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● the heroic saga of Mr. Cucumis Sativus

It was only a common cucumber,
But it was the first one they'd grown,
And the Kosaku Nakamuras
Loved it. Nor were they alone,
For the neighbors were fond of it, also,
They, too, watched it grow day by day.
When it grew to a child's hand's proportion,
They said, "Pick it now." But the K.
Nakamuras replied, "Not yet. We
Will pick it sometime later on.
The people who glance at it daily
Will miss it if it should be gone.
When we, that is, if we pluck it,
We'll keep it as a souvenir.
Dried, it will serve to remind us
Of Santa Anita life here."

And so it was that the cucumber
Was left, unmolested, to grow;
Giving pleasure to all those who viewed it,
The finest of cucumber row.

Then it happened: one evening when Mrs.
Nakamura, as usual, went
To gaze at her favored cucumber,
She was startled to find but a dent
In the green-ness in which her cucumber
Had formerly rested. Her pet
Was gone. Somebody had stolen
The prize. It was gone. It had met
Some unhappy fate. And so ended
The life of the cherished young cuc.
Whoever it was, cad, who stole it,
His is a world of rebuke.

As soon as the neighbors learned of
The loss, they hurried to call
On the Nakamuras, to offer
Condolences, sympathy -- all
The mourning that follows the death of
A much beloved human was there
In evidence; sadness, lamenting,
Grief, heavy gloom weighed the air.

But in spite of the good lady's sorrow,
A small gentle voice could be heard,
Giving utterance to the thoughts that
Restless, within her heart, stirred:

"Of course, we have other cucumbers,
But losing that one was the worst;
We loved it above all the others
Because it was our very first.
If only the person who took it
Had just asked me for it instead,
I'd gladly have given it to him,"
Mrs. Nakamura sadly said.

Now in some vegetable heaven
A cucumber sits with the rest
Of vegetables, highly exalted
As having been one of earth's best.

-- Miyuki Aoyama

● strategy, tactics and DECISION

Strategy, he thought grimly,
is the science and art of em-
ploying every available bit
of one's strength to secure
victory; tactics is the actual
means employed in order to ac-
complish this desired end.

Strategy in this case, he
said to himself, would be to
take advantage of the tradi-
tionally effective element of
surprise. My left side is
weak but it would still take
several progressive moves by
the enemy before my defenses
would crumble.

In the meantime, if I could
get the jump on the enemy
through a blitzkrieg attack,
I could force him to retrench
long enough for me to strength-
en my weak left flank.

He sat over the table with
his chin cupped in one hand,
the fingers of the other hand
nervously tapping the table
top. One slip, one wrong de-
cision now, and the struggle
would be over with his defeat.

The disposition of my forces
precludes the possibility of
a mass attack, he mused. The
only course open is to utilize
some of my own men as a screen
from behind which a lightning
attack can be launched.

It will mean the sacrific-
ing of some of my men -- but
it cannot be helped.

His decision was made.

He reached out over the
table and moved the white King
bishop four squares along the
diagonal of the chess board.

-- S. Takato

● the American Eagle

Above the din of thunder and the
clashing steel
Soars majestically our Eagle, strong
claws bared
To tear the blackguard foe of Freedom.
Ever leading on,
Bone of the stout Rockies,
Sinew of vast plains,
Cunning of industry.
And through him courses the blood
Of eager, stalwart youth and good
woman,
Blood of Washington, Lincoln, Daniel
Boone, Stephen Foster,
Eli Whitney, Knute Rockne, Franklin
Roosevelt. . .
Blood of every American before and
after and forever
Invincible in every battle, protecting
our hard won heritage.
Soar and roar into the fight,
Carry it to the enemy,
Ever victorious Eagle.

-- Ernest Matsunaga

STARTING TIME FOR GAMES MOVED UP

Badminton Play Postponed

Santa Anita's third badminton tournament which was scheduled to be held last Saturday was postponed till this Saturday and Sunday, the Badminton club announced today.

