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Between the Lines

CAST IRON paving blocks are being tried out in Minnesota. We've often heard about a way being "a hard road to travel."

CHRISTMAS MAIL rush is on, and Postmaster Starr has provided the usual extra facilities. Mail it early!

WOMEN democrats held a Christmas party this week. The Republican ladies haven't much to rejoice about this year.

SEVERAL MILLIONS of Americans have a common interest with President Roosevelt this week and next. They are trying to balance their budgets.

DENVER FIRM is being investigated by the government over an alleged penny-a-share stock-selling plan. That's getting down into the small change operations.

SHIP TIED UP in Tacoma several days because the crew said they wouldn't sail until they got more milk with their meals. In the old days the boys used to strike for more grog rations.

JIMMY PHELAN has been hired again as football coach at the University of Washington, after winning games at the close of the season. But early in the Fall it looked like Jimmy would be one of the unemployed.

COMMUNIST booklets were distributed in the lockers of students at the Roosevelt High School here. Perhaps those who did the distributing had not heard that Mrs. Roosevelt has denounced Earl Browder—or had they?

DAVID SARNOFF, head of the RCA talked to President Roosevelt the other day about television. Perhaps he used this new method of communication to let the President have a peep into 1940. If so we may soon hear about that third term proposal.

PARIS COUNCILMEN want to rename "Moscow" Street in that city "Helsinki" Street. This reminds us of "Liberty" steak for Hamburger, and "American" fried potatoes in this country during the World War; to say nothing of forbidding Wagner music.

THE PASSING OF Douglas Fairbanks this week serves to remind us that styles in the movies have changed. In his day it was the acrobatic, he-man star that packed the crowds. In these days it's the glamour girls who fill the theatre box offices. Hall and farewell!

THIRD TERM debate is again raging over the country. As everyone knows, there is only precedent for the two-term idea for our presidents. However, as we have said before, the unusual stir over the third term for Roosevelt this year offers some argument for settling the question by law.

GOOD FROM EVIL is reported in a case from Philadelphia this week. A negro family won a large sum in a sweepstakes prize. Now they are paying back several thousand dollars received from the roll of raffles, and will devote a large amount to building a low-rent apartment for Negroes.

ALASKA is headed for statehood, said a speaker before a local club this week, but he thought eastern states would object. He said the reason is that the East objects to the West having additional representatives and senators in Congress. Still, we believe that the East is getting a little more broad-minded, as the importance of Alaska to the union develops.

FIRST DECISION of the kind was handed down by a Circuit Court in New York this week to the effect that the national labor act does not entirely prevent an employer from discriminating against union or non-union members in hiring only after an employer-employee relationship had been established that the employer was required to abstain from discrimination. It simply goes to show that the Wagner Act is still a matter of controversy, and that Congress should do something to clarify matters when it meets again.

THE WEEK At A Glance

Nov. 8, LONDON.—German submarine sunk and British warship torpedoed.

Nov. 9, KIRKENES, Norway.—Six hundred Red soldiers reported drowned when repulsed by Finns.

Nov. 10, WASHINGTON.—Reconstruction Finance Corporation grants Finland a 10-million dollar credit.

Nov. 11, GENEVA.—League of Nations asks Russia to accept League mediation in Finnish dispute.

Nov. 12, HOLLYWOOD.—Douglas Fairbanks, Sr., star of the silent films, dies suddenly.

Nov. 13, GENEVA.—A 13-nation committee of the League condemns Russia.

Nov. 14, GENEVA.—Soviet Russia denounced and expelled from League of Nations.

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CALIFORNIA YOUNG ELECTING OFFICERS

Several Of Important Chapters Pick New Leaders; Nominations Made; League Balloting Draws Attention

INSTALLATIONS SET IN JANUARY

SAN FRANCISCO.—California chapters of the Japanese American Citizens League are now in the midst of selecting cabinet officers for the coming year, with some of the groups reporting warm contests. In several instances the incumbent president has been re-elected, or asked to run.

After an unusually warm campaign, the Los Angeles chapter voted this week, and the returns were reported to be coming in slowly. The deadline was Tuesday night. The local chapter set a meeting on Thursday night of this week to receive the report of the nominating committee. Oakland has a strong list. Several of the smaller chapters have selected the leaders.

OAKLAND, Calif.—To hear an address on contributions made by the Japanese to agriculture in California, and to receive the report of the nominating committee, the local chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League held a largely-attended meeting here recently.

The chapter election is set to be held January 16. Much interest was manifested in the list of candidates submitted, although there is practically no contest. The candidates are prominent chapter workers, and the community is looking forward to an unusually prosperous year under their administration.

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San Francisco Folk Prepare For Ballot

SAN FRANCISCO.—With the double purpose of holding a pre-Christmas party and receiving the list of candidates presented by the nominating committee for next year, the local chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League arranged a party for Thursday evening of this week.

The affair is to be known as a White Elephant party, and all the young people are invited to attend. It will be held in the YMCA social hall.

Everyone was asked to bring a White Elephant gift, the value not to exceed 10 cents. Each girl was to receive a gift from a boy, and she must grant a dance to acknowledge the gift.

The music for dancing will be provided by Albert's orchestra. The exchange of gifts will start the social program for the evening.

After an unusually prosperous year under the direction of Saburo Kido and his cabinet, the chapter is planning for further expansion in 1940. Several large projects are on the program. Among them will be the sending of a large delegation to the national convention in Portland.

The committee in charge of the party was Henry Uyeda, Roy Takagi, Dr. Masako Moriya, Mary Louise Seo, Miyo Okawara and Ruth Honda.

The chapter election will take place next month at a date to be set later.

ANOTHER COUNCIL, PRESIDENT HINTS

Intermountain Region Fought Rich Possible Field Of Citizens League

SACRAMENTO, Calif.—Possibility that a fourth District Council of the Japanese American Citizens League may be organized the latter part of this month was seen by President Walter T. Tsukamoto, on his return from a visit to southern Idaho and Utah.

The president recently made a flying trip to Idaho Falls, and Salt Lake City. At the latter city December 29 there is to be a gathering of young people.

In Strong Position
Tsukamoto spoke highly of the economic progress made in the district visited, and also of the character of the citizens there. They are engaged in potato and sugar beet raising.

"Without exception," Tsukamoto said, "I found that all of these farmers have been very successful, and that in no case are they indebted to shipping firms and thereby hindered in the sale of their crops. In other words, because of their financial independence, they are not forced to sell their products at any designated time to shipping concerns. They can hold for a favorable market." He continued:

Large Crowd Present
The convention was attended by 287 registered nisei, all over the age of 16 years, having assembled from Rexburg, Pocatello, and other points in Idaho and Utah.

Of the Maryknoll priests who served as former superiors in Los Angeles, Father W. S. Kress was the first. Father John F. Swift has served there for many years. Fathers Fitzgerald, Stack and Lavery, likewise. To Father Lavery goes the immediate credit and joy of final achievement. His has been the work of planning, the anxiety of obtaining funds, the task of immediately supervising construction. He is also the supreme consolation of seeing the dream of many persons over a long period of years reach its ultimate term and fruition.

