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### COMMENTS

By K. K.

THIS is supposed to be my day off, so I dropped into the office late in the day just to give the merry ha-ha to the poor bums who have to be working today. But dawgone if they didn't go and force me to write this blamed column anyway, in spite of the fact that this is supposed to be my day off,—yeah, my day off (emphasis on the "off").

So, just between you and me, gentle readers, I'm going to fool 'em and not write about anything at all. That is, I've got to fill up the column somehow, but I'm not going to say anything. What do you usually talk about when you haven't got anything else to say? Oh, yeah, the weather, of course.

Now about the weather. I've been robbed of the occasion to give the ha-ha to the gang at the office today, but I've got to give the ha-ha to somebody to get it out of my system. So I'll just combine the two, the weather and the ha-ha. I mean, and switch the ha-ha over to the poor people who can't enjoy the same kind of good weather we're enjoying here in San Francisco.

The papers have been full of news about people in the East dying of heat prostration. And I'll bet plenty of our readers in the valley districts and in the South are feeling just about prostrated right now. But up here in San Francisco—ah, good old San Francisco! why, last night, when I went out, I had to wear my overcoat. Where else would you find such good summer weather as in San Francisco! Pst, Los Angeles, take notice!

## 1450 GIRLS SEARCHING FOR MATES

### Japan Association of America Compiles Figures

There are 1450 female second generation Japanese, who have reached the age of 16 or more, and 2551 male, 15 years of age or more, in Northern California according to the figures just revealed by the Japanese Association of America.

The Sacramento and Mountain region combined leads the "girls on parade" statistics with 362. The other figures follow: coast region—302; East Bay—291; San Francisco—151; Central—190; and Stockton—134.

Up to 1930, 130 second generation Japanese women were married, while 113 male entered into matrimonial life, it is said.

In revealing the figures, Mr. T. Takimoto, secretary, declared: "The significance of our statistics is that all the 1450 girls in Northern California are of marriage age, while 2551 boys have not reached that age as yet."

## 30 Delegates from Nippon to Attend World 'Y' Confab

(Special to Japanese American News)

TOKYO, July 1.—Some 30 Japanese delegates from Japan, headed by Yoshimune Abe, secretary-general of Japan Association of the Y.M.C.A., will represent the Island Empire at the conference of the World League of the Y.M.C.A., slated to convene early in August in Cleveland, Ohio, it was announced by officials recently.

## CHINA SEEKS TO SHAKE OFF UNEQUAL TREATIES

By K. K. KAWAKAMI  
From The New York Japanese American Weekly

When Dr. Sun Yat-sen died in December, 1924, he left a will which has since become famous as the canon of the Nationalist party. Its dual exhortation was the unification of China and the abolition of the unequal treaties.

While a unified China remain an uncertain quantity, the abolition of the unequal treaties is, to all appearances, on the eve of accomplishment. The latter task, for reasons which space does not permit me to discuss, has progressed out of proportion with China's achievements in the former field, thus exactly reversing the order Japan had to follow between 1871 and 1899 in her endeavors to recover judicial autonomy.

### JUDICIAL AUTONOMY

The essence of a national treaty is the surrender of judicial and tariff autonomy by the nation upon which it is imposed, China, by the beginning of 1930, had practically regained tariff autonomy. What she is now fighting for is the restoration of judicial autonomy.

On the eve of the national convention which sat at Nanking from May 5 to 17 the Nationalist government declared that extraterritoriality would be abrogated by China's unilateral action on January 1, 1932. The convention itself went on record as endorsing this step. As intimated by Dr. C. T. Wang, Nanking Foreign Minister, thus abrupt, though not entirely unexpected, declaration was tacitly directed against the United States, Great Britain and France. This calls for explanation.

### EXTRATERRITORIALITY

China has treaty relations with some twenty-three countries, of which ten, including Germany, Austria, Russia, Turkey, Mexico, Persia, Peru, etc., have no extraterritoriality. Nine, namely—Italy, Spain, Switzerland, Denmark, Portugal, Belgium, the Netherlands, Norway and Brazil, have already agreed to renounce extraterritoriality, although they reserve the right to enjoy that privilege until other powers have taken the same step, thus making their renunciation but

nominal for the present.

