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## JAPAN'S POLITICAL OUTLOOK CHEERY, OBSERVERS STATE

### Nippon Will Assume Pronounced Attitude On Asiatic Questions

#### BRIGHT FORECAST MADE

TOKIO. — With the ascendancy of the new Japanese Emperor upon the throne of the Island Empire last November, the political outlook for Japan this year in its dealings as they affect Asia, looks unusually bright.

Although many of the political observers are of the mind that the failure of Japan to negotiate successfully a new trade treaty with China is discouraging, it is seen that the government has been playing a cautious game so that it might not work retrogressively for the Japanese interests in China.

#### Powers Recognize China

With Britain and the United States recording their recognition of the Nanking government with plenipotentiaries, it seemed as Japan would follow suit no matter what the proposition for a new trade treaty should be between China and Japan. The Island Empire, however, could not stake everything on a haphazard treaty, even though she might have been forced by public and world opinion, since with the competitive rivalry in China between the powers, Japan was not in position to lose her prestige in the Orient which also has maintained the integrity of the Japanese empire.

#### Pronounced Attitude

With the new year, however, and the coronation of the new Emperor having already taken place, Japan will assume a more steady and pronounced attitude in the Orient and on all Asiatic questions and issues.

The influence of the new Emperor and his modern conceptions in regard to the political inclinations of his country, will put Japan, it seems, in the forefront of Oriental and Asiatic politics that she may maintain her leadership on the paramount issues and questions affecting the nations of the Orient in general.

## GERMAN PAPERS ATTACK REPORT

BERLIN. — German papers are severe in their criticism of the recent S. Parker Gilbert report on the reparations problem, which states that Germany is now on a stable basis and fully able to pay the next installment of \$595,000,000.

Prior to the publication of the Gilbert report, the German papers had been publishing statements tending to create an unfavorable economic impression.

S. Parker Gilbert is the Agent-General of Reparations and his report is the official document covering the fourth year of the Dawes plan.

## Hawaii May Develop New Fish Industry

HONOLULU. — Hawaii may see a new industry if experiments now being conducted materialize.

The Territorial board of agriculture and forestry is experimenting with the Chinook salmon, for about three years ago some fifteen thousand eggs were hatched and planted in the streams of Kauai.

Kihei, Kauai was the scene of the experiment. Fifteen thousand salmon eggs were shipped there, hatched, and planted in the streams of that island. Following their custom the young salmon made their way out to sea. After spending three years out in the open sea, they are supposed to return to the streams from where they started. If they do return to the streams, Hawaii may see a new industry.

Since the cost of eggs is very reasonable, the game and fish division went on planting young salmon each year, instead of waiting three long years in inaction.

In the latter part of December the fourth and perhaps the last shipment of the young salmon was planted in the stream of the garden island.

## No Change Apparent In King's Condition

LONDON. — According to a last minute report, King George's condition seems to show no change. The indication of improvement given out last week seems to have come to naught and the King's condition does not seem to be for the better.

## Japanese Given Police Captaincy

By Morris Morishita

HONOLULU. — Lieut. Hans Kashiwara who has the distinction of being the first American citizen of Japanese ancestry to become an officer in the police department of Honolulu was promoted to Junior Captain by Sheriff Patrick Gleason, recently.

This new office, which carries with it a salary of two hundred dollars a month, makes Kashiwara the second highest ranking officer in the department.

Kashiwara is thirty-five years of age and has been connected with the Police Force for fifteen years. He was made a lieutenant in December, 1927.

## HAWAII READMITS MRS. T. TOMINAGA

### United States O. K. Reverses Territorial Decision

HONOLULU. — Mrs. Thomas Tominaga, mother of Roland T. Tominaga, connected with the Mutual Telephone Co., who returned to Honolulu from a visit to Japan, will be permitted to enter Hawaii once more after being denied entrance by the immigration authorities.

Robert K. Murakami, attorney for Mrs. Tominaga has received a radio message from the United States Department of Labor, permitting her entry.

Mrs. Tominaga, who thought of paying a visit to her native land, left Honolulu some time ago, spending several months in Japan. She left her native land on the Tenyo Maru for Honolulu where she was living before her departure. After landing here she was denied entry by immigration authorities on the ground that she took out and held a permit for a temporary stay in Hawaii, whereas she wanted to remain here permanently.

Attorney Murakami took the matter into his hands and made an appeal to the United States Labor Department on her behalf. After waiting several weeks, the attorney received word in which the Department reverses the decision of the local immigration authorities.

## BRITISHERS HIT BY COLD WAVE

LONDON. — South Europe was hit particularly hard by a cold spell which had gripped France and Spain early last week. Navigation is still difficult because of fog and snow.

French reports show that a number of people were confined in the hospitals suffering from the intense cold and that seventeen deaths were attributed to the weather. Paris shivered with the mercury at freezing point and the snow fell accompanied by a cold wind. Heavier snow fall was reported from central France.

Spain, the report stated, has a temperature of several degrees below zero. The rivers and lakes were completely frozen. The inclement weather is delaying transportation.

## Paraguay Fires New Charge At Bolivians

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The dispute over the boundary line which resulted in a conflict between Bolivian and Paraguay forces some time ago and which has been referred to the Pan-American mediation conference being held in the Capital took on a grave aspect when Paraguay charged that Bolivian forces were entrenched some twelve miles within the Paraguayan territory.

The dispute was seemingly about to be settled when this new charge was made by Paraguay. The conference will of a necessity be forced to assume a different attitude now that the situation has taken on a grave aspect.