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Members-at-large elected were Kazuo Ikebasa, Hawthorne-Ingleside; Noboru Hayataka, West Hawthorne; Kiyoshi Kiyoshi Takahashi, Redondo-Hermosa; Kiyoshi Minami, Lomita-Harbor City-Torrance; Ichiro Hajima, Compton-Dominguez; Keystone; Shigeo Yasutake, Gardena.

NEW YORK.—In a letter made public here Mrs. Roosevelt said she did not think a man should be a public officer if he is a Communist, an enemy of American institutions.

HUNGARY PAYS UP
WASHINGTON.—Hungary was the first country to make a war debt payment this week on semi-annual installment. As in the past two years Hungary sent \$9,828 against what she owes the United States.

HOT IN LOS ANGELES
LOS ANGELES.—The temperature climbed to 80 degrees here this week, being the warmest December day since the records were kept in 1886.

A well rising from the center of a new plate for refreshments prevents a cup sliding when the plate is held on a person's knee at informal luncheons.

JAPAN GRAIN CROPS EXCEPT RICE MADE STRONG GAINS LAST YEAR
TOKIO.—Although the rice crop the past year was short, it is pointed out that a new crop is approaching, and that the production of other grains last year was far above the average.

In view of the situation as to other grains, and the possible solution of the rice problem by certain means, government officials declare there is no need for apprehension as to the food supply.

Wheat last year made an enormous increase. Production this year was not only much greater than last year, but far exceeds the five-year average.

The wheat crop for the year ending June 30, 1939 was 12,113,058 koku, according to a report of the Agriculture and Forestry Ministry as reported by the

Asahi. This output was for Japan proper, only. This is 3,141,495 koku above the year previous, which was an all-time Japanese record.

During the past five years Japan's wheat crop has ranged from 8,000,000 to 10,900,000 koku. Production the past year was 28.8 percent greater than the five-year average.

Other grain crops, excepting rice, also showed an increase. Barley, an important crop, amounted to 7,764,969 koku, which was an increase of 1,438,000 koku above the previous year, or 22.7 percent above last year. It also was above the five-year average.

Naked barley, a grain similar to rye, was 6,615,405 koku, or 31.6 percent above 1938 and also above the five-year average.

KNOCKS REVEALED FOR LABOR BOARD IN HOT HEARING

John Boettiger, Of Seattle, Stern Critic, Says Note Read Into Record

FINLAND GETS CREDIT

WASHINGTON.—Most spectacular development in the capital this week was the hearing before the Congressional committee investigating the National Labor Relations Board. Of interest was a statement read into the record quoting John Boettiger, publisher of the Seattle Post-Intelligencer, as criticizing the board.

The government has granted a credit of \$10,000,000 to Finland to purchase supplies here.

Wire-tapping barred
Use in federal criminal trials of all evidence obtained by wire-tapping was outlawed by the Supreme Court this week in a decision announced by Justice Roberts.

In a 1937 decision the court held that the 1934 Communications Act prohibited the use of wire-tapping evidence in interstate communications. This week's decision also bars evidence obtained in intra-state communications.

Wire-tapping evidence was used largely during prohibition days.

Chain Store Tax Decision
The Supreme Court agreed to review a decision holding invalid a section of the Minnesota chain-store tax law of 1933 which levied a tax measured by the gross sales of the chain.

The state appealed from the Minnesota Supreme Court, which ruled in favor of the National Tea Company and the Allied Stores Corporation in their suits to recover \$118,740 and \$57,827 respectively, in taxes paid under the law.

Dies Committee Uproar
Slumbering dissent in the Dies un-American Committee broke out this week when Representative Voorhis of California accused the committee of using un-democratic procedure in making public a report saying certain consumer groups were Communist "transmission belts."

Voorhis said the report was simply the opinion of J. B. Matthews, committee researcher. He said the report was put into the record without all the committee members being given notice.

Strife also was disclosed in the National Labor Relations Board on complaints made by a regional director in New York. One witness here said the opposition to the labor act was intensified by the break between the two big labor groups.

As the result of a big federal bond issue, the national debt is now put at \$41,882,742,768. The debt has jumped \$3,200,000,000 the past year. The legal limit is 45 billions.

Ambassador Kennedy Against War Action
BOSTON.—Although he said it was anybody's guess as to the possibility of peace in Europe, United States Ambassador Joseph P. Kennedy left no doubt that he was opposed to this country entering the European war.

The diplomat came home from London to confer with the President and State Department officials. His presence was taken in some quarters to indicate a possible move toward peace.

There is absolutely no reason—economic, social or financial—for the United States becoming involved, Kennedy said. He added that when anyone advocates American intervention in the war they should be made to answer "why" and "how." One reason for American intervention is the American people's sporting spirit in not wanting to see an unfair or immoral thing done, but he added: "This is not our fight."

Speaking before a gathering, Kennedy said:

"Do not let anything that comes out of any country in the world make you believe you can make the situation one whit better by getting into the war. There is no place in this fight for us. It is going to be had enough as it is."

Candidates for public office should be made to answer "how" they would do the things they advocate in the European situation, he said.

Coulee Land Owners Vote For Irrigation
OTHELLO, Wash.—Land owners in this part of the Big Bend that lies under the Coulee Dam last week voted overwhelmingly to form irrigation districts, and thus brought the project one step nearer completion.

A total vote of 1,352 voted for the East Columbia Basin and the South Columbia Basin irrigation districts. Each contains 400,000 acres. A previous election had approved the West Basin district, also containing 400,000 acres.

Russia Gets Ouster By Nations' League

LONDON.—Climax of the week's war activities in Europe was the expulsion of Soviet Russia from the League of Nations by unanimous vote of the council. The Soviet was condemned as an aggressor for invading Finland.

Another spectacular event was a battle off South America when three British battleships engaged and badly damaged the German pocket battleship Graf Spee. It was said 36 were killed on the German ship. Aircraft and submarine warfare was immediately intensified in the North Sea.

Russia continued her invasion of Finland, but it was indicated that heavy weather had halted the forces.

In the meantime the war between allied and German submarines and aircraft went on, with both sides claiming some victories.

The Scandinavian countries, Holland and Belgium, were reported as taking steps to protect their interests.

One report said that Russia was preparing a mighty army, and a vast air fleet for a great offensive against Finland.

The Soviet ambassador left Rome, after demonstrations.

SEATTLE CHAMBER ASKS TRADE PACT

Merchants Exchange Also On Record; Business Men In City Voice Approval

Renewal of the Japanese-American trade treaty is strongly advocated by virtually all qualified observers, a poll of business leaders by The Courier revealed this week.

