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COMMENTS

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In this morning's papers Captain A. M. and his wife who have been happily married for 56 years give a list of rules for happiness. Of course the rules are all very good ones. What else could you expect from a couple who have been married for so long without any marital rifts?—But that was not what A. M. was thinking about—it seems somehow that people think that there is a special set of rules for married people to follow. A. M. has sometimes wondered about that. In looking over the set of rules A. M. finds that there is nothing there that is out of the ordinary. The rules apply just as well to the unmarried. Which all goes to prove what A. M. suspected all along that a person has to do is to be his or her own decent self—All depending on what you mean by decent.—Oh, well! We give up. 60 years from now we might set down a list of rules for the edification of the world. Maybe.

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In Geneva the League of Nations is meeting again. A. M. always thought that the league existed for the purpose of doing away with quarrels and war. But if the newspapers are correct, the league seems to be a hotbed of dissatisfaction, hatred, and hostility. One writer says that two distinct and hostile and camps are forming and that eventually, according to observers, these camps must clash in a new armageddon.—What is the use of the earth full of bitterness and hatred? Why don't we start anew by giving up the older generation as a bad and hopeless job and start in training the youth of tomorrow?

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Talking of hate and hostility, reminds A. M. We have at hand a letter mailed by the Anti-Jap Laundry League of San Francisco to an American woman urging her to stop patronizing Oriental laundries. The headline of the letter stationary says in big print, "Do not employ Japanese or Chinese."—Well, well, well. In this age of speedy communications and shrinking distances when all the world is about to become a little speck of closely inter-related parts, we still find such narrow minded movements. Sometimes A. M. wonders if in the future our descendants will not look back at us and our prejudices and hatreds and say, "What fools they were," just as we look back at the feudal days when one baron attacked his neighbor baron and there was constant butchery and strife instead of union, government and peace.

But why worry or let such a letter upset us? The Japanese people can, and will stand on their own merits and will be accorded treatment as such. If the Japanese is a good laundryman, or a good anything, he will get all the trade he can handle, and there isn't a good one, he won't. That's all there is to it.

Demented Man Has "Private Audience" With His Emperor

To the Japanese American News

TOKYO, Sept. 10.—Mentally unbalanced by the pressure of hard times, a man tried to have a "personal interview" with the Emperor at the Kuroko station today. The Emperor was on his way back to Tokyo from his villa at Shimbashi. Granting himself a private audience, the demented man rushed up to the Emperor and started to present an appeal to help the needy of the country. He was immediately taken into custody.

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That there is such an organization as "Anti-Jap Laundry League" in existence at present in San Francisco, apparently to wrest washing business from the hands of the local Japanese laundry owners, was made known to the Japanese laundry men here Thursday, much to their astonishment.

A "SCOOP"

A reporter of the Japanese American News while visiting a Chinese laundry Thursday noon in search of a "scoop" found the following letter on his table, addressed to an American mistress.

The letter said:

"Dear Madam:—

We have received a report that you are a patron of an Oriental laundry. We are writing to you as a fellow American to cooperate in preventing the Asiatic control of the laundry industry, and, from that point of vantage, control of other industries.

"LET THEM"

"Let the Oriental patronize their own race if they wish. White people should give their patronage to the white laundry and those of the Oriental laundry."

We feel sure that you need only to have this called to your attention to insure your cooperation. "Anti-Jap Laundry League."

The association, from what is printed in the letter head, is located at Anglo Building, 16th and Mission streets, San Francisco, Calif.

K. Kato Threatens to Divulge Secrets Concerning Treaty

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THE WEATHER

OFFICIAL FORECAST:

FRIDAY—Fair with some cloudiness; mild; moderate west winds.

FAITH IN PROGRESS

By GLENN FRANK

In the long years before the war, the peoples of the Western world brought a blind belief to the doctrine of progress.

This doctrine held, in brief, that our civilization had moved, was moving, and would continue to move in desirable direction.

