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COALITION CABINET REJECTION CAUSED FALL OF MINSEITO

Wakatsuki's Refusal of Plan Advanced By Adachi, Kuhara Caused Party Split

DIET DISSOLUTION SEEN

By KEY KASAGI
(Courier Correspondent)

TOKIO, Japan.—The rejection by former Premier Wakatsuki of the coalition cabinet plan, advocated by ex-Home Minister Kenzo Adachi, is generally understood here as the reason causing the untimely resignation of the entire Minsei liberal cabinet, thereby enabling the Seiyu conservative party to come into power as a matter of course.

For some time past, a rift in the Minsei ranks was broadly rumored but it became even more apparent as the time neared the Sixtieth Diet meeting. The major problems which had been harassing the Minsei cabinet were the gold embargo, deficiency in the national incomes, the current Manchurian affair, the seemingly unfavorable developments for the Japan at the League Council in Paris, and the coalition cabinet plan as above mentioned.

It was reported to have been Mr. Adachi's firm belief, despite the Minsei majority in parliament, only a coalition cabinet save the day for the government at the coming Diet in the face of all these problems.

Worked With Kuhara

Acting under this difficult situation, Mr. Adachi and Mr. Kuhara, ex-member of the Tanaka cabinet and an influential leader in the Seiyukai, came to a workable understanding regarding the formation of a possible coalition cabinet. Mr. Wakatsuki seemed at first to have favored the plan but later flatly rejected the plan, having doubts as to its success.

This caused an open break between the two Minsei leaders. The Wakatsuki cabinet, which had been in power since April, 1931, was forced through reasons of "lack of discipline and harmony in execution of their duties."

New Cabinet Formed

The Seiyukai cabinet headed by Mr. Inukai came into being. Immediately upon coming into power the present cabinet declared the re-enactment of the gold embargo. Stock prices commenced soaring overnight while general commodities also went upward in their prices. All those banking and financing institutions who had been, it has since been asserted, buying the gold dollar have made a huge profit at exchange due to the new enactment.

For the time being, at least, recovery to normalcy or even to more brighter prospects in the business world seems to assert itself.

Dissolution Seen

According to observers, it seems a foregone conclusion, the present cabinet will declare dissolution of the Diet as soon as it convenes and resort to general election with a view to winning a majority. Nearly all the prefectural governors, county officials and other political office-holders have either been changed or replaced by the new government.

Meanwhile there seems to be an undercurrent of dissatisfaction among sympathizers of the unsuccessful Adachi-Kuhara plan. The future policies of Mr. Adachi and Mr. Kuhara seem to be an interesting topic of speculation, as they appear to be quite out of their respective parties.

Mr. Kuhara's refusal to accept a post in the newly formed cabinet, coupled with the discord between Mr. Wakatsuki and Mr. Adachi in the Minsei party, may be taken to mean a possible storm in the political world, here.

Citizens Can't Vote Unless Registered

Unless citizens of the United States in their majority, residents in the States of Washington for a period of one year, and ninety days in King County, register before February 2, they cannot vote in the primaries February 23, or at the general election on March 8.

Citizens who wish to exercise their franchise can register at the County-City Building until January 14. During the three days following that date, registrations can be made in the city's 406 precincts. Books will then be returned to the County-City Building, where voters may register until February 2. The registration office is open daily, except Sundays, from 8 a. m. to 9 p. m.

TALKS ON MANCHURIA

Speaking on "Manchuria," Corwin Shank, Seattle attorney and student of international affairs, who recently returned from the Orient, was the speaker at the noon meeting of the Women's County Republican Club at Meves Cafeteria early this week.

U. Students Hear Jiuji Kasai Speak On Orient Issue

Making a visit here on a short speaking date, Jiuji G. Kasai, member of the Superior Council of the Tokio Municipal Assembly, who won note in Seattle over two decades ago as an orator, arrived in this city on Thursday night to leave for Japan this morning aboard the President Madison.

Speaking on the Manchurian situation and causes leading up to the present controversy, Mr. Kasai gave a lucid picture of the important international relations between China, Japan and Soviet Russia in the Far East, before two Friday morning assemblies at the Lincoln High School as well as at the morning assembly at the University of Washington. During the noon hour Mr. Kasai was the guest of honor at a faculty luncheon of the University and in the evening he was the principal speaker before a Japan Society dinner held at the New Washington Hotel attended by more than 200 people to hear his discussion of Far Eastern problems and developments while from 10:15 p. m., he spoke over the radio from Station KOMO.

Over 20 years ago, Mr. Kasai was a student at the Broadway high school, here, where he won note as a public speaker, winning the championship in an inter-scholastic oratorical meet. The distinguished visitor also was a student at the University of Washington, here, and graduated from the University of Chicago, from where he had gone to Harvard where he received his Master's degree.

Mr. Kasai's sudden departure for Japan was caused by the certain possibility of a dissolution of the Japanese Diet for which body he intends to run in the February general election.

STIMSON CONSIDERS "REGRET" APOLOGY

Secretary Asks For Further Details Of Attack On American Consul

WASHINGTON—Ambassador Katsujirō Debuchi expressed sincere regret for the attack on Consul Culver E. Chamberlain to Secretary of State Stimson, who considered it a formal apology from Japan.

The Foreign Office in Tokio revealed that it had received no expression of dissatisfaction from Stimson through Debuchi, but regretted his request for a more detailed explanation. While the civilian interpreter had been discharged from the army employ, the two soldiers who stopped the consul were not punished because it was felt that they had not participated in the attack.

Secretary Stimson conferred with the English, Italian and French ambassadors here on the Far East situation, but would not reveal details. It was felt, in view of the advance through Manchuria of Japanese troops cleaning up bandit remnants, that some message to Japan would be forwarded. Whether the policy expressed by the big powers would be severe in attitude toward Japan was not known.

British Paper Lauds Generosity of U. S.

LONDON—That agitation in the United States against debt cancellation was not the work of politicians but the feelings of reasonable progressive men, was recognized by the Manchester Guardian this week.

America has been generous, declared the newspaper, but Europe has been slow to show her gratitude. She has done little to convince the American people that she has been grateful, was the comment.

At the same time it was revealed that England would propose a three-year extension of the reparations moratorium.

MESSAGE FLOATS TO ALASKA

CORDOVA—A sealed message cast into the Pacific Ocean on June 15, 1928 by G. Kazama, president of the Risho University from Yokohama, Japan was recently washed ashore at Prince William Sound, Alaska.