Said J. T. Steeb, leading custom house broker: A new treaty based on present-day conditions should be entered into. Abrogation would be a severe blow to our maritime trade in view of the loss of our European markets. Earl Lightner, editor, The Financial Review, editor, The Seattle Times, said: "The treaty should be renewed. The whole coast stands to lose if it isn't."

Affects Silk Supply
C. A. McMillin, branch manager Real Silk Co.: "We employ 3,500 persons in our main mill, and Japan supplies virtually all our silk. You can see the effect abrogation would have on us. Naturally, I think the treaty should be renewed. Ray Varner, Safeway Stores Manager: As I understand it, abrogation means more unemployment in Seattle.

The poll was taken following action by the Seattle Chamber of Commerce and the Merchants Exchange, both of which passed resolutions urging that the treaty be renewed. The chamber's resolution was sent to the chambers of Portland, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Houston, and the U. S. Chamber in Washington, D. C.

Text Of Resolution
Following is the text of the Seattle chamber's resolution.

"Japan is the United States' third best customer, and in the first six months of 1939 bought over \$111,000,000 of our goods—\$48,000,000 more than we bought from Japan, according to the Foreign Commerce Department of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States.

"Oriental business constitutes approximately 40 per cent of the foreign trade of the State of Washington.

"At present the trade agreement between Japan and the United States has been cancelled, effective as of January 26, 1940.

"In order that importers, exporters, steamship lines, American rail lines and others interested be not penalized.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of the Seattle Chamber of Commerce, that the Chamber of Commerce of the United States and the Chamber of Commerce of Washington, in view of the importance of the trade relationship between these two countries in the important interest in the Alaska fisheries, to which our

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FAR EAST NATIONS SEEK COTTON PACT

Huge Trade Between Japan And India Due For Continuation If Trade Treaty Can Be Finally Renewed

DEMAND FOR TEXTILES GROWING

NEW YORK.—Negotiations for the renewal of the Indo-Japanese cotton trade agreement are now under way, says Miriam S. Farley, writing in The Far Eastern Survey. The trade is of great importance to both countries. However, it seems India is not willing to renew on the same basis as before.

The original agreement was concluded in 1934 after a trade dispute, in which India boosted tariffs on Japanese textiles, and Japan then retaliated by boycotting Indian cotton. Finally, there was a settlement by what was called a "barter agreement." But Japan's imports of cotton are under that of her cotton textiles exports to India. Much depends on the outcome.

In the agreement which has been operative, India agreed not to impose tariffs of more than 50 per cent on Japanese cotton goods which meant, under the existing system of imperial preference, that not more than 25 percent preference could be given to British products. Japan agreed to purchase 1,000,000 bales of Indian cotton annually, in return for which India promised to admit 225,000,000 yards of Japanese cotton textiles; this quota would be increased if Japan purchased a large quantity of Indian cotton.

Textile Quota Reduced
The 1934 agreement ran for three years and was renewed in 1937 for an additional three years, with some modifications, notably a reduction of the textile quota to 283,000,000 yards.

This was necessitated by the separation from India of Burma, with which Japan concluded a similar agreement at the same time. Provision was also made for regulation of the export trade in fents (textile remnants), which had formed a loop-hole for evasion of the 1934 agreement.

Affected By Present War
The reciprocal trade in cotton and cotton textiles between India and Japan has been seriously affected by the Sino-Japanese war. Japanese purchases of Indian cotton declined sharply after the outbreak of the war, owing to the Japanese import restrictions.

More recently, there has been some improvement, but Japanese imports from India are still little more than half of the normal taking.

Meanwhile, exports of Japanese cotton textiles to India have suffered no such contraction. They declined from 1935 to 1937, but since 1937 have been increasing, to the alarm of Indian manufacturers. Thus, despite the agreement, the cotton-cotton textile trade has moved to the disadvantage of India, while at the same time the total balance of trade has turned in favor of Japan.

British Gain Is Small
Japan, for her part, was perturbed by the Anglo-Indian trade agreement concluded last March. At this time, India consented to reduce her tariffs on British cotton textiles, (thus increasing the preference over Japanese goods), for the first year of the agreement, after which the rate of duty is to depend on British purchases of Indian cotton.

At the same time she abolished the preferential tariffs on a number of other products. So far, British textiles do not seem to have benefited very much by the agreement, but Japan is nevertheless concerned.

Luxury Ship Bremen Reaches Home Water
BERLIN.—The German luxury liner has arrived safely in home waters after a trip from Murmansk, Russia, it was announced here. One report said a British submarine endangered the ship. In London it was said the ship was spared because it would have been contrary to the rules of war to torpedo a ship without warning.

The Bremen was in New York when the war broke. United States officials detained her several days. She finally got away and made her way to the far-north Russian port.

Cold Salmon Supply Shows Big Decrease
WASHINGTON.—Cold salmon in storage as of November 15 totaled only about half the amount on the same date last year, the bureau of fisheries reported.

Now there is only 7,738,528 pounds of cold salmon on hand, while last year at the same date the figure was 14,760,000 pounds. The total included imported fish. Canadian reports showed 5,700,000 pounds of salmon in storage on November 1.

TULARE SETS VOTE
TULARE, Calif.—Interest centered in the race for president in the election of the Tulare County JA CL chapter set for Visalia this Friday night. Candidates are Chorge Kaku, incumbent; Kaye Watanabe, Ernest Takaki and Hideo Yehara.

TOURIST FACILITIES IN ORIENT PLEASE SEATTLE TRAVEL EXPERT
Japan proved to be a marvelous surprise to a party of American travel agents who made a tour of the country recently. This was the statement of A. J. Barash, managing owner of a Here-to-Go Bureau, in Seattle. He spoke over The Courier radio broadcast last Wednesday evening, saying:

I was recently fortunate enough to have been included as a member of a party of American travel agents who were invited to tour Japan as the guests of the Board of Tourist Industries of the Japanese Government Railways. After a delightful trip across the Pacific on the Asama Maru of the NYK Line, we landed in Japan where we spent 44 days touring that and adjacent countries, and were much impressed by what we saw and the treatment that we received at the hands of our hosts.

We covered the mainland of Japan from Nikko on the north to Simonsaki on the west, stopping at all of the principal cities and scenic attractions in between. We could not help but notice the similarity of that country and our own Pacific Northwest from a scenic standpoint. A great portion of Japan is mountainous, covered with evergreen trees similar in foliage to our own firs, cedars and hemlocks.

The valleys and lowlands are intensively cultivated, giving the impression of one continuous garden, with rice fields, of course, predominating. Apparently every foot of tillable soil is utilized.

We found the cities extremely impressive. (Continued on Feature Page)

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CANNOT HELP, KENNEDY SAYS

Unusual interest was aroused the past week by the visit of Joseph P. Kennedy, United States Ambassador to Great Britain...

The presence of the envoy was taken in some quarters to mean that there is some immediate prospect of peace in Europe...

Mr. Kennedy was so emphatic in his declaration that this country should in no way become involved that it does not appear the United States is going to get into the war...