Entries are still being taken by Shig Honda at the courts. Anyone interested in entering the tourney should sign up with him as soon as possible.

The contestants will be divided by a special committee into three flights, A, B and C, according to their playing ability.

Tanaka Stars In Sumo Bouts

Big Ethylberte Tanaka starred in Sunday's sumo matches at the Anita Chiquita arena.

Tanaka defeated Yoshizima, Kida, Takeshita, Ogawa and Matsui without a loss in the sho gonin nuki event.

His bout with Matsui was a close one. The referee first gave the decision to Matsui but after a lengthy discussion the judges reversed it and awarded the victory to Tanaka.

The results of the individual matches, in which the winners must take two out of three falls:

Tamura def Yoshida, Hamasaki def Yoshizima, Kida def Takeshita, Sugiyama def Okada, Matsui def Kagawa, Tanaka def Ogawa.

Other Decisions Made by Board

Due to the shortness of playing time, all Twilight softball games will start 15 minutes earlier, at 5:45 o'clock, the Board of Arbitration announced today.

A 15 minute period of grace will be allowed and any team unable to start at 6 p.m. will automatically forfeit the game.

Other decisions made by the Board:

1. After four innings, a game will count in the standings, although the official rulebook states that a game must go five innings.

2. Changes in the rosters of all hardball and softball teams will be permitted at any time if the Board deems it necessary.

These rulings will go into effect on Saturday.

St. Marys in Tie

St. Marys and the Huskies played to a 4-4 tie in an AA softball game at Anita Chiquita Monday.

The Board of Arbitration ruled that the game will be replayed at the end of the season.

Other scores:

Vandals 10, Firemen 1
Panthers 5, Dukes 0
Ancient Mariners 15, Stablenates 11
Border Cities 6, Cherokees 2



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Girls' Volleyball

STANDINGS

SENIOR GIRLS LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct
Snaps	4	0	1.000
Volleyettes	4	0	1.000
Esdees	3	1	.750
Cardinals	2	2	.500
Orange Misses	2	2	.500
Ardees	2	3	.400
Bojangles	2	3	.400
Victorians	1	3	.250
Noblettes	0	2	.000
Blue Kitchenettes	0	4	.000

JUNIOR GIRLS LEAGUE

Beta Hi Teens	5	0	1.000
Keiki Wahines	4	1	.800
Bonnie Betas	3	1	.750
Beta Triettes	4	2	.667
Foghorns	2	3	.400
Jerkettes	2	3	.400
Beta Duces	2	4	.333
Nameless Nine	0	7	.000

GAMMA LEAGUE

Misses	2	0	1.000
Litas	2	0	1.000
3 Gs	1	1	.500
Irksome Imps	0	1	.000
Sigma Alphas	0	1	.000
Atinans	0	2	.000

ALPHA LEAGUE

Falphas	2	0	1.000
Vs	1	0	1.000
Chums I	1	0	1.000
Crusaders	1	0	1.000
Pals	1	1	.500
Tris	1	1	.500
Bettes	0	1	.000
Chums II	0	1	.000
Filiaes	0	1	.000
Debs	0	2	.000

A HARDBALL MANAGERS MEET

A meeting of A hardball team managers will be held tonight at 7:30 o'clock in the Recreation office. Plans for a second round will be discussed, Joe Suski revealed today.

Standings of Three Center Softball Leagues

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.
Mountain View	4	0	1.000
Paly Pegasus	4	0	1.000
Exclusive 20	4	0	1.000
Ex-Police	3	1	.750
Jayhawks	3	1	.750
Ancient Mariners	2	1	.667
Rams	2	2	.500
Knights	1	2	.333
A 24s	1	3	.250
Commandos	1	3	.250
Stablenates	1	3	.250
Utilities	1	3	.250
44 Club	0	4	.000
Michel Midgets	0	4	.000

A LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.
Mutineers	4	0	1.000
All Shots	3	1	.750
Royal Spartans	3	1	.750
San Diego Cubs	3	1	.750
62 Club	3	1	.750
Firemen	2	1	.667
Redondo Bombers	2	1	.667
Parker Bound	2	2	.500
Pedro Pirates	2	2	.500
Gakusei Kai	1	3	.250
Harbor Vandals	1	3	.250
RM Hornets	1	3	.250
Argonauts	0	4	.000
Chefs	0	4	.000

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.
Also Rans	4	0	1.000
Los Caballeros	4	0	1.000
Kirkman Komets	3	0	1.000
Carpenters	3	1	.750
Orange County	3	1	.750
Panthers	3	1	.750
Barber Bombers	2	2	.500
Dukes	1	2	.333
Blue Devils	1	3	.250
Boys Club Leaders	1	3	.250
Broncos	1	3	.250
Wolves	1	3	.250
Hospital Mess	0	4	.000
Lancers	0	4	.000



a japanese-american did himself proud by breaking a couple of world's swimming marks at the national aau men's swimming meet held in connecticut several days ago.

it was keo nakama, formerly of hawaii, who broke jack medica's world's mark for the mile swim in the first day of the meet. in the 880 yard event the next day, he finished a split second after bill smith, who shattered ralph flanagan's world's record for 880 yard by 13 seconds.

nakama represented ohio state university in the meet.

that asahi-azucar hardball game turned out to be a juicy affair with the youngsters scoring five of their 10 runs in the last half of the last inning... age and experience fell before youth and speed.....

the sumo boys really go through a tough workout what with the big boys, bud mukaye, vic matsui and mortmorency tanaka, giving the others a workover..... sometimes even bud gets bounced on his cranium and tossed around like the others..but only by his father.

the basketball-minded fellows are nowadays found out at the newly set up courts on the western part of anita chiquita field trying to get their eye.

a couple of ambitious boys devised a clever substitute for barbells and were seen busily working out with it. they had a two by four for the bar and from it were some bricks suspended with pieces of rope.

those interested in that brain tickling game, chess, should get together sometime, somewhere.

(we're not one-track) we hear that the boxers here are getting in shape for a tourney that will include fly-welter weights.

AZUCARS TAKE ASAHS IN FINAL INNING, 10-7

Miyama Wins Marble Title

Albert Miyama, Pack 20, won the junior division of the Santa Anita Marble tournament Saturday afternoon in front of the Boy Scout campsite.

Taramasu Kawaguchi, Cub Pack 40, took second while Yukio Konishi, Cub Pack 70, came in third.

The tourney, under the direction of Yas Hara, drew 36 contestants.



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Volleyball Scores

Results of Monday's volleyball games:

Ardees def Victorians, forfeit

Orange Misses def Bojangles, 15-2, 15-13

Beta Triettes def Foghorns, 15-9, 15-11

Beta Duces def Nameless Nine, 15-10, 15-4

Litas def 3Gs, 16-14, 15-13

Misses def Atinans, 15-6, 15-12

Tris def Debs, 15-5, 15-12

Art Kitahara Blasts Home Run

The youthful Azucars came from behind in the last inning of their A hardball game with the San Jose Asahis Saturday on England field to win 10-7.

The Azucar team came to bat in the last inning trailing 7-5 and proceeded to pound George Hinaga, San Jose pitcher, for five runs.

Art Kitahara, Azucar pitcher, knocked a home run during the inning to help win his game.

The Asahis collected 11 hits while the Azucars got 13.

The batteries were: San Jose--George Hinaga and George Yamaoka; Azucar--Art Kitahara, Frank Shimada and Fuzzy Shimada.

The Recreation department expressed its appreciation for the donations made by the San Jose people to the Athletic division for the purchase of equipment.

'BEWARE OF GOLFERS' WARNING POSTED

The Recreation department requests that all persons keep off the west half of Anita Chiquita field during the morning on all days except Sunday. The area is being used for golf driving practice.

Center Athletic Schedule

AA SOFTBALL: Tonight--San Francisco vs Falcons, Thursday--Keystone vs Sires, Friday--St Marys vs Jockeys.