The message was one of twenty five sent out to commemorate the twenty-fifth anniversary of the university.

MACDONALD BACK FOR WORK

LONDON—Returning fit and ready for work, Prime Minister Ramsay MacDonald was back here after his brief vacation at his home at Looe-mouth, Scotland.

He declared that the policy he would be guided by would be along national government lines, not that of party.

Wet Demo Elected To House By New Hampshire District

WASHINGTON—A complete turn about in political opinion of the First New Hampshire Congressional district was indicated by the election of William N. Rogers of Wakefield, New Hampshire, a Democrat and a wet.

During the past ten years this district has been Republican and dry. Rogers won by a margin of 2,948 votes over his Republican opponent, former Governor John H. Bartlett.

Members of the Republican and Democrat parties felt that this revealed a rubuff of the administration, as other formerly Republican strongholds have fallen.

Meanwhile the Reconstruction Finance Corporation Bill was reaching its last stages of completion in Congress, and a report on it was expected in both the House and Senate this week-end.

President Hoover was pleased with the dispatch with which it went through Congress, and expected to have it before him to sign in a short time.

The bill is similar to the War Corporation of the World War, and would provide for the release of two billion dollars to aid the credit of the business world. The report of the banking committee urged its speedy passage, as the time was ripe for its use.

Soon as the bill is passed, \$500,000,000 in government capital would be provided by the Treasury to start it off.

Believed to be the result of the rapid progress of the Reconstruction bill in Congress and encouraging reports from private banking sources in Europe, prices of securities on Wall Street rose this week.

The welcome news from Europe was that English, French, German and American bankers had advanced far toward reaching an agreement on German debts.

M. Gandhi Arrested As India Carries On Independence Move

BOMBAY, India—After harsh measures had fought the new independence movement following the arrest of Gandhi almost to a standstill, Viceroy Lord Willingdon made his first offer for conciliation toward Indian Nationalists when he invited Sir Teg Sapru to discuss the movement with him.

Almost all of the big leaders of the Nationalists were under arrest throughout India. Mahatma K. Gandhi was arrested early Monday morning, together with his lieutenant, J. V. Patel. Rajendra Prasad Bihar, who succeeded as leader of the movement, was also arrested. Every noted leader of the All-India National Congress has been jailed.

While lacking leaders the Nationalists carried on their policy of Sarwaraj, or civil disobedience. While this passive resistance was supposed to be peaceful, riots took place throughout the nation.

Five hundred Nationalists organizations were outlawed, peaceful picketing and boycotting was forbidden on pain of arrest and hard labor, while officials were empowered with almost unlimited rights to deal with the strikers.

British shipping, banking and business showed a sharp drop in trade.

Death Of M. Maginot Causes Paris Mix-Up

PARIS—Following the death of Andre Maginot, war minister, a shake-up in the French cabinet seems imminent as the time set for two important international conferences draws near.

The extremely low health of Aristide Briand is another complicating factor in the question as many are of the opinion that another delegate must be appointed to take M. Briand's place in the coming disarmament parley to be held in Geneva.

The cabinet postponed the meeting of the Superior Council of National Defense as a result of Maginot's death. Names of Andre Tardieu and Paul Painleve, both former premiers, were advanced in political circles as possible successors to the war minister's office.

Traveler Invites Students To Home

By Yasuo Sasaki

SALT LAKE CITY—Japanese students were recently invited to the home of Dr. Hopkins, a world-traveler, who has visited Japan several times.

Interesting trinkets gathered from all corners of the earth were shown. Of particular interest were matters relating to Dr. Hopkins' sojourns in Japan.

BEAUTIFUL TONGUE OF JAPAN ENRICHED BY HER LITERATURE

Chinese, Buddhist, Foreign Influences Added To Simple, Vigorous Native Language

POEMS READ EACH YEAR

By Hiroshi Acino

(Japanese Consul at Portland)
(PART TWO)

Besides being useful, the Japanese language is beautiful. It has a rich and unique literature. In the early days the Japanese were all poets. From the Emperor down to his footman, in all their daily conversation were poems. Such spontaneous utterances of our pure-minded, nature-loving ancestors were collected some two thousand years ago in several large volumes called "Manyo Shu," which is one of the brightest and most valuable gems of our literature.

Poem Contest Held

To this day not only the appreciation but also the composition of verse is not restricted to a few specialists, but is common among all walks of life. At the annual New Year's "poem contest," held in the Imperial Court, the best poems selected from among the hundreds of thousands of contributions sent in from all over the country are read aloud, together with those of the Emperor, Empress, the princes and princesses and high court officials.

The former premier of Japan, Wakatsuki, is a familiar figure to you, because he was the visitor in Seattle just two years ago. His favorite pastime, like that of so many of the Japanese gentry of his age, is composing verses in classical Chinese.

The simple, vigorous literature of ancient Japan was later enriched by contact with Chinese thoughts, and with Buddhist ideas, which came into our country through China and Korea. In recent years it has been further varied by the acquaintance with western literature of all countries and all ages.

In spite of all those foreign influences, Japanese literature has always retained its characteristic traits which are unique, and impossible of appreciation in translation. I think it was Goethe that said, "To learn a language is to conquer a nation."

The knowledge of Japanese opens up to you a treasury rich enough to repay a few additional hours of labour every week.

Officers Selected By Fresno Citizens

FRESNO—In the final meeting of the year on Wednesday, December 23, the American Loyalty League met at the Japanese Association Hall with its best attendance of the year.

President Hirasuna gave a report on the San Francisco Conference of the Northern California Confederation, held in November. The report was followed by a general discussion of the results accomplished.

Dr. Yatabe reported on the headway made by the West Fresno Central Committee on the highway issue now being bitterly fought by East Fresno and West Fresno. The constitutional committee reported favorable progress on the revision of the league constitution.

Elections for the following 1932 officers were held, with the following results:

President: Robert Itanaga.
Vice President: David Maekawa.
Recording secretary: Sadie Hori.
Corresponding secretary: Fred Hirasuna.
Treasurer: Fred Yoshikawa.

THE WEEK At a Glance

January 1, HELSINGFORS, Finland—Finland overwhelmingly votes for repeal of prohibition laws.

January 2, CHINCHOW, Manchuria—Japan's troops occupy Chinchow; Chinese residents cheer.

January 3, MUKDEN, Manchuria—American Consul Chamberlain assaulted by Japanese soldiers.

January 4, BOMBAY, India—Mahatma Gandhi arrested as revolt against British rule starts in India.