There is no doubt is strong public sentiment in this country in favor of little Finland. This brings us back to the argument that has been set out before in these columns...

But it was the sinking of the Lusitania that started the movement that ended in American troops on European soil.

In the light of these previous experiences, the warning of Ambassador Kennedy takes on added importance when he tells his Boston friends not to let anyone "make you believe you can better the situation one whit by getting into the war."

As the Christmas season approaches, however, we do hope that there may be some definite move toward peace on the other side of the Atlantic—but without our being dragged in.

ANOTHER FORGOTTEN MAN

As war rages in Europe and elsewhere, and its effects are being felt in practically every corner of the earth, it is said that President Roosevelt is playing with a novel theory of international relations that may prove of great significance.

This theory is, briefly, that in a world of conflict, neutrals, as well as belligerents, are parties at interest.

Just how the observer arrives at the conclusion that this is a novel theory originated by the President we are not informed. We should say it is nothing new, but possibly Mr. Roosevelt thinks so.

Of course this may not result in a lasting solution, as one may find by remembering the Versailles treaty.

The President's theory takes on added significance today when there seems to be a genuine effort on the part of the League of Nations and some neutral countries to end the European conflict.

When Mr. Roosevelt advances his theory that all neutrals should have something to say about settling a military war, he seems to hark back to his idea of "The forgotten man" that was such a slogan in his first campaign for election.

The most conspicuous example of a "forgotten man" in this country is and has been for years, the general public. It is nothing new under the Roosevelt administration, but in one field the public seems to have been overlooked the past few years, particularly since the enactment of the Wagner Act.

Director Hegland said there are 73 of the 300 welfare department employees receiving less than \$100 a month. These are classified as temporary employees.

ever before. This strife has involved three groups. They are the labor organizations, the employers, and the public.

The labor organizations are prepared to take care of themselves, and the employers generally have the means to present their side of the case.

THIRD PHASE FOR COULEE

Action of land-owners in the Columbia Basin last week-end in voting to approve two districts completes that part of the program that was up to the owners.

Thus our mightiest river in a few years will begin to do its part in reclaiming the vast territory through which it flows, and has flowed for centuries.

If we exclude the Indians and the fur traders who first lived in the territory, the initial development in the Big Bend was under the direction of the stockmen.

Then came the rancher. First area to come under cultivation was on the east, including the rich Palouse grain fields, and the small valleys in the northeast.

But thousands of people visioned the territory south of Grand Coulee as an irrigation district, and the campaign begun.

One blessing which apparently the depression will bring to Washington is the basin irrigation project.

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JAPAN'S FOREIGN TRADE

Action of the board of trustees of the Seattle Chamber of Commerce this week in urging that a new trade treaty be negotiated with Japan coincides with several other developments.

From Tokio comes word that preliminary discussions have been concluded with Russia on a trade treaty, and that technical deliberations will begin in Moscow in January.

Another item bearing on the Pacific Coast-Japanese trade is a statement made in Los Angeles by an oil exporter who has just returned from a long visit to the Orient.

WELFARE WORKER WAGES

The ways of public relief organizations seem to be past finding out by the average citizen, but there is to us something ironical about the investigation ordered by the King County commissioners into the salaries being paid welfare department employees.

The case at issue is that of a building engineer whose salary was cut from \$65 to \$40 a month. He quit. Director L. L. Hegland tells the board that the man was a part-time employee.

The present case is of interest because it puts into the public record the salary scale of the county welfare employees.

It seems there is a theory, at least, that the minimum salary should be \$100 a month. Now, there is one opinion that these welfare workers are nothing more than recipients of public relief.

Director Hegland said there are 73 of the 300 welfare department employees receiving less than \$100 a month. These are classified as temporary employees.

two poems by miyo ishiwata . . .

(It is with the greatest of pleasure that The Courier presents in this issue a writer new to these columns. Miss Miyo Ishiwata is a resident of Vancouver, B. C. She is one of the better known young second generation writers of

Yesterday, I know my heart was not like this Because today I feel Intoxicated; I used to dream of bliss . . . a kiss But now I live with Ecstasy.

Random Rambles

Well, the Rambler feels that he cannot only get through the week but also endure what the annual Christmas shopping season has to offer.

And speaking of music, several weeks ago the Rambler was listening to the Toscanini broadcast of Beethoven's great Ninth Symphony with a friend whose opportunities to listen to broadcasts of symphony music have been few and far between.

"You know," the Rambler's friend said, "this music doesn't sound right. There should be a break in it right there because that's where I always have to get up and change the record."

One of the Rambler's many operatives swears that the following story of juvenile enterprise is absolutely true.

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The little boy, taking advantage of the utter silence, then piped up with, "Would anybody like to buy a Saturday Evening Post?"

Dr. John Rademaker, writing from his home in Lewiston, Maine, says that he and his bride are patiently waiting for the appearance of the deep snow for the Maine country is noted for.

Two wild geese winging their way swiftly, silently, gracefully over Union Bay.

Previously the manager of the foreign trade department of the chamber at Los Angeles has pointed out the value of the Oriental trade.

Indicating that the Japanese interest is spreading widely from the Pacific Coast into the Rocky Mountain region, the Foreign Office in Tokio is taking steps to create a Japanese Consulate in Denver, Colo.

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Taiyo Diary

Thursday, Nov. 2, 1939 . . . Perfect weather. Woke up in time for 7:30 breakfast. Started for Hozu Rapids on the 8:51 street car.

Hour after hour I sit entranced In the clear de lune The satellite streams my dark room With her cold placid intensity; She fills my very soul with sadness.

Such are the sacrifices that a nation must undergo when it is fighting the great battle for peace.

It's a little bit late to be talking about it now, but at least the Rambler can't be accused of passing out free advertising.

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Pink Tea

Mukden, Manchoukuo, Hollywood, Calif., and Seattle, Wash., have been on the itinerary of Mr. John F. Aiso's recent house-party.

Entertaining in Mr. Aiso's honor have been Mr. and Mrs. S. Hoshide and Mr. and Mrs. S. Ito.

Culinary skill was rampant at the holiday potluck dinner prepared by friend wives for the enjoyment of friend husbands last Tuesday evening at the home of Dr. and Mrs. M. Paul Suzuki.

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pounds and three ounces at birth, is being welcomed by two sisters, Elaine and Gayle.

The holiday season is brightened for Mr. and Mrs. S. Ito, with the arrival of Mrs. K. Hoshida and her son Victor of Los Angeles, last Monday.

Feting Mrs. Hiraga and Victor Hiraga since their arrival, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Yoshioke were hosts last Sunday at luncheon, as were Mr. and Mrs. K. Tada last Wednesday noon.

The lovely strains of Lohengrin will be heard tomorrow afternoon when Miss Betty Sakaguchi is united in marriage with Mr. Kenji Ito, with the Rev. T. Ichikawa officiating.

