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2 MEMBERS OF APPOINTED STAFF LEAVE

Two appointed staff members left Topaz during the week and two others are expected to leave tomorrow for various reasons, it was learned today.

James M. Jennings, placement officer in Topaz since September 7 last year, left the Center yesterday to assume a new position as head of the WRA relocation office in Richfield, Utah, located 100 miles south from here. His agency which is situated in a farming area will be under the supervision of the recently established WRA area employment office in Salt Lake City.

His activities in his work will be to investigate job offers originating from his territory and the community acceptance of Japanese people. Contact will be maintained by Jennings with Topaz, as this Center lies within the jurisdiction of the Richfield office.

Leaving Topaz Sunday, March 28, was George Lafabregue, chief of the Community Welfare section for the past 7 months. He left with his wife for their home in San Francisco. He was scheduled to be inducted into the Army at Sacramento today.

Harry Q. Johnson, senior counsellor at the Community Welfare section, and Mrs. Johnson, senior interviewer at the Leave office, are expected to depart tomorrow from the City for Redlands, California, it was learned today. Both have been on the appointed staff since January.

59 TOPAZ VOLUNTEERS PASS INITIAL TESTS

Fifty-nine Topaz volunteers for the Japanese American combat team passed the preliminary examinations at the hospital here Tuesday and Wednesday mornings, it was announced today. Thirty-six enlistees failed to pass, of whom 10 were over the age limit. Fifty per cent of the remaining rejectees failed to pass on account of defective eyesight.

NEWS BRIEFS

NEW POSTAL HOURS: Beginning Saturday, April 3, the U.S. postal employees in Topaz will observe the following working hours each Monday through Saturday for the purpose of handling C.O.D., registered, and insured mail: 8:30AM to 12:30 PM; 1:45 PM to 4 PM.

There will be no Saturday afternoon delivery of mail to residents in the Center, but the Post Office will remain open each Saturday from 3 to 5 PM, giving residents an opportunity to call for mail.

CONCERT: The record concert at the Topaz Public Library Friday night from 8 o'clock, includes the following works by Beethoven:

Symphony No. 7 in A Major, Opus 92. Arturo Toscanini, conductor, and the Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra of N.Y.

Concerto No. 5 in E Flat Major ("Emperor"). Walter Giesecking, pianist; Bruno Walter, conductor, and the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra.

NOTICE: With the approach of the Hana-Matsuri, all Buddhists are requested to co-operate with the members of the committee by attending all the scheduled practices.

Odori practice for tonight is for Sunday School students only and tomorrow night at Rec 28, it will be for the YBA and adult members only. On Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, a camp-wide odori practice will be held at Dining Hall 32.

Of the 112 who volunteered at Topaz, 17 have not been examined here, it was learned. These 17 are expected to have been examined already in their respective local recruiting stations or will be notified to do so by the Topaz Volunteers for Victory committee.

Captain A. J. Bobosh, chief medical officer, stated that it was probable a certain number of rejectees would be accepted later for limited service in clerical and administrative branches of the armed forces.

No definite date has been announced for the final examinations in Salt Lake City, but volunteers who passed the initial tests here will be notified when the date has been set, it was added.

COUNCIL SETS UP BOARD OF HEALTH

An ordinance, introduced by Councilman Masuji Fujii, to establish a Board of Health in Topaz was approved by the Council at its session held Monday afternoon.

Recommendation was made by Frank Yamazaki, chairman of the block managers, that the Council take immediate steps to control the increasing number of pets in the City. He pointed out the facts that pets may carry diseases which can be transmitted to human beings and also that the increase of domestic pets are creating a nuisance.

