

Tokyo Existence Wacky American Writer Finds

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Tokyo "Wacky-Go-Round." Oct. 12—(U.P.)—Our pillows at the hotel Dai Ichi Shich were popularly believed filled with sand. But I slit mine open today and found it was only rice.

This hotel, taken over by the army for the headquarters staff and correspondents, is the central point for the mad world we live in.

Japanese firemen apologize for coming to put out a fire—arriving too late, anyway. The telephone operators ring vigorously for five minutes and when you finally can break in and shout "hello," your are blandly informed: "Your telephone is ringing."

"Oh Susanna"
A seven-piece Japanese orchestra playing Spanish music, singers working over "Oh Susanna" in Japanese and several other odd habits are indicative of the Japanese way of life today.

Whatever else they think of the Japanese, correspondents agree they are a game race. Living amid the shambles and chaos of their capital city, the Japanese have not yet been heard to utter one complaint.

Our hotel meals are improving. The era of "rubber" hash

wrapped in defunct cabbage leaves is past. Last night's fried chicken dinner topped with ice cream was not bad—for 25 cents. Not when you consider the quart of beer and that orchestra playing Spanish tunes.

The hotel is now socially "stratified." A screened-off corner of the dining room is marked "colonels only." So exclusive is it that even the colonels rarely eat with each other at the same tables.

Queues For Movies
In the world outside, Japanese women line up by the hundreds for food at ration stores. But both men and women line up by the thousands in queues three blocks long in front of movie houses.

The Japanese male's idea of open-air sanitation is extremely primitive. An occasional corrective treatment of boots applied to pants seats by outraged GI's is correcting this.

The local brand of logic is typically shown by the fleet of Baby Austin picket trucks running around town with the entire truck body taken up by charcoal gas producing apparatus. No one has yet figured out what constitutes a "pay load."

A philosophical Yank truck driver summed it all up in blue chalk on the side of his cab with the inscription: "The world is mad."

the potential industrial use of the camp area, buildings and utilities that comprise the project.

Clay Cochran, chamber manager, said the camp buildings which are suitable for warehousing, paved streets, water, light and power systems would prove ideal for some large industrial concern. While no names were mentioned officials indicated that the Du Pont company, employing many thousands of men, is looking for a location in Oregon.

NAVY, AIR FORCE, MAIN SUFFERERS OKINAWA STORM

Fairfield, Cal., Oct. 13—(U.P.)—Devastation caused by the Okinawa typhoon was described here tonight by Tech. Sgt. Harry J. Phillips, Chicago, who arrived here by army transport plane. Phillips toured Okinawa with a 10th photo technical unit before departing on the second plane to leave the island after the destructive storm last Wednesday and Thursday.

"Installations of the eighth air force on Okinawa were completely devastated," said Phillips. "At Yanten and Naha airfields, hangars and tents were blown down. It was a miracle that only slight damage was caused to heavy bombers and transport planes based on the island. Just a few of the small Cub-type planes were demolished."

Phillips said the navy suffered heaviest losses. Five ships anchored in Hana bay were beached, and Quonset huts and a naval air transport operations building were destroyed.

Communications lines throughout the island were blown down, the sergeant said.

CAMP ADAIR USE IS GIVEN STUDY

Salem, Oct. 13—With the possible complete abandonment of Camp Adair within the next few months, industrial-minded citizens here, including chamber of commerce officials, are studying

Gold Hill

Gold Hill Oct. 12—Gold Hill boys recently discharged from the service and now at home include *LaVerne Walker, La Verne Dungey Leo Walker, Creighton Thompson, Duane (Buz) Shoemaker, Thos. (Robey) Robinson, Pat Becker and Stuart Chisholm.

Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Sulder and Harvey Newnham spent several days last week at Alhambra, Calif. While there, Mrs. Sulder's son arrived home from over seas, which was a glad surprise, which was a glad surprise to her. Mrs. Sulder's daughter, Mrs. Evgene Bower, returned home with them. Her son will be here as soon as receiving his discharge.

Gold Hill Garden club met at the home of Mrs. F. W. Jones, Oct. 5. Plans were made for fall and winter meetings. Mrs. Jones served refreshments to ten members and two visitors. Next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Robt. Kies on Oct. 19 at 1 p.m. to make dry bouquets and fall corsages.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hales and Mr. and Mrs. Grover Kelley of Dryton, Ohio, arrived by auto Oct. 2 to visit Mr. and Mrs. George Potter, Mrs. Hales and Mrs. Kelley are sisters of Mrs. Potter.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Ritter and daughter Joan visited over the weekend with relatives in Klamath Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Davidson visited Wednesday with Mrs. Jane Cook, they being neighbors years ago in Sams Valley. The Davidsons have been living on the coast near Portland and were on their way to California.

Milton Steinmetz of Seattle is visiting his wife and son, Harry Lee.

Mrs. W. I. Morgan returned Monday from a weeks visit with relatives in Los Angeles.

Mrs. T. C. Buckingham visited friend in Cottage Grove several days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Creighton Thompson and daughter Jennie Lou, Paul Thompson and George

Hoff visited over the weekend in Bend with Mrs. Thompson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Winn.

Cpl. Arden Van Dorn visited his mother, Mrs. R. Robinson, Oct. 1, reporting to Ft. Lewis, Mrs. Carrie Sneed of Salem, Ore., has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Cleo Gilchrist and family.

J. M. Shaver of the maritime service spent several days here last week with his grandfather, R. G. Wigle.

Hardy Cook of Portland visited last week with his brother,

R. E. Cook and other relatives. Mrs. Lawton Hayes and children of Eugene visited several days last week in the John Hayes home.

Duane Eskew, S2/c, is spending his leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Eskew and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wilson and daughter Virginia of Springfield visited last week with Mrs. Wilson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. Z. Smith and family.

Mrs. Nellie Smith left last week for Snohomish, Wash., to visit for about a month, stopping

for a visit in Eugene en route home. On her return she will go to Concord, Calif. to spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Wm. Delgado.

Miss Marcia Centers visited friends in Ashland over the weekend.

Mrs. Nellie Pugh and daughter,

BIRTHS

ter, Mrs. Dale Clement, left the last of the week for Canada, called there by the death of Mrs. Pugh's mother.

Closing time for Classified Ads 8:30 a. m.—Too Late to Classify 12:15 p. m.

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