

# Co-op News

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## \$1,000 FUND

### FOR TOPAZ SCHOOL CHILDREN

At the meeting of the Eighth Cooperative Congress held Tuesday night June 1, it was decided that the Topaz Consumers Cooperative set aside an amount up to and not exceeding \$1,000 per year as general scholarship fund for school children in this center.

This fund is to be allocated from unclaimed rebate tickets each quarter. The fund will be paid in one or more installments each year and will not exceed 5% of the total amount of rebates paid. The details in connection with this fund will be worked out by the Board of Directors at their next meeting.

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## BUSINESS REPORT OF CO-OP FOR THE MONTH OF MAY, 1943.

The Topaz Cooperative Congress met at dining hall #26, on June 1, at 8:00 P.M. for the regular monthly meeting. The Congress was presented with the report for the month of May by the Board of Directors.

### \*BANKING DEPARTMENT:

Total Safe Deposit by the residents is \$50,779.92 as of May 31.

Total amount of checks cashed during the month was \$100,921.05 of which \$59,905.70 was government checks and \$41,015.35 was private checks. Number of bank money orders cashed was 294 amounting to \$4,302.70. Cash in safe \$25,000. Deposit in Nephi Bank on the last day of the month was \$30,000. The difference represented private checks on collections. (To be continued)

## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Question: When will the Soda Fountain in the

General Store be ready?

Answer: We are having difficulty in procurement of lumber. We hope to announce the opening soon.

Question: Why can't we have better movies?

Answer: Most of the better movies are made in 35 mm size. A 35mm projector is not practical for our use as it has to be moved from place to place and parts are easily broken. Because of this we have to use a 16 mm projector. We have to compete with the many Service Organizations for movies in this size.

Question: Why does the Co-op handle eggs and chickens?

Answer: There are many children on the project who require a supplementary diet. The parents of these children have requested that the Co-op carry these items.

## M E R C H A N D I S E IS SCARCE - REPORTS TATSUNO FROM CHICAGO

Dave Tatsuno, Manager and Tad Fujita, Assistant Mgr. of the Dry Goods Dept. of the Co-op left recently for St. Louis and Chicago on a buying trip.

The reports which they sent back are not encouraging. In St. Louis they found the markets completely "cleaned out" and they were able to buy only a small percentage of the contemplated purchases.

In Chicago the situation is similar. With buyers from New York, the largest wholesale center in the country, coming to St. Louis and Chicago to buy up merchandise it is an indication that the markets have "blown up" completely.

Dave and Tad will return by way of Kansas City, Denver and Salt Lake, picking up what merchandise is available.

## CHANGES IN PERSONNEL

Due to the resignation of Mr. Paul Sugawara, Supervisor of the Service Division, Jiro Nakaso was appointed to fill the vacancy. Ken Kiwata, Assistant Circulation Manager will take over the department.

Hayaji Oda was appointed Chief Accountant to replace Shiro Shibata who left for Chicago. Hayaji Oda is a graduate of the University of California where he majored in accounting.

## EYE CLINIC REOPENS

The Eye Clinic at the hospital which was forced to close because of a shortage of labor and materials on the part of the optical company which supplied it, has now reopened and orders for eyeglasses are being taken there. A new optical supplier has been contacted.

## SUCCESSFUL COOPERATIVES SELL FOR CASH AT THE REGULAR MARKET PRICE.

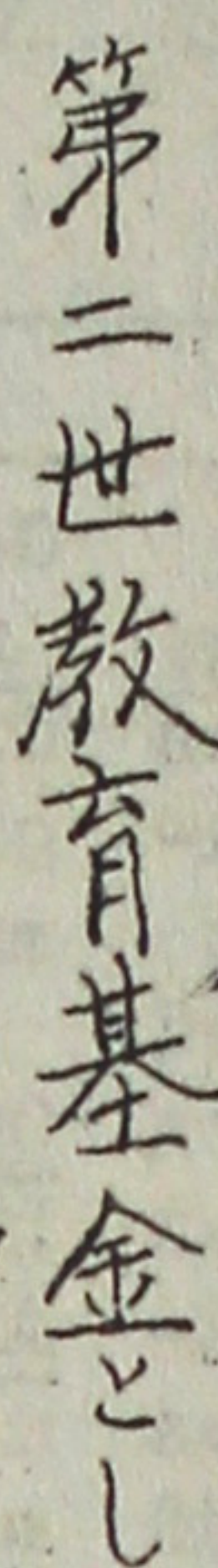
When Co-ops sell too cheap they go broke. If they sell merchandise of good quality at the regular market price, there will be a reasonable net margin for rebates at the end of the period.