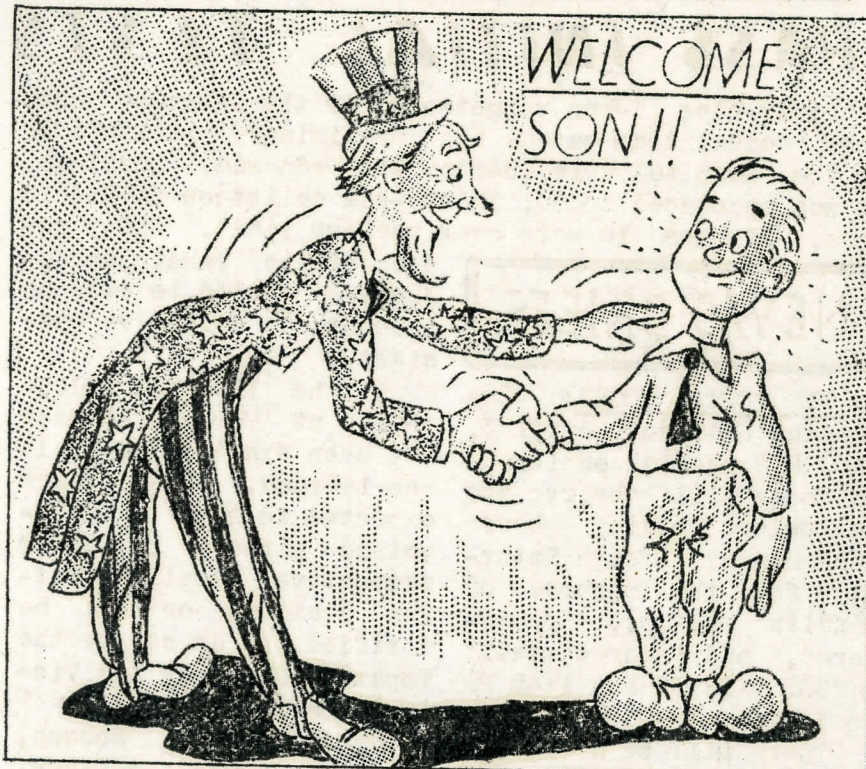
WEATHER REPORT

Max. (Tues. night) 53° F.
Min. (Wed. morn.) 18° F.
Max. (Wed. night) 65° F.
Min. (Thurs. morn.) 28° F.

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About a month ago, Secretary of War Stimson announced that the Nisei from then on would be accepted for training and special units, including infantry, artillery, engineer and medical personnel, and would see actual fighting service in due course.

We got the old familiar "That's the stuff!" kick out of this piece of news--a renewal of the conviction that American democracy can do such things and get away with them gloriously, because of its power to attract and hold the loyalty of all manner of people. In opening the Army to the Nisei, we think the War Department did its best single day's work in months.

--From the Collier's, March 20, 1943

A PARTING MESSAGE

The following statement was issued March 27 by George Lafabregue, former head of the Community Welfare section, who left Topaz to join the armed forces of the United States:

It is with deep regret that I leave the Central Utah Project since I will no longer be able to share in a program that has become dynamically alive and is making consistent gains in restoring residents to our American way of life. It would have been a privilege to have continued to assist in the full achievement of that program.

I sincerely hope that the residents will make every effort to think constructively of the future rather than think of the past and plan towards realizing those future aims. It is only to the extent that each individual makes a critical analysis of oneself and looks forward that a successful relocation program will be achieved. The success of the program definitely does not depend on the government but upon the individual effort of the residents.

In the seven months that I have been on the Project, I have learned to admire and respect the residents of Topaz. I hope that in this all-important, crucial test, which means so much to the future of the residents and of America, the residents will not be found lacking.

GEORGE LAFABREGUE



Bill Kajikawa, former football coach at Tempe State Teachers' College of Arizona, volunteered for the United States army yesterday (March 10).

--Gila News Courier

Within a couple of months, residents of the Denson center will see a transformation of the school block.

Why? Because the school children are enthusiastically digging, draining and planting seeds and bulbs in accordance with the present Victory Garden program.

--Denson (Ark.) Tribune

Seven dining halls in the Tule Lake center were judged the "most sanitary" after an inspection by members of the Sanitary Corps.

Judgment was based on following points: general cleanliness and tidiness, screening facilities, appearance of dishes and silverware, dish-washing facilities, refrigerator maintenance, cooks' equipment, and garbage facilities.

--Tulean Dispatch

Block 40 with 19 volunteers had the largest number of enlistees in the Minidoka center, it was revealed last week.

--Minidoka Irrigator

As one of its first public actions, the newly-organized Pacific Coast Committee on American Principles and Fair Play sent an open letter to each member of the California state legislature urging caution on race discrimination measures.

