

From April 1904 to April 1905

This has been an eventful year in the history of this school as well as that of the nation.

The school was able for the first time, in this the seventeenth year of its existence, to begin the year's work in proper buildings. Its first home was two small rooms in a barn, fitted up for its accommodation; to these were added by the government a small chapel, sewing room, and two recitation rooms. After a little more than seven years it was moved to some old government buildings, old, low, dark, and window-barred but roomy.

This year (April 1904) it opened with a good attendance in new buildings with a light sunny chapel and recitation rooms, and an ample supply of dormitory.

Miss Ward came from the West Japan Mission to take the place of Miss Wells.

Mr. Omura left the Normal School where he had been working for ten years, and as Mr. Tanaka's congregation (Kumiai Church) was anxious for him to give more time to church work he was released from the school with a suitable gift (about eight yen in value) and Mr. Omura took full afternoon work for one year.

Miss Taniguchi, who had been teaching two years, went to study two years in Joshi Gakuin Miss Milliken very kindly giving us another scholarship there.

The war with Russia which began in February (1904) seems not to have diminished the attendance but to have increased it; for we entered eighty-seven new pupils, the largest number on record.

These new pupils, with some who had failed last year, formed the "first reader" class, making it too large to handel [*sic*], and it was divided; making the already heavy class work yet heavier. Besides this war added

"Work for the Soldiers."

The school made three hundred and twenty bandages, knit one hundred colora [*sic*] band[s] and made ~~and~~ five hundred comfort bags and filled them. All the money for the bandages and comfort bags, with contents of the latter, and a part of that for the bands, was collected or given by the school.

Under Miss Wards [*sic*] able conduct a concert was given, which helped us to nearly thirty yen. The whole amount given by

the school was not far from two hundred yen. The cloth for the bags alone costing forty [sic].

During the year (The war lasted but one year) the school received over

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eighty notifications to go to the station to say farewell to departing soldiers or to welcome returning ones, or to receive the remains of those who had been killed.

In this way many hours were spent in rain or sun or snow.

Pupils graduated (April 1905)

1. Hoshi Shiku
2. Yamada Tsuru
3. Arai Kin
4. Fujii Ishi *
5. Ujigawa Shizu *
6. Musha Takeyo
7. Nishina Yone
8. Kusunoki Sueno
9. Konishi Shizu
10. HIRAMA Toku *

Those receiving baptism

1. Ito Masano
2. Kobayashi Nobu
3. Nose Hisayo
4. Amo Teru
5. Fujii Kozue
6. Ujigawa Miwa
7. Kusunoki Sueno
8. Nishina Yone
9. Iwama Sumi
10. Fujii Kuni

*Full course

Names of pupils registered

1. Arai Kin
2. Aoki Kiyo
3. Abe Moto
4. Aimonio Chise
5. Amo Teru
6. Aota Hana
7. Aoki Yoshi
8. Abe Mine
9. Chiba Ko
10. Doi Terue
11. Eijima Tei
12. Endo Masayo
13. Fujii Kuni
14. “ Ishi
15. “ Kazue
16. “ Hide
17. “ Toyoka
18. Fukui Kiyo
19. Fukumitsu Asame
20. Fujita Rue
21. Fukuta Yoshi
22. Hoshi Shiku
23. Hirama Toku
24. Hara Hisai
25. Hayashi Kuni
26. Hemmi Kei
27. Hayakawa Sono
28. Hitotsuyanagi Ichi
29. Hayashi Taka
30. Hata Toyo
31. Homma Fusa
32. Hashimoto Haru
33. Hattori Teru
34. Hirota Yae
35. “ Matsue
36. Ishigooka Yae
37. Isobe Kimi
38. Ichikawa Mitsu
39. Inoue Tokiyo

40. Ishikawa Sumi
41. " Miki
42. " Kiku
43. Izumi Kotoyo
44. Inoue Kuni
45. Ito Kuni
46. Ishibe Ai
47. Ishikawa Tayo
48. Ishiwara Hana
49. Iwama Sumi
50. Igarashi Tsuma
51. Kudo Masu
52. Kojima Sakae
53. Kashiwamura Hisa
54. Kusunoki Sueno
55. Kobayashi Nobu
56. Kikuchi Iso

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57. Kabazawa Yae
58. Kasuya Sueno
59. Kitaichi Chiyo
60. Kaneko Fumi
61. " Toyo
62. Komura Kohaku
63. Koizumi Shigeru
64. Kitazawa Fumi
65. Kanematsu Tokue
66. Kondo Kei
67. Kano Mitsu
68. Kayaba Tsuya
69. Kogishi Shizu
70. Kobayashi Hatsu
71. Kumagai Chie
72. Kimura Kise
73. Kono Yuki
74. Kamada Komano
75. Kawaguchi Fusa
76. Kono Tsuneyo
77. Musha Takeyo

