

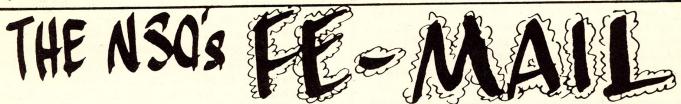
Reiko Kinoshita, NSO's petite "gal Friday", seems to say 'thanks' to all those who sent Christmas greetings, as she scans holiday mail.

HOLIDAY MAIL FROM G.I. AND VET MALES

Heartwarming for the Yule season was the number of Christmas mail that came in to the NSO from servicemen, veterans, former hostesses, and organization friends. It also helped the NSO to finally locate the whereabouts of many whose cards have been put into "dead-file".

Servicemen who sent greetings were: Dante Carpenter, Kingspoint; Kaichi Nakamura, Fort Devens; Sgt. Jack Aisaku Okamura, ETO; Cpl. Stanley Kimura, ETO; Harold Slate, Massenta, N.Y.; Sam Sushimi, Fort Hood, Tex; Larry Muraoka, Korea; Pfc. Seiji Sugawara, Fort Bliss, Tex; and Jack Tom, (post-mark unknown).

Other GI's who wrote letters during the season were: Edward Corpuz, ETO; Ed Edama-



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ACTIVITIES PLANNED

A tentative schedule for the next several months was laid out by Frances Nakamura and her cabinet at the January meeting.

No dances were planned for February by the NSO as other Nisei and Chinese organizations have indicated earlier of possible socials for that month.

The NSO, however, has a dance slated for March 12, with the theme, "Journey to Outer Space". A hay-ride is also scheduled for April.

A 442 record dance is planned on April 2, at Whitehall Hotel, 100th and Broadway. The Japanese-American Association is also putting on their dance on May 23rd at Hotel Mc-Alpin, Broadway and 34th Streets.

Further information on all the above socials will be sent to GI's, vets, and hostesses in this area by post-cards. Those wishing notices, whose names are not on file, please notify any of the Hostess officers.

CHEMICAL REACTION

Charko Nakamura, erstwhile NSO treasurer, exchanged vows with Herbert Otani, a shemical engineer from New Jersey, on Nov. 21st, 1954. Charko wan an art student at Cooper Union. Herb probably "engineered" himself to be "drawn" into a non-chemical fusion.

tsu and Tak Morinaga, Guam; Chuck Motonaga, Japan; Peter Watanabe, ETO; Pedro Ariota, ETO; Rodney Miyamoto, Korea.

Cards from veterans were from: Tak Kosakura, Kiyo Goto, Joe Miyake, Harry Motonaga, and George Wakiji of Los Angeles, Calif; Hideo Toyama and So Han Park, Honolulu; George Kozuma and Tony Tanji, Wahiawa; Bob Oka, Salinas; Herby Wong, Oakland; Frank Sasaki, Acamp; Joe Uyeminami, Sacramento; Shu Kitahata, Long Beach; John Ong, Mesa, Ariz; and Yamawaki family in New York.

NSO hostesses who remembered fellow-members were: Phyllis Kusumi, Shirley Mock, Betty Lou Lung, Lillian Chang, Josie and Lily Jarm, Stella Jack, and June Nobuto.

Girls from outside New York who sent best wishes were: Yuri Inouye, Los Angeles; Yoshiko Nakayashi, Seattle; Helen Hayashi and Carol Tsuda, Wash. D.C.; and Dorothy Chin, Mary Joe Chang, and Cynthia Lee of Kingston Jamaica, British West Indies.

Messages from 442 members came from Gene Herbert, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ochs, and Kelly Kuwayama. Don Wu and Tom Lee also sent greetings.

There may have been many other cards but in the rush of filing and checking addresses, their cards may have been misplaced. MSO wishes to thank all who remembered them during this busy season.

EDITORIAL: ANOTHER NEW YEAR

1955, already well on its way, meems to be unfolding all the same manifestations of past years—the uncertainties, the changes, the hopes and fears, the ups and downs, the good and bad that 52 weeks usually brings.

For many, the Formosan situation will cause anxieties of being re-called into service. To others, this year will mean readjusting themslves to civilian life; or acclimating themselves to new environment and locale. There will also be changes from barrack-life to campus-grind. Finding employment and stretching the weekly pay-check will be a problem in itself to many. Marital status, too, may change for the lucky ones. A few are also at the stage of taking on greater responsibilites as young parents. Whatever each will bexperience, will be a challenge.

Both success and failure should be expected. Joy and sorrow, anxiety and relief, disappointment and satisfaction are all a part of life and living.

We hope 1955 brings to each of you many happy returns individually, but whatever it brings, the gains in lessons learned, wisdom absorbed, blessings received, and maturity added, depend on you and your out-look and insight on life.

There is no measuring stick for success or happiness. Just live sincerely with yourself and others.

