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WELCOME FRESHMEN

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Pres. Sasaki

St. Paul's University founded by the Rt. Rev. Channing Moore Williams, the first Bishop of the Nippon Seikokai, at Tsukiji, Tokyo, under the name of the Rikkyo Gakko (St. Paul's School) in 1874. The Bishop, stressing the importance of education from the outset of his evangelical activities, de-'Christianization of the Japanese people should be carried out by Japanese leaders." He constantly worked to train leaders who would go out into life equipped with Christian ideas to govern them in whatever field they were called on to work-in education, politics, or business.

In 1903, the Rt. Rev. Henry George Tucker, who later became Presiding Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in America, was appointed President of the St. Paul's School and guided it in deference to the wishes of the founder and declared, "A Christian school, if it is to perform a useful evangelical function, must be a good school not only ethically but also pedagogically. It should in some

respects at least rise above the level of educational proficiency prevalent in the country in which it is situated." Thus Bishop Tucker opened in 1907 the College Department in St. Paul's, which after half a century has come to be our proud and beloved St. Paul's University. Yet the way we have walked was not quite easy or peaceful, for we had to surmount various grave difficulties. Particularly during World War II, Rikkyo had to go through the most unfortunate and miserable experience in its history. As it was a Christian and American-supported school, the militarists and bureaucrats persecuted us most bitterly and St. Paul's was in danger of passing out of existence. But when Japan began a new life at the end of the war her policy made a complete about-face.

The democratic way of life and Christian philosophy which fosters such educational princi ples and program attracted the lively interest of the Japanese

Applications for admission to St. Paul's University amounted to ten times the capacity for enrollment. Indeed it is a direct reflection of a Biblical saying, "The fields are ripe to the harvest but the workers are few.'

In welcoming fifteen hundred new students I want to tell them that they are likened to the wild olive grafted in and became partaker of the root of the fatness of the original olive tree. They may take pride in the glorious tradition of St. Paul's but at the same time they are responsible for the future prosperity of the original olive, St. Paul's.

New Teaching Staff

The University Authorities announced a personnel change in the teaching staff. The newly decided professors and lecturers are as follow:

Economic Dept. Prof. N. Kobayashi and J. Nagano, K. Tachiiri, T. Ujita. Lecturer. J. Hirota.

Literature Dept. Acting Dean. I. Nakagawa, Prof. Y. Iida, S. Goto and G. Sasaki. Lecturer. H. Fukuda, M. Misaka, M. Shino, Odagiri, K. Takeuchi, and K. Noda.

Social Course. Assistant Prof. S. Takezawa.

Psycology Course. Assistant Prof. T. Hayasaka.

Science Dept. Lecturer. M. Hirose and T. Michiie. Assistant Prof. I. Ogawa.

Assistant. K. Yamanaka and T. Yamazaki.

Athletic. Assistant. R. Shinada.

HEALTH COMMITTEE

Aiming at the spreading of campus, the Rikkyo Health Committee under the chairmanship of Prof. Tokuji Ogawa, Dean of Students, was newly organized on Feb. 24.

The clinic which has managed the health control of the students till now has not accomplished its work with satisfaction. Looking back on last autumn's medical examination, the students who took the examination within the fixed period was 50%, by putting off its period the number increased to 80%. The tuberculosis students are 4% and this percentage is only among the students who took the examination, so among all students it must be considered that there are more.

A way to protect the students from tuberculosis is required. Herein lies the intention of the new Rikkyo Health Committee.



Dr. Negishi Awarded Medal

Negishi, Professor of English at St. Paul's, awarded the Blue Ribbon Medal for Merit given by the Emperor for his 50 years contribution to the English language in Japan. Dr. Negishi who is the President of the Rikkyo E.S.S. and also famous for his long speech was given a celebration party by the Ritsueikai on April 10th. At this occasion Dr. Negishi gave one of his long dramatic speeches, ending with "as long as I live I will contribute my knowlege of English to the students of Japan.'