January 5, BERLIN, Germany—Bankers and financiers ask extension of German short term credits.

January 6, NEW YORK CITY—Optimism sweeps security prices high on Wall Street.

January 7, ALBANY, New York—Governor Roosevelt makes bid for presidency.

Eight Candidates Enter For Mayor

While the voters of the city were registering this week, two new candidates filed for the mayor's office, at present held by Robert Harlin. These men were former mayor Frank Edwards and Arthur J. Ritchie.

They bring the total to eight men seeking the office of chief executive of the city, including Mayor Harlin, who is running for reelection. Dr. Edwin J. Brown, former mayor, is among those who have filed.

Norman Shellberg and Brown have opened their campaigns by making several speeches to gatherings about the city. David Nygren, Interbay contractor, is dark horse. Dore has also filed.

CITIZENS ELECTION MEET SET TONIGHT

Discussion Of Precinct Committees To Draw Out Voters To Be Held

Starting out the year with an election meeting the Seattle Progressive Citizens League will select the new officers to take the lead in local citizens' affairs for 1932, at the Japanese Chamber of Commerce, tonight, from 8 p. m.

The election of officers this year will take on a decided aspect of importance inasmuch as the national convention is scheduled to take place this summer in Los Angeles and due preparations for a strong delegation to attend the meet are to begin at the earliest possible moment. Since the reorganization of the league in January of 1928, after being defunct for several years, the election this year is regarded as one of the most important in view of the necessity of a leader who will work from the inside in the proper development of the organization.

Besides the election, another important matter to be taken up will be proposed precinct committees to facilitate the registration of all people who have reached majority as well as to get them to the polls during election times.

Organized in 1921

The League was organized in 1921, and until 1925, it was one of the most active organizations in this community. For several years the organization lay idle in its work, but in January of 1928, under the leadership of Clarence T. Arai and George Ishihara, president and secretary of the reorganized League, it began its climb back to its present standing. Ishihara, by the way, has been about the oldest active member of the organization, having been one of the few charter members now living in this community.

While much of the fundamental work in the league's development has already been accomplished, it is known generally that this year will be important in its organization work in view of the fact that the number of second generation voters estimated to have been trebled since the Presidential election of 1928.

Besides this November election and other elections to take place in the earlier part of the year, the national convention of the Japanese-American Citizens League is also considered as one of the important events for 1932, in which the local chapter must take an active part.

To Push Registration

As one of the old business of the league to be taken up this evening will be the matter of the precinct committees which, if acceptable to the organization, will be the formation of various committees in each precinct where second generation voters reside to get them to the registration booth and to the polls during election times.

These committees have long been looked upon as a necessity and it is felt that through the formation of these committees a larger number of voters can be registered. Heretofore, it is believed many did not register, owing to the reason that the voting number has been enlarged now, this plan will get all available voters to register and to vote.

A check-up of each precinct where second generation voters reside will be made at tonight's meeting and a possible plan will undoubtedly be adopted to be put into immediate practice.

BRUENING, HITLER CONFER

BERLIN—To discuss this year's presidential elections and pressing matters of state, Chancellor Bruening recently acted as host to Adolf Hitler, militant leader of the National Socialists.

Although they submitted nothing for publication, it is fairly well understood that the chancellor sought Hitler's support in prolonging President Von Hindenburg's term of office in return for certain political concessions to the National Socialists.

JAPAN SEEKS FOOD, SUPPLIES TO CARE FOR HER MILLIONS

Every Island Source Being Developed; Manchuria Lost, Japan No More Power

HER PROBLEM WORLD'S

By W. E. Priestley

(PART TWO)

Whether the Japanese are in Formosa or Korea or Manchuria the national policy is the same. Not to open these countries for Japanese colonization, but to provide food in Japan and raw materials for Japanese factories. Japan obtains her sugar from Formosa and soya beans from Manchuria to help in the food problem.

Manchuria supplies coal and iron to Japan for Japan is lamentably deficient in coal and iron and a nation's commercial greatness today can best be measured in her potential resources of coal and iron. The coal and iron of Manchuria explain Japan's interest in South Manchuria and helps to explain her investment of half a billion dollars in that country for only strong economic pressure would force Japan to invest her money in a country where she is liable to be forced out when China is strong enough.

South Manchuria is Japan's big problem next to that of population for South Manchuria is an enormous factor in Japan's factory output. The loss of economic domination in Manchuria for the Japanese will be the signal for the disappearance of Japan as a world power. The Chinese may have about the Japanese in Manchuria, as a matter of challenging the sovereignty of China, but with Japan it is not a question of an abstract principle but self preservation. A world war in which Japan would be one of the principal combatants is the only thing which can force Japan out of Manchuria.

Reclamation Planned

Japan's attempt to provide more rice land is almost pitiable with every resource at their disposal and in view of the urgent need of more land the Japanese government has embarked upon an ambitious plan of land reclamation of 75,000 acres a year for the next 20 years to provide more rice. This is just 50% of the land required for the excess annual population. The Japanese farmer is producing twice as much rice per acre as the United States and still the demand is increasing. The truth of the matter is that it will require a lot of money to bring additional land under cultivation for rice, as anyone knows who has visited Japan and has seen the way the hills are terraced order to grow rice.

Experiments are under way in Japan to change the diet, but this is a slow and heartbreaking task. Wheat flour is being used quite extensively in the Japanese navy, not only as a matter of education but to stimulate physical growth and vigor. If the Japanese would eat more wheat flour there is considerable acreage in Japan which is unsuitable for rice but would grow wheat. The Japanese on account of Buddhism are small meat eaters. The average American eats more meat in two weeks than the average Japanese does in a year. The annual average per capita consumption of meat in Japan is four pounds. If the Japanese could be taught to use more meat they could raise sheep, goats, cattle and hogs on steep slopes where water cannot be used for rice. To change a nation's diet however is a slow job.

Over-Population Problem

Japan has her problems, such as the fear of communism, the Russian invasion in Manchuria, the question of a pacified friendly China, the development of Korea, the subjugation of Formosa, but these are all problems which may adjust themselves, Japan's big problem, the one problem she cannot escape, the one problem she has to face, is the million "Miss Sugars" and little Masuos who will come to Japan this year and next year and for many years to come; to provide food for this extra million every year; to find employment for them in the years to come and the tragic fact is that this million extra is not he gross amount of Japanese babies, but the number of births over deaths.