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JAPAN DELIGHTS U. S. TRAVEL GROUP

Everyone Going Some Place The populated sections of Japan are covered with a network of railroads and electric interurbans, and everyone seems to be going some place.

Traveling as we did, we had an opportunity to stop at many of Japan's commercial and resort hotels, and here again we were amazed at the comfort and convenience that is offered by the hostilities.

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HORNETS TO INVAD FIFE GYM IN DOUBLE-EYE LOOP OPENER

Comets vs. Vandals; Midgets to Trek To Auburn

GIRLS ORGANIZE

Tonight at the Fife high school gym from 8 o'clock, the Hornets will tangle with the Fife Nippons in the initial double-eye game.

The Hornets, minus Taft Torihara, will present plenty of trouble for the Nippons, with Min Togasaki, Tom Kubota, Roy Kurimura and Art Lui included in their lineup. The Fife Nippons, however, will not be without the usual dangerous team with high-scoring Dyke Itami, Ben Yoshida, Pete Mello, Dukiyo Kasal and Nobuo Yoshida ready for action.

In the second AA game of the season, the Baptist Comets and the Vandals will meet at the Cleveland high school gym from 9 o'clock Tuesday night. The Vandals, who went through the class A season undefeated last year, will endeavor to continue the winning streak, while the Comets, runner-ups in the A class, will be out to revenge last year's defeat at the hands of the Vandals.

In the third double-eye game, the Midgets, Courier AA champions last year, will travel to Auburn on Wednesday night to meet the strong Auburn quintet from 9 o'clock. The Midgets will have last year's championship squad on the floor, while the Auburnites will rely on Yoshio Natsuhara, Jack Hori, and Masuo Sakagami to carry the brunt of the Auburn attack.

Seven girls' team managers were present at the meeting held on Monday night at the home of George Ishihara to draw the schedule for the coming season.

The teams represented were: Auburn, White River, Tacoma, W. W. G., Girls Reserves, Green Lake and Fife.

The girls' league will get under way on January 3, according to George Ishihara. The girls will play two rounds, he said.

The drawings for the first games resulted as follows: Auburn vs. bye. White River vs. Girls' Reserves.

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GAME REPORTS

All game reports must be in the Courier office 48 hours after the game. A fine of 25c which will be taken from the entrance fee, will be enforced.

GIRLS' LEAGUE

The players' list with the minimum of 10 players must be in the Courier office by January 1. The entrance fee of \$3.00 should be paid by the same date.

GAME PROTESTS

All protests must be in writing and in the hands of the director or at the Courier office, accompanied by a protest fee of \$2.00 within 48 hours after the game. Should the League render decision against the protesting team, the fee will be forfeited, otherwise, the said fee will be returned to the protesting team.

POSTPONEMENT

All teams in the league, who wish to have certain dates free from schedule, must notify the Courier office or the league director. This must be in writing and signed by the manager of the team.

GAME REPORT SHEETS

The game report sheets are now ready. All town teams are asked to pick them at the Courier office. The reports will be sent to the out-of-town teams.

IMPORTANT

To avoid unnecessary complications, all matters pertaining to the league must be addressed to the Courier office or Sakai Aral, league director. Any information which is not released from these sources are not official.

Green Lake vs. W. W. G's. Fife vs. Tacoma.

HOOP SKED

SATURDAY, Dec. 16

at Winslow

8:30 p. m.—Pirates vs. Winslow (A).

at Bellevue High

9 p. m.—Lancers vs. Bellevue (A).

at Summer High

8 p. m.—Spartans vs. Alderton (A).

at Plymouth Church

8 p. m.—Cardinals vs. Zephyrs (B).

at Fife High

7 p. m.—Raiders vs. Fife Jrs. (C).

8 p. m.—Hornets vs. Fife (AA).

MONDAY, Dec. 18

at Baptist

9 p. m.—Cadets vs. Green Lake (A).

TUESDAY, Dec. 19

at Cleveland High

7 p. m.—Lightning vs. Ashuras (C).

8 p. m.—Rangers vs. Rams (B).

9 p. m.—Comets vs. Vandals (AA).

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 20

at Auburn High

7 p. m.—Raiders vs. Auburn (C).

8 p. m.—Clippers vs. Auburn (B).

9 p. m.—Midgets vs. Auburn (AA).

THURSDAY, Dec. 21

at Valley Gym

7:30 p. m.—Duke Jrs. vs. W. R. Bussels (C).

8:30 p. m.—Fife Jrs. vs. W. R. Bruins Jrs. (C).

9:30 p. m.—Raiders vs. W. R. Bruins (A).

FRIDAY, Dec. 22

at Baptist Church

9 p. m.—Cardinals vs. Cavaliers (B).

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Japanese Players Head Prep Mural All-Star Lists

Many Japanese basketball players were listed in the All-Stars teams at the completion of the intramural hoop program at Broadway high school.

In the heavyweight division Yowgo Yoshino, captain of the Reds, and Shig Murao, also of the Reds, were given the first team center and guard positions, respectively, while Iwao Furuta, Yanks forward, and Kozu, guard on the Browns quintet, were selected on the second team.

In the lightweight division, five Japanese were given the first team consideration. Frank Tanaka, captain of the Indians; Ed Yamada, captain of the Grizzlies; Kazuo Kanda, captain of the champion Cards; Aki Takekawa of the Cards and Frank Yoshimura of the Oaks were given the forward, center and guard positions, respectively. Tsuhoi (Angels), Okubo (Trojans) and Shigihara (Trojans) were picked for the second team.

NAMPA JUDOISTS HOLD OPENING CEREMONY SUN.

NAMPA, Idaho—The Nampa dojo held a judo opening last Sunday afternoon with S. Yamamoto as toastmaster.

1. Opening ceremony.
2. Ceremony: A. Congratulatory speeches by H. Fujii, Y. Watanabe, K. Hashitani and Y. Sumida. B. Introduction of Y. Kumagai (roku-dan), Sakagami (san-dan), Nishitani (ni-dan), Yamashita (mi-dan), and Yamashita (sho-dan). C. Address by Yamashita—instructor at Nampo Dojo.
3. D. Main address by Mr. Kumagai.
3. Intermission—Dinner.
4. Judo demonstration by Nishitani and Yamashita.

Among the notables present at the ceremony were Ben Wajand, Mayor of Nampa; Mr. White, head coach, and Pat Brown, assistant coach at Nampa high; Mr. Govett, principal of Nampa high; Mr. Lessinger, Nampa fire chief.

B. Ishioka Cavorts On Prep Hoop Team

Among the six returning basketball lettermen at Lincoln high school in Tacoma, is Ben Ishioka, who is back at his forward post.

Ishioka, who is a junior, broke into the starting lineup last year while still a sophomore.

Coach John Kennedy has nine pre-season games in which to work his Black and Gold quintet into shape before the initial league game with Walla Walla Blue Devils on January 15.