78. Masaoka Tokimi
79. Mizuno Kin
80. Mitsuta Misa
81. Monoe Kiku
82. Matsue Ai
83. Matsuda Ishi
84. Matsuki Aki
85. Miya¹ Usa
86. Motomachi Asa
87. Musha Umeyo
88. Miyakita Koyoshi
89. Monno Hatsu
90. Murakami Nobu
91. Miura Sen
92. Mori Yoshi
93. Nishina Yone
94. Nagano Tamae
95. Nakamura Toki
96. Nemori Midori
97. Nihira Hana
98. Nishimura Hisa
99. Nogimura Yone
100. Numata Uno
101. Nomura Kiku
102. Noguchi Hana
103. Nihira Ishi
104. Nose Hisayo
105. Nakazawa Sasae
106. Nakanishi Fumi
107. Narumi Take
108. Naito Shina
109. Noguchi Iso
110. Nomura Shigeno
111. Otsuka Sada
112. Odagiri Ishi
113. Ohori Hina
114. Ota Fumi
115. Ozaki Toshi
116. Ouchi Shizu
117. Onoue Natsu

118. Omura Tomi
119. Okada Hisa
120. Ogura Chiyo
121. Shiratori Riu
122. Shigeki Kayo
123. Soejima Toyo
124. Suzuki Uta
125. Sasaki Matsu
126. Suzuki Sono
127. Seki Yae
128. Shimakawa Matsu
129. Sakino Tetsu
130. Suzuki Kayo
131. Shinowara Yoshi
132. Shiroki Matsue
133. Sugimoto Kie
134. Tsuda Midori
135. Takiya Hana
136. Tsukamoto Shinobu
137. Tatsuzaki Ei
138. Tanaka Hisa
139. “ Tomi
140. Takahashi Fusa
140. [*sic*] Tanaka Suma
141. Toda Teru
142. Takashima Midori
143. Takahashi Mizuho
144. Tsuda Misawo
145. Tanaka Ito
146. Tanabe Fuji
147. Tsushima Sei
148. Ujigawa Shizu
149. “ Miwa
150. Wada Yoshi
151. Watanabe Kaworu
152. “ Kiyō
153. “ Aya
154. Yamada Tsuru
155. Yoshida Sei
156. Yasuda Kin

- 157. Yuki Kuni
- 158. Yamada Cho
- 159. Yanagita Mitsu
- 160. Yamada Matsue
- 161. Yamamoto Kei
- 162. Yamashita Hana
- 163. Yokota Toku
- 164. Yanagita Nawo
- 165. Yamada Nobu
- 166. " Toshi
- 167. Yamamoto Yone
- 168. " Shima

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Masaoka Tokimi was sent home on account of complications with a would be lover who made several attempts to visit her at night, and whom we took, or mistook, for a thief until we discovered from letters which she received that he was not, and that she was writing to him. Tanabe Fuji was dismissed for Kleptomeni [*sic*].

The Shadan having purchased the neighboring property from the newspaper firm, Mr. and Mrs. Johnson left us in the Autumn (1904. [*sic*])

Amount received for tuition and fees:	yen	1134.00
“ “ “ board	“	1029.00
“ “ from private sources	“	259.00
“ “ “ Board	“	2360.00

Total yen		4782.00

The amount allowed for the purchase of the neighboring lot was six thousand five hundred yen. The price being seven thousand. As the purchase included Mr. Nihira's strip of thirty feet, which he had promised the school, he was left to settle the remaining five hundred. He may have paid it or he may have succeeded in getting the bank to accept the six thousand five hundred only. The bank held the property

for money borrowed by the printers who not being able to return it the bank sold them out.

Teachers employed

Mr. Kaneko
Mr. Omura
Mr. Iida
Miss Onodera
Mrs. Kaneko
Miss Hayashi
Miss Hino
Miss Sasaki

Missionaries

Miss Smith, Miss Sherman, Miss Ward.

One evening early in the spring (1905) the house in which the foreign teachers live caught fire in the kitchen, where a tsuchirin [*sic*] had been placed too near the wall. A hole was burned through the wall and the flames quickly spread through the dust and cobwebs between the walls and above the ceiling. The fire being discovered almost immediately it was soon extinguished, doing but little damage. It caused a great deal of alarm and anxiety however; and Mr. Johnson who came to help extinguish it ruined a good coat. This is the fourth time the buildings have been endangered by fire. May the All-Father ever protect us as at these times.

¹The original appears to read *Muya* (in the *M* section), and the hard copy of the Japanese version clearly lists the name as 三谷 [Miya].