Little Miss Sugar is just a typical Japanese baby, but as a matter of fact she typifies one of the acutest problems facing the world today. Make no mistake, Miss Sugar is not Japan's problem alone; this problem will affect the entire history of Asia, and perhaps the rest of the world. Japan has to take care of the Miss Sugars and the little Masuos, or she will be submerged, and the Japanese are not the kind of people who give up without a struggle. Japan's problem of population may well be considered serious for the rest of the world.

Sport Scope

By James Shinkai

A new year is here with 300 and some odd days to fill as you wish. Some will fill them wisely and some will not. To the sport-minded they bring promises of a year filled with overflowing with choice activities.

Outside of the natural run of baseball, football, basketball, golf and all the other seasonal sports, there will be the big event, the Olympic Games, to be held in Los Angeles this summer. This event will bring together practically all of the prominent athletes of the world.

Of direct interest to the Japanese element of this city and vicinity will be the entire representing Japan. Many of them will pass through Seattle on their way to the meet or on their return and the Nipponese of this section will have the opportunity of meeting them.

Some New Year Resolutions To Be Broken (Some Already Broken):

- Refrain from picking all-star selections.
- Abstain from writing any more articles on bridge.
- Stop playing poker.
- Quit shooting craps.
- Quit drinking.
- And smoking.
- Work more.
- Stay awake daytimes.
- And sleep nights.

Bellevue hoopsters should be congratulated for their initial victory. Also for their fine sportsmanship. Not a whimper or a semblance of an alibi in over a year of lean playing. They're always out there on the maple court trying hard, playing cleanly, and if a team ever deserved a win, they did. Now, although we aren't mentioning names, some of the other teams could learn something about the fine art of sportsmanship from those kids from across the lake. Clean basketball looks better to the spectators, is better for the players themselves, and lot more fun to all concerned. It's something to think about.

Prophecies for the Year, 1932:

- Babe Ruth will be Babe Ruth despite his reported cut in salary.
- Helene Madison will reign supreme in the mermaid realm.
- Big Bill Tilden still is a mean racket swinger despite his retirement into pro ranks.
- Bobby Jones is still the greatest in golf.
- The Japanese aggregation in the Olympiad will place high.
- The Courier basketball leagues will furnish some mighty close tilts, and the race for the crowns will be plenty interesting.
- Yours truly will never be a champion roller skater.

Lying open on the desk at this writing is an invitation to some ambitious Japanese skier from this community to participate at the International Ski Tournament of the Seattle Ski Club at its new hill, Snoqualmie Summit, January 17.

They mention the fact that with the improvement in the hill from last year the prospective jumps under favorable conditions should be well over 200 feet.

Far be it from me to disparage this form of calisthenics, but if the decision is left to me, the highest jump that would be attempted by your most insignificant correspondent would be from the sidewalk to the street.

Hi-Stars Win Rough Game From Capitols

Well, it might have been a football game. But then it was played on the maple court. At any rate the Japanese Hi-Stars snapped out of their losing slump to defeat the Capitols, 21 to 10, Tuesday night at Broadway in a City B league game.

Next Tuesday they are slated to meet the Red Shield Ramblers in the opening game of the second half. Although the Hi-Stars won the first game hard battle is expected.

In the Capitols tilt, Herb Ogawa made a night of it to sink 9 points. Vic Nakashima looped in 4, Sam Kimura and Kanazawa 3 each, with Goro Yorita adding 2 points.

Taiyo Beat Auburn For First Class A Win; Bachelors, Vags Meet Tonight

Iwana And Fred Chinn Lead In Reds' Victory, Kay Okimoto Gets 11 Points; Vandals Top Class B With Only Undeclared Record

FIVE DOWNS HI-STARS TO TAKE SECOND PLACE; 1 LOSS

Opening the Class A league of the current season with a powerful scoring attack, the Taiyo Reds trimmed the Auburn cagers Tuesday evening at Auburn, 37 to 19.

Tonight the Bachelors and Vagabonds tangle at Collins, starting at 9 o'clock, while Waseda draws a bye.

| W | L |
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| Taiyo | 1 0 |
| Waseda | 0 0 |
| Vagabonds | 0 0 |
| Bachelors | 0 0 |
| Auburn | 0 1 |

Showing nice teamwork, with Shiro Iwana and Fred Chinn leading the offense with 12 and 11 points, respectively, the Reds held the big guns of the Auburn attack in leash to win, 37 to 19.

Kay Okimoto, last year's leading scorer, swished the casaba through the twine for 11 counters. His fellow Auburnites, Hirai and Kane-shige were unable to break loose, netting only 6 and 2 points.

For the winners John Chinn added 4 points, while Grant Beppu, Lincoln Beppu, Takeo Horiuchi, Tad Kuniyuki and Tats Aoki each sank a basket each.

| W | L |
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| Vandals | 3 0 |
| Fife | 2 1 |
| St. Peters | 1 1 |
| Bellevue | 1 1 |
| Hi-Stars | 0 2 |
| Old Timers | 0 2 |

By their grueling victory over the St. Peters hoopsters Saturday at Collins, 11 to 6, the Vandals advanced to the top of the Class B loop with three wins and no losses.

The affair was the lowest scoring game on record. For the winners Norio Wakamatsu counted 4, Kita, Ota and Mimbu 2 each, with Shimamura adding a free throw. For the losers Chick Shinkai netted 4, while Jimmy Shinkai looped in a field goal.

Showing lots of teamwork and with everyone a scoring threat, the greatly improved Bellevue quintet climbed in the standing when they trimmed the Old Timers, 23 to 18, in the second game at Collins.

Yorita Spectacular For the losers Pete Yorita sank some spectacular shots to net 12 points, as Ed Osawa contributed 4 and Chick Uno 2. Shimogaki led the winners with 6, while Aramaki, Hirota and Sakuguchi each won four for 4 points. Yamagata sank 3 points, and Nomura got 2.

Utilizing their superior weight and height, the Fife cagers trimmed the Hi-Stars Supers, 23 to 14. T. Nakamura and S. Fujita sparked the winners, helped along by Higashi with 6 points and Yoshioka with 3.

Tinky Yamasaki looped in 8 points for the losers, as Ted Nakashima sank 4 and Ed Natori 2.

Schedule

Class A

Saturday, January 9

9 p. m.—Vagabonds vs. Bachelors at Collins.
Waseda bye.

Class B

Saturday, January 9

8 p. m.—Hi-Stars vs. Old Timers at Collins.

Wednesday, January 13

8 p. m.—Vandals at Fife.
8 p. m.—St. Peters at Bellevue.

Class C

Saturday, January 9

7 p. m.—Rockets vs. Cubs at Collins.