In the far end of the boy's gymnasium, 48 babe hoop aspirants greeted Tell Pagni, midjet coach, on Tuesday afternoon. Among those who answered the midjet turnout were Akira Mizuki, Vic Nishiyama, Tom Seto, Masato Toki and Joe Yamamoto.

Tacoma Wrestlers Answer Prep Call

TACOMA.—With six varsity and eight reserve lettermen to form his wrestling team, Neil Hickok, student coach at Lincoln high school, is looking forward to a championship season for his grunt and groan team.

Among the varsity lettermen returning for more bone-twisting this year is Iwao Takasugi, trikey 120-pounder. Last year Takasugi was given a decision over Roy Hoshiwara, ex-stadium letterman, in a meet between the Lincoln varsity and the University of Washington frosh grapplers.

Others who are turning out for the mat team are Joe Yamamoto, Sadao Kikuchi, Masao Tanabe and Akira Mizuki.

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TAIHEIYO PUCKMEN HANDED THIRD STRAIGHT SETBACK; LOSE 2 TO 1

The Taiheiyō ice-hockey team suffered a 2 to 1 defeat at the hands of Octonek sextet last Saturday afternoon at the Civic Ice Arena. The defeat was the third straight setback for the Japanese ice-men, in the Seattle Junior Ice-Hockey League.

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	W.	L.	T.	
Octonek	5	0	1	11
Warshal	4	0	2	10
Taiheiyō	4	2	0	8
Civic Ice Arena	2	3	1	5
Odds & Ends	1	4	1	3
	0	5	1	1

Paul Hayashi Loses In Boxing Tourney

As the Fifth renewal of the Post-Intelligencer Golden Gloves tournament became history Downtowners continued to mull the thrilling bouts. Among the youthful scrappers to get plenty of praise was Paul Hayashi, a game scrapper who was declared by veteran Fernando Bora of Fort George Wright. This hardy was a comedown for Hayashi because Bora went on to sock his way to the Northwest bantam crown.

"They don't come gamer than Hayashi," said Royal Brougham, Sports Editor, the Post-Intelligencer. "He was too tough and proud to take a ball and bounced back like a champion. I have a new respect for Japanese courage after seeing his bout."

Hayashi, who hails from Tacoma, has figured in eight bouts, five of which he won via the Kayo, and one by the nod. He lost the other two by decision. Hayashi is flyweight champ of Tacoma's Lincoln High School and fights at 117 pounds.

Fond farewells were bid to Mr. Harold Hoshino, popular Northwest pugilist, who left for the Southland this week.

According to June Kawamura, captain of the Taiheiyō sextet, there will be no league meet this Saturday. However, the Japanese puckmen will face Odds & Ends the following Saturday, December 23, at the Civic Ice Arena.

The Japanese sextet scored the first tally late in the first period with Sam Sakai, wingman, shooting the puck through the opponent's cage unassisted. The Sweatermen held the lead until the last two minutes of the game when the Octonek sextet tallied two goals to win the game by the score of 2 to 1.

The starting lineup was as follows: Ted Watanabe, goal; Sam Sakai and Shig Kaseguma, wings; Yukio Ozima, center; Raymond Sasaki and June Kawamura, defense. Others who saw action for the Taiheiyō Sweaters were Tosh Hirabayashi, Henry Ishida, Paul Minato, Kaz Kanda, Nobu Shimahara, Henry Kanazawa, and Mas Yamauchi.

Sport Calendar

ICE-SKATING
Dec. 28—Baptist Ice-Skating party at Civic Ice Arena from 10:30 p. m.-12:30 a. m.

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Hang-Overs

By Hideo Hoshide

(The Hang-Overs column will be turned over this week to the ski personalities in the Rokka Ski Club of Seattle. Skiing is rapidly growing in popularity among the nisei snow lovers, and the Rokka ski club is an organization which brings together those who are interested in this winter sport. The present officers of the club are: Ted Nakashima, president; Mun Beppu, vice-president; Eugene Hayashi, secretary; and Lincoln Beppu, treasurer.—Ed. note.)

SKI PERSONALITIES

... Rokka Ski Club

When smelling that burnt waxy odor so prevalent in the air lately? Been hearing the rattling of hickories and wheeled-poles? Been wondering what's the meaning of it all? Well, it's the enthusiastic Rokka skiers energetically astirring up into activity again, for SKIING'S begun.

The white-snow world is beckoning once more, and we simply cannot repress the excitement and deep wholesome feeling that bubbles forth as pictures of virgin snows, snow-capped trees, misted mountain-ranges, and graceful ski figures come to mind. But come, let's get acquainted with the members of the Rokka Ski Club.

According to Ted Nakashima, the prey of the Rokkas, we will have the pleasure of a visit from the Fuji skiers sometime this coming March. You know, of course, they're veterans of this winter sport and from what we've heard, they make them smooth and fast up in Vancouver, so the local lads will be putting in Sunday's of slalom and downhill practices in preparation for this much-anticipated meet.

Lin Beppu's heart these days is up in a cozy snow-buried Rokka cabin, which all the Rokkas hope shall become a reality soon.

Who says skiing is too rough and tough for the gentle ladies to attempt? Fumi and Merry Kesamaru and Kuniko Wakabayashi are going to be out this season to show that "balancing on barrel-staves" certainly can't get any girl down! The Rokkas are happy to welcome Teresa Takizaki into their fold. Teresa's going to show us skiing a la "Japanese Alps," and we hear they really ski over there.

Tom Kinomoto, super movie-photographer gives promise of many lovely snow-photos for the club's album... and the little lady Akiko is certainly a bundle of energy when it comes to "her-ringboning" up and "snow-plowing" down.

"Christie or bust" is the goal Lillian Horineh's set up and hopes to follow through this snow season. This lassie's one of the most enthusiastic supporters of the sport.

Genial Yash Eguchi certainly has some concrete plans for a brand new pair of steel-edged hickories. It looks as if the Fujis will be on the receiving end of

some eye-opening competition. Whenever the husky appetites of the hardy Rokkas become whetted, there'll be wanderers again toward the cars of vivacious Kiki Nakagawa and precious Naki Iida, both famously noted by their skiing comrades for their delicious and filling lunches.

Seems like the Rokkas will have some new ski blood in the form of Frank Fukano and Tom Nishitani... both seemed very engrossed in the inspiring ski movies shown at the last meeting.

Rokkas certainly has a lovely new addition to its feminine group of skiers in Moriyu Hayashi who also attended the meeting and plans to join the club. Well-liked Nobu Kanno is Rokkas' potential jump-champ. All the fellers are taking telemark lessons from lithesome skier, Mun Beppu... remember his exhibitions on Beaver Lake? That was the time Ted N. sat so hard he almost left us to join the heavers in the snow-covered lake.

"Minnow" Togasaki, the tigger for everyone's funny-bone, gives rare treats with his graceful demonstrations of the difficult Christie. He will gladly offer lessons (won't you Minnow, and, of course, without charge.) Words cannot be found, yes, the dictionary's been thoroughly thumbed, to describe the grace and beauty of "Rosie Prince" Watanabe's skiing.

