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EDUCATION ASSEMBLY A SUCCESS

In observance of National Education Week and in Commemoration of Armistice Day, the Topaz High School presented Mr. Thomas Bodine, the Student Relocation advisor from the National S.R.C. in Philadelphia, as the guest speaker at the assembly held Friday, November 10.

The High School Choral Club, with Miss Pauline Austin as director, made its first appearance at this assembly.

Vocal renditions were given by Misses Yaeko Tsumura and Joanne Nagata, together with a piano solo by Aiko Takita.

G.A.'S present program

The Topaz High School enjoyed its second assembly in two consecutive weeks, a program presented by the Girls' Association, and directed by Miss Barbara Loomis. On November 15. The theme was "Sadie Hawkins Day", and Yoshiko Keikoan acted as mistress of ceremonies.

Vocal soloists included Yae Tsumura, Florence Nagano, June Egashira, Jean Sanford, Elsie Itashiki, and Chizu Ishida. Supporting the program were: Juji Hada, Hirokazu Nakai, Joe Kimura, Thomas Hirano, and Mas Sumimoto in a hypnotizing act; an appropriate tap number by May Takakuwa and May Iha; Grace Otsuji and Mae Miyagawa, baton experts; a girls' chorus; jive jumpers Wacky Sumimoto and Seiko Akahoshi; Miss Loomis at the piano; and yells led by Seiko Akahoshi, Ets Marubayashi, and Joker Hada.

DELTA LIONS' CLUB TO SPONSOR MINSTRELS

The Delta Lions' Club has been very much impressed by the "all out" attitude of the '45 Ramblings Staff, and has planned a minstrel show, which is to be held in the Topaz High School auditorium on Tuesday, Nov. 21. The profit will be donated by the Club to the Ramblings staff for the printing of the '45 year-book.

Honor students named

Following the close of the first six week report card period, the list of students, who have made honor roll, has been issued from Mr. Seal's office.

Of the total 769 students enrolled in the Topaz High School, the following students are to be highly commended for their scholastic achievements. These students obtained a 2.5 average or above in all their courses of study. A 2.5 represents B+ or above.

Adachi, Toshio; Akahoshi, Seiko; Asano, Kathleen; Chiwaki, Noriko; Doi, Takako; Hirabayashi, Robert; Kamiiji, Michiko; Kaneko, Teruko; Nagano, Florence; Narahara, Asako; Ozawa, Sumiko; Sanford, Jean; Sasaki, Emiko; Sonoda, Hana; Suyemoto, Joe; Suyemoto, Lee; Takita, Aiko; Tsugawa, Yumi; Urano, Keiko; Yamada, Amy; Yoshida, Yutaka; Yoshida, Dorothy; Yoshizawa, Kimiko; Manabe, Grace.

The Delta Lions' Club is considered one of the outstanding organizations in the Delta region, and they have sponsored many of the leading functions in the locality. With this type of group behind it, the show promises to be a most entertaining performance. The tickets will be sold by members of the Ramblings Staff at the rate of 15¢ per person. Administrative personnel will be charged 30¢. The performance will begin at 8:00 P.M. Everyone is invited.

FLC PLANS

surprise party

There will be a special party for all the members of the Foreign Language Club on Saturday, Nov. 25 at 7:00 P.M. in Dining Hall 32. The committee stated that no advance information would be given as it is to be a surprise. The committee also advised all members to buy their tickets early because there is a limit of 100 tickets. Any member is allowed to buy two, however, the deadline is Wednesday, the 22nd. Tickets are 25¢ apiece. This marks the second gathering of the Foreign Language Club.

ASSEMBLY

Nov. 22	-	Junior Class
Nov. 24	-	Pep Rally
Dec. 1	-	Sophomore
Dec. 8	-	Home Econ.
Dec. 15	-	Jr. High
Dec. 22	-	G. R. & Hi-Y
CHRISTMAS VACATION		
Jan. 5	-	B.A.
Jan. 12	-	Foreign Lan.
Jan. 19-26	-	Senior week

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NEWS BRIEF

An appreciation party was held on Saturday, Nov. 18, for all those who helped with the preparation of the Football Benefit Dance. The dance started at 7:30 P.M. at Rec. Hall #4. The emcee for the evening was Mickey Suzuki, with Yosh Takakuwa in charge of the affair. Special guests were Mr. and Mrs. Smith.

