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Kodomo-No-Ie (Children's Home) Nursery *2 1/2 yrs operation*  
Yodago-cho, Motoguchu-cho, Nanao-shi,  
Ishikawa Prefecture

*Mrs. Baker*  
*what gives?*  
*wsg*

To: Tokai-Hokuriku Civil Affairs Region

LARA GOODS

I hope you are all enjoying excellent health. We always appreciate you so much for your kindness to take care of Lara Goods which children are very glad to receive.

It is my great regret to report you on the deplorable situation about the distribution of the Lara goods as stated below:

1. As for the Lara goods distributed on August 7, 1950 we were to receive some dried eggs, condensed milk, lard, sugar etc. and 10 items of clothes, but we were compelled to share them with three other day nurseries at the discretion of the Nanao City Welfare Director, and Mr. Tsujimoto, Clerk of Child Welfare Section, told us that they would take around 20 items including 4 cans of condensed milk and some clothes among the above goods. And more over, they have taken away the letters enclosed in the clothes, so that we can't tell where the gift came from. In addition, they forced me with disagreeable and threatening remarks. to ~~cook~~ the account of the book for the distributed foods such as <sup>Doctor</sup> sugar, lard, etc.

2. As for the Lara goods including 450 tablets of saccharine distributed on February 15, 1950, it was in the custody of the city and they recently requested us to doctor the book as if it had been distributed to and consumed at our nursery during the period from February 15 to the end of July, 1950. *Records City Sakuma O.K. Saccharine*

3. As for 7 lbs. saccharine distributed on January 18, 1950 and skim milk distributed in August, 1949, we were also compelled to make a false entry in the book. *none cancelled none.*

DOCTOR

They threatened me several times to dismiss me, if I would not ~~cook~~ the accounts as they liked and moreover, they were sometimes high-handed enough to tear some sheets off the ledger book in my presence.

I appealed to the Military Government Unit in Kanazawa about the above situation and they suggested me to refer the matter to the Civil Affairs Region and also to report to the Chief of Nanao Municipal Police Station thereon.

I hereby beg your kind consideration so that the above evil practices may be cleared away in conformity with the aim of the Lara goods.

Setsuko Mitamura  
Nurse of Kodono-No-Ie  
(Children Home) Nursery

Kodomo-No-Ie (Children's Home) Nursery  
2½ years operation.

Yodago-cho, Mogoguchu-cho, Nanao-shi,  
Ishikawa Prefecture.

20 September 1950

Conference was held with chief of Welfare Section, Superintendent of Kodomo-No-Ie Mr. Tsugimoto - Child Welfare Supt. and officer in charge of LARA allocation - last two from prefecture government. As there are only two agencies receiving LARA goods - the above mentioned day nursery and the local hospital. The hospital manager and food superintendent were also present.

The manager of Kodomo-No-Ie - Mr. Goda - has only recently come to the nursery. She took her position as chief hobo in July. She admitted receiving the August 7 allotment of food stuff - but did not weigh the material only checked number of boxes or packages. The clothing mentioned in the complaint and also tested on the ken books - was in reality - sewing packs-bits of material with - thread needles buttons etc. The records of ken - city of Nanao and day nursery were all checked and were found to be accurate. There was no evidence of erasures or alterations in the nursery records. The hospital employees reported no irregularities in allocations - no pressure had ever been exerted on the staff to falsify accounts.

The city officials stated that no attempt had been made a no pressures exerted to induce nursery employees to alter their records. Welfare chief said a suggestion had been made to the nursery - that they might share their goods with other nurseries who did not receive LARA goods particularly the temporary nurseries established during harvest season however no pressure had been brought to bear and no goods had been given away.

As to the sack of marine mentioned in #33 supposedly distributed in January 1950 - the statement is untrue as no mention is made in records of either prefecture or city of any such allocation on that date.

Re. the author of the letter - she is a hobo of 7 years' experience, and employed at Kodomo-No-Ie since April 1959. She is highly regarded by superintendent of the day nursery and city officials. She is in charge of personnel at the nursery. The chief knew of no occasion for the letter to be written and was not particularly disturbed about it. He did agree to exert greater care in distribution and recording of LARA goods.

Handicapped ProgramIshikawa Ken

Matsubara ..... Child Welfare Section  
 Igarashi ..... Ass't Child Welfare  
 Kamimaru ..... Disabled Persons  
 Furuta ..... Child Welfare

Council: 20 Persons 12 May organized.

5 Public officials ..... R.R.I. Ch. Health  
 3 Doctors ..... Ent - Surgeon  
 3 Disabled Persons  
 1 Employee ..... Union  
 1 Employer ..... Bakelite Factory  
 3 Education Sec.

## 1st meeting:

May, Elect Chairman, Minsei-in Renmei Explanation  
 of process of organization by Chairman .

Explanation Cabinet Order.

Established special week - 22-28 May

Protective Measure for inferior generation - Dis-  
 covered - ref. to Public Health Lecture 17-18  
 April - Heads of Welfare Section Tokai-Hokuriku  
 Civil Affairs Region Japanese Ministry - Officials  
 from Ministry.

1. Council - organization
2. Block center Ministry finance - ¥ 3,000,000  
 Ken Inc. office.

## Special week:

Round table - local - Ken - City.  
 Disabled persons  
 Administrators  
 Organizations

## Nanso:

Details of law.  
 Factory for repair of applicances  
 Public work shop. D & D - sewing machines  
 17 employees. Self-supporting

Braille-training-read-write-private agency.  
workshop, Yamanaka-bamboo, photography, watch repair.  
sewing.  
Municipal - learn trade only. 30 students -  
not fielded.  
Photograph - on application for handbook -  
reasonable rates arranged.

## Handicapped persons:

8,000 total  
6,000 - come under law - over 18 years.  
Blind school 85 - applied for increas.  
No plan for crippled children-amendment  
to child welfare law.

Medical Exam: 28 April started

13 Hospitals  
43 Private Drs. JRC Cooperation  
Circuit - rural areas.

## Application:

Picture, personal wishes, message etc Pension,  
Income, dependent, Diagnosis- Dr. Seal Category,  
Art etc. Dr. opinion.

Yacuba takes application - 7 jimusho.  
Applicant interviewed in local offices. Appointed.

Ken organization - 3 - officials - formerly welfare  
new appt.

Local appointees 200 - relected.  
6 - City  
16 - jimusho  
176 - town village

Kamamura ..... Consult. Guidance - (Iame 7-8 yrs.)  
Miamura ..... General affairs clinical (hoka Disaster)  
Ataki ..... Investigation - information (Inst 5 yrs)

Inquiry Center - one - 4 officers - in hospital.  
3 fukushi-shi - work  
out of kencho.

Budget: Ken ¥6,000,000 - council, inst.  
Nat - 3,000,000 Incl.

Nat. Facility - complete wst janceary.