

WELCOME GIVEN JAPANESE PARTY

Baron Uruu Scouts Possibility of War Between Japan and States on Tactical Basis.

COUNTRYMEN SHOW HONOR

Intimation Given That Subjects of Mikado Need Larger Territory, but Assertion Is Made That They Are Contented Here.

Hope that into the American melting pot will be cast the Japanese and that the blood of Nippon will be fused with that of other races was expressed earnestly yesterday by Admiral Baron Sotokichi Uruu, hero of the Russian-Japanese war, who, with Baroness Uruu and his wife, reached Portland yesterday on his way back to Japan after 40 days spent at the Panama-Pacific Exposition, where he acted as commissioner from his own government.

The baron talked frankly and his views, he said, were entirely informal. His remarks should be interpreted, he declared, as those of any individual talking to another, without giving them undue weight or authority from any official representative of his nation. "I have great hope," he said, "of the mingling of the Japanese with the American race. When I first came to America 40 years ago, I thought such a thing impossible and the thought never entered my mind that our people would work here as they do today. Our ways were so different from your own that I could not see ahead what conditions would come about. But now I find our people in this country wearing American dress and with the customs of Americans. I do not know whether they can speak English or not but in appearance they are Americans."

Extravagant Trend Noted. "The Japanese soon assimilate and they make good citizens, too. Our people like nice things. They may be said to have become somewhat extravagant; perhaps this, too, is an indication that they make good Americans. At home we are poor because of this extravagant trend, also, but we have so many people for our limited territory."

This led to expressions from the baron as to Japan's "place in the sun." That a race of such surprising vigor could forever be confined in the limits of the Japanese Archipelago might be doubted after listening to the baron's remarks. He discussed frankly, but with the intimation that his remarks were not to be taken too seriously, the subject of population moves to where it can gain food.

These movements, he said, were inevitable and all history was but the record of races seeking food, in other words, its "place in the sun." "The people must have food," he said, "for none can turn the primary instinct aside."

As to where Japan might seek its logical outlet, Baron Uruu could not say. "We are happy at home now," was his remark.

War Thought Impossible. He doubted seriously that the United States and Japan would ever go to war against each other. Aside from all reasons of friendship and close relations that are becoming established between the two countries, which would prevent war, he urged, from a fighting man's standpoint, the serious difficulties of the side that should make the attack.

"We are too far away from each other," he said. "In his democratic qualities, his frankness and his fame as a sea fighter, Baron Uruu may be compared to our own great heroes, and his beloved memory. Although a diplomat, since his retirement from the navy with the title of Admiral last year, the baron has been writing and speaking in his frank discussion of things. He said Japanese ideas are changing at home, that modern progress has become the keynote and that Japan has world problems to face.

His home is at Okawara, near Tokio, which he said he had written to American friends is the most beautiful place in the whole world.

Tokio's Climate Praised. "It is much like your San Diego in climate," he said. "It is nice and warm for the old man. You can see the sea and the mountains there. I like it very much."

It was desired to give Baron Uruu a dinner or reception last night, but he said that after undergoing 40-odd days of banqueting and social affairs at San Francisco in connection with his duties at the exposition, he was quiet. He expressed surprise at the large number of Japanese residents of Portland that met him at the Union Depot yesterday when he alighted from the Snaata Limited, and he was also impressed with the size of Portland.

Last night at 8:30 he visited the Buddhist temple in North Portland, where he met local Japanese residents. He will leave for Seattle this morning and will sail from that place April 9 for his home.

Baron Is Annapolis Graduate. The baron is himself a graduate of the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis and is of the class of 1881. He is 58 years old. He visited his country six years ago to attend a class reunion. He was made a Baron in 1907 and bears the decorations of the Order of the Rising Sun and the Order of the Golden Kite.

As a fighting man his reputation rests chiefly upon the naval battle of Chemulpo, where his ship sank two Russian warships, the Korietz and the Variaz, in an engagement lasting 25 minutes. These ships have been raised and are now in the Japanese navy. During the war he commanded the second squadron, but he disclaims any praise for his sea fights, modestly saying that the Admiral Togo belongs all the credit.

Americans Pay Respects. Baron and Baroness Uruu were welcomed at the station yesterday by Consul H. Kumasaki, and a number of other prominent Japanese and many of his countrymen, who bowed low with bared heads as the distinguished visitor made his way to the street from the train. At the Portland Hotel, where his party occupied the Presidential suite, there were many callers, including H. B. Miller, W. H. Crawford and Burnett Goodwin, president, vice-president and secretary respectively of the Oriental Society; O. M. Clark, W. D. Wheelwright and others. He was accessible to callers and said it was a genuine pleasure for him to meet his American friends.

FAMOUS JAPANESE WHO ARRIVED IN PORTLAND YESTERDAY AND CONSUL WHO GREETED THEM.



STUDY IS REWARDED

Japanese Child Explains Victory in Spelling Bee.

GIRL IN AMERICA 4 YEARS

Fuyuko Fukui, 11 Years Old, Beats Nine Contestants in Clackamas Contest, but Says She Did Not Expect to Do It.

CLACKAMAS, Or., April 3.—(Special.)—Fuyuko Fukui, the fourth-grade Japanese girl, who "spelled down" all competitors in the first division of the five-school spelling contest held at the Stone schoolhouse March 15, was born in Japan and came to the United States with her parents at the age of 7 years. She is 11 years old. She has three sisters and two brothers, three of whom are younger than she. She has attended school in Harmony and Sunnyside, where she lives.