JOB-HUNTING

Among the 900 graduates, this year, approximately 550 out of the 840 job-seekers have been promised in the business circles and 60 respectively in the family businesses and post-graduate course, as of Mar. 19.

It seems to be a characteristic of Rikkyoites that an increasing percentage of job-hunters every year has been marked in the financial circles, in which more than 70% of all seekers have been engaged this spring. However, it has been afraid since last fall that the number of jobseeking-successors for this year would scarcely exceed that of

The following reasons might majorly be considered, that is, almost all the companies cut the numbers of employees to be newly hired less than 20 or 30% last year, on the ground that the inflationary affects to firms have been so serious. And it is noteworthy that for this reason, some companies dismissed those whom they once employed.

According to the Students' Employment Section, one of the most indispensable terms to get good jobs includes good health, followed with real ability both in English and Modern Economics.

To The New Students

I am happy to welcome a large number of the new students to Rikkyo. Now you are the students of Rikkyo Uni-



versity. Do you realize that each one of you represents the University wherever you may go and whatever you may do away from the University? You are very important persons.

Now you have more freedom than when you were in high school. You are the masters of your own lives and you are the persons who decide what you want and should do. I hope you will take advantage of the opportunities to get well acquainted with it. Some of you who are already interested in Chrisin it on have become Cha

tians will strengthen your faith while here. I hope you will not only take interest in, but also actually participate in various activities of Christian students.

I trust you will live up to the fine traditions of the University.

> Tane Ohata Dean of Women

Congratulations



I congratulate you for passing the difficult trance exams of Rikkyo which has a long tradition and a glorious history.

Now I want all of you to think over your responsibilities and good fortune that you can be students under the time when our econo mic life has recovered. Compared to the days right after the war when students had to study without sufficient food you are fortunate. However you must not forget you are not only a student but also those representing the many boys who could not enter.

Among the many there may be some who indulge in easy life. They are doing wrong to those who cannot study in spite of their will. Some students loose their own ways and are absorbed in political movements.

Both are not proper way of living as students. It is best for students to devote themselves to studying with pride and high spirit.

Prof. W. Ishijima

Greetings



In extending to you a most cordial welcome to St. Paul's University may I also express the hope that the years you will spend on

the campus will prove to be most profitable and pleasant ones.

You need not be reminded, am sure, that you are beginning your undergraduate careers at a time when unsettled conditions in various parts of the world have tended to create a feeling of uncertainty and frustration in the minds of many men and women. But do not forget that in this very circumstance there lies a real and inspiring challenge to all who have the faith, the

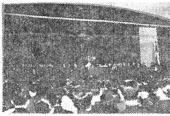
vision, the ability, and the training essential to constructive service and sound leadership.

That you are not lacking in faith or in vision is evidenced by your determination to seek the advantages of higher education. Moreover, in satisfying the higher academic requirements for admission to the University you have shown that you possess in no small measure the potential ability to make the most of your educational experience here.

Let me urge you, therefore, to give the best that is in you during these years of preparation for your life's work. For in no other way can you build more effectively the solid foundation upon which high achievement must inevitably rest.

You have my every good wish for your success.

Prof. T. Ogawa Dean of Students "Be Ye The Salt of The Earth"



The 33rd Commencement was on March 19 in the presence of Pres. Junzo Sasaki, the deputy of U.S. Ambassador John M. Allison, the members of the Faculty and parents and relatives of the graduates.

After 900 new Bachelors and 25 new Masters received their diplomas with congratulations from the distinguished guests, Pres. J. Sasaki gave them a message quoting from the New Testament that "be ye the salt of the earth."

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EDITORIAL

Getting Down to Brass Tacks

It is about time we should be getting to brass tacks. Though the weather seems to be far from normal, spring has come all the same with her flowers and verdure. For the first time in more than 15 years we are enjoying spring with no bloody news of shooting war between nations, while the much talkedabout deflation in this country has ended rather in leveling off the national economy at far less sacrifices than anticipated. Our seniors who had been threatened with their supposedly pitiful lot of but joining right after graduation in the permanent army of unemployment have most of them found their places in national life gainfully as well as usefully. Certainly it is about time we should be thinking and doing really important matters as students. And for the students nothing will be more important than studies.