NSO OFFICERS

Directors: Dick Komine and Jim Konno. Hostess Club Officers: Frances Nakamura, Ruth Eto, Pat Iwamoto, Miki Kashiwabara, Sylvia Mizuno, Kathy Eddy, Edna Yoshikawa, Reiko Kinoshita, Betty Lou Lang, and Juanita Rodriguez.

Fe-Mail Staff composed of volunteer hostesses, GI's, and vets. Anyone welcome to join in. Contact Ruth Eto.

GI'S, STUDENTS, ETC.

Holiday visitors in the Big City were plentiful during December-January with GI's on furloughs and students on vacation. Also on hand were many chick sexers from near-by Lansdale, Pennsylvania; and two Korean air-cadets training in the states.

Among the students were: May Sumida, Springfield College, Mass.; George Pai and Alfred Chock; Michigan; Larry Kam, Syracuse; James Ige, Bryant College, Rhode Island; Richard McKeague and Francis Wing Hong of Lehigh U, Pennsylvania; Richard Hidani, Washington U, Missouri; and Shirley Fujii, Wanda Wong, Mabel Tabata, Barbara Au, Edna Umeda, Norma Tabata and Winifred Matsucka of Colorado Teachers College, Greeky, Colorado. (There were many other Colorado students but whose names we did not know).

The Korean air cadets were Capt. Lin Soon Chang and Capt. Chang Seong Cho, who came to New York with Lts. Mixhiwo Nakashima, Walter Tagawa, and Mickey Matsuno of Wash. D.C.

Other air-men who visited were: Walter Hayase, Johnny Kua, William Urada, Raymond Warahara, Albert Fukunaga, and Richard Kuwaye; all recent returnees from Eniwetok.

GI's were: Mich Nitta and Clark Hoshino from Fort Monmouth; George Yokota, Fort Hood, Texas; Senmatsu Uenten, Fort Devens, Mass. Eddie Hirano, waiting for overseas duty; Ben Fujioka, Phillip Casbadillo, Raymond Fujimoto and Johnny Macadangdang, Ft. Belvoir, Va; Jimmy Louis from Fort Bragg, No. Carolina, Arthur Takido, Wash. D.C.; George Miyake, Camp Kilmer.

U of H grads, now GI's, who visited were: Goro Asato, Valentine Hashitate, and Walter Hayashi.

Chick-sexers were: Jim Watanabe, Jim Nakamura, George Shigeta, Mits Furukawa, Mitsu Endo, Tom Takehara, Shig Kubota, Sus Tokunaga, and Min Sagamori. (Sus is the brother of Ted Tokunaga, one-time Monmouther-er).

IMPORTANT ENGAGEMENTS

T'was the nite before Christmas In excited houses,

Flashed rings of engagements
From future spouses.

Betrothed to each other on that happy eve were: Larry Kam and Betty Lou Lung; Raymond Chu and Elaine Hui, and Gene Lee and Mei Har Chin.

Also riding high with the Yuletide were Richard Hazama and Dorothy Ochai, who said 'I do' beneath the season's mistle-toe.

Others who will exchange nuptial vows are

Cadet Ken Ikeda and Jane Nishimura in June at West Point; and Frank Sasaki and Fumi Takaki after her graduation from nursing school.

Bill Sakurai and his fiancee in Los Angeles should also soon be taking their final steps.

In Honolulu, ex-coastie Herb Kochi surprised the NSO with a Christmas card signed "Mr. and Mrs." Congrats to you both:

Feorge and Emeline Arakaki also have a long awaited engagement with....the stork in March.

EASY DOES IT WITH MUSCLES



For two such popular coasties, Muscles Yoshimura and Easy Isara found that leaving New York wasn't quite as easy and happy an occasion as their smiles show above, but they're giving their best aloha's for NSO.

STUDENTS TID-BITS

Kazuko Tottori, a holiday visitor from Maryland is attending John Hopkins Hospital. A McKinley '50 grad, whill finish in June.

Jeanette Hotta, a visitor from Colorado is attending Greeley College. Would like to say also that several other girls visited us during the holidays.

Girls, girls, girls...at 601 W. 110th St: Thelma Aoyama, Carol Kkegami, and June Kobayashi are candidates for their M.A. in Ed. at Columbia. Another gal, Thelma Murakami.. is an undergraduate at Hunter College.

More girls who are working for their Masters Degree are lodged at International House. They are Laura Ching, NYU; Dorcas Dodo, Columbia; Betty Choy, Columbia; Ethel Nabeta, Columbia; Peggy Miyagi, Columbia.

Out - of - town visitors from Purdue were Earl Kunihiro and Richard Tagawa.

Evelyn Kawamoto, a sell known swimming champ, is attending NYU. Her major is in retailing. We'd like to see you around.

New faces in New York social circles.. Dorothy and Richard Hazama. Dot's a candidate for M.A. in Education at NYU.

Other new faces are Harold Honda, Harvard Ito, and Lawrence Miwa. All majors in business, Harold and Lawrence are attending NYU for their Masters. Harvard will begin school in February.

Want to know anything about cameras? See the shy one, Richard Matsushige who is studying at Germaine School of Photography.