It has been stated that Miss Sara Crosbie and Mr. Robert Maggiora will spend the Christmas vacation in California. They will leave about December 22.

At the Executive Board meeting, held Monday, November 13, Ryozo Kume-kawa gave a formal resignation from the committee as the editor of the school paper, stating that since he had been elected the editor of the Ramblings, the two offices would conflict.

It was announced that the Ramblings staff has been completed, and that it has made definite moves toward the printing of the yearbook. The staff will sponsor a movie in the near future.

NATIONAL BOOK WEEK

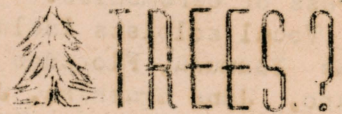
Last week was set aside as National Book Week, which people all over America observed. It marked the twenty-sixth anniversary of this occasion. Since a larger per cent of the people in the United States are becoming more highly educated, this occasion becomes more important and more widely celebrated. It is said that people do not read enough, especially high school students. There seems to be no reason for this, except that they don't take the time. Books contain interesting facts about all types of subjects, including those from early times to the present era. Also, much of our present practical knowledge can be obtained through reading.

Our high school library is very complete, more so than is thought by most of the students. There is a regular income of newest and best books each month and there are many classics, tested by time to be the best in reading. In addition to this, the library offers a wide assortment of reference books and magazines.

Most of us, as high school students, have not made definite plans for the future other than relocation. We do not know what type of vocation to take up, making it rather difficult to formulate plans. A remedy might be to read on a variety of subjects and decide what topics interest us. Practically everyone who has forged ahead has done a great deal of reading. This fact is becoming more true everyday and shows us a pretty sure course to follow. Yes, Book Week has passed, but let us follow up by making the library a more useful place by reading more of the material it provides.

EDITOR.

"Mr. Wilson", asked the instructor, "how far were you from the answer?"
"Only three seats, sir".



I think that I shall never see
A girl refuse a meal that's free;
A girl whose lovely eyes aren't fixed
Upon a coke that's being mixed
A girl who doesn't wear
A lot of junk to match her hair;
But girls are loved by
guys like me
'Cause, gosh, who wants to
kiss a tree?

BOOK NOOK

"Book Week" was observed on November 12-18 with "United Through Books" as its theme. This is the 26th year that Americans have stressed Book Week in the homes, schools, and shops of the land. It's really "round-up" time in the libraries of the nation.

We'd like to stress especially that reading is not a cosmetic but can create more charm than a beauty shop.

Our library has an addition of 75 new books ranging from deep novels to fascinating bird stories.

So, if you want a good book just put your name on the waiting list for the most appealing ones.

Notice

Since we have received so many complaints concerning our gossip column we will have to dispense with both "Cat's Corner" and our "Rambling Reporter" until we get a better response from the students.

If you have any gripes or comments please hand in your suggestions to the Editor's box which is placed in the Library.

This is YOUR paper so please express your feelings freely, either "pro" or "con".

SPOTLIGHT

This week's spotlight holder is attractive Tak Doi, our Student Body secretary.

She was born on Washington's birthday in 1927 in good old San Francisco. Tak was a sophomore at the Commerce High School prior to evacuation.

Our former May Queen stands 5 feet and 2 inches high and dotes on grape-fruit which may account for her slim figure. Serve her "cha-shu" and she'll be happy.

Besides being one of those rare combinations of beauty, brains, and personality, she has an artistic talent which few can equal. Her ambition is to become a successful fashion designer.

Queried on the subject of males, she replied that she'd be satisfied with any reasonable facsimile of Van Johnson or Lon McAllister. Who wouldn't?

She said she would do her utmost to make this a successful term. KK

OH, YEAH??

One kid to another:
Ya, ya, teacher's pet!
Teacher passing by:
No they don't! no they don't!

