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## JAPAN

### And Things Japanese

Japan and Things Japanese, a section devoted to present-day news and views, and ancient facts, regarding the Japanese people and their country, is a regular feature of the English Section.

### AN IDEAL JAPANESE WIFE

By Soichiro Asano  
(Former head of the Toyo Kisen Kaisha.)

In Japan a "bad wife" is likened to successive bad crops for sixty years. Such an important part is played by a wife in the business or professional career of her husband. An ambitious young man should, therefore, be very careful in selecting his life-long mate.

What kind of a woman is an ideal wife? Well I can truthfully say by way of answer that my dead wife was an ideal wife. It may sound rather queer that one should praise his own wife whether or not she be dead. But I am telling the truth when I say that my dead wife was a wonderful wife. In fact I must say that one half my present success was due to the help she rendered during our long matrimonial life.

### Marries at 25.

When we were married I was 25 and she was 16. For 56 years she helped me in every way. She died in April last year, when the cherry blossoms were scattering in the night wind. I cannot but help recollecting her sacrificing spirit and endurance during our long matrimonial life.

It was while I was a dealer in bamboo-sheets in Yokohama that I asked for her hand in marriage. At that time I had a man servant with whom I worked from early morning until late at night. As my business began to prosper somewhat I was badly in need of a housekeeper who could carry on housekeeping economically.

At that time there was a shop in old clothes situated opposite to mine. The owner of that shop was also engaged in the business of loaning "futon" as a side work. In that second-hand shop there was a girl named "Saku." I saw her morning and night carry several quilts on her shoulders to and from the customers, and I was much impressed by her industriousness. I made up my mind to marry a girl as industrious as Saku-san.

Then I expressed my desire to a friend of mine and through his efforts succeeded in getting the consent of her parents and brothers for marriage. A lucky day in the lunar calendar was decided upon and she became my life-long housekeeper.

(To be Continued)

## TILT SUNDAY DECIDES NET CHAMPIONS

### Winners Will Represent North In Tourney

Four leading Japanese players of Northern California, winners of the championship preliminaries will battle out among themselves Sunday at the Domoto courts in Oakland for the honor of playing the three ranking singles matches in the annual North vs. South tennis tournament to be held in this city July 8.

They are W. Shimizu, K. Shibusawa, and R. Asakura of the First Tennis Club and Y. Kitada of the San Francisco Japanese Tennis Club.

Before a record crowd, consisting mostly of second generation fans, who packed the Dome courts last Sunday, the winners competed against eight leading players of this locality. The results were:

First Round: W. Shimizu d. Shibusawa, 6-0, 8-6; Shibuya d. Furukawa, 6-4, 6-1; Kayahara d. Naramura, 1-6, 6-4, 7-5; Toyama d. M. Shimura, 6-0, 6-2.

Second round: Shimizu d. N. Shimura, 6-3, 6-3; Shibusawa d. Komiyama, 6-3, 7-5; Asakura d. M. Kayahara, 6-4, 8-6; Kisuda d. Toyama, 6-4, 6-3.

Besides the singles matches, which will start at ten o'clock, there will be a series of doubles next Sunday with six teams competing for the honor of representing the Northern team in the two doubles of the North-South tournament.

### Five Polytechnic Grads Will Be Banquet Guests

Five Japanese graduates of Polytechnic High School will be the guests of honor at a banquet to be given at the Canton Restaurant on Tuesday evening.

The Japanese Alumni and students of Polytechnic are giving the affair. Ichiro Misumi, Harry Koga, George Yamamoto, Komao Baba and Frank Hashimoto are to be the honored guests.

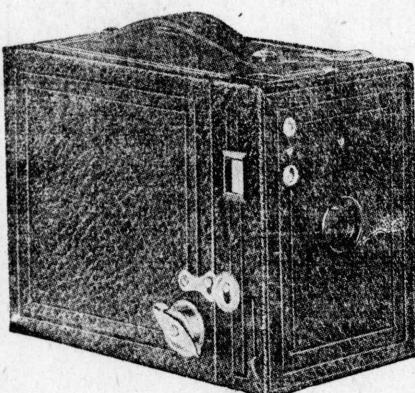
### THE WEATHER Official Weather Forecast:

Sunday: Fair and mild. Moderate to fresh westerly winds.

### SALESLADY WANTED

WANTED — Saleslady to work in Oriental art store in S. F. Fluent English necessary. Permanent position if satisfactory. Apply Nicko, 518 Fifteenth Street, Oakland.

## Boys and Girls— Join The Junior Club



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### Palo Alto Boy Will Graduate From Hi School

PALO ALTO, June 9.—(Special)—Sam Furuchi, prominent member of the Palo Alto Y. M. W. B. A. and first president of the organization will be graduated from the local high school June 15. He has completed the course in three and a half years.

Furuchi has been a teacher at both the Palo Alto and Menlo Park Sunday schools assisting H. Tarakawa and has been the General Secretary of the North American Y. M. B. A. League.

He intends to continue his studies at Stanford University.