The Pope, League of Nations, and various other organizations were first asked to mediate but both countries felt the Pan-American Union would be the appropriate place to settle the issue.

## SECRETARIAL POST CLAIMS INTEREST IN NEXT ELECTION

### Citizens' League Will Choose New Officers On Coming Friday

#### ISHIHARA WILL RETIRE

With the announcement already made as to the coming Citizens' League election to be held next Friday evening at the Japanese Chamber of Commerce, speculation is rife among members of the second generation as to who will become the secretary of the league this year.

The presidency, it seems is already cinched by Clarence T. Arai, whose record last year has been a brilliant one. Arai is the choice of many of the League's younger and older members since the president's activities have brought him into contact with both sets.

The position of secretary, however, is up in the air since George Ishihara, last year's secretary has announced his intention to retire and not to run for reelection. Ishihara plans a business trip to the Hawaiian Islands, possibly in the near future. However, public opinion is strongly in favor of having Ishihara reelected again until the time of his departure when another candidate could be placed in office.

Next Friday's meeting should prove an interesting one for the League, and interest will also center upon the policies of the League since the League, has divided into two wings, the Democratic and the Republican.

## SENATORS SPLIT OVER PACT ISSUE

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The bone of contention in regard to the ratification of the Kellogg multi-lateral treaty was thrown out on the Senate floor to be picked by the members of the upper house on Thursday.

Senator Reed of Missouri, opponent of the treaty, is strongly of the belief that the treaty could do the United States no good and that the pact is not iron clad in powers to force nations to renounce war as a medium of solving issues and disputes. Senator Borah on the other hand is an ardent supporter of the treaty and he and his cohorts are endeavoring to win the Senate over to ratification.

The preliminary hearings on the question have aroused such a tangle of debates on this major, that it seems that ratification of the pact will be no easy task. Considerable difficulty brought up by the element who fear that the Monroe Doctrine will be compromised, will be advanced in jumping over the question, it is feared.

## Japan And Esthonia Will Abolish Visas

PARIS. — Starting March 1, an agreement will go into effect between Esthonia and Japan abolish visas. Such a move which many other civilized countries of the world will follow, means a great saving in time and worry to the international travelers.

It is estimated that Americans traveling abroad spend \$7,000,000 annually for visas while the State Department collects over \$1,000,000 through visas sold to foreigners visiting the United States.

## THE WEEK At a Glance

Jan. 4, WASHINGTON. — Pan-American Conference approves drafts of Arbitration.

Jan. 5, MADRID. — Tunnel under the Strait of Gibraltar urged by special Spanish Commission.

Jan. 6, LOS ANGELES. — Endurance plane, Question Mark, shatters all records.

Jan. 7, BELGRADE, Jugo-Slavia. — King Alexander assumes dictatorship of Jugo-Slavia.

Jan. 8, BUENOS AIRES. — Chilean volcano, Calbuco, erupts and causes hundreds to be homeless.

Jan. 9, WASHINGTON. — Senators Reed and Blaine lead fight against Peace Pact.

Jan. 10, WASHINGTON. — Conference of physicians and health officers meet to lay plans for war on influenza.

## HEADS JAPAN SOCIETY



J. W. Spangler

## MANY NIPPONESE DWELL IN HAWAII

### Report Shows One Third Of Population Japanese

#### Special Correspondence

HONOLULU. — More than one third of the entire population of the Hawaiian Islands consists of people with the Yamato blood in their veins.

This fact was recently brought to light in the Governor's report which tabulated the population by racial antecedents. It shows out of the 333,420 inhabitants 132,242 are of Oriental extraction.

The Summary follows:

Race	Citizens	Aliens	Total
American, Br.,			
Gr., Russ.	34,525	225	34,750
Portugese	25,303	3,114	28,417
Porto Rican			572
Spanish	1,116	658	1,774
Chinese	14,421	10,777	25,198
Filipino	7,148	44,976	52,124
Hawaiian	20,931		20,931
Japanese	79,278	52,964	132,242
Korean	3,318	2,896	6,214
Caucasian			
Hawaiian	15,208		15,208
Asiatic Hawaiian.	9,437		9,437
All others	361	192	553

TOTALS 217,618 115,802 333,420

## BERLIN HIT BY GRIP EPIDEMIC

BERLIN. — The health authorities are greatly concerned over the grippie epidemic which has swept through the city. Although the peak of the malady is believed to be passed the hospitals are still crowded. It is believed that the epidemic will decrease rapidly if the frosty weather continues.

## Women's Group Asks Anti Gas Agreement

FRANKFORT-on-the-Main. — Acting upon a proposal sponsored by Dr. Gertrude Woker of Switzerland, the International Women's League for Peace and Freedom, agreed on a resolution to add an anti gas agreement to the Kellogg Treaty for renunciation of war.

It was pointed out that the Versailles Treaty did not completely outlaw gas warfare. The Disarmament Commission of the League of Nations has framed a similar instrument, Dr. Woker, pointed out, and thirty nations signed the agreement but only six ratified it.

## Five Planes Shipped For China Commerce

HONOLULU. — Five Ryan airplanes valued at \$60,000 recently arrived in Honolulu on its way to China. According to Earl Baskey, former army and air mail pilot, who is in charge of the shipment for the B. F. Mahoney aircraft Corporation of San Diego, Calif., the planes are destined for the Wuhan civil aviation association at Hankow.