HT. MOUNTAIN EAGLE

Fashion

With the first appearance of Old Man Winter many of our Co-eds and fellows have taken out their coats and mackinaws ready to meet anything he has in store for them.

Since so many of our girls are seen in the very beautiful cardigan suits, I'd like to take time out to review the neatest. Sue Yoshiura was seen in a blue-black checked one and like many others it has the pleated all-around skirt which is so nice. Hisako Yoshii had on a blue one which blended well with her flawless complexion. Betty Harada has a dark green suit with the skirt box-pleated in the center with inverted pleats on the sides. The back is the same.

But, the favorite outfit of our girls is the pleated all-around skirts. Peg Shiozawa and Mary Hidekawa were spotted looking very glamorous in a twin act with white plaid skirts with matching headbands. Amy Tamaki has a wide array of headbands which go so beautifully with her glossy black hair.

Our choice for the sloppiest sweater goes unaniously to Norma Kanzaki's red one. (I was wondering if it was a new styled shapeless dress.) SM

	SOPHOMORES	JUNIORS	SENIORS
BEST LOOKING	SUZY INAI TAK ESHIMA	MARTY OSHIMA STARR MIYAGAWA	KAYE KANZAKI HARRY KAWABATA
BEST DRESSED	BETTY HARADA BOB MOTOZAKI	DOLLY SAKITA HID KASHIMA	ELSIE ITASHIKI TAK MIZOTE
BEST PERSONALITY	MARY KAMBARA MUTS HAYASHI	KAY YOSHIURA MICKEY SUZUKI	JEAN SANFORD "WACKY" SUMIMOTO
BEST ATHLETE	MARY SAKASHITA JIRO NAKAMURA	MITS SATO SUS IWASA	"BUBBLES" KEIKOAMI PAUL BELL
BEST FIGURE	YO YAMASHIRO	AMY HIRONAKA	ASAKO MARIYAMA
BEST BUILT	SAB MATSUZAKI	BOB UTSUMI	SOTOI KENMOTSU
MOST INTELLECTUAL	TETS AIHARA LEE SUYEMOTO	MIHO SWIMIZU ROBERT HIRABAYASHI	FLO NAGANO JOE SUYEMOTO
MOST POPULAR	ETS MARUBAYASHI KEN SATO	MICH TSUGAWA TATS SANO	SADAME HARA ICHI OZAWA
ALL-AROUND	GRACE TSUJISAKA MIKE MATSUI	NANCEE TAKAHASHI TOGO OSHIMA	"MUD" SHINODA JUNJI DOAMI
CUTEST COUPLE	SALLY TSUGAWA & KAICHI SATO	DOT HARADA & GUS SONODA	YUMI TSUGAWA & TAKARA INOUE

SPORTS

VARSLITY SPOTLIGHT

EAGLES SCORE 6-0 WIN OVER RAMS

A stubborn, hard-fighting Ram team gave the Millard High Eagles of Fillmore quite a scare in the final quarter as the Region Four Champs copped a narrow 6-0 victory over our boys in a Homecoming Day Program on the winners turf, November 10.

The Fillmore aggregation, overwhelming favorites to take the tilt, racked up 6 points in the opening five minutes, with a devastating ground attack from their own twenty led by Day and Wasden. Day took the ball around right end on a double reverse from the Rams' 25 and dashed over for the tally. The kick for conversion failed, the pigskin bouncing off the crossbar.

The Rams started clicking from their 24 in the second stanza when spinners by Okawachi and Miyagawa netted a gain to their own 41 and a first down. But the Rams were thrown back for a heavy loss and were forced to punt out of danger. The Millard gridsters, then harried the Topaz forward wall by line plunges to the 8, with line backer Doami stopping four successive plays on the way. But time ran out on the Eagles, as the half came in sight.

The third quarter was all Fillmore as the Blue and White marched from their own 30 to the Topaz 12-yard line. Stacking up a total of five first downs, the Eagles' ground gaining combination clicked for a net total of 50 yards. But again, the victors failed to push over a tally as Kimura and Doami delayed their attack with smashing tackles.