Robert Gordon Sproul, president of the University of California, is chairman of the committee which includes Chester Rowell, Galen Fisher, Robert A. Millikan and other well-known public figures.

--Heart Mountain Sentinel

Job Openings
 Arrangements are being made by the Employment division for Civil Service examinations for junior stenographer clerk, junior typist clerk and mechanic learner.

Persons interested should register names at the Placement office at Rec 4.

MEN WANTED

Laboratory technician to be in charge of blood bank. \$125-150 per month plus housing and maintenance. Sherman Hospital, Elgin, Illinois.

Engine lathe hands (2) to set up as well as operate lathes on precision work. \$1 to 1.45 per hour with time and a half overtime. Chicago, Ill.

Sales correspondent. \$125 per month to start.

Clerical worker--book-keeping and typing, short-hand helpful. Permanent employment. Farm Security Administration, Provo, Utah. \$1560 per year for 44 weeks (\$1800 per year with overtime).

WOMEN WANTED

Registered or graduate nurses. Practical nurses (20). Oak Terrace, Minnesota. Registered nurses: \$77.50 plus room, meals, laundry. Practical nurses: \$62.50 plus room, meals, laundry. Married nurses maintaining a home receive \$27.50 extra, plus noon meal and laundering of uniforms.

Filling machine operators (2). G.H. Mitchell Co., Cleveland, Ohio. 5-day week, 50¢ an hour. Light factory labor, labeling and filling bottles, and operating a capping machine.

Mail order clerks (10) Chicago Mail Order Co., Chicago, Illinois. 40-47½¢ per hour. Clerical work, filling orders, stock room work.

Child placement worker. Public Agency, Chicago, Ill. \$115-160 according to experience. Must have college degree plus graduate work in accredited social work school with at least 300 hours of supervised field work in family or child welfare.

WORKERS TOLD PENALTY TIME MAY BE APPLIED

Penalty in time for workers who fail to report for duty without having been excused or without reason of illness will be applied from today, it was announced by Assistant Project Director James F. Hughes. He stated that the following instructions had been received here from the Washington WRA office.

"Penalty time in the amount of three days' pay may be applied to workers who fail to report for duty without having been excused or without reason of illness. Penalty time may not be applied without the personal approval of the project director or the head of the Employment division. Penalty time may also be applied to a worker who works a portion of a day and leaves the job without having been excused."

New instructions for sick leave have also been received from Washington which read as follows:

"Workers, except those on a part-time basis, absent on account of illness, will be given excused absences. Absences in excess of three days will require a certificate from a doctor indicating that the worker was unable to report to duty due to illness. This memorandum must be signed by the worker and approved by the head of the division before excused absence is granted."

The revised instructions also provide for 192 as the specified number of hours to be worked during the month of April. If that number of hours has been worked, the full grade rate of \$12, \$16, or \$19 will be paid; if not, the hourly rate and the number of hours worked will be used to arrive at the amount due. Also, part-time workers will be paid at the same hourly rates as prescribed for other workers.

Flower Show April 8 to 11

A Flower Exhibit and Hobby Show will be sponsored by the Buddhist Church on April 8 to 11, it was announced today.

QUESTIONNAIRES SUBMITTED BY 6000 RESIDENTS

Questionnaires were submitted by 6000 Topaz residents of 17 years of age and over during the recent WRA registration, according to Claude C. Cornwall, employment chief. The questionnaires will serve as applications for leave clearance for those whose answers indicated loyalty to the United States.

"It should be understood, however, that obtaining of the leave clearance does not necessarily mean that a resident must leave the Center, but merely indicates that his record has been cleared," Cornwall stated.

RECORD SHOWS EFFICIENCY IN FIRE SERVICE

Maximum efficiency of the City's fire prevention organization was disclosed this week with the release of the semi-annual fire report by Samuel V. Owen, chief of the Fire Protection division.

Owen pointed out that this favorable result was due in a considerable degree to the constant exercise of fire prevention measures on the part of the residents and workers in this community.

Further review reveals that the fire department was called to 21 fires in which a total loss of \$148 to buildings and contents was sustained. Investigations show that careless smoking habits caused the largest number of fires.

