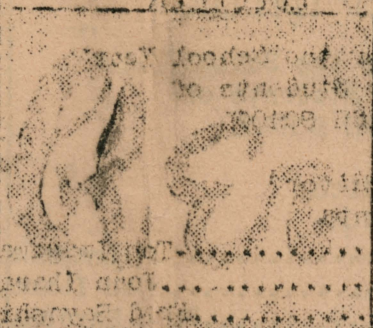
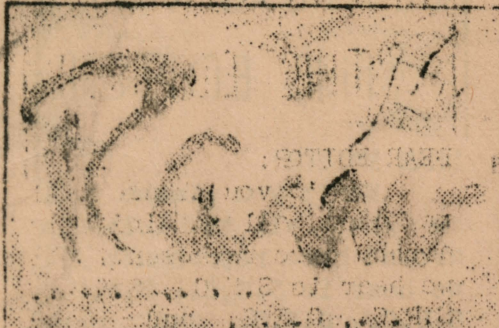


# AUDITORIUM DEDICATION SET



## NOBLE TELLS PROGRAM PLANS

With recognition of the completion of the new gymnasium-auditorium, dedication ceremonies have been planned for Wednesday, December 22, it was revealed by Le Grand Noble, superintendent of education.

Proceeding with the formal dedication will be a Christmas concert to be presented by the Delta high school band and choir. Speakers for the program include Charles F. Ernst, project director, and Seiki Muneno, chairman of the community council. The Boy Scouts will present the colors.

Also participating on the city-wide program will be the community education section and the interfaith group. The community council will give short talks on the topic "What the Auditorium Means to the City."

Completing the services will be vocal and instrumental selections by the Topaz School of Music.

Christmas tales, retold by members of the class, in order to give students a purer and more accurate understanding of the true Yuletide spirit, said Mrs. Plummer.

## STATE RULES FOLLOWED BY TOPAZ HIGH

The Topaz high school faculty has decided to conform with the Utah state requirements for eligibility in student activities, according to Dr. Joseph Goodrich.

The general requirements are: a student must be under 19 years of age; he must be regularly enrolled; and he must maintain passing grades at all times. The specific requirements for a student are: 1) a student must take at least four units; 2) he must receive A's and not more than one D; and 3) he is permitted to receive more than one "unsatisfactory" mark from the same teacher, but he cannot receive U's from two or more teachers.

An advisory board is to be formed, consisting of three persons: the guidance teacher, a teacher appointed by the principal, and one student.

The principal function of the board will be: to declare the eligibility of students desiring to participate in school activities, reinstate ineligible players, advise and investigate student-teacher relationships.

## RESERVE PARTY

To encourage more girls to join the senior Girl Reserves, a party will be held December 27 at room 8 EF. All girls are invited to attend.

Those coming are asked to bring a "white elephant" Christmas gift. Refreshments will be served.

## TON-YA-TA CALLED GIVEN

January 8, 9 and 10! Remember those dates! The show of all shows—"Musical Fun-tasia" will be sponsored on these nights by the '44 Ramblings staff in the new auditorium, according to H. C. Plummer.

This super, colossal production will be staged with first class entertainment, featuring many surprise numbers. As an added feature, the faculty will present a skit.

## CLASS WILL HAVE PROGRAM

Mrs. H. C. Plummer's senior English students are to present Christmas program this evening Thursday, December 23. The theme for this program will be "How the Christmas Spirit Survives."

The program will consist of the recitation of several well-known Christmas

## SCIENCE CONTEST

The third annual nation-wide Westinghouse Science Talent Search is being conducted by the Science Clubs of America, it was announced by Leon Westover, head of the science department. The contest, first of its kind to solicit participation of Topaz students, will be under the supervision of Mr. Westover.

Students already participating are Sachi Fujii, Koji Ozawa, Howard Mizuhara, Kay Iriki, Toshiko Katsunoto, Yosh Takakuwa, Helen Fukui and Tomie Katsura.

The 40 winners of the preliminary contest will be given an all-expenses paid trip to Washington, D.C. to attend the Science Talent Institute and take the final examination. The first place winner shall receive the Westinghouse Science Scholarship, which is \$2400. Contestants must submit a 1000 word essay, entitled, "My Scientific Project."