With Topaz taking charge on downs, Iwasa and Sonoda drove around left end for

a first down on the 40. The fast charging Eagle line threw the Rams back to the 25 at this point. Taking to the air, Eshima threw a perfect pass to Sonoda on the 40. Again, Eshima tossed the pigskin to glue fingered Sonoda who made a pretty leaping catch on the Eagle 44. The red hot Eshima to Sonoda combination clicked for the third time, to the 32, as the fighting Rams suddenly came to life to make their last desperate bid for a score against the bewildered Eagles. Keeping up the air attack, the Rams tried four more passes, but to no avail, returning the ball back to the winners to stop any semblance of a Topaz threat to score.

Carrying most of the burden on the Rams' defense were Doami, Okawachi, and Kimura. The trio were largely responsible for holding Millard to a single tally. The longest run for the locals was a 23 yard jaunt by Iwasa in the initial stanza.

The Rams received a great shock when halfback Sus Iwasa was injured in the opening minutes of the last quarter. Topaz High will deeply miss the services of their leading ground gainer, as it was revealed that Sus will not see action for the rest of the season.

Note: A return fracas with Millard High may be held in the near future pending the results of the state "B" championship semi-final bout between the Eagles and Cyprus. If Millard is knocked out of the running, they may return to play us.

Topaz	0	0	0	0	----0
Fillmore	6	0	0	0	----6

On the 28th of July, 1927, in Hayward, Calif., was born a bundle of joy who has grown up to be 150 pounds of handsome, athletic and irresistible man. When he was about eight years of age he moved to the large metropolis of San Francisco, where at Commerce High, a few years later, he was active in school functions. Troop 29 was proud to have him as a member.

Taking sports in his large stride, he plays guard or center like a demon for the High School Rams football team. Last year he played guard for the varsity casaba squad, where his height of 5'8" came in handy. We expect a great deal of him as a returning letterman.

The Vice Proxy of this term's Senior Class has also served as the secretary-treasurer of the Sophomore Class, besides working on most of the school and class social committees. The Hi-Y also claims his membership.

He likes the solid music of Count Basie as well as that kind of food cooked by his one and only. This marvelous man is none other than Junji "Jaydee" Doami, who plans to relocate, attend college and, above all, to get married.

STARTING LINEUP		
Okai	REL	George
Katayanagi	RTL	Labrum
Hanabuchi	RGL	Warner
Doami	C	Groesbeck
Morizono	LGR	Whitaker
Kimura	LTR	Ahlstrom
Tanaka	LER	Spencer
Inouye	Q	Davies
Iwasa	LHL	Day Jr.
Sumimoto	RHR	Warner
Okawachi	F	Warner

TOPAZ SUBSTITUTIONS	
End:	Oshima
Tackles:	Kawamura, Hada
Guard:	Yamazaki
Center:	Okawachi, T.
Quarterback:	Eshima
Halfbacks:	Ogo, Sonoda, Ozawa
Fullback:	Miyagawa

GIRLS' SPORTS

The local Topaz fems played against the former Tri-State (Tule Lake) sextet at the auditorium last Friday on the losing end of a 32-12 score.

Tule held the first quarter by swishing the net twice to the locals' once. At the half the score was 18-6 in favor of the Tule group. During the next half Topaz garnered six while Tule took fourteen digits, ending the game with a score of 32 to 12 in favor of Tule.

Yum Tsugawa and petite Etch Marubayashi were high scorers for the Topaz team with four each. Kay Yoshiura and Lillian Hirose came next with two points each. Giving the Tule forwards a tough time were Alice Mori and Mits Shimamura. Margie Kawaguchi is listed as a likely prospect. Others playing for Topaz were Sumi Haranaki and Mary Hidekawa.

Sharp shooting Bubbles Keikoan with her hook shot played an outstanding game and brought in 18 points for Tule. Next highest in scoring was Grace Tsujisaka, who faked her opponents throughout the game, rang up 8 more tallies, followed by Fuzzy Yasuda with six. Playing a smart game at guard were Wyno Nagasawa and Mits Sato.