Just a year ago, in spring, we took up in this column the question of seminars, calling attention of the university authorities and the fellow students to limitations in the present arrangements and facilities for the purpose and to the urgent necessity for their drastic enlargement. Fortunately there has been slight enlargement in their number and their enrollment capacity by three and 60 respectively as far as the Collage of Economics is concerned. Compared with the total number of applicants, however, such enlargement is but negligible.

Some are also asking why there is no seminar system in the College of Literature.

We know what counts most in a university is not material equipment but the teaching staff. Since professors and lecturers cannot be produced over night or in the mass, the enlargement of the seminar system must necessarily be a gradual and slow process. We sympathize with the management on this practical point. The urgency and importance of the situation, on the other hand, can in no wise be ignored.

Would there be any way then of accelerating the process of improving the situation? "Where there is a will," as an old saying goes, "there is a way." Aimless complaints and irresponsible criticisms will lead us nowhere. Let us cooperate instead with the management in creating such a will, a united will, on the campus, and the rest will follow. It is about time, we repeat, that we should be getting down to brass tacks.

GLIMPSE IN AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES

by Tsukasa Furukawa

Leaving Haneda Airport in a Military Air Transport provided us through the courtesy of the United States Air Force on the



University of California

afternoon of November 6th 1954, I was comfortably seated in the plane looking down on Bohsoh Peninsula which was fading away in the far distance. My mind was full of expectations and anxiety for the new world 8,000 miles away.

As I reminiscence now over the wonderful trip which took us, delegates, all over the United States including a brief stay in Honolulu, Hawaii, I wish to state here that I met many wonderful people wherever I went. It may sound a very general and common expression which any tourist may make, but I mean it with the deep feeling of validity. I wish that you would not judge America by the sorry picture of some misrepresentations of America here in Japan. I believe that the true tie of friendship of both nations cannot be won merely by some diplomats shaking hands or drinking tea with diplomats of the other nation. It must begin from its foundations, namely the people in general. It is the general masses who forms the national or public opinion which determines the direction of that country.

Now I wish to give my impressions concerning the student life in American universities. The American students enjoy their school life itself because of their economic security. He may save enough money to send himself to school for one year by working during the summer vacation.

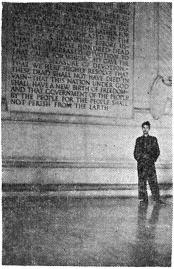
Most Japanese universities are no comparison in size of campus, facilities and equipment to American universities. Big Universities have dormitories, fraternities and sororities on the campus and the majority of students live on the campus. This makes it easy and possible for the students to participate actively in campus life. There are a radio station, campus police, daily publication of school newspapers (some school paper owns

its printing factories). The school itself forms a community. Most of the universities are located away from cities, and the atmosphere created in the so-called "college town" is such that the students can fully enjoy academic study and student life in exclusion from world affairs.

Fraternities and sororities system is new to the Japanese students, because we have no such system. I stayed in a fraternity house at Cornell and University of California. Here they (ranging from 20 to 50) live together and have a strong feeling of unity and cooperation. They learn to live together and it is a good place to make real friends.

American students have many occasions to have social dance or other social functions that they are very refined in meeting or associating with others. The girl students are actively participating in school activities. In some schools we saw equal number of girl students as committee members.

No political elements are introduced in the Associated Student Body which they said is only interested in the welfare of students and campus life, not only in political activities, where as in Japan the leaders of A.S. are more or less politically inclined.



At the Lincoln Memorial

Dating is, of course, very popular. It is freer than you imagine. A girl may date a boy just for getting a nice dinner, for instance. People do never look at a boy and a girl on a date with prejudiced eyes. I think the dating system should be recognized in its true sense in Japan.