For whole-hearted support and enthusiasm for skiing, we tip our visors to Tod Fujihira, an expert and veteran skier. Rosemary Kayama, one of Rokkas' best feminine bets, will be out with more "vim and vigor" than ever before this season... and, oh, oh, Rosemary, don't ever forget your Scholl's sunburn teaser, remember at Chihook?

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FRATERNAL RISKS INCITE STUDY OF SEATTLE CHAPTER

Insurance Project One Move Dur'g Past Year; Nominations On The Card

LAUNCH CENTER PLAN

A review of the year's activities, a study of the proposed fraternal insurance project, and a report of the nominating committee were among the leading subjects of the meeting of the local chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League scheduled at Collins last night.

As the year draws to a close, with the election of new officers soon to take place, the chapter looked back over an active program in 1939 under the presidency of Takeo Nogaki and his cabinet. It was the consensus that the administration had been among the most important.

Insurance Report Made

The project of fraternal insurance was one of the leading projects taken up by the chapter the past year. J. P. Hubbard, an insurance statistician, was to explain the plan in detail. Second generation have not been able to obtain such insurance in the past.

Of particular interest in the insurance plan is the intention of insurance men to obtain data on which to base a mortality table for second generation. None such exists.

Opportunity For All

The plan affords every second generation an opportunity as a member of the JACL to take out a policy for \$1,000, without medical examination, and irrespective of age. Cost is about \$1 a month.

Members from other chapters were invited.

Among the major projects of this administration was the launching of a plan to raise a fund for starting a Community Center. One special benefit netted a neat sum for the fund. The chapter is looking forward with interest to the 1940 national convention at Portland.

Martin Hirabayashi To Leave For Japan

Martin Hirabayashi, of Auburn, who graduated from the University of Washington in June 1939, will depart for Japan, December 26, where he will be associated with the Kyoto Imperial University, in Kyoto. He majored in foreign trade in the Business Administration College.

While attending the university he was an active Japanese Students' Club member, as well as a member of Beta Gamma Sigma, Business Administration honorary, and vice-president of Pan Xenia, foreign trade honorary.

Seal Booths Closing Today; Big Success

Christmas seal booths which have been open in the city in charge of prominent clubwomen will close today, with the exception of the one at the postoffice, which will be kept open until December 21. The sale has met with a hearty response on the part of the public.

The sale of seals, which supports the campaign of the Anti-Tuberculosis League, has been backed by leading business men, churchmen and civic leaders. A special appeal was made by Mayor Arthur B. Langlie.

Take Treaty Action, Says Local Chamber

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Government should give its attention; and we urge that in any trade treaty which may be negotiated with Japan, American business interests be adequately protected, and an early attempt be made to compose all differences in a fair, equitable, and amicable manner, in order to promote trade between these two great countries.

SYMPHONY VIOLINIST
Efrim Zimbalist, one of the world's leading pianists, will appear with the Seattle Symphony Orchestra at the Music Hall Theatre December 18, under the direction of Dr. Nikolai Sokoloff.

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World's Fair Head Visits Seattle On His New York Trip

Koichi Tennichi, Japanese government commissioner for world's fairs, passed through Seattle this week on his way to New York city to clear up details regarding the Japanese exhibit at the New York World's Fair.

Tennichi has been an extremely busy man this year, as he was in charge of the Japanese pavilions at both San Francisco and New York. Both exhibits were extremely popular, according to reports from many sources. Tennichi came to Seattle from San Francisco.

GROWTH SEEN IN EXECUTIVE REALM

Carroll Carter Declares In Governor's Department Spread Is Heavy

Expansion of the various departments of the State of Washington in recent years is pointed out by Carroll Carter, clerk of the King County Court, in his statistical booklet now being distributed. He asks:

"What is the picture of the state government today? Here is an outline:

Points to Expansion

"The original executive, legislative and judicial departments remain, with the administrative function so enlarged as to include forty administrative agencies, instead of the original six provided by the constitution; with executive control shown by the astounding fact that thirty-three of those forty administrative agencies are the direct appointment of the governor.

"The totally unsound extent to which executive appointment controls the administrative function can be seen in the law which permits the governor to appoint his own auditing department to audit the expenditure by his own appointees for the current biennium of over 137 millions of dollars.

Three Largest Items

"The unsoundness of the entire cumbersome structure of our highly centralized government can be seen from the governor's official statement that a 15 per cent cut in administrative overhead cost would leave the state with only a 5-million dollar deficit at the end of the current biennium."

According to the statistics the three largest items of state expenditure are \$69,000,000 for highways; \$48,900,000 for schools; and \$43,278,000 for social security.

Carter is making a general campaign against expansion of state powers, he says.

Yule Party Tonight For Matrons' Club

Attention, Kris Kringle, and fellow members, is the admonition of Mrs. A. K. Arai, chairman of the Matrons' Club Christmas party. Mr. Kringle will be on hand promptly at 8 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Thomas Masuda, this evening to present gifts.

BAPTIST SERVICES

Following is the list of services for the Japanese Baptist Church tomorrow: 9:45 a. m., Sunday School; 11 a. m., BYPU services and Ozaki class; 7:30 p. m., special evening worship service with the Japanese Presbyterian church, with Professor Warren of Seattle Pacific College as the speaker.

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JAPANESE DRAMA BY LOCAL PEOPLE WILL FETE EMPIRE

Tale Of Forty-Seven Loyal Retainers To Be Given Here In January

MRS. NAKAMURA LEADS

For the first time in more than 20 years, Japanese residents of Seattle will have the opportunity of witnessing a full length presentation of Japan's most famous drama, "Chushingura" or "The Tale of the Forty-Seven Loyal Retainers."

First and second generation residents of Seattle will combine their talents to produce this great play. More than 20 years ago a professional company from Japan presented the complete version here, but this will be the first time that it will be given by a cast made up completely of local drama lovers.

Comes Next Month

Dates for the play have been set as January 19, 20 and 21. Because of the extreme length of the play it will be necessary to split it into three sections, giving one each evening. The stage of the Nippon Kan will be the scene of the play.

The presentation of "Chushingura" will be one of the Community's contribution to the celebration of the 2,600th Anniversary of the Japanese Empire, which will be celebrated next year in every part of the world where there are Japanese citizens.

Mrs. Nakamura Directs

Mrs. Kameo Nakamura of Seattle, well-known in dramatic circles, will be director of the play. A long list of local drama lovers are willing to contribute their services.

The complete cast will be announced soon, according to Mrs. Nakamura.

Big Crowd Promised For Rokka Club Ball

With rippling tunes played by Edmund Kama's popular Royal Hawaiians in the Gold Room of the Roosevelt Hotel for the dancing pleasure, and an appetizing midnight buffet-dinner planned, the Rokka Ski Club is making preparations for a gala New Year's Eve.