The five planes are the first of thirty to be sent to China that will be placed in Commercial service. They are especially built for the L. E. Gale and Co., automotive and electrical importers.

Baskey believes that commercial aviation will develop greatly in the Orient. The airplanes will aid China in surmounting the difficulty of transportation and will lead to unification of the republic.

## SPANGLER CHOSEN TO BE NEW HEAD OF JAPAN SOCIETY

### Retiring President Gowen To Make Study Tour Of Orient

#### ANNUAL BANQUET HELD

Breaking bread with more than 350 members and friends gathered at its annual dinner, the Japan Society of this city held its election of officers on Tuesday evening, at which time J. W. Spangler, formerly president of the Seattle Chamber of Commerce, was elected president of the society for 1929 by unanimous vote, at the Spanish Room of the Olympic hotel.

Acting as toastmaster of occasion, Dr. Herbert H. Gowen, professor of Oriental studies at the University and retiring president of the Society, gave a detailed resume of the Japan Society's activities during the year of 1928.

Declaring that the Society has given its best efforts toward the development of greater international friendship and relations, especially between Japan and America, the retiring president enumerated some of the outstanding events of the past year.

Doctor Gowen told in detail the part played by the Japan Society in supporting the Institute of International Relations held here last summer.

#### Spangler Is Elected

As business of the evening, Dr. Gowen then asked for the name of the new president of the society selected by the nominating committee and upon having the name of the J. W. Spangler motioned and seconded, he introduced the new president of the organization.

The nominal sceptre of leadership was then passed on to Spangler who assumed his newly earned duty and forthwith took over the responsibilities of the toastmaster with a compliment paid in earnest appreciation to the retiring president for his many and varied services to the society.

Ashley Holden was again re-elected to the secretary's office and high compliment was paid him by Dr. Gowen as the "Man Indispensable" of the Society. Holden's election will hold good for three years.

As his introductory remark, the new president pledged his "untiring" efforts to the society and declared that all which must be done will be done to make his administration a successful one for the society.

#### Spencer Lauds Gowen

The new toastmaster and president of the society Spangler then called on President Lyle M. Spencer of the University of Washington, for a farewell address to Dr. Gowen.

In saying his and his institution's farewell to Dr. Gowen, President Spencer said that the University of Washington could ill afford to send such a capable scholar, professor author and historian to the Orient even for a three months' tour but that he felt glad in that Dr. Gowen would personify the message of good will sent by the University to Japan and her people. Dr. Gowen, he said, was indeed, an excellent representative and on that score the people of Seattle are to be congratulated.

As the next and final speaker of the evening, Frank H. Lamb, who recently attended the International Rotarians' conference in Tokio, gave an illuminating talk on foreign trade between Japan and America. Various figures were brought up to prove the industry of the Japanese people that a better understanding might ensue thereof between Japan and America.

#### Lamb Scores Kipling

An interesting sidelight on Lamb's address was when Kipling said, the East could not meet the West arrogated to himself an empty superiority complex, for in 1854, Lamb said, the East did meet the West in Yokohama.

Various nobles from neighboring cities and Japan society members of other cities were introduced to the gathering as well as a group of second generation Japanese-American citizens who occupied one table.

Messages of regret in being unable to attend to the dinner sent in by Governor Hartley and Mayor Edwards were read to the diners. The evening was concluded with dancing held in the Venetian Room of the hotel.

## WASEDA HOOPERS, BAPTIST HI-STARS STILL UNDEFEATED

Church Teams Hold Clean Slate  
In Casaba League  
Tourney

### WHITE RIVER WINS TILT

The Waseda and Baptist Hi-Stars still remain undefeated in the Japanese Community Basketball League after the fourth series of games played last Tuesday at the Japanese Baptist gym. The Waseda five defeated the Taiyo Jrs. 30 to 5 and the Hi-Stars won from Pike A. C. 42 to 4.

The third game between the Independents and White River was a closely heated affair throughout the whole tussle. Neither team was able to get a decided lead and in the last few minutes of play both teams alternated in making scores, resulting in a continuous tie score but a last minute spurt enabled White River to take the lead, the game ending 23 to 21.

### Pike Street Loses

A basket right after the tipoff of the opening game between the Pike A. C. and the Hi-Stars gave the Pike Street lads a good start but they did not continue this fine work for it was the only basket that they were able to make during the entire game. Two foul shots were also added to their score during the second half. For the Hi-Stars who won by a score of 42 to 4, Okazaki and Okada played a good game while Ogawa took the lead in scoring.

In the other game of the day, the Waseda five swamped the Taiyo Jrs. 30 to 5. Uyebara was the only man for the Taiyo Jrs. to score, making all of the five points. Sasaki and Yamaka were the two big guns for Waseda by taking the lead in the scoring and doing most of the team work. Kiga was also good for the Waseda five.

White River who played the Lotus five last Friday in the White River gym upset the dope when they defeated the local boys 21 to 15. K. Okimoto was the main scoring threat for White River while Matsusaki was the best of the Lotus five.

### Lineups:

#### FIRST GAME

Hi-Stars (42)	Pike A. C. (4)
Okazaki (11)	F Hirotake (2)
Okada (8)	F Tai (2)
Ogawa (17)	C Shinkai (0)
Ihashi (6)	G Asanuma (0)
Beppu	G Kawaguchi (0)

Substitutions -- Hi-Stars: Yorita for Beppu; Pike A. C.: Aoki for Shinkai; Shinkai for Aoki; Aoki for Shinkai.