I found that religion is amalgamated into the American life. I do not mean all Americans go

THE CHERRY BLOSSOM TIME

by Hisakazu Kaneko

There's a hill where the cherry flowers bloom, More radiantly than the sunset ray, In a pearl pink hue, Wafting the fragrance far and away, Under the pale blue sky, On this April day.

Enchantment fills the air, and joy Our hearts at this feast of pink and queen! For the cherry blossoms Are proudly in bloom like the season's green, In the fairest garden I've ever seen.

When a yellow moon begins to shine, Above the cherry garden in bloom, There is a magic Of beauty! as the cherry flowers loom, In an unearthly sheen, Silhouetted in the gloom.

This unearthly sheen, for all I know, Is the stuff of which the Heaven is made. On this April day, I'll stroll, till all my cares fade Away, on the hill, In the flowery shade.

LETTERS TO THE ECHO

Decoration In Mess-Hall

To the Editor:

About one year had passed since I entered this university, precisely since I began to go in and out our mess-hall (so called "Gakushoku") at noon time every day. It isn't only at noontime that the mess is filled with students.

And every time I am in our Gakushoku, I cannot help feeling lonely and monotonous because there is no ornaments. Of course, the building construction itself is so artificial and profound to look at.

But, I think, this does not agree with our young sense. Actually, we want some famous and beautiful pictures which will adorn our Gakushoku and make it more beautiful. I remember,

to church, but I do mean that even those who don't are greatly influenced by the Christian teaching and thinking. I believe Christianity is at the basis of American conscience. It has definite influence upon their behaviors, and attitude toward the society and their participation in social welfare activities.

I am closing now as space is running out.

Mr. Tsukasa Furukawa is a member of the E.S.S. who participated in the America-Japan Students Conference in the United States last year. it was about two or three months ago that the cartoons drawn by some comic-mania student were shown on the wall in the mess. Although, it was only a tiny

Although, it was only a tiny exhibition which we could hardly notice if we didn't look at it carefully. But I can easily say that they made our minds soft and comfortable, and its satire made us laugh healthfully.

I picked up a little example above, then, here I sincerely hope that some kind of appropriate decoration will be adorned in our Gakushoku and they will bring us a joyful noon-time.

Bunichiro Suzuki

Painting Expresses Feeling

To the Editor:

When I went to enjoy the works of Rikkyo students at the Six University Painting Exhibition last year at the Toyoko Department Store, I found most of them painted in bright colours. Although there were a few paintings which were dark in impression, they were not from their motifs but from their whole 'valeur'.

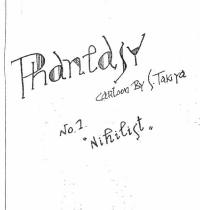
I could not feel any religious atmosphere from the Rikkyoites' work, they were painted in a free and easy style. From this impression, I felt it agreeable to see Rikkyo students have no religious mannerism among many who easily talk about original sin in Christianity.

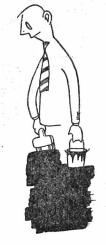
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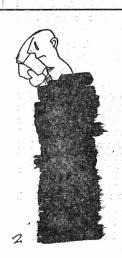
It seems to me that in Rikkyo University, there are not so many religiously influenced students and they are studying with open-minds.

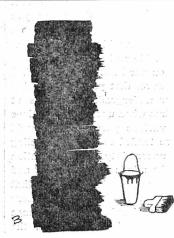
However, I cannot make any distinction between its right and wrong.

Hiromi Sano (Keio student)

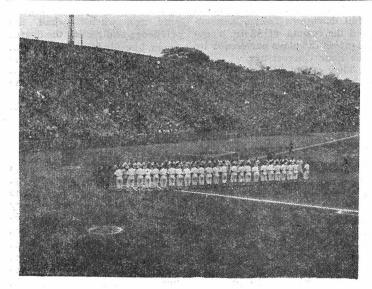








SPORTS SPORTS



BIG-SIX OPENS

"A smack of the bat and the ball goes flying over left. Leftfielder Osawa runs towards the fence, his back turned to the plate. He runs and runs. He jumps and gets the ball in his hand, single handed. Then he crumples against the fence."

