

The Ram-ble

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TOPAZ CITY HIGH SCHOOL

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CAMPUS BRIEFS

Dr. D. C. Collier of the local hospital spoke to Miss Muriel Matzkin's first period physiology class on March 15. His topic of leprosy was made very interesting by the use of slides.

Dr. Collier worked for seventeen years in a leprosy in Siam. He has his own theory about its being contracted by eating a certain substance in the taro root.

The newly formed J.U.G. (Just Us Girls) is composed of the low sophomore girls under the leadership of President Mary Mayeda, Vice President May Takakuwa, Secretary Yae Kami and the guidance of Mrs. Helen Bingley. The club expects an eventful term full of activities like sponsoring a movie, having a Girls' Drag Dance presenting a assembly and challenging other clubs to various games.

The Junior Class plans to have another class party as soon as they make enough money to pay the debts incurred by the Junior Prom.

At the last Hi-Y meeting, Michio Suzuki was elected president as Takara Inouye, the former president has recently left Topaz.

Tessie Sato, former Topaz High student, was visiting us last week from Minneapolis, Minnesota. She is attending West High School and plans to go Cadet Nursing this summer after graduation.

JUNIOR PROM TO BE HELD SATURDAY

Relocation Of Students Increases

Among the increasing number of persons leaving Topaz in the past month, a large percentage is students headed for various schools in the United States to further their education.

MIYOKO ISHIYAMA, a June '43 graduate, has left for the George Williams College in Chicago, Illinois. She was an elementary school teacher here prior to her relocation.

ISAMU NAO, a high junior student, has left for Lowell High School in San Francisco, Calif.

KEI NAKANO, also a high junior, has left for his hometown school Sequoia, in Redwood City, California.

MICHIO KATSUURA, a low senior, has left for Berkeley, California.

JAMES MIYAMOTO, a high senior has returned to Richmond, California.

TAKARA INOUE, high senior, has left for Cleveland, Ohio, to attend high school.

ROSE YANO, a high junior, has relocated to Bridgeton, New Jersey, to attend school.

On April 6, 1945, a group of students will go to Hinckley High School to present an assembly. Hinckley High School will present a program here, on Friday 13th.

"LOST HORIZON" TO BE THEME

With the theme "Lost Horizon" the Junior Prom will be presented in the civic auditorium, April 7, at 8:30 p.m. according to Nancy Takahashi, vice president of the Junior class.

This prom is being planned by the following committees: Decorations--Shoji Sakurai, Edwin Takahashi, Roy Iwata and Etsuko Marubayashi; food--Togo Oshima, Tut Hirano, and Amy Tamaki; Records--Mihoko Shimizu, and Sets Yamane; tickets--Abu Keikoan, and Alice Matsubara. P. A.--Hid Kashima; Publicity--Florone Iiko.

This will be an informal and camp-wide affair. Bids may be obtained from any junior social committee member.

S.A.C. NEWS

The movie "Northern Pursuit" was shown on March 31 for all student body card holders.

A "Clean Up Day" was held on March 28th to improve the looks of the school building and ground. The Boosters took care of the girls' latrine, the Girl Reserves cleaned the library; the Rally Committee cleaned up the coal pit, and the S.A.C. the dining hall. Many rooms were calcimined and the appearance of all the rooms was greatly improved by the 2nd period classes, who washed boards, windows, and woodwork.

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Letters To The Editor

Dear Editor,

Ever since we have arrived in Topaz, we have noticed the discourtesy of the students. The most noticeable action is that when the bell rings everyone rushes to the door before they have completed the discussion.

It's natural that everyone wants to leave class right away, but when we leave Topaz to the schools outside, our manners will be greatly noticed.

Editor, what suggestions do you have for improving our concern for others? Emily Post Fan

ISSUES OF RECREATION

Why is there not enough recreation for the students of Topaz High School?

In cities outside of Topaz, all over the country, city councils and independent organizations are facing the Juvenile Delinquency Problem and confronting its many issues, are trying to solve them.

Here in Topaz where delinquency rates are not so high, any trouble could and would be decreased if the teen-agers had someplace in which to spend their leisure time. A teen-ager's hangout or a teen-ager's canteen, would be considered as the best medicine for the so called delinquency.

A camp such as Minadoka, Idaho, has an excellent teen-age hangout, run by the students.

Recreation is main factor in relaxing war tension and relaxing after class. Children should be taught to enjoy public facilities. Facilities should be placed in strategic parts of the city, in order that children may keep out of mischief.

There is one main and important factor that is the parents must fully realize that this is for the welfare of their own children. They must see that in order for their children to grow normally they must be allowed to play and mingle with other children, but be denied many things, such as movies, and money to spend carelessly.

Delinquents are often spoiled "brats" who may sometime have been urged on to bad things by older groups.