The contest was one of a series in Clackamas County conducted by Superintendent Calavan and the supervisors. Much interest and good-natured rivalry was manifested by the patrons and pupils in the spelling revival.

Two Divisions in Contest. There were two divisions and each school was entitled to a team of two in each division. The first division, which was composed of pupils from the fourth and fifth grades, was to spell from sections 1, 2 and 3 of the spelling book. The second division was selected from the sixth, seventh and eighth grades and was to spell the words in the remaining sections. Only one trial was allowed each contestant.

Mr. Pittman, of the Oregon Normal School, was introduced by Superintendent Calavan and spoke briefly to the children, after which the first division stood in line while he pronounced the words. There were ten contestants. They represented Evergreen, Holcomb, Stone, East Clackamas and Sunnyside. One by one, six left the ranks and Fuyuko Fukui, Milo Mumpower, of Stone; Eleanor Metunger, of Evergreen; and Margerith Mortensen, of Sunnyside, remained.

"Collar" and "Yankee" Missed. Soon Milo Mumpower missed the word "collar." The three spelled until Margerith Mortensen failed to capitalize the word "Yankee." The remaining two spelled rapidly for about 20 minutes until Eleanor Metunger became confused while spelling "bouquet" and missed and Fuyuko Fukui had won. She had spelled 112 pages of words.

She was congratulated by almost everyone present and accepted the honors modestly. She gave the following as a reason for her success: "I studied spelling at home and whenever I had time, at school, too. I did not think I was going to win at all. I thought the girl beside me was going to be winner. I did not think of anything else, but just listened to the man that was pronouncing. The girl that missed 'bouquet' knew how to spell it, but she made a mistake, and I am glad about it."

Man Writes to Child. She has received many congratulations through the mail. One letter came from a man in Sawtelle, Cal., who had read of her success in the Los Angeles paper. It was full of encouragement for the little Japanese girl to do her best always and asking her to reply if she could.

Little Miss Fukui is a smart, ambitious child, and spelling is not the only one of her studies in which she excels.

Superintendent Calavan gave out the words to the second division and Mr. Pittman acted as referee. This match was won by Myrtle Mortensen, of Sunnyside, who spelled to page 205.

SUIT OVER SHOES IS WON

Injunction Gained on Use of Name on Inferior Eastern Goods.

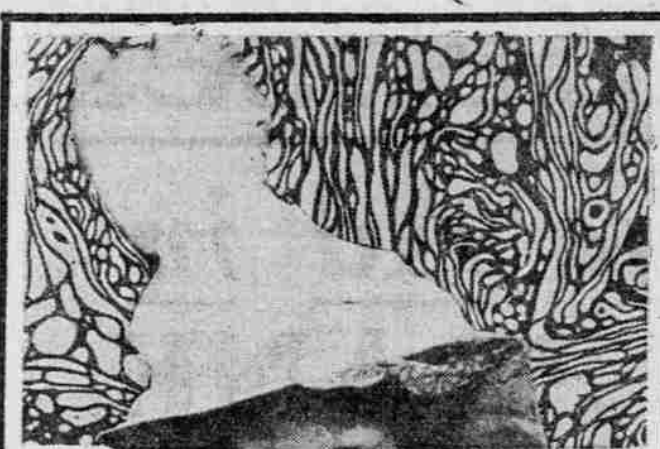
Oregon-made shoes were protected against the competition of a poorer grade manufactured in the East when Kelly, of the Circuit Court, in Salem, granted Theodore Bergman, of the Theodore Bergman Shoe Manufacturing Company, 221 Thurman street, a special injunction against the Price Shoe Company, of Salem, and nominal damages for the injury to business and reputation caused by Price's sale of shoes, while they carried the trademark of another manufacturer.

Mr. Bergman has been in business in Portland for 21 years. On many of the shoes introduced as evidence, it appeared that the dealer had not even taken the trouble to change the trademark but had sold them as Bergman shoes, while they carried the trademark of another manufacturer.

APPROVAL GIVEN TO BONDS

Tabor Heights Improvement Club Gives Unanimous Indorsement.

The Tabor Heights Improvement Association adopted resolution at a special meeting Friday night in Wright's Hall approving by unanimous vote the proposed bond issue of \$1,250,000 for completing the Columbia Highway and hard-surfacing the trunk roads of the county. Whitney L. Boise, member of the good roads committee, explained the reason why these bonds are to be issued, where the money will be used and what the effects will be. He emphasized the point that nearly \$1,000,000 of the money will go for labor, to men who are asking for work and not for charity, and said that about 2500 men would be given work on the many contracts both on the trunk roads and on the Columbia Highway.



Baron and Baroness Uruu



Commander O. Nogano (on Left) and Consul Kumasaki



Lieutenant-Colonel T. Scott, Who Will Deliver Address.

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There are two alternatives for the trip which are being considered by the authorities. One is for the Albany to cruise along the coast, stopping at San Francisco and San Diego, and the other is for the ship to go directly to San Francisco and join the United States fleet there in target practice.

J. D. Dearmin, chief yeoman of the United States Navy, who will assist in instructing the men while on the cruise, reported unofficially to Adjutant-General White yesterday. He was detailed by the War Department.

Mr. Dearmin has had more than eight years' experience in the Navy. With the exception of a few months which he spent at Annapolis, all his time has been put in at sea on such modern dreadnoughts as the Idaho and the Rhode Island.

PERSONAL MENTION.

D. Barren, of Corvallis, is at the Carlton. George M. Graves, of Salem, is at the Oregon. Howard Russell, of Seattle, is at the Nortonia.

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