These are the words of an announcer broadcasting the games of the Big-Six University Baseball League spring season which opened on April 17.

And here we would like to introduce to you some of the Rikkyo nine whom you will see fielding and hitting at the Jingu Shrine Stadium.

On the pitching staff we have Sugiura a sophomore who has ripened in to a mighty ace hurler, both southpaws Azuma and Ikedo are throughgoing twirlers and Ishikawa as a relief pitcher. Our backer-up at the home plate is Hozaka.

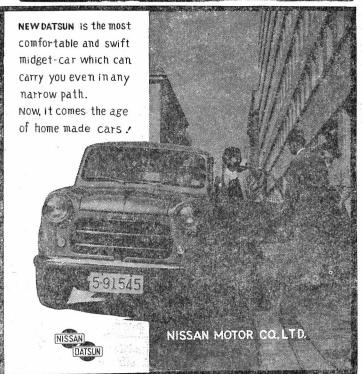
In the infield we have smart second-sacker Furuta, shortstop and captain of the team Ito, the depedable first bagger Yato and the giant of the hotcorner Nagashima.

In the Rikkyo-Meiji series of of the Big-Six University Baseball League the Rikkyo nine was edged out 1-0, 6-2 by the dark-horse Meiji University.

Lady Luck just didn't seem to be with the Saint's.

As ball chasers there are the hefty batter Osawa, the smart fielding center Takeshima and Fukumura. As utility players there are Motoyashiki, Gushi





New S.S.A.A. Committee

"We will try our best to uphold the fine tradition our alumnus have left." These are the words of the new Chairman Shuichi Machida. The newly selected members of the S.S.A.A. Committee for 1955 are as follows, Vice-chairman Yoichi Hanaizumi, General Secetary Koji Konishi, Treasurer Hayao Aiso, Assistant Committee are Kinjiro Yamaguchi and Hiroshi Kasahara.

ITO WINS IN 10,000 METER Japan's 2nd Bast Time

Sadao I to of the St. Paul's Track and Field Team won the 10,000 meter race in 30 min. 57.8 sec., this record is Japan's second best after Murakoso's 30 min. 25 sec.,

OHASHI COPS FIGURE SKATING TITLE Ohashi, Economic 3, won the

Japan Men's Figure Skating Championship which was vacant for four years on account of nobody reaching the standard point, he is expected to be a hopeful candidate to the Olimpic. Mr. Ohashi started skating

when he entered Senior High and he found it harder than he thought. For technical skill is not the only thing needed in drawing geometrical lines on the ice, you must have mental concentration. To keep in shape he goes to to the Korakuen Ice Palace late at night and practises alone.

CO EDS AND SPORTS



There are few girls who belong to the athletic club in this campus, one of them is Miss Naoko Yamaoka, who is a member of the Fencing

Club. The sports reporter of the Rikkyo Echo had an interview with her and had a chance to know how such girls think of sports. The following conver sation took place:

- Q. What was your motive to begin fencing?
- A. I spent my high school days in the sportsdom, so I felt lonely to give up sports after entering university. And also I had been adoring

with other sports. Will you tell me what you

got through your club life? I am happy to be able to make efforts for one aim with all members of the club and to share our joys and sorrows. And I learn a great deal of co-operation, decorum and frankness through sports.

fencing and it seemed to be

suitable for girls compared

What do you think of the compatibility of sports with study from the girl's point of view?

A. It is a very difficult problem and one which every student athletes must overcome. Of course I think the duty of a student is study and sports should be secondary. But we have training time regularly and in my case as I am a girl, the committee is kindly paying much consideration to my training amount lest I should overwork myself. So I don't feel much difficulty about this problem, but generally speaking the solution of this is very difficult and we, who are athletes, must try to find a way to solve it.