#### SECOND GAME

Independents (21)	White River (23)
H. Miyagawa (4)	F Arai (4)
Hirai (4)	F Natori (0)
Yoshida (21)	C Takeshita (8)
Nishimura (1)	G Ikegami (2)
Shimano	G K. Okimoto (9)

Substitutions--Independents: Aoki. White River: F. Okimoto, Tsukamaki, Nakayama.

#### THIRD GAME

Waseda (30)	Taiyo Jrs. (5)
Sasaki (10)	F Matsuda (0)
Kiga (6)	F Kimura (0)
Hashiguchi	C Uyebara (5)
Yamaka (8)	G Iwana (0)
Kubata (2)	G Shirashi (0)

Substitutions -- Waseda: Mambu (4); Taiyo: Sao.

## IRIYE SETS NEW ACQUATIC MARKS

Japanese Aquatic Star's Record Recognized By Japanese Swimming League.

TOKIO. — The Japanese Swimming League, the governing body of aquatic sports in Japan, has officially recognized the record of 2 minutes 37 seconds 8-10 for 200 meter backstroke and 5 minutes 42 seconds for 400 meters made by Naruo Iriye.

The new records were established last fall during the international meet when Iriye swam against Lauffer and Wyatt of the United States.

These records were submitted to the international swimming body which has not yet recognized the time made in the two events as new world records. It is believed that the records will be recognized as they were made in a long course tank.

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## JAPANESE PLAY IN TOURNAMENT

Suzuki Or Matsuyama Will Represent Nippon In Billiards.

In the coming International 18.2 Balkline Billiard tournament which is to begin February 4 in New York City, a representative from Japan will be included in the entry list.

At present, the tournament committee is deciding between Kamaharu Suzuki and Kinrey Matsuyama. Both men are considered to be of championship caliber. Matsuyama competed in the tournament two years ago.

The National Billiard association which is conducting the contest has not made public the U. S. representatives but the men who are considered the most likely to be the U. S. choices seem to be Hoppe, Schaefer and Cochrane. The others most likely to compete in the Tourney are Horemans of Belgium, Hagenlacher of Germany and Roger Conti of Paris.

The entry list closes on the fifteenth, after which date the Billiard association will announce the names of the seven contestants.

## OLIVER JRS. WIN IN L. A. CIRCUIT

There are five teams entered in the Japanese "B" basketball circuit in Los Angeles. From reports it seems that the teams play fast games and are evenly matched. Oliver Juniors, Hollywood Hi-Y, Oxy Hi-Y, Gardena, Lomita is the order that the teams finished the first half of their schedule.

## World Record Made In Back Stroke Swim

A new world record for the 400 metre back stroke swim for women was recently established by Fraulein Braun of Holland, who covered the distance in 6 minutes, 16 4-5 seconds in the tank at Le Vallois.

This record is six seconds better than the record made by Sybil Bauer of Chicago.

## JAPANESE GIRL IN TITLE MATCH

Miss Funai To Contest For  
Tennis Title.

In what was termed by Miss Whitmore, tennis director of Garfield High School, to be the slowest season of the year. Two tournaments have been finished and the champions of the respective meets are to come together for the Garfield High Girls championship, on Jan. 14.

One of the girls to win the tournament is little Yoshiko Funai, a Japanese girl of 17. Yoshiko will meet the champion of the other tournament, Anna Bell Hewitt. This match is holding the interest of the student body and a big turnout is expected on Monday to witness the championship contest.

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# Sport Scope

## TEX RICKARD

During the past week occurred the passing of Tex Rickard, the great ring promoter. He did much to put the sport of boxing on the high standard that it is today. In his rise to the front ranks of the promoters, Rickard continually catered to the "better people", the socially and politically prominent. In death the "better people" came with the others of sportdom to pay tribute to the man who made boxing respectable.

## THE HUSKIES BASKETBALL QUINT

The University of Washington revealed a world of power in their series with North Dakota, winning both games decisively. Of course, the visitors are on the end of a 7,000 mile road trip. The trip, lack of practice and other factors undoubtedly hindered North Dakota but it must be admitted that Washington showed a world of strength.

For the first time in many years, the Huskies have a scoring threat in their forward trio. The sport writers and critics are of the opinion that the purple and gold will make a very strong bid for the Northwest basketball championship.

## OREGON VICTORIOUS

The University of Oregon recently won two games in Hawaii. First, the Webfooters defeated the Honolulu town team, 13-2; then they beat the University of Hawaii 6-0. It is very seldom that a mainland team goes to Hawaii and come home victorious.

## THEY MEET IN UNITY

Better it is to note it down in the Pink Tea Column that for the first time probably in the history of the Taiyos and the Nippons, the two rival organizations have been congenial enough to meet on terms of friendship and cooperation on the field of the terpsichorean art. At least the athletes in this community can unite as artists on a dance floor. Let's hope it'll be so in all lines of sports, too.

## COBB BACK FROM JAPANESE TOUR

Ty Cobb, famous American League star who started his career some 40 years ago, has recently returned from Japan where he has been touring the country playing exhibition games.

Cobb believes that professional baseball will not flourish in Japan for years to come. In his opinion, pro baseball will never supplant amateur games because the collegiate teams are so strong and the people cannot see the game in any other light than as a university or academic sport rather than a professional game.

After playing against the squads of the Six Team League among which are included Waseda, Meiji, Keio, the "Georgia Peach" is said to have made the statement that the college nines in the Island Empire are just as strong as those in the United States. Cobb did not show any surprise that the American college teams that tour Japan should often meet defeat.