Topaz High must take its share of the blame, and try to seal a wound so deep its scar will not disappear entirely. It should provide a playing lots, clubs, and a hang-out for the young as well as the old.

If this is done the students should respond and make possible a better community.

Dear Editor,

The tardiness of the students is becoming obvious that the students are beginning to take advantage of this.

In one case, eighteen pupils strolled into class after the second bell had rung. Now, this is something which has been neglected by the school administration long enough.

I think that they should make some regulation in order to have all of the students in class on time. It is really annoying to those who are already in class.

That do you think should be done to improve this unexcuseable thing.

Early Bird

Dear Emily Post Fan,

I don't believe it is necessary for the teacher to say "Excused" after the bell rings, but a certain amount of courtesy is expected from the students. If the teacher is talking when the bell rings, the class should remain quiet and seated until she has finished. However, if the class is having a study period, it is unnecessary to wait to be excused by the teacher, but she should allow them to get up and leave.

Another point is talking back to a teacher. Many a student is considered crude or discourteous if he talks back to his teacher. This is due partly to the disconcert he has for others and partly to the fact that the teacher does not maintain her authority.

Special things along this line that are expected of the students should be explained in detail so that the student may perform them without any doubt in his mind. Editor.

Dear Early Bird,

There are regulations existing which state that three unexcused tardies would equal one unexcused absence, and three unexcused absence, would lower the student's grade one point. If these rules are not enforced by the teachers, the blame can by no means be placed entirely on the shoulders of the students or the student government. However, the individual student should have enough interest in his studies to attend promptly, and thereby enabling the class as a whole to get more out of the class. Editor

Rambling Reporter

Like a good reporter I attended the Spring Carnival and kept my eyes and ears open to catch all the dirt and this is what I gathered. Pushing and getting knocked around trying to get through the busy crowd I saw HELEN YAMASHI and TOM OKAI walking nonchalantly with that certain look in their eyes and while waiting in line for some french fries, I heard some dedications from YOSH SHIMADA to MARGIE YAMAGUCHI and from KAZ MARUOKA to LILY KATOW. The french fries made me so thirsty I went to the punch counter for drinks but had to wait for about 10 minutes before I got any service because MAY TAKAKUWA was giving so many extras to HID KASHIMA.

It was about time for the Blue Room to open so I hung around the door to watch all the couples that went in. While waiting I heard a dedication from ROSIE MOITOMO to EDWIN TAKAFASHI and from FLORENCE YAKUSA to JIM NODA entitled, "More Than You Know". During the dedication LIL OCHIAI came in with another one of her good looking boys. That started things rolling and soon DON UTSUMI came strolling in with MIDORI KAWAGUCHI, followed by AKI ASAI and TERRY TANURA, LESLIE TEK GAWA with MARY HIRONAKA, and JIRO NAKAMURA with CHERRY TANURA. Later SUMI TAJIMA and SEIGO TAKAKI and BOB UTSUMI and SACHI TEKAWA came straggling in.

The Blue Room door finally closed on me so I decided it was about time I started for home and it seems as if (faithful forever) MO HENEMOTO and AKI SATO had the same idea cuz they were leaving at the same time. A little further down the road we saw KIM IHARA and NOB FUJIMOTO. Just before I reached home I recognized another couple as MITS SETO and DICKSON KATAYAMAGI. There were a few others along the road, but I was in too much of a hurry to reach home to notice who they were.

SPOT-LIGHT

Harry Kawabata, chairman of the Student Judicial Committee hails from San Leandro, California. A native San Leandroan he was an "A" student at San Leandro Junior High School which he attended prior to evacuation.

His favorite orchestra is Count Basie and his favorite singing team is the King Cole Trio. The food that is "tops" with him is "Slop Suey".

Harry is the Senior class treasurer which certainly must have had some influence on his being voted the "Brainier of the Brainiest Boys" of the senior class.

He intends to further his education somewhere in the ease following graduation. M.H.

Who's Who
 Who.....WILLIAM NIZONO
 Alias.....BILL
 Pet Like.....Girls
 Loathes.....Boys
 Known for.....Wolfish Ways

Who.....HANAKO FUJII
 Alias.....HANK
 Pet Like.....Mrs. Robinson
 Loathes.....Chemistry
 Known for.....Low voice

Who.....ALICE BAPA
 Alias.....AL
 Pet Like.....P.E.
 Loathes.....Studying
 Known for.....Giggling

FASHIONS

Was I surprised! I thought spring was a little slow in starting this year, but there are some sure signs that it has arrived with a bang!

Why? Well, there is a very noticeable change in hair styling already. The boys are already wearing their heads almost bare, or should I say they have had their ears lifted?

But, seriously speaking, the best hair style is the slitzi worn by JAY DEE DOAMI and the runner up award goes to GUS SONODA whose is just the opposite being a long Hollywood.