The twentieth nation, Japan, had her treaty terminated or abrogated much against her will by China's unilateral action on July 20, 1928. Technically, the Japanese in China have no extraterritoriality, not even a treaty of commerce, to protect their rights. Yet the curious fact is that they reside and conduct trade in China undisturbed and unaffected by the paper abrogation declared by Nanking, while their Minister maintains the same status as before, dealing with the Government to which he is accredited as if nothing happened.

### NANKING'S INTENTIONS

The remaining three nations whose treaties have not expired but which have not as yet come to agreement with China on the question of extraterritoriality are the United States, Great Britain and France. It is, therefore, clear that Nanking's declaration of May 4, threatening to end extraterritoriality on the first day of next year, has specifically those three powers in view. It is also clear that that declaration does not necessarily bode ill for them if Nanking's unilateral abrogation of extraterritoriality means nothing more serious than what it has actually done to Japan. Most likely the Nationalist government will desist from applying its own laws to the Americans, British, and French after January 1, 1932, but will continue to negotiate with their respective governments to obtain their agreement to the amicable termination of consular jurisdiction, just as it has been doing in the case of Japan since July, 1928.

### INTERESTS IN CHINA

One can well understand why China is anxious to come to terms with the United States, Great Britain, Japan and France. In the first place, China, short of agreement to do away with consular jurisdiction, can not bring into effect the treaties she has concluded with eight European and one South American government for the recovery of judicial powers named have among them

### GERMANY AN DRUSSIA

The German business firms in China number 318, and the German population 3050, which are considerably more than the French. But Germany did not voluntarily renounce extraterritoriality; she lost it in spite of herself when China entered the World War on the Allied side in 1917. Of Russian firms and Russian residents there are 932 and

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79,785, respectively, largely White, disclaiming Red protection. No doubt Red Russia took into consideration this White competition of Russian interests when it voluntarily relinquished extraterritoriality in 1924.

It comes to this, that the countries which have voluntarily given up consular jurisdiction are those with limited or nominal interests in China. In approaching such nations China followed the line of

## IN CARNIVAL



Miss Mae Okubara, student at the Tamalpais high school in Mill Valley, who is taking part in the Fourth of July carnival scheduled to be held in Mill Valley July 3 and 4.

## TO APPEAR IN JULY 4 FETE

MILL VALLEY, July 1.—Miss Mae Okubara, charming dancer of the Tamalpais high school will appear in a Japanese dance at the coming Independence day carnival to be held here on July 3 and 4 it was announced by the program committee today.

The diminutive Japanese terpsichorean artist, captivated the hearts of a large audience in her recent debut at the school auditorium, and was acclaimed "Miss Nippon" by the residents of Marin county.

Besides her solo dances in Japanese costumes, Miss Okubara will appear in a number of western dances.

The Mill Valley carnival, in which the Japanese girl is to participate is being sponsored jointly by the Boy Scouts, Camp Fire Girls, Rotary club, World-War Veterans, Fire and Police departments and other civic bodies.

## Quiet Wedding Marks Miyake - Nagai Rites

(Special to Japanese American News)

OAKLAND, June 30.—Miss Yoriko Miyake of Merced became the bride of Mr. N. Nagai of Warm Spring at a simple and quiet wedding ceremony held at the Nagai home last Saturday afternoon. The Rev. Mr. Taguchi of the Alameda Buddhist temple officiated. Their friends and relatives were guests at a wedding reception held after the ceremony.

## 80 GUESTS ENJOY MOON AND 'DOGS' AT GRAD FETE

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## FRESNANS FETE PRIEST AND PASTOR

### Congregationalist and Buddhist Teachers Going South

(Special to Japanese American News)

FRESNO, July 1.—Approximately more than 100 prominent Japanese of the San Joaquin valley gathered at the Tanaka restaurant Monday night to honor the Rev. J. K. Fukushima, pastor of the Japanese Congregationalist church, and the Rev. R. Fujii, Buddhist priest, who are leaving this city soon to take up new duties in southern California.