Mr. Westover announced that there is still time for more entries. Interested students are asked to contact him at his office.

# THE RAM-BLER

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## OUT OF THE FOG

Similar to the blanket of fog that shrouds our city these days is the fog of defeatist attitudes that has enveloped the students of our high school. This feeling is only too well represented by such oft-heard expressions as Waste Time and Lose Fight, Mah! If one would only stop to analyze such expressions and look beyond to those who use them, it would be clearly perceived that these words are used as outlets for the users' insufficient selves.

Having once met failure---especially evacuation, more generally, the hardships brought by center life, students have reacted like outcast curs, turning malicious and slinking away when approached by opportunities, and have developed a don't care, hang dog attitude, which is proving disastrous.

Illustrating this attitude is the poor participation in school affairs. Our campus leaders try to pull us out of this defeatism by sponsoring many activities, but we pay little attention to their efforts.

As all fogs are lifted and the sun peeps through, so must this fog break and let the sun of ambition break through. The sooner this event takes place, the more advantages we will reap from it. It is up to us to clear the skies.

PATTI IWANAGA



KAMPUS CRIER  
POSTON I, ARIZONA

Names of national honor society members, whose applications were passed by the faculty committee of six, were revealed Monday.

SCHOOL HERALD  
SAN JOSE HIGH SCHOOL

'44 Helps Win the War! From its paper-bound cover to its patriotic slogans, the '44 "Bell", school yearbook, will be turned over to activities of a school at war.

## THAT SNEEZE

A SNEEZE

I snoozed a sneeze into  
the air  
and it landed,  
I know not where:  
But hard and cold were  
the locks of those  
into whose vicinity,  
I had snooze.

P.S. This little verse is dedicated to those recent influenza victims of weeping eyes, aching backs and running noses!

SCRIBE NEWS  
OAKLAND TECHNICAL HIGH

A paper drive for the national effort was sponsored by the school. The paper collection will be undertaken periodically.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

DEAR EDITOR:

Won't you please tell me what all the initials around here represent? All we hear is S.S.C., S.A.C., S.R.C., C.E.S, and many others.

After all, the S.S.C. might even stand for Students' Sabotage Corps!

"BEWILDERED"

DEAR EDITOR:

We're all agreed that we had a beautiful, inspirational, uplifting and courageous forum on "What Is Wrong With Topaz High?"

Well, I haven't noticed any startling application of the reforms suggested that day (except in Mrs. Westover's classes).

HOPEFUL

DEAR EDITOR:

Why doesn't some one or something arouse the sophs from their social and academic sleep? Aside from one or two leaders, the class has contributed nil.

2 BRIGHT IDEAS

## FASHION TOP NOTES

By Doris Matsunami

Topping the limelights in the fashion flash for this week.....

Have you seen Fujiko Takahashi with a cleverly designed two-piece suit? It's a brown tailored jacket and a matching skirt which is just the thing for this winter---or Yoo Ikeda with smartly tailored brown slacks and a plaid jacket to match?

Many of the campus girls are busily knitting the ever popular Sloppy Joe sweaters with matching anklets. Seen with a neat-looking green one is Miyoko Sakurai. Mentioning anklets, knitted argyles seem to be a rage among our fashion trends. Seen with a clever green and yellow combination style is Peggy Tamaki.

These are a few of our top recognized fashions.

# OH! THAT DESERT ISLE! S.A.C. HOLD FIRST MEETING

By Joan Ihara  
With whom would you like to be stranded on a deserted island? You have your ideas and the following certainly have theirs!

"Well, all by myself and my gang," says Jim Morikawa. "No, no! I mean with my journalism teacher, Harumi. M-m-m-m!"

Original Yuji Koyama wants the Ziegfeld Follies and nothing else."

"Frank Sinatra and palm trees, of course!" yells back Natalie Nakamura.

"Who, me?" says Bubbles Koikoon. "I want a basketball court and a nice, big basketball."

Harry Kitano dreamily rolls his eyes and states, "I'd like a glamorous girl about 5'½" slim and a real dream. I might bring that trombone, too," he adds.



Who hasn't noticed that amiable, magnetic personality of rambling Jim Morikawa around the campus?