Owen added that although the losses were at a minimum, all fires which have occurred in the City were the result of carelessness and might have been prevented.

NYA REPRESENTATIVES STUDY TRAINING NEEDS

To consult with administrative officials on the possibilities of establishing mechanical training units in Topaz, Rulon S. Howells, project manager of the National Youth Administration in Salt Lake City and Walter N. Horne, NYA personnel officer, were in the Project Tuesday. The training units include machine shop, auto mechanics, welding, sheet metal, drafting, woodwork and other similar trades, it was indicated.

Approximately 16 applicants to date from Topaz young people are on file, said Horne, adding that more requests for training at both the Salt Lake City and Provo branches are being accepted. Of the 5 who completed their training recently 3 have been employed in Eastern plants, and the others are in Chicago.

Horne stressed that NYA training in all mechanical fields is open to qualified young women as well as men, especially in the clerical and power sewing units.

The personnel officer is expected to revisit the Center next Tuesday, April 6, to hold personal interviews with the interested candidates.

For the 3 months training period, arrangements for specific NYA leaves for all trainees from the Center will be made at the Salt Lake City offices, it was pointed out.

Ikegaki, Maeda Announce Rites

Mr. and Mrs. Kametaro Ikegaki, 30-4-E, announce the marriage of their eldest daughter, Tomiko, to Minoru Maeda, son of Mrs. Yu Maeda, 14-12-D.

The marriage was solemnized at the home of the bride's parents Saturday, March 27, from 8 PM with only the families and relatives in attendance. The Rev. M. Nishimura officiated.

Maeda was a former nurseryman in Richmond, California. His wife resided in Mt. Eden.

The newlyweds have established their home at 35-6-F.

WELLESLEY STUDENT WINS FELLOWSHIP

Lillian Ota, a senior student at Wellesley College, in Wellesley, Massachusetts, is the year's recipient of the Smith College trustee fellowship, according to a notification received here this week. Smith College is located in Northampton, Mass.

A former Phi Beta Kappa at the University of California, Miss Ota left Tanforan last July to accept a special scholarship at Wellesley, from which institution she will graduate this May.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Ota, 12-11-F, former residents of San Francisco.

PRE-SCHOOL ACCEPTS IOWA RATING SCALE

Authorization was received from the Iowa Child Welfare research station recently by the Topaz Pre-school department to follow their Iowa rating scale for nursery school teachers, it was disclosed, by the Misses Grace Fujii and Kay Uchida, co-directors of the school.

The rating system will be especially practical for self-evaluation by each teacher, as well as for determining the basis of individual conferences and center staff meetings.

RECITAL SLATED

Under the auspices of the School of Music, the students of the Noh drama group will present its monthly recital Sunday, April 4, it was announced today.

The public exhibition under the direction of Mrs. Yae Nishiyama, instructor, will be held at the drama studio, 32-6-E, from 2 to 10 PM.

HOME EXTENSION STUDENTS TO BE INTERVIEWED

In conjunction with his visit to Topaz from April 2 to 4 with three other educators to study the educational program instituted here, Dr. I. O. Horsfall, director of the Extension division of the University of Utah, will hold personal conferences with all students interested in home study extension courses or regular university training.

Appointments for interviews will be disposed at the Adult Education office, 8-7-E, according to Dr. Lawrence C. Bane, director.

Dr. Bane indicated that college courses in other subject matter fields will be announced soon.

TRANSIT

INDEFINITE: The following are indefinite leaves to destinations outside the state:

Sumiye Adachi, Alice Nashima and Kiyo Nobe, Chicago, Ill.; Yori Shimasaki and Katherine Kageyama, Washington, D. C.; Sadako Kitano, Minneapolis, Minn.; and Sam Hanmi, Tulsa, Okla.