A SOFTBALL: Tonight--62 Club vs Redondo Bombers, Thursday--Argonauts vs San Diego Cubs, Friday--Chefs vs Parker Bound.

NATIONAL SOFTBALL: Tonight--Mountain View vs Rams, Thursday--Utilities vs Michel Midgets, Friday--44 Club vs A 24s.

AMERICAN SOFTBALL: Tonight--Wolves vs Also Rans, Thursday--Orange County vs Kirkman Komets, Friday--Hospital Mess vs Los Caballeros.

OLD TIMERS SOFTBALL: Tonight--Hiyamizu vs Pi-Utes, Thursday--Nine Old Men vs Turtles, Friday--Post Office vs Anita Oldsters.

B HARDBALL: Tonight--Santa Clara vs Gashouse, Thursday--Ancient Mariners vs Commandos, Friday--Huskies vs Jr Nips.

SENIOR GIRLS VOLLEYBALL: Tonight--Volleyettes vs Esdees, Sna ps vs Blue Kitchenettes.

JUNIOR GIRLS VOLLEYBALL: Tonight--Bonnie Betas vs Westside Jerkettes, Beta Hi Teens vs Keiki Wahinies, Friday--Beta Hi Teens vs Foghorns, Beta Duces vs Westside Jerkettes.

ALPHA VOLLEYBALL: Tonight--Chums II vs Vs, Omegas vs Bettes, Friday--Tris vs Falphas, Chums I vs Pals.

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Editorial

Fight for America in Our Way

Application forms for absentee ballots are available for Santa Anita residents who are eligible to vote in their former place of residence.

The absentee ballots must be in the hands of the Registrar of Voters before August 20.

Voters' registration will be automatically cancelled if ballots are not cast in either the primary or general election. In other words, failure to exercise the privilege of absentee balloting in the present primary election or in the general election in November will mean forfeiture of the voters' eligibility to participate in any further elections.

The right of franchise is not one to be taken lightly, either in theory and principle or in practice and practicality. Much impinges on this institution and its implications are many.

In principle this right of franchise may well be the "test of democracy," a phrase so much bandied about in recent times that its true meaning has become unfortunately obscured.

There are those on the outside who would deny to us on a racial basis the right granted to every American citizen by the Fifteenth Amendment to the Constitution which specifically states that "The right of the citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of race, color, or previous condition of servitude."

Those who would discriminate against a race on a racial basis alone are enemies of America. For us to passively lose the right of franchise by non-exercising of that right would be aiding in the victory of America's enemies. It thus becomes incumbent on us to fight for America, in our way, on the home front.



We're getting a rough but effective lesson in how rumors begin...and thereby hangs an apology for having been guilty of starting one ourself.

Last week, an item in this column said '10,000 evacuees will replace the cattle which once roamed the historic XY ranch near Lamar, Colorado.'

We should have stated specifically that the evacuees, as far as we know, are not those now at Santa Anita.

Or does this start another rumor?

Weather report

The obvious (and stale) comment on the unexpected but welcome Sunday rain has been 'And the Rains Came.'

We've always maintained that since everybody talks about the weather, as Mark Twain once said and everybody's repeated since, but nobody does anything about it, that rain repartee is about the most unoriginal body of cliches extant.

Marginalia

'Post Time,' the sports column hacked out by our erstwhile leg-man and new Sports editor, would have been called 'News, Views and Sports Reviews by...' except that 'by Hiroshi Ito' would have been anticlimactic.

Neebo's back

The absence of Lil Neebo last week from his regular spot drew more groans of disappointment from his fans than were evidenced since we don't know when.

Even the fact that our front page scooped the metropolitan dailies hardly sufficed to assuage our own disappointment.

But Chris Ishii, who was in bed with a cold, is now up and about and, as you see, is again active.

Next door, please

It would not be possible to overstress the point that the shoe repair shop is next door to this office in the same building. We have had a preview of every pair of shoes before we directed them next door.

Lil Neebo

BY Chris Ishii