Tuesday, January 12

7 p. m.—Auburn vs. Juniors at Baptist.

8 p. m.—Green Lake vs. Cougars at Baptist.

9 p. m.—Aces vs. Meteors at Baptist.

Lotus bye.

Girls

Wednesday, January 13

8 p. m.—Lotus vs. Presbyterian at Baptist.

8:30 p. m.—W. W. G. vs. Fife at Baptist.

9:10 p. m.—G. S. G. vs. Bellevue at Baptist.

Yakima Folk Hosts To Local Vagabonds

Royally feted by the Americans as well as the Japanese of Yakima Valley, the Seattle Vagabonds spent an enjoyable 3-day, New Year's holiday east of the mountains.

They played two games, dropping a close-checking tilt to Wa-Hi, 18 to 8, and being barely nosed out by the town team, 22 to 21. While coming out on the short end of the hoop contests, they started off the year with a bang in a social way.

A preliminary game was played by the Wapato Misfits and the Wa-Hi B Squad, the latter winning, 27 to 18. Masto Yamamoto and Joe Inaba led the losers with 6 and 4 points, aided by the smart playing of Ichiro Yama and H. Honda.

Jimmy Umemoto and Bill Williams starred for the B squad.

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Junior "B" End First Half Without Defeat

While cleaning up in the holiday round of play in the Fieldhouse basketball league, Japanese hoop teams representing Collins Fieldhouse won only one out of four games in the final round of the first half.

In the opening round of games in the second half, Collins teams meet Alki aggregations this morning, 9:45 a. m. "A" games will be played at Alki, "B" games at Collins.

Chalking up their sixth straight victory for a perfect record in the first half in the final games, the league-leading Junior "B" hoopsters were the lone victors, scoring a 23 to 10 triumph over Ballard. Hoshide and Babo led their offense with 7 and 5, respectively, as Masuda contributed 3, and Watanabe, Kobayashi, Inashi and Ozima 2 each. During the holidays the same team won its fifth victory, defeating Rainier, 20 to 12.

The Junior Giant "A" hoopsters, victors in five straight games, suffered an upset when they lost to Ballard in the final game of the first round, 19 to 17. Iseki netted 7, Kogane 4 and Tanaka, Yorita and Toribara, 21 to 11.

While the Midget "A" cagers defeated Rainier 28 to 1 in their fifth game, with Kubota netting 7, Toribara 6, Hosokawa 6 and Bitow 2, they lost the final game of the first half to Ballard, 12 to 11.

The Midget "B" five won by forfeit from Rainier, but lost to Ballard, 21 to 7.

Taiyo Cubs, Cougars, Rockets Undeclared In Race For "C" Title

Aces And Auburn Fall Easy Victims To First Pair Of Leaders

| W | L |
|----------------|-----|
| Taiyo Cubs | 3 0 |
| Waseda Cougars | 3 0 |
| Rockets | 2 0 |
| Taiyo Aces | 1 1 |
| Green Lake | 1 1 |
| Lotus | 1 2 |
| Waseda Juniors | 1 2 |
| Auburn | 0 3 |
| Meteors | 0 3 |

By snowing under the other Taiyo entry, the Aces, by a score of 40 to 19, the Cubs stepped into a tie for the leadership of the Class C loop with three victories and no defeats.

The Waseda Cougars kept pace with them by downing the Auburn Juniors at Auburn, 28 to 6. Sumio Tai led the scoring with 11 points, while Hasegawa added 5, Nakano 4 and Hirade, Kozu, Fukul and Nakamura 2 apiece. For the losers Tokumasa netted 5, while Natshuhara added the odd point.

The Rockets were idle, but have two wins and no defeats to their credit, so are but a game behind the leaders.

In the second game of Tuesday's bill at the Baptist, the Meteors, a likely-looking aggregation unable to win as yet, were nosed out by a fighting Green Lake quintet, 25 to 22. The exciting game stood at 17-all at the end of the third quarter, with the Lakers forging ahead in the final canto to win.

Tanagi Scored well under the basket, netting 10 points for the winners, assisted by Mochizuki and Fujihira with 6 and 4, respectively, and Kambe 3, and Nishitani 2. For the losers Kashiwagi featured by some all-around playing, getting 6 points, while Yamamoto contributed 7, Chinn and Hagihara 4 each, and Hayashi 1.

In the opening game of the evening, a rough affair, the Lotus were unable to cope with the heavier Juniors, losing 21 to 11. Shimahara topped the scorers with 8 points for the winners. Hosokawa with his clever floorwork and Yanagimachi's defense stood out for the Juniors. They scored 3 and 2, respectively. S. Kozu added 4, while Toribara and Kobayashi netted 2 each.

For the losers, Furuta led with 6 and Fukuhara added 4, playing nice games, and Sonoda added the odd point.

Ace Defense Weak In the third and final game of the evening, the Aces showed a woeful lack of good guards, losing 40 to 19, to the Cubs. Masuda, Iseki and Mizuta with 10, 10 and 8 points, respectively, sparked the offense, for the winners, as Tanaka 8, Yorita 4 and Kogane 2 assisted.

Furuta with 8, and Sawada with 6, starred for the losers, while Uchida added 4 and Nakagawa 1.

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Taiyo Set Important Get-Together Jan. 14

To elect officers who will direct the activities of the organization for the coming year, the members of the Taiyo Club will hold a New Year get-together Thursday, Jan. 14, starting from 7:30 p. m. at the Nichiren Church.

Besides electing officers, important business matters will be discussed. All members are requested to attend. Refreshment will be served.

Salem Labis Team Beaten By Portland White Tigers, Fujis

Milton Moeda, Takeuchi Lead Tiger Offense; Mike Sarukatari, Hatori Fujis'

By Yoichi Matsuda

PORTLAND, Ore.—The Salem Labish team journeyed all the way from Salem December 27 to invade the lair of the White Tigers, but the Portlands won with a rousing 42-7 victory.

Milton Maeda ran wild to score 12 points for the Tigers. Tom Takeuchi came right behind with 10, Joe Sato with 8, Y. Matsuda with 5, Ralph Takami with 4, and George Sugai with 2.

For Labish, Art Sugai starred with 4 points. Ogura added another field goal and Don Sugai made one free throw.

In the second game, Salem was defeated by the Fuji squad 23-14. Due to lack of reserves, Salem had to use outsiders.

Young Fujis showed the fans some fast combination, with Mike Sarukatari and Toki Hatori leading the attack. Salem made a stubborn fight, but were not able to check their opponents.