Besides Cobb and his family, Hoffman, Red Sox catcher; Shawkey, ex-Yankee pitcher and Quigley, well known National League "ump" made the trip to Japan.

## Naval Academy Has Quintet Of Captains

The Naval Academy basketball team might fairly be called a team of captains this year, as the leaders of four sports are among the members of that squad.

While it is not certain that all of these will make the regular places on the five, their chances at present look good.

Clair Miller is captain of the five and a forward; Jimmy Farrin, captain of the tennis team; Whitey Lloyd, captain of the field and track team and Adolph Miller leads the baseball nine.

## L. A. NIPPONS

The Los Angeles Nippons finished the first half of their season in the Los Angeles county League by winning three out of five games.

## JACKSON SUPERS WIN FIRST GAME IN HOOP LEAGUE

Dope Upset As Telephone  
Quintet Loses Tussle,  
18-14

### TAKAHASHI SCORES SIX

The Jackson Super Service team won first game in the Commercial League last week when they upset the dope, beating the strong Pacific Telephone quintet, 18 to 14.

The battle was no snap as the final score indicates and plenty of action was seen throughout the game. The Jacksons showed considerable improvement over their playing in previous games, while Sam Takahashi, although playing a guard, turned in an exceptionally good game. He was able to account for six points.

The hello-boys who have the services of a number of former high school stars were unable to hit their stride. Hewson was able to hit the hoop for six points while the two Anderson brothers were able to account for five points between them.

A good game is on the bill for next week when the Supers meet the Puget Sound Power and Light Co. At Broadway, Monday at 7:30.

Jackson Supers (18)	Pac. Tel. (14)
S. Arai (6)	F Hewson (6)
Watanabe (1)	F Frisk (1)
K. Arai (2)	C Lauson (1)
Kono (2)	G M. Anderson (2)
Takahashi (6)	G Cash (1)

Substitutions - Okada (1) for Watanabe; E. Anderson (3) for Frisk. Referee - Norquist.

## MAKINO RANKS NUMBER 1 MAN

The rankings of the Japanese racquet stars recently released by the Japanese Tennis Association on the basis of the 1928 season is as follows:

### Singles

- G. Makino
- H. Makino
- H. Kitayama

### Double Teams

- S. Yamagishi--H. Shimura
- Y. Nomura--G. Makino
- E. Hanada--E. Ito

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THE NEW TREND

In an intelligent knowledge of what constitutes peaceful security lies the ultimate success of any plan to outlaw war and to stabilize the peace of the world. That sentiment seems to be the new trend in world affairs today. The nations of the world are becoming to follow economical policies and the obsession of yesterday which fancied the fears of an imaginary foe has simmered down to a practical basis of calculation and the national defenses are being strengthened enough to ward off the aggressive designs of an enemy.

The expenditures incurred in the construction of battle ships and cruisers have been such that they drained the financial resources of many a nation as to lay a heavy tax burden upon the people who have been forced to pay the price of defenses against some fancied aggression by an imaginary enemy. In Britain, today, there is an unemployment problem which demands the attention of British statesmen and economists. France is being followed by the nightmare of her debt and expenditures of reconstructing the devastated area since Germany does not show the possibilities of being able to settle the reparation bill without a substantial reduction in payments. The United States is, and has been for the past several years, in the midst of a trying campaign to cut down government expenses and to bring back pre-war prices in the nation's enemy.

The trend today is economy in all things. Building battle-ships and cruisers and submarines superfluous to the needs for a national defense is draining the economic vitality of nations and the pressure of economic policies are beginning to be brought to bear. To reduce expenditures superfluous to the needs of national defense and security is the new trend of the world today.

SOCIETY OF GOOD-WILL

Table speeches and flowery words of praise may serve well to influence the imaginative and idle brain but it was an impressive fact about the annual dinner of the Japan Society the other evening, that was the spirit of good-will, fellowship and harmony which presided over the meeting to hold the attention of the diners to the varied addresses. That probably, is as it should have been at a Japan Society dinner.

However, without commenting upon the social refinements and so forth of the society members and guests, it is enough to say that the atmosphere permeated by the sentiments of accord and friendship was, indeed, a pleasant one. If the Japan Society can hold its members and guests in such harmonious and peaceful consciousness of its ideals and purposes, as it was being related to them by the retiring president and the new executive, Mr. J. W. Spangler, the organization is truly an association of the most intelligent intellectual and the well mannered members of the community to which they belong.

And that may be taken as a mark of respect paid to the Japan Society and its worthy objects.

If the society has been deserving of such respect, it is no less than common reasoning, to believe that in this city there are people who feel, that international harmony, understanding and all that the organization holds as its objects, are, indeed, worthy ones. To say the least, it may well be declared, that the Japan Society must now be accorded the recognition as one of the most practical and yet idealistic organizations marking time with the ends of world peace in an intelligent manner and in an intelligent way of thinking.

WHY ANGELS WEEP

Truly there is nothing so disappointing in the makeup of a man as the marked absence of the ambitious spirit to act and to achieve. One often finds few who are possessed of the necessary elemental qualities of character to follow the trail of accomplishment and this probably is the reason whereof the world is content to let human progress wend its own laggardly or unlaggardly way.

