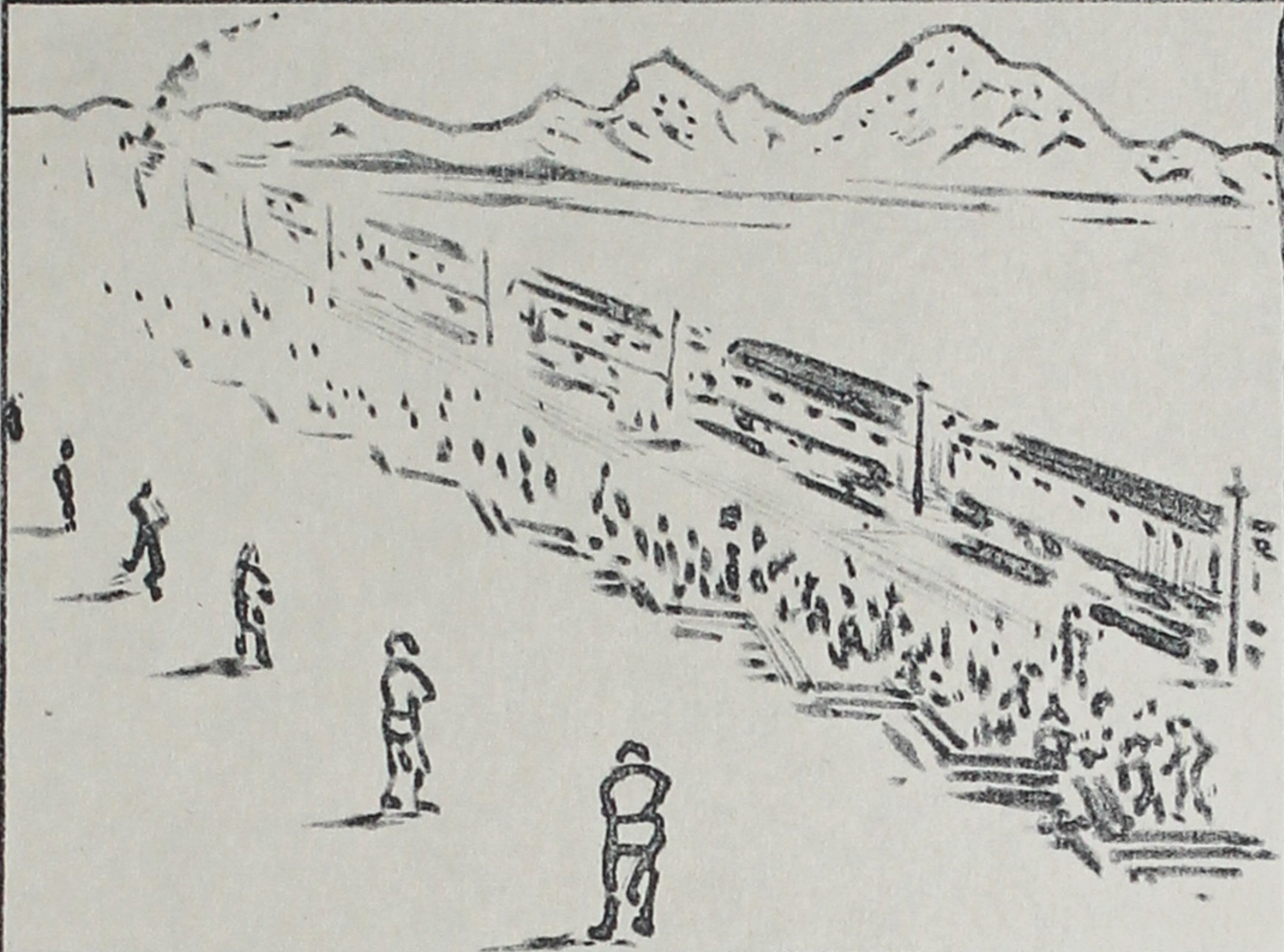


然し「えらい」ものだ人間一萬が寄つてたかつてノコを引き、ツチを振ひ、ノミを打てば、そこに遮二無二「生活」を打ち立てると同時に断ち切り難い愛着の絆を引く、それなのに、あゝ、それなのに、宿命の兒らの「流水の旅」はまだまだ済まなかつたのだ、屹立するクラウドスタンドにもやがて別水を告げねばならなかつた。