TOPAZ

	FG	FT	PF	TP
Hirose	1	0	0	2
Hidekawa	0	0	0	0
Tsugawa	2	0	0	4
Haranaki	0	0	0	0
Marubayashi	1	2	0	4
Yoshiura	1	0	0	2
Mori	0	0	0	0
Shimamura	0	0	0	0
Kawaguchi	0	0	1	0
	5	2	1	12

TRI-STATERS

	FG	FT	PF	TP
Takahashi	0	0	2	0
Yasuda	3	0	0	6
Keikoan	9	0	2	18
Tsujisaka	4	0	0	8
Sato	0	0	0	0
Nagasawa	0	0	1	0
	16	0	5	32

RAMS BOW TO S.L. TEAM, 13-6

Two pass interceptions spelled defeat as a pickup Salt Lake team outfought the Rams 13-6 on a make-shift field on the high school gridiron before a shivering crowd of 500 spectators on November 12.

RAMS SCORE FIRST

Topaz drew first blood in the initial stanza, when "Wacky" Sumimoto recovered a visitors' fumble of a Ram punt on their 15 yard stripe. With Inouye on a man in motion to the right, Ogo completed a pass and the quarterback rambled to the 2, as the teams changed fields for the quarter.

The Rams resumed their offense as Sonoda plunged through center to within half a yard of the goal. Then Inouye, on a quarterback sneak, went through for a touchdown. The pass conversion failed.

SALT LAKERS RALLY

The Salt Lakers set up their initial counter in the same quarter, when halfback Hirase intercepted a pass on the Topaz 40 and scampered to the 20. Quarterback Sasaki charged off tackle and swivel-hipped all the way to paydirt, on the next play.

Sasaki took another misdirected Topaz pass in the fourth quarter, on his 40 and worked his way through a futile Ram defense for 60 yards and another score. Fullback Watanabe went over for the extra point to make the score 13-6.

The local fans witnessed a stellar exhibition of broken field running by signal caller Goro Sasaki of the Salt Lakers. The Rams, led by Ogo and Inouye, played courageously for a win with but a day's rest from the Fillmore encounter.

SCORING BY QUARTERS:	
Topaz	0 6 0 0----- 6
Salt Lake	0 6 0 7----- 13

PIGSKIN REVIEW

Tommy Nitta, class of '43, is a 1st string half-back on the North Central College grid team at Naperville, Illinois. Tommy played on the Ram basketball squad two seasons ago-----Himeo Tsumori, former Topaz Hi track star has made good as end on the first team, at Elmhurst College of Elmhurst, Illinois-----Sambo Nakaso, former all-around athlete of Topaz Hi, has earned a berth on the first string football team as center, at New Haven Hi. Sambo relocated to New Haven, Connecticut last summer.

JUNIORS DRUB SOPHS IN CAGE TILT

Concluding the Parents' Day program, the Juniors trounced the Sophomores, 46-32, in a casaba exhibition game in the second half of a double header. The Juniors took the situation in hand right from the start and were never threatened except at the end of the first half when the score read 24-18. The Juniors were paced by Kashima with 13 points, Iwata with 10, followed by Hirota 8, and Yuto 6.

Leading the Soph attack were Nagasawa and Nakamura with 11 and 7 digits, respectively.

STARTING LINEUP	
TOPAZ	POS. SALT LAKE
Tanaka	LER Hiraizumi
Kimura	LTR Mizufuka
Morizono	LGR Kobayashi
Doami	C Yoshida
Hananouchi	RGL Mochizuki
Katayanagi	RTL Dohara
Okai	REL Shiraishi
Inouye	Q Sasaki
Ogo	LHL Hirase
Sumimoto	RHR Takada
Okawachi	F Watanabe
TOPAZ SUBSTITUTIONS:	
LINEMEN	Hada, Okawachi, Oshima, Bell, Yamasaki, Kaibe, Kawamura.
BACKS	Ozawa, Miyagawa, Sonoda, Yamamoto, Eshima and Hayashida.