In other words the world and the community in which we live are indifferent. Yet human nature is not so unselfish in its traits as to allow ambition to idle away into oblivion. The mind is ever working, ever hoping to gain, gain, gain in wealth and worldly goods. The seed of accomplishment and achievement is there. The necessary inclination to progress, to gain and not always to hoard, is there. Still human nature is such that it loves its peaceful lethargy when it is understood that only through labor to progress, to accomplish and to achieve, can that state of lethargical bliss be attained.

In this community as in others there are organizations and associations which could be worked to better the conditions as they pertain to the social economic existence. Out of ten men of the average intelligence how many are there who will endeavor to exercise a little foresight and help these organizations or associations that the community may be made a better place to live in? How many? That is why angels weep when there are so many able-bodied, normal humans who will not take the proper advantage of physical excellence to progress, to accomplish and to achieve.

CORRESPONDENCE

Lauds Courier Editorial

Mr. James Y. Sakamoto,

The Japanese-American Courier,

I have read with great interest your editorial in The Courier anent the aims and desires of the second generation of Japanese boys and girls. The desire as expressed there is entirely laudable and the writer sincerely desires to see the early and complete consummation of the idea.

I am going to make a few suggestions which I hope will be of value to the rising generation and please know that these suggestions are made by an American of many generations of American ancestors.

First I trust that the young men and women will select only our good qualities and not our faults of which we, as other nations, have many. Let them realize that the American people as a whole are fair minded and believe in full equality for all peoples.

Let them realize that their case has not yet been put before the American people in the right light, that it has been used as a political football by peanut politicians who were seeking an issue of any kind which they could use to get their names and personalities before the voters in the false pose of "saving the country". Let them realize that at some not distant day this matter will be laid before the American people in the proper light and then prompt and efficient action will be taken in no uncertain terms.

Second. Let them bend their best efforts towards having the Chamber of Commerce of Osaka, Kobe, Yokohama and Tokio in connection with other cities in Japan install in Seattle in the center of the RETAIL business section a full and comprehensive display of the manufactured articles of the Japanese people. This also to be handled as a complete information bureau as to the beauties and culture of Japan.

Make the setting typically Japanese and then note the quick and evident result both in increased demand for articles from Japan and also increased good feeling between the nations. You must know a nation and it's people to appreciate and respect them and hate is always founded upon ignorance of a nation, it's peoples and it's customs.

Stop and think how few people in the city of Seattle come in direct contact with Japanese ladies and gentlemen and you will then very quickly appreciate why most of the opposition has taken place. It is entirely through a lack of knowledge of the people and their country. Make it easy and pleasant for the general public to secure such first hand information and you will have gone a long way towards eradicating many false and erroneous ideas that the general public have entertained.

Such an installation would be a double edged weapon in that it would not only promote and foster pleasant relations but at the same time increase the trade with Japan through the increased demand by the general public upon the retailers for goods and merchandise that were displayed in the exhibit. It takes just a few such demands from the buying the kind of the retailers before they see the light and buy the kind of merchandise demanded by their patrons.

I trust that I may have the opportunity of helping the rising generation of young men and women of your countrymen in their desire to learn our ways and to assist us in building up a united America in every sense of the world.

Sincerely,  
(Signed) John R. Hamilton

Chicago, Ill.

The Japanese-American Courier,  
To The Editor:

Have been receiving my numbers of The Courier regularly and certainly am glad to receive them. It keeps me in such close touch with what my friends are doing in Seattle, also all that are happening to them, better than my correspondence.

Hoping that I shall keep receiving my copy of The Courier and also that a bright future for the year of 1929 will bring much success to the paper which I whole heartedly enjoy reading.

Sincerely,  
Kiyomi Shintani.

Pink Tea

Mr. T. Sakurauchi of the Yokohama Specie Bank and Mr. S. Yamanaka of the Mitsui Co. were hosts of the second generation at the Japan Society annual dinner held in the Spanish Room of the Olympic Hotel on Tuesday evening.

Those who were invited were Miss Kimiko Furuya, Mr. George Nakashima, Miss Yuki Higashi, Mr. George Ishihara, Mr. and Mrs. J. Y. Sakamoto, Miss Masako Hotta, Mr. Tomeo Takayoshi, Miss Kiyo Ariizumi, Mr. and Mrs. F. I. Hamada, Miss Sada Seki, Mr. Hito Okada, Miss Anna K. Nakabayashi, Mr. Thomas Masuda and Mr. Clarence T. Arai.

Mr. M. Furuya and a host of cannery contractors and friends were the guests of Mr. George Y. Nishimura, at a dinner held at the Komatsu Sushi on the evening of Jan. 1.

The Seattle Progressive Citizens' League will hold its inaugural meeting for this year at the Japanese Chamber of Commerce on Friday evening, January 18th, from 8 p. m. Light refreshments will be served.

Dr. Herbert H. Gowen, professor of Oriental studies at the University of Washington, will leave today for Japan on an Oriental study tour in company with a party of university students whom he will lead. They are to leave on the President McKinley.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Mochizuki, former owners of the Jackson Cafe, departed for Japan on the Kaga Maru which left this port on the morning of January 7.

Invitations have been issued by Miss Hannah Kosaka for a party to be held at her home, 2701 E. Madison on Saturday evening, January 19.

Messrs. Hito Okada, Sam Takahashi, and Susumu Umemoto were guests at a dinner given by Mr. and Mrs. J. Y. Hokari, 2033 Washington Street, on Wednesday evening.

Mr. Welly Shibata has returned from a short holiday trip to Ellensburg where he was a guest at the home of Mr. Thomas Masuda.