Modest Jim was born in Seattle, Washington, (his birth he calls 'nature's worst blunder') and was very popular with young and old. People probably think that Jim hails from Iowa, because that is where the largest per cent of our corn comes; however, his jokes are on the bean. Only jolly Jim could make up the kind of jokes that he distributes.

Mrs. Morikawa's little boy resembles Andy Devine, only our Jim is a better-looking physical and mental version (we think and hope).

Weighing close to 200 pounds and standing 5'8", he is very athletic, football being his favorite sport. This bubbling contribution to mankind, incidentally, is a favorite topic with Topaz dudes and coeds. He's that terrific! That colossal!

In their first meeting held Tuesday afternoon, the Student Affairs Committee decided to revise the school constitution and to make plans for a national honor society club. The constitution committee will be headed by Norman Hirose.

The S.A.C. is the judicial department of the student body, according to Ryozo Kunckawa, chairman.

## SENIORS READY FOR SOCIAL

With Yosh Takakuwa, general chairman, promising an even greater affair, senior students will have their second class party next Thursday night from 8 o'clock at dining hall 32. Yo Kishii will be emcee.

Admission will be 10 cents. Each senior is expected to bring a gift costing a maximum of 15 cents to trade with a fellow senior so all in attendance will receive a gift.

Committee heads include Mary Tsuda, Joan Ihara and Chiyo Sanoda.

## PROM HELD

Thirty-five couples attended the Junior Prom December 10 at dining hall 32, patterned that night after the Chinese Skyroom in San Francisco.

Soft lights, beautiful decorations in royal blue and gold, the music of leading bands and refreshments added to the enjoyment of all who attended.

Entertainment during the intermission was provided by Kaz Maruoka and Albert Noda on the trumpets, and Ichiro Sasaki accompanying on the drums.

## STAFF MAY VISIT PRINTERS

Three members of the '44 Ramblings staff expect to visit the Art City Printing company some time next week to draw up plans for the yearbook.

Due to scarcity of materials, it is expected by the committee that changes will be noted.



----Come to Mrs. Plummer's classes to hear "True Confessions" (especially 1st period).

----We know one block 12 coed who thinks it would be a delight to go out for an evening's fun with Jim Morikawa. Are you listening, Jim?

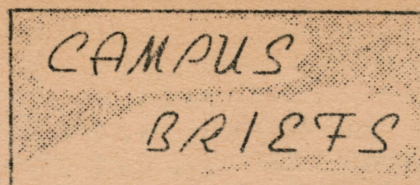
----Herbert Yamato, why do you always talk about one Mary Tanaki?

----Katherine Miho, aren't you glad that a certain T. K. is coming back from Denver for a visit?

----Imagine! Janet Iwasaki was actually caught looking for a man during 6th period Wednesday.

----Yoo Ikeda and a certain post graduate are going places. Right, George Yamamura?

----Potay N., when are you going to ask "Tommy Dorsey", and we don't mean the trombone artist either.



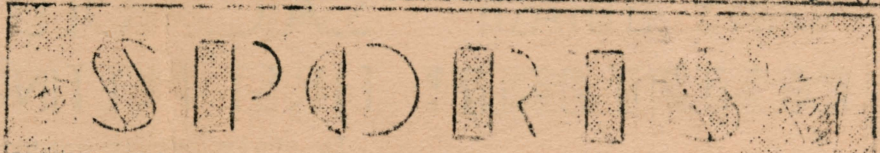
Preparations for the Winter Carnival, involving participation of all active clubs and societies on the campus, are in full swing, announced Sachi Kawahara, chairman.

Soph students will hold their first class party tonight at recreation hall 10. Tut Hirano will be the chairman.

The junior assembly set for December 15 has been postponed until January 14, according to Clarence Ostlund, class adviser.

Hurray! The week from December 27 to 31 has been announced as Christmas vacation week by Drayton B. Nuttall, principal. School will commence January 3.

# VARSITY LASSES FIRST GAME



The Ram cagers opened the '44 season by going down in defeat at the hands of the Delta High Rabbits on the latter's hardwood Saturday night. The scoreboard registered a 37 to 27 score.

Coach Koba, trying to find a 5-man combination, was helpless as Delta cagers made impossible shots from all angles. The half-time score favored the Rabbits by a 26 to 12 count.