For the winners Mike Sarukatari and Toki Hatori scored 8 and 7 points, respectively. Oga 2, M. Takeuchi 3, and Mas Sarawatari 5 also scored for the Fujis.

Watanabe, Don Sugai and Ogura scored 4 each for Salem. Art Sugai added another field goal.

Sunnyside Hoopsters Rally To Down Guild

PORTLAND, Ore.—Girls Cultural Guild basketball team took another one on the chin when they were compelled to hold up the shorter end of a 17-14 game recently.

By the look of the first half, even the very cautious better would have placed his wager on the Japanese. Masa Kobayashi and Ruby Sato pushed the Guild girls far ahead of the Sunnyside M. E. Girls.

In the third quarter, the Japanese offense remained idle and in the fourth, the Guild girls scored only two points, enabling the Sunnysiders to nose ahead with three points.

For the Japanese Masa Kobayashi scored 8 counters, while Ruby Sato made three field goals.

Takeuchi Sinks 12, But Tigers Downed

PORTLAND, Ore.—Tom Takeuchi's 12 points were not enough, so the Turner Junior cagers defeated the White Tigers, 26 to 22.

Although the Tigers led during the first half of the game they could not hold off the Turner attack, which put them ahead. Toward the end of the game the losers rallied, but fell short of a win.

PORTLAND—Voted the most valuable and inspirational player, Moto Kobayashi was presented with a silver loving cup by his fellow members of the Fuji Club.

His playing during the baseball season of 1931 was of a high brand, and he proved to be the sparkplug of the squad.

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Qualified Japanese Invited To Sign Up For Big Ski Joust

Japanese Olympic Games Team Unable To Visit With Seattle Club

22 MEN ARRIVED ON MONDAY

Expert Japanese skiers will have an opportunity to show their wares Sunday, Jan. 17 at Snoqualmie summit, where the International Ski Tournament of the Seattle Ski Club will be held.

More than 50 expert ski jumpers are expected to perform. Any Japanese qualified for Class A or B events are invited to sign up.

An attempt was made to have the Japanese Olympic Games skiers as guests of the local Club, but they had to leave immediately for the East, where they will take part in the Games at Lake Placid in February.

The Japanese Olympic Games team of 22 members arrived in Vancouver Monday.

W. W. G. Stave Off Lotus Attack, Win

G. S. G. Run Up League Record High Score To Swamp Presbyterian

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Girls basketball got under way Wednesday for the season when the Lotus threw a big scare in the defending champions, W. W. G., before going down in defeat, 29 to 21.

With the battle fairly even, Yuri Okazaki tossed in the winning baskets in the closing minutes of play to clinch the game. She scored a total of 17 counters, while Miyachi and Nellie Sakura netted 8 and 4.

For the Lotus Rose Hamada kept her team in the running by looping in 13 points. Teru Hino added 6, while Molly Uyeminami got 2.

Running up a league record in the second game, the G. S. G. swamped the new entry, Presbyterian, 41 to 2. Sumi Arai netted 23 points to lead the attack, while Hide Arai sank 18. Dorothy Kurokawa sank two foul shots for the loser's score.

Fife will have an entry in the Girls league, beginning next week. They play the bye teams of the present schedule, so will tackle the W. W. G. at 8:35, Wednesday, January 13, at Baptist.

Medals And Letters Awarded To Cadets

At the cadets banquet, held at Maryknoll last Monday, medals and letters were presented to the following: Medal for swimming, Stephen Kobayashi; medal for wrestling, Joseph Omizo; medal for running, Akira Kato and medal for boxing, John Kawaguchi. Football letters were presented to the following: Augustine Aratani, James Aratani, Akira Kato, Yoshio Kato, John Kawaguchi, Stephen Kobayashi, Tsakasa Kinoshita, George Okamura, Joseph Omizo, Hitoshi Shimizu, Shinichi Tosaya, Shigeo Urakawa.

Father Murrett presented the medals and letters, and spoke to the Cadets on the value of athletics in their lives. A banquet was served by the Young Ladies Sodality.

Each boy made a speech before receiving his letter or medal, and were commended by Brother Adrian for the remarkable way in which they acquitted themselves. Other speeches were by Father Killon, M. M., and Brother Malachi and Charles.

Renton Noses Out Nippon Hoopsters
In a close, thrilling game, the Nippons were nosed out by a Renton five Wednesday in a City League game, losing, 20 to 17.

Sparky Kono was high point for the evening with 6 counters. Saki Arai could net only 5, while Yukio Kuniyuki, Shugo Hashiguchi and Kaz Arai each sank a basket.

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MINNIE OTA HEAD OF YOUNG GROUP IN NORTH OF CITY

Green Lakers Hold Election Of Officers for 1932; Kay Suzuki Chosen

YUKIO SUZUKI TREASURER

Minnie Ota was elected president of the Green Lake Seinenkai at the first meeting of the year held last week. The other officers chosen were:

- Vice-president: Kay Suzuki.
 - Treasurer: Yukio Suzuki.
 - Recording secretary: Sumio Mochizuki.
 - Corresponding sec'y: Tsuruko Matsuda.
 - Social chairman: Chieko Matsuda.
 - Membership chairman: Johnnie Tanagi.
 - Lookout committee: Torao Kanno.
 - Sports chairman: George Nishitani, boys; Kimiko Taguchi, girls.
- Arriving in Seattle from California for a short visit, Frank Ishida, first president of the Green Lake Seinenkai, surprised members by dropping in at the meeting.

AEOLIANS TO HOLD MEETING MONDAY

Local Talent To Illustrate Hannah Kosaka's Talk on Bach

Marking the first meeting of the society since its adjournment late in November, secretary Hannah Kosaka has prepared an interesting program for the coming Aeolian Society meeting which is to be held at the Y. W. C. A. this Monday night, beginning at 8 o'clock.

A paper on the life of Johann Bach, the famous German composer and organist, will be the chief feature of the evening. Hannah Kosaka, who is to present the talk will also call on a list of six or seven of the talented local, young people to illustrate different phases of her talk.

This gathering will mark the sixth meeting of the Aeolian Society since its inception in this community by Aisaku Nakajima, with the purpose of cultivating interest along classic musical lines.

MEETING PLANNED BY LOTUS GROUPS

Program and Budget Will Be Arranged By Buddhists

An important joint business meeting of the four Lotus groups has been called by Mac Kumata, president of the Lotus Seinenkai, at the Buddhist Church this Sunday, January 17 from 11:30 a. m.