Miss Florence Rumsey, formerly missionary worker at the Japanese Baptist Church who returned to Batavia, New York, due to her mother's illness, is reported to be in ill health, also.

Mrs. T. Duerfeldt, formerly of Seattle and now of Pasadena, California, is reported to have been visited by the stork some two months ago. Mrs. Duerfeldt, was formerly Miss Barnhart, and was a teacher at the Japanese Baptist night school.

COMING EVENTS

Monday, Jan. 14

8 a. m., — Japanese Students' Club initiation week begins.

Tuesday, Jan. 15

7 p. m., — Pike A. C. hoopers vs. Waseda at Baptist gym.

8 p. m., — Winslow vs. Baptist Hi-Stars.

9 p. m., — Independents vs. Lotus Taiyo Jrs. vs. White River at White River.

Friday, Jan. 18,

8 p. m., — Citizens' League meeting at the Japanese Chamber of Commerce. Election of officers. Japanese Students' Club initiation ceremony.

Saturday, Jan. 19

6:30 p. m., — World Wide Guild club dinner at Baptist Japanese Women's home.

Friday, Jan. 25

7:30 p. m., — Oratorical contest sponsored by North American Japanese Association and J. S. C.

Wednesday, Feb. 6

Michio Ito dancers at Meany hall, University of Washington campus. Women's Federation series.

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## ORATORY CONTEST TO BE HELD SOON

Speakers Will Show Ability In Match At Nippon-kan.

An oratorical contest, sponsored jointly by the North American Japanese Association and the Japanese Students' club, will be held at Nippon-kan on Friday, January 25 at 7:30 p. m.

The speakers are to be divided into three groups: University group, high school group, and Japanese group, so George Otsubo, general chairman in charge of the contest, has announced.

Each group will have three competing speakers. In case there are more than three contestants for any group, an elimination contest will first be held, it is planned.

Free choice of subjects is offered contestants and the time limits are ten minutes for English speeches, and 15 minutes for those in Japanese. A silver trophy is to be awarded the winner of each group.

Those who wish to tryout for the contest are asked to notify George Otsubo at the J. S. C., calling Melrose 0813, before January 14.

## Baptist Girls Group Plans Dinner Soon

The secretary of the girls' World Wide club announces that meeting of the club will take place at the Baptist Japanese Women's Home on Saturday, Jan. 19, with a dinner at 6:30 p. m.

As an entertaining feature of the evening, special music will be provided with various other entertainments on the program. It is also announced that the gymnasium at the Baptist Church is open to the club girls meeting nights as well as on every Saturday evening.

A special request is made to the club members to keep the date and time for the World Wide Guild dinner at the Fujin Home.

## Japan's Finance

Commercial Cable News

TOKIO. — Summarizing the economic situation of Japan for 1928 it is observed that the financial quarters succeeding the panic of the previous year were very much crowded with various experiences such as the release of special finance fund, the urge of lifting the gold embargo, the problems on China and the fluctuations of exchange rate.

Depression had been existing on account of the decrease of general purchasing power and the inactivities of business transactions both in the domestic and foreign trade; but the signs of improvement have been seen gradually in every direction.

The industrial field narrowly maintained the balance of demand and supply by the curtailment of the productions. On the other hand it showed considerable accomplishment in lessening the burden of the capital interest, lowering the cost of production and enhancing the efficiency.

The foreign trade went on normally during the first half of the year and a favorable future was expected, but the latter half of the year turned out to be unfavorable after all, the total sum of export being yen 1,909,000,000 and the excess of import yen 210,000,000 up to the middle of December.

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## Many False Notions Of Hawaii Are Held By Mainland People

By Edgar Omura

HONOLULU. — Many years ago a friend of mine took the opportunity of visiting the mainland. He expressed the desire of going back there again, for he believes the beauty is marvellous. It was the first time that he had ever lifted his foot off the Islands.

While on the mainland he was embarrassed, however, by some of the most ridiculous questions people asked him.

"Say, Hawaiian, are you from Hawaii?"

"Why, naturally, if I am Hawaiian am I not from Hawaii?"

"Oh, yes, that is right. Are people dressed in hula skirts?"

"Why, of course not. Am I dressed in hula skirts? People out there are living just as you are."

"I heard that people still live in grass huts, for a friend of mine showed me a picture of one."

"That does not signify that we all do live in grass huts, does it? I believe that is the only one saved. By the way, let me tell you the buildings out there are modern, in fact, better than some of the houses I see here."

"I heard that poi grows very abundantly out there, is that right?"

"Poi is the product made out of taro. Taro grows very abundantly. As you taro (not to weigh), it turns into poi."

## Tatsumi Gives Talk On Buddha's Creed

Discussing the characteristics of Buddhism, stressing the comparison with Christian theory, Henry Tatsumi addressed the women of the University Y. W. C. A. at an open meeting of the cabinet-council Tuesday afternoon.

The discussion was the second of the religious analysis series planned by the Y. W. C. A. council.

## Arima Chosen To Be J. S. C. House Leader

John Arima was selected house president of the J. S. C. clubhouse for the winter quarter at an election held Monday evening. Arima will succeed Charles Hirata, house president during the fall term.

Junkichi Fujimoto was elected house secretary at the same time. The editorship of "Grunts From the Graveyard", house scandal-sheet, fell to Kimiji Sato.