Mike Mayeda led the local scorers with 11 digits, followed by Yoshio Yamada with 5. Willy Hamada went into the scoring column by tallying 4 points. Pace, Rabbit forward, topped both teams by tipping in

# RAMS TAKE HINCKLEY

## SCORE IS 40 - 16

By Fred Hayashi

Cosch Fred Koba's green and gold Rams brought home the first bacon of the season by thrashing the Hinckley cagers, 40 to 16, Wednesday night at the latter's court.

The first half was a low scoring game with both teams displaying bad passing and ball handling. The Rams had a 3-point lead in the first period, the score being 11 to 8.

A half-time pep talk was probably the turning point. Hank Hidekawa and Mike Mayeda finally found the range with set-ups and long range shooting.

The Rams' tight defense bottled Hinckley's offensive thrust often, resulting in the low score of the Hinckley five. Center Hidekawa led the scoring honors with 14 digits, followed by Mayeda with 13 tallies.

Hidekawa, proving to be a dead eye, had 8 opportunities from the floor, and cashed in on 7. He missed one shot.

The Rams peppered 58 shots at the basket, making good on 16 field goals.

14 points. In the preliminary game the Ram Jayvees ran wild by walloping the Rabbits 45 to 13. Harlon Sano paced the Topazans with 13 points. Potay Nagata and W. Hamada tallied 12 each.

Pos.	Name	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
F.	Fujita	0	0	0	0
	Matsuura	0	0	0	0
F.	Yoshimine	1	0	0	2
	Yamada	2	1	2	5
	Tanaki	0	0	0	0
C.	Hamada	1	1	1	3
	Sano	0	0	0	0
G.	Mayeda	5	1	1	11
	Tsujisaka	0	0	0	0
G.	Takakuwa	1	0	2	2
	Hamada	1	2	1	4
Total		11	5	7	27

# RAMETTES EKE 26-24 VICTORY

# 24 GAMES SCHEDULED

According to head coach Fred Koba and his two assistants, M. Saito and I. Hashiguchi, the Topaz High Ram basketballers will have a heavy schedule to follow for the 1944 season.

Arrangements are being made by the coaches to get games with Wasatch Academy, Beaver, Milford, Fillmore and the Provo high schools.

Games in the newly-constructed gym will get under way in the early part of January. About 24 games are being scheduled for the Ram cagers.

# STARS RETURN TO VARSITY

The Ram quintet has been strengthened somewhat by the return of two players from last year's varsity, Vince Mvii and George Yamamura, guards.

# BOWL GAMES

New Year tussles---  
WASHINGTON vs. U.S.C. in Rose Bowl, Pasadena, Calif.  
TEXAS vs. L.S.U. in Cotton Bowl, Dallas, Texas.  
TEXAS AGGIES vs. EULSA in Orange Bowl, Miami, Fla.

Pos.	Name	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
F.	Fujita	0	0	1	0
	Mayeda	5	3	0	13
F.	Kusunoki	1	0	0	2
	Sano H.	0	0	0	0
	Matsuura	0	0	0	0
C.	Hidekawa	7	0	1	14
	Hamada	0	1	0	1
	Yamada	0	0	0	0
G.	Tsujisaka	0	0	0	0
	Yamamura	0	1	0	1
	Tanaki	2	0	0	4
G.	Mvii	1	3	0	5
	Sano F.	0	0	0	0
Total		16	8	22	40

	Fg	Ft	Pf	Tp
Hinckley				
Total	8	0	9	16

Topaz High's girls' cabsba team, in making its first appearance on the hardwood, edged out a taller Hinckley sextette in a nip and tuck basketball game Wednesday night. The score was 26 to 24.

The Ram Amazons, led by Bubbles Keikuan, Mari Shinoda, Nakanizo and Yoe Ikeda were the big noise in winning the game.

Hinckley took a commanding lead in the first period, and led 18 to 16 at half-time.

The second half was a not contest with both teams not ahead by more than 2 points. With 30 seconds remaining and the score tied at 24 all, Bubbles Keikuan, classy forward, faked beautifully and dribbled around an opponent to score the clinching field goal.

Topping scoring honors were Keikuan, Nakanizo and Shinoda with 6 digits apiece. Playing a magnificent defensive game were Wyo Negasawa, A. Keikuan and Nancy Takahashi.

Fred Hayashi