The Rev. Mr. Fukushima will take a new pastorate at Montebello, while the Rev. Mr. Fujii will terminate his nine years as principal of the local Buddhist Japanese Language school here to work for the degree of doctor of philosophy at the University of California. The Rev. Mr. Fujii has for the past three years been the president of the San Joaquin Valley Japanese school association. He was awarded the master of arts degree by the University of Southern California five years ago.

The banquet was sponsored by the Fresno Japanese association schools and other organizations of the valley. S. Kikabe, secretary of the Japanese association, was toastmaster. Other speakers were S. Hirawada, director of the school association, who presented the honored guests with gifts from the organization; Rev. I. Koyokoku, K. Aki, H. Moriya, M. Yoshiki, C. Mori, each representing a co-operating group.

## 2 BALL TILTS IN APPLE CITY

(Special to Japanese American News)

WATSONVILLE, July 1.—Manager Wada's Y.M.A. baseball team of this city has a work all prepared for the coming holidays. On the Fourth of July, the boys are slated to meet the highly-touted Irvington Japanese nine, while on the following day, Sunday, the Salinas Y.M.B.A. squad will invade this city with hope to take revenge for its defeat in the early part of this season.

A large crowd is expected in view of the fact that the farmhands in this vicinity will be all out in the town for the Independence day celebration, coupled with the fact that the games will be the first time the local boys are appearing at their home ground this season.

According to reports from Irvington, the invaders have a formidable aggregation this year, most of the players in the team being the stars of the Centerville high school team.

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## Imperial Valley Epworth Leaguers Hold Picnic-Swim

BRAWLEY, June 30.—In their last social meeting of this summer, the Epworth league recently went to the Salton Sea for a combined picnic and swim.

least resistance. But she is well aware that her success in obtaining equal treaties from these major powers does not add much to her prestige—certainly it does not prove that the Chinese courts and Chinese laws have improved enough to win the trust of the powers with substantial interests.

## PUPILS HAVE FUN IN SUMMER SCHOOL



Three scenes snapped by The Japanese American News cameraman at the vacation school being conducted by the San Francisco Church of Christ on Post and Octavia streets.

Some 45 pupils, divided into three classes, namely the kindergarten, junior, and intermediate, are enjoying the summer days making paper dresses, cardboard cats, dogs, and sewing dresses. The school also has a 14-piece orchestra now being led by Miss Yuriko Iwata.

## 4 LOS ANGELES NET STARS TO VIE FOR HONORS HERE

(Special to Japanese American News)

SACRAMENTO, July 1.—A 53-year-old Japanese farm worker, Manjiro Shigemori, who was staying at the Kodama ranch in Freerport, ended his life by hanging himself from the branch of a tree Tuesday. His body was discovered yesterday morning, and was later transferred to the office of Coroner Garlick here. Although the reason for his suicide is not definitely known, it is believed that pessimism over old age was responsible for his taking this step to end all.

## S. F. CHURCH TO END DVBS

Closing exercise for the Reformed church vacation school which has been in session for three weeks, will be held on Thursday evening July 2, starting at 8 p.m. at the church auditorium.

Featuring the long and elaborate program will be two plays, "Nebotaro San to Tokel" and "Moses in the Buirushes," the former by the Primary pupils and the latter by Junior players.

The characters are Kenji Katamoto, Akira Iida, and 12 girls in the Japanese play and Frank Matsumoto, Iku Sakai, Kimi Kato, Alice Abe, Minoru Amemiya and Hideo Hata in the biblical presentation.

Hatsuro Aizawa and Miko Tonto will deliver welcome speeches, while Mr. Hata will offer prayer and George Matsumoto will read the scripture.

Rev. Saito is in charge of the program.

## Ed. Yamate Cops Sumo Honors at Lodi Tournament

LODI, July 1.—Living up to his highly-talked about reputation, Ed. Yamate, showing his perfect command of all the 48 trick plays in sumo, copped the grand prize at the sumo wrestling tournament staged here last Sunday under the auspices of the Lodi Y.M.A.