## CHURCH NOTES

### BAPTIST

6:30 p. m., — Intermediate B. Y. P. U., — Henry Minami and Katsumi Takakoshi leading.  
8:15 p. m., — Senior B. Y. P. U., — Sada Seki in charge of Group III.

### BUDDHIST

5 p. m., — Lotus Seinenkai, — Yuki Shimomai and Yoshito Fujii will speak.

### CATHOLIC

9:30 a. m., — Mass and Sermon; L. Akaeda, catechist.  
11 a. m., — Kenkyukai.

### CONGREGATIONAL

11 a. m., — Christian Endeavor, — Shiro Hashiguchi leading.

### METHODIST

6:30 p. m., — Epworth League, — Henry Kiga leading.

### ST. PETER

11 a. m., — Young People's Worship.

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## YO, GREEN HATS! INITIATION IS ON

"And the Sophomores will get you if you don't watch out!"

Twelve green-hatted students will walk the University campus cautiously next week and will undergo the traditional initiation of the Japanese Students' club.

A list of rules have been laid down for the pledges to follow. Sophomores, armed with huge wooden paddles, will be on hand, ready to inflict punishment for all infractions of said laws. The commandments to be observed by the neophytes are as follows:

1. Pledges must learn two school songs, "Alma Mater" and "Bow Down to Washington."

2. Pledges must enter the clubhouse only through the rear door.

3. Pledges must wear green hats at all times during the week of initiation, starting Monday, Jan. 14.

4. Pledges must not speak to any girl during the week of initiation.

5. Pledges must furnish two wooden paddles to the Sophomores.

The initiation week will end with a ceremony on Friday evening, January 18. Those who will undergo the initiation are S. Fujita, Junkichi Fujimoto, Kay Hamada, Saburo Higa, Paul Muraoka, Hiram Okubo, T. Shimoioka, Richard Shimono, Floyd Tokuda, T. Ueyehara, Fred S. Uyeda, and M. Yasuda.

## Scribblers, Ho!

By Iwao Okazaki

Hello, Soaks, I means, Folks, — I'm the original little fellow with the big ideas. It's funny thing, people actually pay me to sit at a desk and do their thinking for them. I remember when I talked to Mr. St. Francis of the St. Francis Hotel in Frisco — but that's another story.

Rally 'round, let's go into a huddle and let me do the talking. You remember Mr. Waterman's famous last words, "The pen is mightier than the sword." Well, that is the text for my little sermon this evening.

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## Distinguished Pianist Wins Fresh Laurels In Southern Recital

Yolanda Kusakabe, noted Japanese pianist whose picture appeared in Tuesday's issue of the Seattle Daily Times, is now winning fresh laurels in California where she is appearing in a series of recitals.

At a concert given in San Francisco at the Kinmon Gakuen school on Sunday evening, Miss Kusakabe was greeted with the greatest enthusiasm.

The distinguished pianist is a graduate of the Royal Academy of Santa Cecilia of Rome, and has had a musical career that has attracted some attention not only in Japan but also in the continental European countries. Her father was a former Japanese minister to Rome, and her mother, who accompanies her on her musical tour, is an Italian woman of noble lineage.

## Unique Eating Oasis Scheduled To Open

A combination restaurant will be launched today when the Matsuno Sushi opens on the corner of Sixth and Main Streets.

M. Kawabata, who has long been the proprietor of the Matsuno Sushi below the Panama hotel has announced that his new restaurant at 527 Main Street will be a combination oasis, serving both American and Japanese lunches.

The new restaurant is the only one of its kind so far and though it is being looked upon in an experimental nature, it is felt by Kawabata that the enterprise will be a success if only for its novelty.

## Sacramento Writer Pens Second Novel

"The Phantom Fox" is the probable title of a second mystery novel now being completed by Karl S. Nakagawa, talented second generation writer of Sacramento, California, author of "The Rendezvous of Mysteries."

His keen love of mystery and adventure aroused by the recent murder of Marion Parker at Los Angeles by William Hickman, who called himself "Fox," the author Nakagawa began to pen his second thriller.

Out of the 35 chapters the author intends to include in this story, he has already written 25 chapters.

## Program Is Planned By Toppenish Group

Young people of Toppenish will launch activities for the new year with a program of entertainment presented in a hall of that city on Sunday, January 13.

Toshie and Tazu Yamato, talented members of the Toppenish second-generation set, will be in charge of the young people's part of the program.

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## DANCING ARTISTS TO APPEAR SOON

Ito Terpsichorean Troupe Will Be Seen In Program

Dance interpretations in unusual settings will be presented on the University of Washington campus by the Michio Ito dancers, the second number on the Women's Federation series, on February 6 in Meany Hall.

This tour is following a highly successful winter on the New York stage for Ito's troupe, which is literally a hand picked one. Each member of the company is a former pupil of Ito, has since made individual successes, and has returned to his direction for this tour.

The school of dancing which Ito has inaugurated is said to be distinctly his own and peculiarly Oriental.

Tickets will go on sale soon at Sherman, Clay and Co., and at the University Bookstore.

## DOCTOR AMANO TO SEE EUROPE

Announcing the closing of his ear, nose, and throat office-clinic Dr. K. Amano, local doctor has declared his intention to leave for New York in the beginning of February.

From there he will leave for Europe on May 25, with a party of American doctors who will go on a medical tour through the leading cities of England, France, Germany, Switzerland, Norway, Sweden, Italy, Denmark and various other European nations.

Dr. Amano will return to this country some time at the end of this year and will resume his medical studies at the University of Pennsylvania Hospital where he has already been accepted.

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