Western man had his apprehensions, it is true, as he saw the mastering of forces that seemed clearly to be making for war.

But wars, phases of economic depression, and other recurrent setbacks were considered but eddies in the stream of history.

The main current moved resistlessly on!

In short, Western man really believed in the doctrine of progress.

It may be that we surrendered all the more easily to the sterile pursuit of profit and pleasure because we thought that, for all our philandering with false gods, the net result of our social development would be progress.

For was there not a majestic inevitability about the idea of progress?

The war dealt a death-blow to popular faith in this doctrine of less.

English Editor of Japanese American to Sail on Shinyo

Kay Nishida, who for the past six years has been the English editor of The Japanese American News, will sail for Japan this Saturday aboard the N.Y.K. liner Shinyo Maru. He is expecting to make an extended tour of the Orient, returning to this city in about a year.

RICE CROP DOING WELL

Record Breaking Year Is Prediction of Farm Experts

(Special to The Japanese American News)

TOKYO, Sept. 11.—According to experts of the agricultural department, there will be bumper rice crop in Japan this year.

Ever since the rice planting season in June, ideal weather conditions have prevailed and the crop is growing in excellent condition. The most critical period of the year has been passed safely, officials declare. The latter part of August and the first part of September are critical days for the crop since the rice stalks are in full bloom.

With this critical period safely passed, experts figure that this year's crop will surpass the record crop of 1927 at which time 62,000,000 koku of rice was harvested.

Investigation will show you that there is very little difference between the price-lists of the White laundry and those of the Oriental laundry. We are writing to you as a fellow American to cooperate in preventing the Asiatic control of the laundry industry, and, from that point of vantage, control of other industries.

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M. S. TATSUTA HERE WITH BIG CARGO

Susumu Togasaki and Bride Among List of Passengers

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TOKYO, Sept. 11.—The visiting Chicago university baseball team met its second opponent, the Meiji University team, today at the Meiji Shrine diamond. The score was 10-5 in favor of Meiji.

The Tatsuta, according to Captain Sunzhi Ito, known on the Pacific coast as "the Golfing Skipper," entered the best trans-Pacific crossing since she went into the company's service, although the liner bucked heavy seas between Yokohama and Honolulu.

In addition to the silk shipment of 2587 bales, the Tatsuta Maru had \$50,000 in gold yen, which is consigned to the local mint for melting and recycling.

Among the prominent passengers on board the Japanese motorship were Susumu Togasaki of the Mutual Supply company of this city, with his wife. They were married in Kyoto last month. Miss Fumiko Saisho, daughter of the former chief of the accounting department of the Japanese ministry of communications, who came to this country to enter the University of Michigan as winner of the Oriental scholarship offered annually by the university; and Mr. M. Ogasawara, president of a motion picture corporation in Japan.

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Since August 17 the jail has been absolutely empty. The jail guard having nothing to guard, is trying to while away the time by hoeing weeds in the prison garden. He is already wondering what he will do when all the weeds have been removed.

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Even in Japan where the police keep strict vigilance, such a record is a rare happening.

Monkey Business Is Provided by Yell and Dan for Police

(Special to The Japanese American News)

TOKYO, Sept. 11.—Chicago, kindly take notice. The city jail in Yonezawa in Yamagata prefecture in northern Honshu is going out of business together with all the other undertakings connected with the jail.

The government, on the other hand, impatience at the long delay caused by the bickering of the investigation committee, is to send in a request to the Privy Council to hurry proceedings.

AIM OF INVESTIGATION

At yesterday's meeting of the committee a long discussion took place. Arguments centered around the fact that the great purpose of the investigation was to lessen the burden of high taxation from the shoulders of the people and to ascertain the security of the national defense. This however, impossible without the investigation material in the form of the memorandum sent to the Emperor by the navy board and other data on the navy budget.

Three opinions became crystallized.

(1) Since investigation is impossible, the London treaty should be returned to the government. (2) Investigation should be stopped until the new naval plan and the amount of the surplus fund is made known.