E.K.

BOOK NOOK

Many new books are now on display at the library. BORN FREE AND EQUAL is a story of Americans uprooted by the war and making their new homes in the relocation center, Manzanar. You will enjoy this fine text with photographs by Ansel Adams.

THE MOVED OUTERS by Means is another story of the evacuation, centered around the activities of the camp at Amache, Colorado. For those who enjoy a good adventure story, Ramond L. Ditmars and his EXCITING CAREER WITH REPTILES, ANIMALS AND INSECTS is fascinating. The romance story, DAY MUST DAWN by Turnbull, has its setting amidst the hardships resulting from the aftermath of the Revolutionary War.

The library has been beautified during the past two months with the work of local artists. Among those who have exhibited their works are: Mr. Kawakami, Mr. Asaeda, Mr. Mikami, Mr. Fukui, Mr. Saito and Mr. Hirose.

They have made our library attractive and have brought for our enjoyment a rare collection of fine arts. R.H.

GUESS WHO?

- Another fool
- Jinx
- Mouthful
- Healthful
- diot's Delight
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- odinary" creature
- Jutty
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- tudious
- odious
- arnest
- real nice
- ind
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- nderweight

Ram's SPORTS

DOUBLE TEES TO MEET WASATCH

Oklahoma A&M Mythical Championship

AGGIES TIP

DE PAUL 54 - 44

In the national mythical championship game between the Oklahoma Aggies and the De Paul Demons played at the Madison Square Garden, the Aggies came out victorious with a 52 to 44 count. Rebounding off both back boards for the Aggies, Bob Kurland, playing a brilliant game, set up the Oklahoman's win.

Six foot nine inch center for De Paul, George Mikan, left the court on five personal fouls after fourteen minutes of the first half. Mikan's going out was the turning point of the game.

At half time De Paul was leading with a weak 26 to 21. Hankin and Kurland, playing excellent ball for the Aggies, maneuvered around the very tired and depressed De Paul players.

High scorers were Hankins 20, and Kurland with 14 points for the Aggies. The De Paul players scores were De Bennett 22, and Mikan for 9 points.

N.Y.U. TAKES CONSOLATION HONORS

It was a fast game all the way, with N.Y.U. blowing a lead, but catching up in the latter part of the game.

During the last three minutes of the game, the ball changed hands six times. The final score was N.Y.U. 63, and Bowling Green 61.

Varsity Spotlight

This week our "Varsity Spotlights" points to a fella hailing from Sacramento. Amazing his parents found him to be born alive Dec. 12, 1928.

A former Tulean, he was selected, first string center for the "All Star Northeastern League". In our beautiful "was" varnished gym, his talents merited him as a forward on the varsity team. A great offensive and defensive player (by the way, he's paying me for writing this), he stands 5'6 1/2" and weighs 123 pounds.

He likes Bing Crosby's singing besides his own and his favorite food is chicken te-ri-yaki, in other words chicken with bug juice poured on.

As you all know by now he's none other than Roy "COWBOY" Taichi Iwata.

LOW SENIORS

DRUB LOW SOPHS

Winning their fourth straight game, the strong low senior five drubbed the low sophomores 37 to 17. Playing with ease, the low seniors had no trouble throughout the game. Scoring for the seniors were Sano and Utsumi with 8 and 7 points respectively. For the losers Kikuchi garnered 4 points.

High scorers for N. Y. U. were Tahenbaum 25, and for Bowling Green of Ohio, Kubiak with 17.

New York University won consolation honors in the N.C.A.A. tourney.

Presenting the DOUBLE TEES

Now out for the season because of an appendectomy, the irreplaceable Bubbles Keikoan, forward, is veteran of last season.

Stalwart guard Abu Keikoan, a junior, is also a varsity veteran. Sacramento is her home town.

At the vital center guard position, we find a junior, capable Mits Sato. Another Sacramento girl, she is also a veteran varsityman.

A low senior, Kay Yoshiura, shines at her left guard position. She hails from Oakland, Calif.

A dangerous and diminutive senior, Wyno Nagasawa, is a "dead eye" at forward position. She's from Sacramento and is another varsity vet.

Tricky Grace Tsujisaka from Sacramento is the only sophomore on the varsity. A valuable player, she is also a veteran from last season.

At right forward, another junior, and hailing from the city of San Francisco, is none other than Maggie Kawaguchi.

HIGH SOPHS

TROUNCE

HIGH JUNIORS

Last Tuesday, March 27, 1945, the hard fighting high juniors were defeated by the highly touted high sophomores 39 to 27. Nagazawa and Saito copped scoring honors with 13 and 10 points respectively for the sophs. Leading the scoring for the losers were Yuto and Iwata with 8 and 7 points.