### OHASHI WINS HIGH PRAISE

Stockton Merman Is Praised for Show-ing Friday

By VICTOR T. YAMAKAWA

Ted Ohashi of Stockton High School relay team made a remarkable showing Friday afternoon in the Municipal Swimming pool at Fleishhacker Playfield.

Many See Meet.

It was the second day of the National Olympic Tryout and A. A. U. Championship meet and a crowd of critical aquatic fans from all over the country was gathered to witness the greatest men of the nation's fight for supremacy. Weismuller, Crabb, Clapp and Kojac all upheld their titles in their respective events.

Finally at 4:30 p. m. the cream of California High School boys lined up to decide the right for the team trophy. Six high schools were entered in this relay, each represented by four swimmers. They splashed in Galileo, Lowell and Roseville were left in the race to decide who would come in last, and Palo Alto, Alameda and Stockton raced for stellar honors true to the expectations of all the fans.

First Two Lost.

For Stockton High School the first and second swimmers lost considerably, that is comparing with Alameda and Palo Alto, and Ted Ohashi had to catch up and cut down the noticeable lead. He took a long dive through the air and cut down a few inches on the other swimmers, then he exhibited a Weismuller flash in the first fifty yards, cutting the water on his breast. He narrowed down the margin and passed a rival, but the lead he gained was not enough for his team to win the first place, the honor going to Palo Alto in a Garrison finish.

Does Not Apply.

Rudyard Kipling has written that "East is East, and West is West, and never the twain shall meet." However true literally and figuratively of other parts of the Orient, it does not apply to Japan where it is.

On the following evening Maruyama went to the farm of Aoyama and lay in ambush for Oku. As the latter returned to the camp Maruyama fired five times with a pistol but the shots went wild. It is believed that the cause of both the shootings was due to a quarrel over money matters.

Sorry To Leave.

"I am so sorry to leave this country," continued the savant, "owing to a lot of research work that is awaiting me at home, but I take consolation from the fact that the difficult task to bring about a French-Chinese-Japanese Buddhist dictionary which brought me over to Japan is on a fair way to success."

The first installment of the dictionary is to be published within a month or so. The entire work may take a number of years but I feel sure it is going to be complete and most representative book of its kind in the world.

My successor who is a great Chinese scholar will shortly reach Japan and the compiler of the dictionary, among whom there are all the great Buddhist scholars of this country, will hope to receive the benefit of his researches into Chinese Buddhism.

According to Prof. Devi, "The greater part of the immense literature of Indian Buddhism exists no more in its original form, but the collections of Chinese canons have been preserved for us the best of the text in the Chinese language. Fortunately for the world, most of these treasures are to be found now in Japan where they are being well cared for and subjected to scholarly researches. In short, the study of Buddhism in Japan, which only a few years ago was the work of Europeans only, is being pursued with interest and enthusiasm in this country. It augurs well for the future of Buddhist studies and I hope the time will not be far off when Japan will be the centre of Buddhist researches as well as studies."

That was clever Shigeko. Thanks.

We're happy to learn that your parents have been taking our paper for eight or nine years and hope they'll continue to do so forever. Don't you?

Hatsue Edna Matsuoka sends in this riddle:

What is round at the sides and high in the middle? Answer: Ohio.

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Here's Chitose's poem:

A dying soldier lies in the battle-field and said,

"Oh take me back home,  
To my country alone,  
Where my mother who waits for me.

But I lie in a war field of grief,  
For this day seems darkest to me.

But take me back to my mother's arms, where she prayed and watched for me.

May I not see her and my sister at home,

And still the day is growing dark,  
In this field of shot and shells.

As on the field he is lying dead,  
Now we set for him in a tomb,

He who fought until his last,  
And his life blood had ebbed away.

Thanks for your poem, Chitose. We think all of our readers will like it.

CAT TALES

The M. E. Church on Pine street will observe Children's day, Sunday morning. Mr. Suzuki of the Kinmon Gakuen will address the children after the regular Sunday school service.

### DEBATERS FROM U. S. A. VISIT JAPAN

### Members Tell Of Experiences In Nippon

(The University of Oregon team which debated its way around the world between October and April last, has written an article on their experiences in the various lands. The following is an excerpt from this article and deals with Japan.—The Editors.)

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By the Oregon World Touring Debate Team.

Debating has not yet become a part of the Japanese student life. Oratory contests held in English are regular activities of the English speaking societies—organizations found in all of the great Tokyo universities. Thus we became participants in the first international oratorical contest, as the Japanese termed it.

The three representatives who spoke against us presented well-thought-out and interesting orations on the task of Japanese youth, Japan's relation to the League of Nations and world peace. They were surprisingly proficient in their use of English, one even winning second place in the individual awards. The audience too, was large and enthusiastic.

When one of us had difficulty in getting them good evening in their native tongue, the applause was deafening.

Oregonians that we are, live in the westernmost portion of the most western of nations. Following Horace Greeley's advice to young men to fit it to its ultimate conclusion by "going west" entirely around the earth, it was inevitable that we should ultimately become east.

We came from the "land of the setting sun" to the "land of the rising sun." In Japan the Far West met the Far East.

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