TRANSFERS: Recent transfers from other relocation centers are:

POSTON: Maki Ichiyasu, 13-2-E, Mr. and Mrs. T. Kinoshita with son George, 4-6-E, Sumi and Harold Harada, 13-1-D, Roy Hashimura, 5-10-F, Toshiye and Sumiko Hashimura, 13-1-D, Mr. and Mrs. Watanabe and children, Mary and Yoshio, 40-2-D; GILA: Mr. and Mrs. Sotaro Yamamoto, Hatsue Egami, 34-2-B;

JEROME: Thelma Hideko Kanehiro, 14-9-F;

ROHWER: Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Takiguchi and son, Michael;

MINIDOKA: Asako Hasegawa, 20-2-D;

Heart Mountain: Sukijiro Ito, 4-7-E, and Matsurichi Tonai, 34-1-C;

GRANADA: Crashie Mitoma, 14-4-F;

TULELAKE: Sadayoshi and Jean Ogi, 33-9-F;

MANZANAR: Toshi and Ray Goto, 8-3-F.

BOY SCOUT COUNCIL NAMED

An unanimous approval for the establishment and recognition of the proposed Topaz Committee Council was reached Tuesday night at a Boy Scout meeting presided by John Iwatsu and Keigo Inouye. The outline of the proposed plan was summarized by the visiting Chief Scout Executive, A.A. Anderson, head of the National Park Council in Provo.

The following members will make up the personnel of the District Committee Council: Honorary Chairman Charles F. Ernst; Chairman Henry Tani; Honorary Vice Chairmen James Hughes and Masato Maruyama; Vice Chairman Rev. J. K. Tsukamoto; Scout Commissioner John Iwatsu; and Cub Commissioner Drayton Nuttall. Advisory sections of the council will include the following people: Organization and Extension--Russell Bankson, Doren B. Boyce, and Kay Tsukamoto; Leadership Training--Elmer Johnson, W. L. Law, and Shozo Tsuchida; Finance--Walter W. Honderich, Ralph Barnhart, and Dr. Russell Wehara; Health and Safety--Samuel Owen and Dr. Ben Kondo; Advancement--Keigo Inouye; and Camping and Activities--James Lamb, Henry Watson, Yoshio Katayama, Tad Hikoyeda and Katsumi Kawaguchi.

COMPOSITE SCORE OF TOURNEY SHOWN

PLAYERS	ROUNDS			
	1	2	3	Ttl.
F. Kawahara	7	2	13	22
K. Kawamoto	1	1	0	2
J. Oshida	7	4	3	14
K. Nomura	2	0	5	7
S. Ota	4	8	8	20
M. Takahashi	9	5	5	19
G. Yonekura	4	0	6	10
H. Tominaga	0	1	0	1
T. Tatsuno	0	0	0	0
J. Hizono	2	0	0	2
T. Iida	0	4	4	8
J. Honda	6	2	3	11
Team totals (3 games)				116

Ed. note: Apologies to Masako Ikeda for leaving her out of the leaders' staff of Rec 10.

Sports PAGE

RESUME OF SLC CASABA TOURNAMENT GIVEN

Hail the new champions of the JACL Salt Lake Inter-mountain League, none other than the Topaz All-Stars.

Eight teams were entered in the tournament and many former Topazans were in evidence on the various teams. Among them were Tad Hirota, Art Kariya, Mits Kojimoto, Toichi Takiguchi, and Yob Tanaka of the Busseis; Yuk Hibino and Shig Suzuki of the Nuggets; and Koji Urabe of the Buffs.

The Trojans, comprised mostly of former Los Angeles cagers, were the favorites to win the tournament.

In the first round, Topaz downed the Murray five; Buffs defeated the Idaho Falls Vandals; Nuggets upset the Busseis; and Trojans overturned the Ogden's apple cart. Topaz played Buffs in the semi-finals; the Trojans encountered the Nuggets; and both the Trojans and All-Stars ended up in the final round.

The summary of the 3 games is as follows:

TOPAZ ALL-STARS DOWN MURRAY, 42-19

It took a little time for the team to get started, but once they got the feel of the court and style of playing, it was without a doubt that the Topaz team would win the first round. Moto Takahashi was fouled so many times that he got 5 points alone and with 2 field goals, accounted for 9 points to place himself at the head of the scoring list.