(3) The committee should make another demand to see the memorandum sent to the Emperor by the naval board.

Government officials, on the other hand, reply that the exact amount of the surplus fund is not simple to ascertain. In the first place, according to Article 20 of the London treaty, Japan has the privilege of replacing the cruiser Tama as well as the right of replacing one part of the destroyer force and submarines. It is necessary for the Naval department and the Finance department to negotiate together.

RAPHAEL MOTHERS TO START FIRST AID CLASS

The officers and members of the Raphael Well grammar school will hold its second meeting of the term this Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the school, at which time the officers and members will be treated to a surprise. Refreshments will be served in the lunch room after the meeting.

Mrs. Yamamoto of this city is vice-president of the association, and there are about 20 Japanese mothers attending every gathering of the club. It is said. Mrs. G. E. Benton of the association is inviting all mothers of the Japanese children attending the Raphael Well school to come to the meeting.

The course will be offered in 10 lessons, and a charge of one dollar will be made. For further information call Mrs. G. E. Benton, 1505 Buchanan street, phone Fillmore 7575.

GAKUSEI KAI PLANS ORATORICAL CONTEST for September 27

The San Francisco Gakusei Kai, a society composed largely of Japanese born students, will sponsor an oratorical contest on Saturday evening, September 27, it was decided at a meeting of the organization held Saturday at its headquarters, 1724½ Sutter street.

Individual prizes will be awarded to the first three winners and a silver trophy will be offered to the orator who carries off the highest honors as the champion speaker of this region, according to a tentative plan outlined under the leadership of Nichiro Sakamoto, literary chairman.

The contest will be conducted strictly in Japanese, and the sponsors expect to obtain the backing of the two San Francisco Japanese newspapers.

ANNUAL BOAT RIDE of Citizens' League Cancelled by Heads

The annual boat ride of the San Francisco chapter of the Citizens' League, which was formerly planned to be held sometime this fall, was cancelled by the board of governors when they met Wednesday night at the home of Saburo Kido.

The date for the general election of the new officers of the league has been set as October 3. The nomination committee is consisted of Saburo Kido, Iwao Kawakami, and Mrs. Charles Yonezu.

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LOS ANGELES, Sept. 11.—A loss of more than \$40,000 was sustained by a Japanese garage on East 1st street when 20 automobiles were demolished in a fire which occurred here Wednesday morning about noon. K. Hayakaze is the proprietor of the garage.

Four Japanese owned autos were burnt in the fire. They were: Dr. Ichikawa's new Cadillac, the Packard of Mr. Shimizu of the Asamoto company, Dr. Furukawa's touring car, and Mr. S. Kato's new car.

The fire, it is reported, was caused by the careless throwing of a lighted match by a Filipino patron while the proprietor of the garage was filling the gas tank of a car.

"Now women are taking their deserved place in the academic world. Their superior intellectual ability is

being released and their firmness is downing all opposition.

"Certainly women have advanced more in the last 2 decades than men have for many, many years.

"I'll admit boys are more broad-minded, but I certainly take offense at the statement that there are few true friendships among girls. That is as mean and insulting a thing as one could say. Friendship is a beautiful, sacred thing, and girls hold it with a mean swing.

"Well, here I am again, speaking for the weaker sex, proclaiming the qualities of said sex-blah, blah, blah.

"Here I am again, (ah, repetition!) I'll start again. I'm trying to answer Brownie's atrocious charges flung upon our modest, bowed heads.

"Now here is the greatest fault of boys—they are conceited, they are arrogant, they are conceited to the nth degree. Ah! Why did mighty Caesar fall?

"And of all the concealed people, the kid that wrote a few days ago is the worst. (Do you mean Kikuji Ryugo, Tsuguo?) What a poor sap. (Look out Tsuguo, Auntie is printing a letter from the best friend of Ryugo.) Auntie, do you mind my cussed profanity? But still you know, it is SO comforting at night!

"(I know it is SO comforting at night!) I