Patrons and patronesses invited are Dr. and Mrs. S. Ishibashi, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nagamine.

The public is invited, but as room is limited, only the first 60 reservations can be taken. All those desiring to attend, please notify Eugene Hayashi at EL 3048 at an early date.

BODHI SOCIETY MEET

The Seattle Bodhi Society will meet tomorrow at the Buddhist Temple at 11 a. m., with the Rev. S. N. Pratt as leader. The sermon topic will be "Early Days of Buddhism." The subject for the class is "Outline of Developed Buddhism."

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Booster Club For Chiyoko Matsuda Formed In Seattle

To advance her already notable musical career, a Chiyoko Matsuda Booster Club was to have been formed by her friends here at a farewell banquet for the young star at the Maneki last night. Miss Matsuda was expected to leave for her home in Petaluma, California, tomorrow or Monday.

The leading second generation soprano was acclaimed wherever she appeared on her Northwest tour, which she completed this week. Wednesday evening she added to her laurels on The Courier-KOL broadcast.

FOUR DAYS LIMIT ON ESSAY PAPERS

Contestants Must Hurry, For December 20 Nears; Send In Your Offerings

December 20, 1939!
That's the deadline for the citizenship essay contest sponsored by The Courier. All entries must either be postmarked December 20 or brought personally to The Courier office by the evening of December 20.

Earnestness Counts

"American Citizenship—What It Means to Me" is the subject on which essays must be written. Judges will take sincerity and earnestness into account as much as literary ability.

With prizes of \$15, \$10 and \$5 pooled, it is expected that many second generation will submit entries in the hope of picking up some cash for the holidays. Wordiness won't be a consideration in judging the essays, as there is a limit of 150 words. Contestants should either type their essays or write them clearly in pen and ink.

Miss Tanagi Winner

Last year's winner was Miss Chiyoko Rose Tanagi of Seattle. Her essay, a magnificent affirmation of American ideals and what they meant to her as an individual, was acclaimed by the judges as being one of the finest expositions of the creed of an American citizen of Japanese ancestry that has been written in recent years in this district.

Essays for this year's contest must be addressed: Essay Editor, Japanese-American Courier, 214 Fifth Avenue South, Seattle.

Broadway High List Gives Honor Pupils

There were 31 students on the freshman honor roll at Broadway High School last quarter, and 40 on the sophomore list.

The following Japanese students were on the freshman roll: Irene Kinoshita, Toyoko Mihara, Manzaburo Nakabara. His is a list of: Chieko Nakaguchi, Teru Nakata, Yoshiko Nakamura, Hideo Oka, Chieko Tanemura, Hideo Tsutakawa and Kiochi Yakushiji.

The following were the Japanese young people on the sophomore roll: Yoshiko Furimoto, May Ideta, Michiko Katayama, Maria Fujitomi Yuriko Satow, Kazuyuki Hiroshige, Anne Aoyama, Meiji Hayashi, Masayuki Ozaki, Susumu Shimokori, Frank Sugeno, Shizuko Akada, Toshiko Akago, George Ogawa, Mary Kinoshita.

W. W. G. MEETING

There will be a regular December meeting of the W. W. G. at the home of Bessie Inouye next Thursday night, December 21, from 7:30 o'clock. Refreshments will be served.

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Traveling through Korea, now known as Chosen, and Manchoukuo, we were impressed with the tremendous improvements and developments that have taken place since these countries came under the control of the Japanese Government.

Korea, which was formerly a barren waste, has been converted into a fertile agricultural country, the hills have been planted with trees, modern transportation and communication systems and schools have been built, and a vast sum of money has been expended in many other ways to bring this country up to the standard enjoyed by other countries.

The cities of Mukden, with its hundreds of huge industrial plants, and Hsinking, have been completely rebuilt until now they compare favorably with the modern cities of this country.

Hsinking, the new capital of Manchoukuo, has been provided with wide boulevards lined with shade trees and parks, and many magnificent government buildings have been built with others under construction. When finished this city will be one of the show places of the Orient and compare favorably with the capitals of many of the leading countries of the world.

We feel that we were indeed fortunate to have had an opportunity to see for ourselves just what conditions are on the other side of the Pacific and, as a result of this trip, I have definitely concluded that there are many false impressions existing in the mind of the average American as to conditions in the Orient.

Plans are going forth for the annual East of the mountains Sectional YPCO, to be held, tentatively, on February 17 and 19 in Yakima and Wapato respectively. Shigemitsu Umemoto is chairman.

The Messrs. Joe Inaba, Herbie Isari, and James Umemoto are enjoying several weeks vacation in California and other Western States. Accompanying them to California was Keichi Yasuda who will remain indefinitely down South.

New Year's Revelers Must Provide Stock

New Year celebrants will be out of luck this year unless they stock up previously. The liquor board has ruled that nothing may be sold that evening, which falls on Sunday. Sale of intoxicants is prohibited from midnight Saturday to midnight Sunday.

However, unless the governing body of a city or county objects, licensees may open bars on January 1 between 12:01 a. m. and 3 a. m., the board said.

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Out-of-Town News

Nomura Candidate To Head Portland Folks For Convention Year

PORTLAND, Ore.—The local chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League will have the last meeting of the year this evening, when an election will be held. Howard Nomura is the sole candidate for president submitted by the nominating committee.

The list of officers is of unusual importance this year, due to the fact that Portland will entertain the national convention. The meeting tonight will be at the Nichiren Church.

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Wapato Young Folk Give Pastor Banquet

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Dr. Hodgson, recently elected mayor of the city, was the guest speaker before the Young People's League meeting Thursday evening at the Methodist church.

The annual Christmas program of the Methodist church will be held on Christmas Eve from 8 p. m. Skits, recitations, and a play, "The Wise Men at the Well," are under preparation by the Sunday School teachers. Tsugiyasu Masuto is chairman assisted by Shigemitsu Umemoto.

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Bellingham Maidens Gain School Honors

BELLINGHAM, Wash.—Takeko Kunimatsu, popular member of the Girls' Athletic Club of Whatcom Junior High School, was elected to lead that organization for the coming semester.

The presidency of the club culminated the honors recently bestowed upon her; she captained her volleyball team to runner-up position for the school championship, and last week, Takeko and Fusako Taniguchi, an upper-class student, were among the eight players chosen on the Girls' All School Honor Team for volleyball.

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Floral Society Has Big Bellevue Party

BELLEVUE, Wash.—The first annual exhibit by the Bellevue Floral Arrangement Society, headed by T. Aoyama, held at Association Hall December 10 proved very successful. Along with the beautiful display of arrangements in Nishio style, including both Ikebana and moribana, there were three sessions of tea ceremony proving colorful and artistic to the Japanese and American public.

Taking part in the tea ceremonies were the Misses Yoshida, Yaeko Yamamoto, Alice Funai, and Ben Terusaki.

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