加州よさうなりーほんとに
さうなりだ、然し美しいフエ
ー河の溪流を臨んで懐し
い第二の故郷に別離を告げ
得た我々はそれでも十分
幸ひだつた。



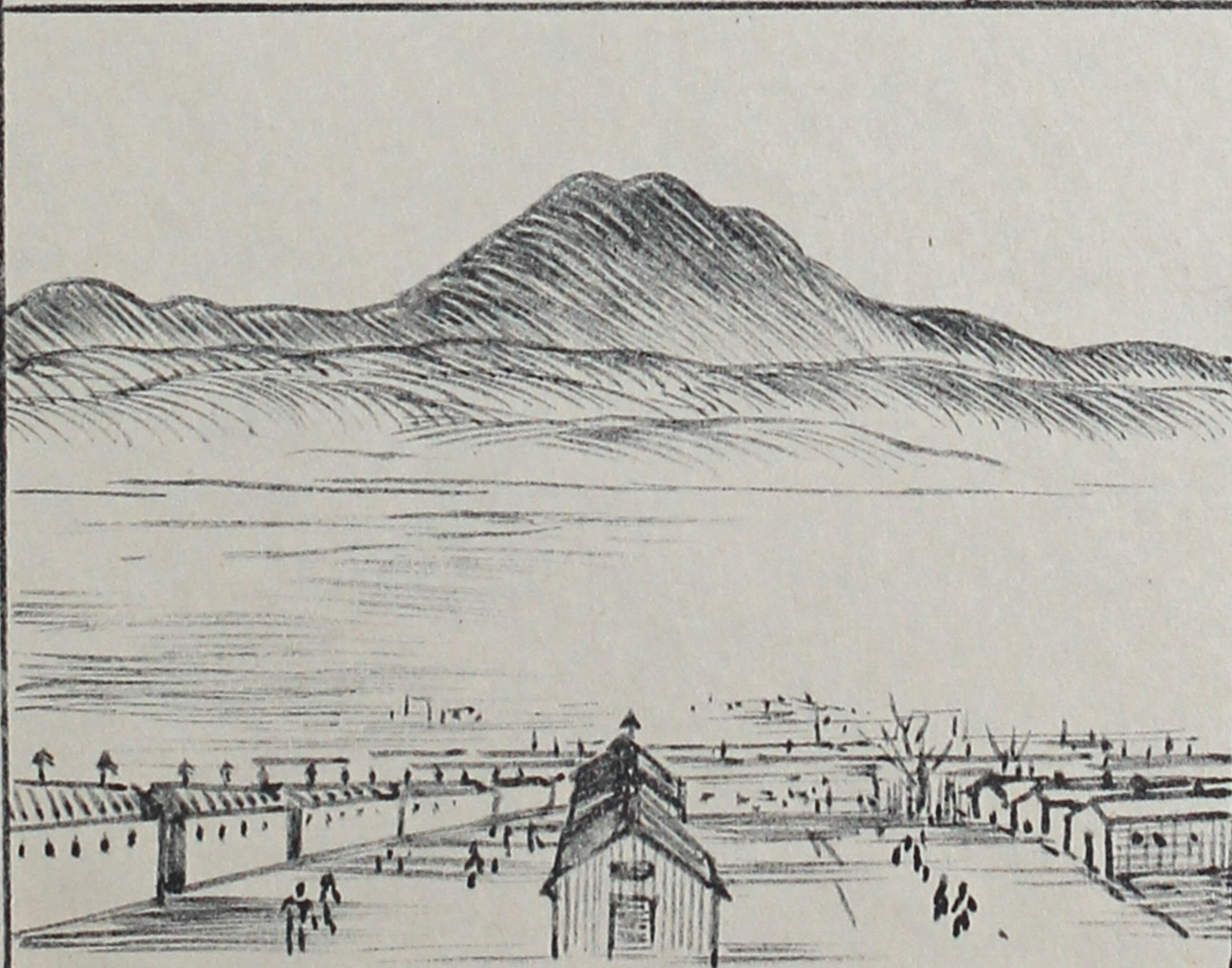
ユタよ、どうぞ宜しく……
だがそれにしてもこの
砂漠の飛へども無き
よ、鉄道沿線小休止
の間に我々は来るべき生
活に對し、ほんとにしか
りと肚を決め、度胸を
握へ直さねばならなかつ
た。



砂塵の嵐！人を巻き家を
包み、天日為に暗いーなんて
唐人の寢言處の騒ぎではな
い、こつちの部屋も暗いし心も
暗い、然しこの自然の暴威、征
服に對する決意と希望だけ
は断じて暗くなかつた、仰いで
空を見よ、五十尺の上空は晴
水で眞つ青ぢやないか。