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## MINSEITO REPLIES TO OPPOSITION

### Critics of Government Hit by Counter-Charges

(Special to Japanese American News)

TOKYO, July 1.—A sweeping refutation of the charges of the critics of the government was issued today by the Minseito or government party leaders. The statement was a reply to the accusations which the Seiyukai or the chief opposition party has been making against the present administration with increasing vehemence. This move is considered as being of special significance in view of the prefectural and local elections which are slated to take place this fall. Observers see in this statement of the Minseito an acceptance of the challenge of the opposition to seek public vindication for national issues in the coming local elections.

## FOREIGN POLICY

The statement of the Minseito party leaders dealt mainly with foreign policy. Seiyukai's accusation that the weak attitude of the administration in its relations with China is exemplified by the fact that Japan is represented in regular minister but by a charge d'affaires brought forth the answer that the situation is a temporary one which will be remedied as soon as a suitable person can be found.

The Minseito also replied that its conciliatory policy toward China in regard to her constant demands for the return of Port Arthur and Dairen was the only expedient policy, hurling back the Counter-charge that the so-called positive policy of the Seiyukai party did more harm than good by short-sightedly and needlessly antagonizing the Chinese.

## DEPRESSION STORY

As to the Seiyukai's criticism of the administration's economic measures, the Minseito statement called attention to the fact that the present economic depression was worldwide and that the administration could not be expected to bring about an exceptional economic situation apart from relations with the rest of the world.

## Sanger D. V. School Holds Closing Rites

SANGER, July 1.—A closing service of the summer school, which has been held for the past three weeks by the local Buddhist temple, was held last Sunday morning. Refreshments of ice cream and melons were served the visitors.

much to the delight of hundreds of Japanese sumo fans who crowded around the "dohyo."

In the younger group, "Push 'Em" Iwamura, Kaz Sakoda, and Toshiro Masuda shone brilliantly. The older group was led by Ed. Yamate and "Cave Man" Kishida.

## JUNIOR AND SENIOR CLUB

Hello, everybody!—All here, family mine? We've got many interesting people to chat with today, so let's hurry, shall we? Right.

Remember Mary Tashiro of Arequipa Sanatorium, Manor, Marin County, Calif. whom Mae Okubara of Mill Valley introduced to us not long ago? Well, here is Mary herself.

"Hello, auntie! How do you do, auntie and everybody! (Hello, Mary. We're as fine and happy as usual, Mary. And how are you?) I am fine, thank you.

"I have been postponing this letter for a long time, but having been introduced by my chum, Mae, I am writing a few lines as I felt that I should drop in for a few minutes. (That's fine, Mary. We are so glad that you came to talk with us.)

"Really, I was kind of scared and did not have enough courage to write sooner. I hope you will excuse me this time because I shall try to do better next time. Also, please overlook all my errors as I am quite excited and all that for the first time. (Don't worry, Mary. Your letter beautifully written.)

"I have heard a lot about our wonderful club and know that I shall like and enjoy it very much. You ought to hear the good and nice things about the club, and I know that I shall like you and all your nice. It is a good idea to get acquainted with new members because friendship is such a wonderful thing. The poems and articles are very well written. I enjoy it very much and I think everything in it is just grand. (Thank you, Mary. It is nice of you to say that, and it is kind of other people to say nice things about our club. We'll make it better and more wonderful, won't we, family mine? 'Course!

"I don't want to write too long but here is a brief paragraph of what I do most of the day. We rest and rest all the time. In between times we read and sew, whatever we care or are able to do. I study quit a bit of biology and algebra to make up for the lost time, so that I am busy in the mornings. The radio is a big help to us in the evenings and we enjoy it immensely.

"Everyday we look forward to the mail so I shall be very glad to hear from anyone who would like to correspond with me, and I shall try my best to answer them right away. (Family mine, let's keep Mary Merry company while she rests at the sanatorium so that her days there will seem shorter and jollier, shall we? Let's!)

—Senior—

"Thank you very much for accepting me as a new member and hope that you will like me as a new niece and cousin to 900 of you. (We do that already, Mary.—Do come and chat with us often.)

And now, nieces and nephews mine, who do you think is here? —Give up?—Why, Explorer, of course! He just returned from an exploring trip to the bathtub and here he is.

"Ma chere tante Mia! How are you, my cheerful auntie? That sal-

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