Do you intend to continue fencing after graduation? Yes, I do. I shall be

Yes, I do. I shall be engaged in some business in the future but I will enjoy fencing as a recreation in my leisure time.

Have you any comment to the Rikkyo co-eds?

Yes, I hope girls who like sports will belong to the athletic club. And those who love sports have the most pleasant time while they are playing on the they are playing on the fields, I think.







STUDENTS WITHOUT SCHOOL

The problem of RONIN or schoolless students has been in the limelight in the papers and in the magazines. We of the Rikkyo Echo made inquires into the state of the Ronin who are now attending St. Paul's, particularly those who entered in 1954 (now sophomore) and some freshmen. The results shows one end of this booming terrible problem. It is as follows. Number of Ronin

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gazing upon St. Paul's every-

They are about 30 in number

and send three committee-men

to the Wokers' Union of St.

Paul's. So, almost all of you

must be surprised at this fact

that the group is neither small

Their work begins around

Well then, let's listen to these

busy people who kindly spared

Question: How do you feel

when you see the seniors go

A: I feel lonely when seniors

B: Certainly. We miss them

C: Yes, that's true. But we

visit this campus again.

D: I'm filled with joy when

we are getting along.

everything.

person.

gone by?

E: Through their four-year-

F: Yes, a freshman is stuck

as if dear children parted

are very glad to see them

some of them ask us how

life, the students seem to

make a big progress in

up, he is a little proud of

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We can generally remeber

almost all of students near

the end of their school life.

pare the students of today

with those of the days

to have become much better

than those who studied here

just after the World War 2,

Question: Will you please com-

H: The present students seem

don't you think so?

leave this campus.

7:30 in the morning and your

comfortable class-rooms would

be ready when you get there.

their time for our interview.

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Prof. Mochizuki

great many student of this kind telling us? Why do they try to overcome all difficulties to enter a university?

What is a

Mr. Mochizuki, a social psycologist, makes a review of this problem from the point of view of school educational system in Japan. In this country, he criticizes, the university has been over-estimated because thinks he can get an important social position if only one graduates from it. This way of thinking is a feudalistic induration which leaves a trail from the Meiji Era when a government school was regarded as an only way to succeed in life. People in general have been used to put emphases on competence and nominal matters of the university he mentions.

The university and employment after graduation are securely tied up: it is a social common sense for people to think an employment is only for a graduate from the university. This way of thinking which prevails in the present society must be altered.

As for an ideal, he takes an example that in France even a student who completed his law course of a first-class university is willing to work on a farm. In his case, there is no doubt that he goes to university only for his studying.

And about the school system itself, according to Mr. Mochizuki, it is out of question.

To conclude, the only thing hoped for is to let study have its own way and at the same time we must be concerned about the improvement of your foundamental idea on education.

Question: Do you have any unsatisfaction with your jobs?

- S: I have nothing to complain
- T: We couldn't have asked for more All fellows are so kind that we can find a good resort in our business.

Here are some people who | I: Yes, they certainly are. But always work hard to make our students in pre-war days were much better, looking campus a little more beautiful. Although they grasp the handles back my twety years in this of brooms as if they avoided campus. I remeber that public notice, their eyes are they all wore uniforms and

or manners.

Janitors Zalk Students Listen

caps. They never failed to take their caps off to seniors even on the streets. They were extremely made of better stuff in their habits

When Rika Senmon Gakko (Special Course for Science) was founded, the quality of students declined.

K: That's right. Students of today go to the library for studying, while almost all of the students who studied immediately after the War took it as a place for taking a rest, I'm afraid.

L: They have been of very good quality anyway.

M: The Class Committee has become very progressive. It is really good. They can carry their points if they are right.

N: It seems too agreeable that the School Faculty accepts the proposals and requests from the student's side. After all, a school is for the students.