それからーあゝ、苦難の四ヶ月
が過ぎたー然し明るい希望
と鉄の意志は断じて屈する
なくー建設への力強い足
並は止まるを知らずー遂に
我々は曙光を見た、夜明け
だ、トパズ山頂、雪に映へ
て朝日が明るい！



建設の新年を祝し併せて全
在住者の健康と幸福を祈る

トビーが時報

選挙

「民衆の熱意集注」

憲法案批准の際と 比較して隔世の感

憲法制定 除く十九アラクの投票

後初の参事員選挙 有権者は二千九百九
選挙は昨秋以来の十名で若し假りに無
如き結果を以て投票区の十四アラクが
人だが本選挙に際しては憲法の際と同数
して一般民衆が示し投票者を送つた事
た熱意は極めて高ければその総数は憲
く選挙有権者の法の際と比していじり
約九十パーセント加増した事を示す
一票を行使した事といふことになる、これは
とは頗る注目し値する民衆が興味を持ち得
る、これは既報の通り政治問題に對しては
り大選挙區制を採異常な熱意を示すと
用した結果各區内いふ證左で、その点憲
においてアラク毎に法は選挙ほど興味多
競争意識を燃しからず、或る意味では人
たことが最大の原 氣が少かつたといひ得
因であらうが、無投票、今次投票者数と
票区の十四アラクを憲法の際とを比較して

見るのも興味深から
之無投票区を除く

選挙区	選挙の際	憲法の際	合計
一	一五五	八七	二四二
二	一二七	九二	二一九
三	一六五	六九	二三四
四	二〇二	一四四	三四六
五	一五二	二一九	三七一
六	一七五	七八	二五三
七	二一七	九八	三一五
八	一五〇	一四一	二九一
九	一三三	九五	二二八
十	一六四	一三四	三〇八
十一	一五六	一一一	二六七
十二	一四三	一二七	二七〇
十三	一四六	一三八	二八四
十四	一四六	一三八	二八四
合計	二九六六	一九五一	四九一七

大寒くもなかつた

★今までの気候★

湿氣少量のお蔭で...

「ウウ、寒い寒い」で
すね、やり切れません
といふ挨拶を聞く、
うかと思ふ、なにあ
思つた程ではない、こ
分なり寒あることは
ありせん」といふ談話
を聞く、前者は加州
の冬と較べ、自分の神

し思つたほどのこともな
いといふのも事實で
寒暖計の水銀柱の割
には感じないといふ人
が澤山あるに違ひない
結局湿氣が少く、空
が乾燥してゐるからさう
いふ現象を示すのだ
らうが、東京、東京の
各に味はふ「からん周」
など、比較にならない
暖さである、これは夏
にも多分言ひ当てるは
ることも出来るのでは
あるまいか、かつて所
のアラビアから夏の東
京を訪れた王族の使
節が「これは暑い、こ
は暑くよく人間が住ん
で居る」といつたとい
ふ、確見たいな話があ
るが、これも湿氣の関
係であらう、アフリカ
来るアラビアなども日
本の夏には弱るらしい
十二月中の
気温調べ
尤もこの辺で最も寒
いのは矢張り一月、二
月といふから、その頃
に果してどの位寒くなる
ものか、ちよつと豫断
りではないが、然しや
り切れるなるまでは
下大分下る必要があ
らう、今までの寒さだ
零度になつたことは
最も低かつたのが十
二月廿七日朝の二度で
その次は同月四日、五日
の四度である、その他の
日は最低一十度以上
で、十二月十七日及び
二十日に最低十度か
二へんあつたきり、あ
は十二、十三、十四度
二十度近辺であるが、
中には氷点以上のもの
り、甚しいのは十二月
四日の最低四十二度と
いふのがある、然し最
低であらう、アフリカ
来るアラビアなども日
本の夏には弱るらしい
十二月中の
気温調べ
尤もこの辺で最も寒
いのは矢張り一月、二

読者に贈る
流轉の記念
千浦画伯の好意

本紙第百三十三頁の
「流轉の旅」は美術学校
長小園千浦画伯の好意
に基くものであるが、こ
れは八月に亘る「流轉」の
念を一般に贈らんとす
る本紙の思ひ切つた試み
である。幸ひにこれが讀者
の要求の圖星を突いて
びを四頁へは満足であ
る。第五頁の全頁大日本
はオクキマニの漢流。

EXPLANATION
① ERNST'S MESSAGE.
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COLD" - LOOK BACK THE WAY
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