The program for the year will be arranged and the budget fixed. Other important business will be taken up.

Members of the Lotus Seniors, Lotus Juniors, and girls groups will attend the meeting.

Jean Kurosaka Doing Well After Operation

An operation for appendicitis was undergone by Jean Kurosaka, 1414 E. Alder Street, at the Providence Hospital Monday.

Latest reports are that she is doing well.

Last Catholic Rites Held For Yoshiyoka

Funeral services for Francis X. Yoshiyoka were held last Saturday at Our Lady, Queen Martyrs Church. Father Killion conducted the High Mass of Requiem and then accompanied the body to the Calvary Cemetery.

Yoshiyoka had been confined to the Firlands Sanitarium for more than three years. His condition became serious on New Year's Day. The deceased left no relatives here.

DELIVER CARDS

In order to aid unemployed people in their quest for jobs, members of Troop 53 last Saturday delivered 1000 cards in a house to house canvass for registering jobs.

FRIENDSHIP PARTY

DENVER—A friendship party, at which a large attendance of the local Buddhist young people was seen, was held recently at the Buddhist church. Games and refreshments were enjoyed by all.

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Such is Yoshio Iwanaga, the melody-crooning, poem slinging, heart palpitating Romeo of many arts. And if Juliet be not present, Yoshio can still substitute on the well-known balcony. Anybody who witnessed him impersonate a fair member of the weaker sex at the play, "Over the Hill," given at Tacoma last spring, will testify to that.

WARNING ISSUED TO YOUNG GIRLS

Reports of Attempted Attacks Call for Care and Diligence

Warnings have been issued by community leaders to the second generation girls to exercise due care and diligence, following the reports this week of a masked thug who attempted attacks on three women and girls, two of them Japanese.

Mrs. A. G. Watkins routed the marauder after a brief battle when the bandit seized her at her home Tuesday evening.

At 1300 Weller Street, the marauder entered the home of T. Yasunaga and seized Michiko, fifteen year old high school student. Her screams and struggles put the thug to flight and her father called the police.

The third attempted attack was at another Japanese home where the bandit broke the glass pane of a kitchen door at 1810 King Street. The thug seized Amy Ota, twenty, but was again compelled to flee when the girl's screams brought help.

The marauder was described as a white man with the lower part of his face masked with a black handkerchief.

Girls are especially cautioned against dangers after nightfall and are advised not to be without proper escort and protection.

Parents, Teachers See Nippon Dance

Six Japanese girls presented a Nipponese dance as one of the features at the P. T. A. meeting of the Pacific School Tuesday night, January 12.

Other numbers included a song by three Chinese girls, and a monologue by a Hebrew girl. A talk was given by Mrs. Gross.

Nakamura Sponsors 61st KXA Program

Their 61st broadcast of Japanese music through Seattle stations will be sponsored by W. Nakamura Co, 516 Jackson Street, next Friday evening, January 22 from 7 until 7:30 p. m.

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Portraying the highest ideals of Japanese loyalty, patriotism and filial piety, the Japanese movie, "Shogun Basha" or "General's Carriage," featuring an incident in the life of that famous General, Nogi, was shown at the Nippon Kan last Sunday evening under the sponsorship of the Girls Club.

Although in a way the picture was an educational one, still the packed house of spectators fully enjoyed its dramatic and entertaining moments.

Several scenes, featuring the four seasons in Japan and views of modern Tokyo, as well as hilarious Japanese and American comedies preceded the feature picture.

The films were brought here directly from Japan by Ryuchi Kato and Motoshige Oseko, sent to the United States to make a study of Americans films and movie technique.

INAGAKI NAMED AS VALEDICTORIAN

Sacramento Youth Chooses Second Generation Topic For Speech

By Mary Oyama

SACRAMENTO—For the first time in the history of the Sacramento high school, a Japanese American youth, George Inagaki has been chosen as valedictory speaker.

Inagaki will be one of two speakers on the commencement program of the graduating class of 265 students for the winter of 1932. He was selected from a number of other honor student speakers who tried out for valedictory speaker. It has been a traditional custom for many years to have two high-ranking senior chosen for this honor.

An interesting feature of the recent choice is that the judges consider Inagaki's subject which deals with the second generation Japanese student, an unusual subject but one which is vitally important.

COLORADO GROUP ELECTS OFFICERS

Members To Use Japanese Language At Meetings of Club

By Seda S. Ito

FORT LUPTON, Colo.—At the annual election held recently, the following Fort Lupton officers were elected:

President, Hajime Koshio; vice-president, Seo Tani; treasurer, Tanaka Hayashida; secretary, Yonema Tani; advisors, Roy Yoshida, T. Onodera, George Tani and K. Miyamoto.

Another particular feature of this meeting was that all members are requested to talk only the Japanese language, while meetings are held.

J. S. C. Sophomores Initiate Freshmen

Suffering indignities at the hands of the upperclassmen, freshmen and pledges to the Japanese Student Club, had a woful time during their initiation week, which ended yesterday.

Frank Yama was in charge of the sophomore initiation committee.

Church Notes

Methodist

6:45 p. m.—Hi Epworth league meeting led by Eichi Kozu.

6:45 p. m.—Varsity Epworth meeting.

7:30 p. m.—English services conducted by Rev. T. W. Bundy.

Presbyterian

11 a. m.—Christian Endeavor meeting led by Marion Nakagawa. Her topic will be "My Share in My Home".

Baptist

7:15 p. m.—English services, conducted by Rev. Emery Andrews. Sermonette, "Why Every Boy And Girl Is Like A Lead Pencil". A children's picture called "Clean Hands For Health" will be shown.

Catholic

7 a. m.—Mass.

9:30 a. m.—High mass. Father Killion will continue the series of sermons on mass, with "Praying for our dead".

Maryknoll Cadets will hold their monthly Communion breakfast following the 9:30 mass.

Congregational

11 a. m.—Christian Endeavor meeting led by Seiko Ishida. Her topic will be, "Hymns".

Episcopal

10:30 a. m.—Morning worship conducted by Clifford L. Samuelson.

11:30 a. m.—Young Peoples' Fellowship meeting.

12:00 noon—Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrews meeting.

Out-of-Town News

Portland Buddhists Will Stage Program

By Yoichi Matsuda

PORTLAND—An entertainment, sponsored by the Young Men's Buddhist Association, will be given at the Buddhist Church this Sunday evening, January 17.

An entertainment program of plays, skits, and musical numbers will be presented. Itano, Portland's Japanese baritone radio singer, will be featured in songs.