Tom Inabe, attending RCA, will be finishing school in February. Congrats:

Elsie Yoshizawa, we miss you around.

DIDJA KNOW THAT ...

...Mino Kimizuka and Kiyoshi Yamazaki just went into service on January 24.

... The kid brothers of Dot Tonai and Muscles Yoshimura are now here in Fort Monmouth. Bob Nitta's kid brother was also here.

... Ex-100th Streeters Liz Hoe, Karen Nakamara, and John and May (Higa) Nagasawa will be back in New York by mid-February.

... Also returning to the states, (but unfortunately, not to New York), is personable Kay Kutaka who left the big city in the latter part of December.

...George Miyake left Monmouth recently for FECOM. Before entering service, he was a law student at Minnesota U.

... Chiri Tsuji and Eddie Hirano left for Iran in mid-January.

... Jack Okamura is now in Germany.

...George Wood is in Haiti working for CARE. ...Humpty Oda just left for Los Angeles. Also in Los Angeles, are Helen Sasaki and

Abu Keikoan, who kept going West from Chicago. Tak Iwamoto will be another Cal-man after his discharge in March.

... Kaizo Fukumoto has been in Florida these past several months working in a resort.

...Bob Tokumoto went back to Wahiawa and is together again with Tony Tanji and George Kozuma. (Whatta cook, that man!)

... Pedro Ariota, Hiroshi Sakotani, George Enoki and Kamaki Fukuyama are all in Germany.

...Chuck Motonaga of the 1st Marines is now stationed in Atsugi, Japan; while Rodney Mi-yamoto, a former 442-man is serving in Inchon, Korea.

... Takeo Morinaga and Edward Edamatsu are in Guam, while their buddy Peter Watanabe was sent to Germany.

...Richard Hidani, ex-coastie, is in dental school in Missouri.

... George Ito appeared in Steve Allen's show doing his fire-eating act. He has also recently opened a jiu-jitsu studio in mid-Manhattan.

...Marian Yee was selected this year's Chinese New Year's Queen in New York City.

... Talented newsomer to local socials is singing Lily Chu of Texas. She has solo-ed on TV and radio shows in El Paso. Thank you, Sylvia Fujiwara for introducing her.

...The Buddaheads here have another new uke player in Johnny Isosaki of Honolulu. Johnny, a craftsman in wood-carving, is looking for a job and at the same time getting acclimated to New York's winter.

... Tets Yamashita, a newcomer from Cal, will begin his studies at Pratt Institute. A recent vet, he also did grad work at UCLA.

NSO FRIENDS PLAY SANTA CLAUS

Pre-holiday and Christmas donations have come in from various sources as GI's, vets, former hostesses and students played Santa Clause to the NSO during November-December.

Several-times-givers were Gene Herbert of the 442 Association; Tak Nishimura, a Honolulu vet now residing in Chicago; Herby Wong well-known ex-Coastie; and Hideo Toyama, a Maui vet attending school in Honolulu. Bob Tokumoto of Wahiawa, gave his donation while he was attending Culinary School in Conn.

GI Stanley Kimura sent his contribution from Germany, while Nathaniel Dixon and Charlie Carvalho donated when they returned from a year's stint in Libya, Africa.

First NSO pin-up Shirley Mock and former hostess, Yuri Inouye who returned to Los Angeles, also sent in contributions.

Six visitors, Richard McKeague and Fractis Wing Hong of Lehigh Univ.; and Benjamin Fujioka, Phillip Casbadillo, Raymong Fujimoto, and Johnny Macadangdang of Fort Belvoir donated while here for the holidays.

Harold Slate dropped in last week just before press-time, and left a generous sum at 50 Amsterdam, while enroute to FECOM.

HAWAIIAN HOSPITALITY

During the Christmas holidays, Henry Obayashi, and James and Tommy Nakamura played host in a big way, when they "put up" 17 GI's in their one-room apartment. (Guess nuthin's impossible).

Slim and Kay Kiyabu also bunked GI's enmasse in their 124th Street apartment many times. Thank, you generous people:

FRONT-PAGED JET PILOT VISITS NEW YORK

Al Yahanda, jet pilot from Otis Air Base who was front-paged in December in the Boston, Providence, and Minneapolis papers, was a recent visitor to the big city. He was cited for his quick-thinking and courageous guiding of a Burning plane before its crack-up, that residences would not be hit.

He visited here with well-known Wash. D.C. JACL secretary, Myke Kosabayashi, and Marcia Hayashi, exchange-teacher from Va.

FRANK UP IN AIR

Frank Waka, brother of pin-up 'Nurse Eleanor', earned a free trip to London as a Pan-Am employee. He leaves Feb. 8.

ANOTHER SWABBIE GOES



Jimmy Yazawa, well-loved coastie and topchef, surrounded by friends before leaving the big city. With him, are: (top row) Edna Yoshikawa and Gladys Pang; and (bottom row) Richard Matsushige, Grace Futa, Ethel Higa, and Chiri Tsuji who left for Iran.