Every member of a co-op really gets merchandise and services at cost when he turns in his rebate slips and gets his share of the net surplus earnings.

If the co-op needs additional capital, the Congress may decide to give rebate certificates in place of immediate cash rebates and redeem them at a later date when there is enough money to run the business and still pay these rebates.

When the members really understand and control the cooperative they do not worry about prices. Each will always get his share of the earnings through rebate.





年志  
千沸  
寄附

組合代表者會で可決

組合コンGRESは、去る日夜第二十六食堂で開  
催された。猛雨、泥濘の中にも多数の来會あり、  
先づ各部營業現況報告あつて議事に入り、細  
則の修正(否決)コロオプニス發行(可決)第二世  
教育基金(可決)等の討議完了、十時四十分閉  
會したが、特筆すべきは、教育基金寄附を  
決定したこと、其の意義極めて大である。

資金の目的

本教育基金の用途  
目的は当市第二世の教育資金に宛てるにあり、此の目的の爲め年々千弗を組合から寄附せんとするにある。寄附金據出の方法は、受取り割戻し金等を以てし毎年拂出す割戻し総額の五歩を越えざることを要する旨の規定を附してゐる。本教育基金の振当て其他の具體的實際問題は次

COOPニ于て  
第三號  
發行所  
消費組合事務所  
(レツタ二十六)

四の理事會例會で  
 討に附し決定を見る  
 筈である。

問答欄

問、レツタ十九キャンティン

内にはソーダファウンテンが開設せらるるそうですが何時頃開業の運びですか。  
(あくび生)

答 材料入手難の爲め之は遅れてゐる譯ですが遠からず開業の予定です。

問、活動字眞に改善の  
道はないでせうか

答、本式の活動字眞は

グドライズ  
漸次困難  
商品の仕入ル

ドライグーズ部の龍野  
藤田両君は、商品仕入れ  
の爲めソルトレーキ、デン  
バーを経、シカゴセントル  
イスに向ひ、数日前に其  
の結果を報告して来た。  
之に依れば、戦時下経  
済體制編成替へに依  
る商品市場梗塞は愈  
々強化されて来たこと  
歴然、其の大要は次の  
如くである。即ち、  
從來、当組合ドライグ  
ーズ部の仕入れは大部分  
セントルイス市ライスス  
テックス商会によつたもの  
だが、同商会も品薄  
の爲め、商品提供不能  
を言明。現在では紐育か  
らさへセントルイスに仕入れ  
に来ると云ふ奇現象を  
呈してゐるそうだ。斯くの  
如き状態なるが故に龍  
野君等は並みならず、苦  
心してゐる模様で、結局同  
現在迄での所、予定の

二十五ミリですが、之は西  
機が大きく持運びに大変  
であり、バート破損の危険  
がある。諸材料入手難の  
今日、十六ミリで満足する  
より、他に道はない次第  
です。

記者附記。日本欄は、予ぬ  
て申上かた通り皆さんに利  
用をして貰ふ場所。之利用  
者三日開催のシグレス議事  
報告等は引續き号を追ふ  
て、報道する予定である。

一割五歩(約一万八千弗)  
程度の商品仕入れに成  
功してゐるに過ぎぬとのこと  
である。

何れにしても商品市  
場が空窮底化しつつある  
ことは否み難い事実で  
あることを認めて置かね  
ばなるまい。龍野、藤  
田両君も商売を終へ  
近く当轉住所に歸  
つて来ることになつてゐる  
から歸還の上は、外  
部の一般商品市場  
の実情も明白になる  
だらう。

一時閉鎖状態に  
眼鏡注文部再開  
眼鏡注文部は、眼鏡  
取引商の都合上、暫  
らく閉鎖状態だったが  
数日前未雨開した。  
モントガハリ注文取  
扱ひは、六月一日以後  
中止する事になった。但  
し、ヤースローバツク  
人の注文取扱ひは依然  
継続。  
組合人事  
▲当組合サービス部支配  
人菅原ケリー君は、今  
デンバ市に職を得て、  
就職の爲め出所する。  
後任に新聞購読部主  
任中蘇二郎君が就任、  
中蘇君の後金には、助  
手たまた木和田謙君  
が据る事に決定。  
▲會計部柴田四郎君  
はシカゴに就職の爲め  
出所し、後任として小  
田早治君が就任した。