Question: How do you spend your free time?

O: I like fishing best. Fishing is quite a passion with me. That's why it's a shame for me to have to work on a fine holiday.

Some play a game of SHOGI and GO. Others are fond of gardening. There is a good HOKKU-POET as well. Women are most of the time busy with their laundry.

Q: We are happiest when we go on an annual short trip just before the summer holidys every year.

R: Yes, we enjoyed the trip to Hakone very much indeed last year.

WELCOME PARTY FOR FRESHMEN HELD

freshmen of the Rikkyo E.S.S. was held on May 14th from 3.p.m. at the mess. hall. 240 freshmen with 100 other members joined together in a happy atmosphere, eating and talking over their future hopes. The honorable guests were Dr. Negishi, Mr. and Mrs. Perry, Mr. Kaasa, Mr. and Mrs. Lehmen, Mrs. Heley and Mr. Pittsburger.

of.

U: Even when we get old and can't do much work, the school will look after us. I am gratified that this is because of the Christian faith in this school.

The welcome party for the

CLUB LIFE IN ST. PAUL'S

E. S. S.

On the night of Nov. 13 last year the judges at the Yomiuri Hall, downtown Tokyo, announced the results of their judgement on the plays performed by the Four Universities.

They placed Rikkyo first and we knew that our long time of labor successfully bore fruit.

Assuming the same results will be repeated, and that further technical progress is made, it is possible that the future of your glorious society, always in action, will continue to stand for fellowship and unity, among the members. I am sure your constant efforts and cooperation which is based on the diligence of each of you will continue.

I would not wish to take up space with too many technical details of this play, but one or two facts might be sufficient to indicate that a new English revolution is and should be under way.

Our country looks foward to the day when we shall be in a position to export our own knowledge in building a truly peaceful world. This is the time when our English will be needed. There is a great need for both domestic and external understanding and fellowship if there is to be peace and prosperity.

I.S.A. NEWS

by Committee Member M. Oka

The 2nd International Student Conference will be held from July 17 to August 7, 1955, under the auspices of the International Student Association of Japan.

This year, we are going to have the Conference in Japan in three districts, inviting student delegates from the United States, the Philippines, the Republic of China, Indonesia, Malaya, Burma and other countries in Asia as well as in Europe.

The seminer will include panel discussion, study tours and lecture meetings. As the main theme of the Seminer, we have adopted "The problems we have today and the role of the student."

This thesis needs no elaboration from me. About half a year ago when I had the priviledge of directing the drama group, I keenly realized the truth of the thesis to which our members firmly agreed, that the study of English and the introduction of our culture overseas must go hand in hand.

ALPS CLUB

I pride myself not only as an alumnus of Rikkyo University, but also as a member of the Alpine-Club. I recall my memory that each phase of my four-yearcollege life as an alpinist has truely been a bitter experience, but now to me all my pains, hardships and anguish are no more than a delightful thought of my school days.

Almost all Japanese probably have ever climbed a mountain at least once or twice, and they will never forget that pleasure of that experience would never be forgotten. That snow-clad peak that glitters in the sunlight! How I wish I could let all of you see this sight! We alpinists, however, do not climb mountains only to look for such natural beauty.

In earlier times it was only for religious purposes that people climbed mountains, however, in modern times, it has become a sport.

We have no written rule as other sports have, but we have one that should never be broken by a member. That is, only when there is perfect teamwork, we can arrive at the top. So to play foul is simply to court death. Such a thing can never be found in any other sports, I am sure.

Mountains defy us but our fair and honest challange is accepted by them. The conquest the Himalayas is the hope of all alpinists and no one but a good alpinist can do it. A good alpinist.....he is a man of fighting spirit and of indomitable courage, and on the other hand, he even loves the little flowers in bloom in the shade of rocks.

All memebers and old boys of the Alpine-Club eagerly want to be the alpinists of this kind. But to be an excellent alpinist, you must first be a fine student.

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