SECOND GAME FINDS TOPAZ A LUCKY WINNER

The second game against the Buffs was a close call. The All-Stars could not get going. It was neck to neck all the way to the finish. With 20 seconds to go, the All-Stars led 23-22; and with 10 seconds to go, the score was knotted 24 all. Johnny Oshida came through beautifully with a sneak-in to put Topazans in front, 26-24; and immediately a foul was committed and the Buffs came up a point, 25-26. With the tenseness of the game, a Buff man accidentally fouled Keichi Kawamoto, who promptly made his free throw good to end the game at 27-25.

SUS OTA STOPS KANEDA. ALL-STARS WIN CHAMPIONSHIP

The boys realized that the Trojans, in the finals, were the team to beat, with their well-balanced lineup and their California brand of play. Stand-out and a man to be feared was Jimmy Kaneda, former all-JAU star and a brilliant floor man. Sus Ota was assigned the biggest task of the tournament to check Kaneda; and it was due to his magnificent playing that the Topazans were able to win their final game. At half time, the score was 20 all; third quarter, it was 31-29; and in the last quarter, the whole rooting section was urging the All-Stars to go on to a well-earned victory. With the thought of "winning for Topaz" in mind, our team, sparked by Effic Kawahara, Sus Ota and Moto Takahashi, surged into the lead. At this time, Sus Ota was evicted from the game on 4 personals; and few minutes later, John Oshida and Moto Takahashi followed via the same route. Into the game came Tut Tatsuno and Ted Iida. Their do-or-die, hard playing and rushing stopped the Trojans cold and limited them to only 2 points while the All-Stars piled up 16 points to win going away. Final score read 47-31.

All credit should go to the members for their conduct and their sportsmanship in the games that were played. They realized that they were representatives of Topaz and they came through in fine style.

The perpetual trophy will be displayed at the Canteen.

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農業松張計画

養豚業毛年產四千頭主目指す

當局の發表に依れば、土地保有局及びその農科大學との共同で行はれた、當セシテ地質調査の結果に基き、今夏より、農業の拡張に當局に依り計画され居るが、當セシテ農務局長ロスコー・ペル氏は、野菜栽培に七百英加ポーン栽培に八十英加、穀物に七百英加及びアルファルファ並びにアルファルファ種栽培に約二千英加の當と云ふを發表して居る。尚セ之に要するに當テ、家畜畜生産も現在、數四百頭より、年産四千頭に計画され、現在の牛三百頭には、今秋までに五六百頭を輸入し、拡張を計る予定である。野菜栽培の方にもトマト、キャベツ、カリフラワー類に重点を置き、千五百英加の第三種第三種土地をアルカリ性を除却し、耕地灌漑の上使用され、とある。當セシテ作業區域の七分九厘を示わす第三種土地は、先づ土地肥沃肥加が必要とされ、四千四百八十英加を示わす第三種土地は、アルファルファ同種栽培に適するものであり、九千六百英加の等四種土地は、アルカリ性に適應する者物のみに、三千三百二十英加の等七種土地は、牧草の

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③ On your wrist-fig.
④ From Woburn Hyman's.
⑤ From Nears of Oakes Center.
⑥ Not there.
⑦ On your ballad.

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俳句會(自由律) ⑧

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英文婦人樹
翻譯

仕立用模型に就いて

近頃下バズから若い婦人達が續々と解放されて、云々とした外の世界に押されて行きます。事務員、店員、家庭働き等の仕事に彼女等が待つて居るからであります。だが何と云つても若い女性達に先達つものは必要と矜持と女性美を護る爲の衣服類を取揃へる事がありません。

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 居る。吾と思はん
 青年諸兄は東場し
 参考して戴き、い
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GA 講堂、科學堂、建築計畫室

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公衆劇場の西方へ講
堂並に理科教室の建工
夏上有志家の御盡力

加計圖ざんて君が、后
工事には四十名の大工
を乞ふと報じて君が
山口ブレド氏を主任

講堂には六百人の生徒
設され、高校卒業生、

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を収容出来ると。
クラク等の写真と様
々に引受けて居ると

収容所内にある人々
 慰問の木瘤集めが、
 食糧品の自給自足
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音樂學校謠曲部より
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阮。水無月枝。野寺。

紅葉詞。合誦。
番外。忠度。獨吟數番。

下吟社例會

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