Six members of the Lotus Seinenkai in Seattle are expected to augment the program with several numbers, including a play in Japanese.

On Wednesday, January 6, the Japanese Club of the Japanese M. E. Church held its second meeting. Ambitious second generation were present to show their skill in speaking Japanese.

Rev. Goto called upon a few of the members to discuss in Japanese various topics of general interest.

Akiko Tsuboi began almost all her sentences with "Ano-ne".

Mary Marumoto sat there with, "Oh, gosh."

Every time she got stuck, Mary Shimojima would say, "well, anyway."

All the members of the local M. E. Church gathered Sunday evening to enjoy a jolly evening. This was a combination New Year Banquet and reception for Mrs. Shimomura, who has just returned from Japan.

First part of the evening was spent in devotional meeting, ended by a short sermon by Rev. Goto. The second part of the program was in the form of entertaining stunts and songs.

The Girls Cultural Guild held their first meeting of 1932 at the club room in Y. W. C. A. As the main speaker, Miss Steinbeck, secretary of the Porta Portland Y. W. C. A., gave a short talk on the activities of the Y. W. C. A.

After an entertaining program by the various club members, tea was served.

Fife Youth Choose Sakahara President

By Shigeo Wakamatsu

FIFE—At the first Seinenkai meeting of the year, the election of officers were held at the local Japanese School, Sunday.

Newly elected officers are: Dan Yasuo Sakahara, president; James Kinoshita, vice-president; Ray Yamamoto, secretary; Shigeo Wakamatsu, corr. secretary; Masato Tamura, treasurer; and Mitsuyoshi Asahara, social chairman.

Immediately after election President-elect Dan Sakahara took office and various business was discussed.

A report of the treasury showed that the club is now in good financial condition, but in spite of that, a general cut-down of expenses was advised at the meeting.

James Kinoshita and Sakae Yamamoto, were recently selected for parts in the cast of the Junior class play at the Fife High School. James has taken one of the major roles and with Sakae, ought to prove the so-called statement that Japanese are good actors.

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Citizens Of Puyallup Set Banquet Jan. 30

PUYALLUP—To open activities of the organization for 1932, the local Valley Citizens' League will hold a banquet on January 30, it was decided at a recent meeting.

A joint meeting with the Valley Civic League is being contemplated in the near future.

Yakima C. E. Plans Yardstick Social

By Mary Sakimura

YAKIMA—With Sumi Nakamura in charge, the Yakima C. E. members are holding a "Foot and Inch" social on Sunday, January 24.

On the following Sunday, a Wapato-Yakima social will be held with Yuki Kuwahara of Spokane as honor guest. Miss Kuwahara will meet with the Yakima C. E. and the Wapato Epworth League to discuss plans for a sectional conference which may be held during the holiday weekend of Washington's birthday in February.

Karuta playing has been prominent in social circles recently. Two karuta parties were sponsored by H. Ide at his home, and one at the Sakimura home recently.

Among the best second generation players are Toshiko Itabashi and G. Oyama, Taiyo pitcher, a recent arrival from Seattle.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Y. Sakura, newlyweds from Seattle, were here on a honeymoon a fortnight ago. They were guests for dinner at the home of Mrs. H. W. Chase.

Dr. Morio, renowned for his method of curing sickness, was in Yakima all last week.

Nakata Chosen Head Of St. James Y. P. F.

KENT—Rev. R. J. Arney is to give one of his regular monthly talks this Sunday evening at the home of Fred Okimoto starting at 7 o'clock. He will speak on "Parables on Tares".

In an recent election held by the Young People's Fellowship of the St. James Episcopal Church, the following officers were chosen to lead the group for the coming year:

President: Charles Nakata.
Vice-Pres.: Peter Katsuno.
Secretary: Marion Nakagawa.
Treasurer: Mrs. Mabel Shigaya.

Seattle Union Asked To Lead At Alderton

ALDERTON—The Y. P. S. went to the Puyallup Swedish Baptist Church Sunday to hear an evangelistic sermon by the Reverend Anderson. Among those who accepted Christ during the service were Carl Yamamoto, Takeo Yamamoto, Esamu Morikazu and Okiko Yamashita and Ike Nakashima.

A short business meeting was held after the service with President Mary Uno and Carl Samuels, advisor, presiding. It was decided to invite the Seattle Senior B. Y. P. U. to take over the meeting Sunday evening, 7 p. m., and young Christians groups of the vicinity were invited to attend.

Flowers were sent by the organization to Mitsuko Yamashita, who is in the hospital recovering from an operation for appendicitis.

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By A. G. Sears

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The course of the middle school is mainly for those who are desirous of entering college or university. It is largely a preparatory school. Its course extends over five years.

On graduation from the middle school, the boy, if he wishes to enter one of the Imperial Universities, must make further preparations by completing the course of a high school. This course covers the work of what might be roughly termed in the United States the twelfth year and two years of junior college.

Education For Girls

The Japanese Government has not made very generous provisions for higher education of women. During recent years, however, great progress has been made in providing for girls, the means of secondary education. There are now for them a number of so-called high schools, normal schools, higher normal schools, and schools for technical industrial training. For higher education the girls must look mainly to the private or missionary schools of which there are many excellent ones. Unless there has been a very recent change, girls can enter the Imperial Universities only as auditors. No degrees are or were granted to them.

Compulsory school age is from six to fourteen years. Although the duties imposed relating to compulsory education in Japan are heavy and strict, yet the public is so eager to educate the young that few complaints are heard against the law.

After a pupil leaves the third grade in the large cities the boys and the girls are taught in separate classes if practicable. About sixty-five percent of the teachers are men. The school system of Japan is not seriously concerned itself with a student's I. Q. The whole system is a continual sifting—a case of the survival of the fittest. Too often, however, the fittest means the one with the best memory and not with the best reasoning powers.

Extremely Ambitious

Japanese youths are extremely aspiring, energetic, ambitious and determined to make the most of their opportunities. We see them everywhere over there, thousands and thousands of them. I think it is Kipling who says, "Japan is a land of little children, where the babies are the kings."

They are so quiet, so courteous, so studious, so earnest, and so determined to succeed. And yet when it is time to play,—how they can play and what wonderful athletes they are developing!

When we see them on the streets, on the cars, in the school rooms, so earnest and thoughtful, we wonder if Japanese parents and teachers are putting something into the hearts of their children that we Americans fail to do. Faultily as we think their method of instruction is, yet they are succeeding in many ways when we are failing.

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