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CONGRATULATIONS TO NAGOYA—Champs F.E.C. Tournament; 1957

HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTION

Fifteen new members were inducted into the Narimasu Chapter of the National Honor Society, February 26, at a ceremony held in the High School gym during special period. New members are Peter Beneville; Mary Carns; Madeline Matayas; Pat Coyle; Charles Post; Mary Kumpe; Dale Friez; Jim Haun; Carolyn Avery; Suzanne Frederickson; Francis Bernet; Margaret Moore; Diana Phillips; Roger Hoffman and Peggy Sugars.

The ceremony was conducted by John Hurd, president of the NHS. Frank Nakamura gave the history of the society. Elizabeth Fisher; Katherine Tucci; Joan Williamson and Fred Wills gave its standards, lighting in turn the candles of Scholarship, Leadership, Character, and Service. After John had lighted the Torch of Knowledge, the members brought the new members from the audience. The inductees were given candles, which they lighted from the Torch of Knowledge. They then repeated the NHS pledge. Following the induction, Doctor R. B. Patin gave a talk on the high scholastic standing of Narimasu.

STUDENTS ENTERTAIN PATIENTS AT TOKYO ARMY HOSPITAL

On Monday, the 18th of February several students from Narimasu participated in a hospital party at Tokyo Army Hospital sponsored by the FEAF Wives Club. They performed in three separate wards: Ward 2, Orthopedic; War 6, Neuro-Surgery; and Ward 18, General Medicine.

The participants were met at the hospital by Mrs. Fulcher who was in charge of lining up the talent for the show. They were then introduced to the Red Cross ladies in charge. Refreshments were served to the patients during the program.

Those who participated are: Bob Haller—piano solo—"Military Polonaise"; Norman Nord—accordion solo—"Sharp Shooters March" and "Autumn Leaves"; Nona Parker—comedy pantomime—"Goofy Goose"; Linda Simms—piano solo—"Fantasie Impromptu"; Charlotte Free—solo—"You'll Never Walk Alone"; Sue Maxson and Veronica Randow—song and dance—"Rock-A-Beatin' Boogie"; and Judy Hubbard—solo—"Smile". Elizabeth Fowler narrated the proceedings.



Hiroko Nakamura dances at Narimasu Assembly.

ASSEMBLY

Thursday, the fourteenth of February, the Junior Class sponsored an assembly of Japanese dancing in the gymnasium. Mr. DeReimer made arrangements for the dancers and Mr. Beshearse made arrangements for the Veterans of Foreign Wars to be present.

The dancers were Miss Hiroko Nakamura and Miss Mitsue Kabuta. They did three very interesting and educational dances; the first was a spring dance which showed the dancers interpretations of the elements of nature and the beauties of spring. The second was the story of two tramps who went sightseeing at the Shrine. The third dance was the story of a mother lion who wanted to test the strength of her cub. She kicked him down hill and he crawled back up to prove his strength to her.

Other things of interest at the assembly included an educational and friendly talk by Chaplain Fisher and a piano solo by Bob Haller.



Bob Haller plays at Assembly.

Procrastination is the thief of time.

Edward Young

P. T. A.

The 18 February meeting of the Narimasu Chapter of the Parent-Teachers Association, held in the High School gymnasium at 1930 hours, featured a panel discussion by a group of Narimasu students on "Bringing Up Adults." The meeting was the second in a series of two on the topic, "Forum on Youth."

Members of the panel were Joan Williamson, Ruth Dills, Eddie Cooper, and Roger Hoffman. Peter Beneville was the moderator. Some of the issues discussed were dating, parent-teenager activities, religious foundations, and group pressure on the delinquent.

THAT STAINED GLASS LOOK

Miss Leman's geometry students have been feverishly drawing, cutting, and decorating the stained glass windows which are decorating our rotunda. The first step in the process was drawing a ten-by-twelve inch model of the finished product. It was then transferred onto twenty-by-twentyfive inch pink paper. This in turn was transferred onto black paper and cut out with a razor. Colored paper was then pasted on and the window was complete.

WHO'S WHO

Mary Rodrigues, was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

This cute little Senior, was born on January 22, 1940, is now residing at Washington Heights.

Her pastimes are listening to Eddie Fisher records, teasing Earl and Ronnie, also writing letters to Korea.

Her favorite food is Pizza and tomatoe juice.

She plans to return to the Z. I. in the summer, and attend nursing college in Washington, D.C.

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REBUILDING IN FULL SWING

Have you noticed the workmen running around the halls, and the constant hammering going on? N.H.S. is getting new chemistry, physics and biology laboratories. The first to be completed was the chemistry room. The other two will follow shortly.

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MARCH 4th, AS HONORED IN OUR LIVES

The United States Constitution was adopted one hundred and sixty years ago last week. This is also the date on which George Washington became our first President. We have used well, the tools that our forefathers presented to us, and have made our country into one of the best, if not the most influential in the world, as was evidenced and echoed in the 700 essays on Americanism recently written by our student body.

LETTER RECEIVED FROM VISITING RED CROSS CLUB

On February 13th the Taito Junior Red Cross sent a letter to us expressing their appreciation for the visit. The letter states:

February 13, 1957
Wednesday

Dear Sir;

We warmly thank you for the kindness you showed us when we visited your school. We of the Junior Red Cross all send our heartiest thanks.

We appreciated this opportunity to promote friendly relations between our two schools and hope in the future to advance with philanthropic interest of Red Cross work.

We'll communicate with you by letter about our Junior Red Cross activities, and hope for more exchange visits.

Sincerely yours,
Taito Junior Red Cross
Tokyo, Japan



HERE TODAY AND GONE TOMORROW

Enrollments:

Joe Clements; Howard Dixon; Lynn Heffelfinger; John Myers; Karin Shultz; Jimmy Sugahara; Barbara Auzat; Patricia Cremmins; Mary Lu Kelly.

Withdrawals:

Ruth Anderson; Susan Cole; Flemming Currin; Larry Flinton; Donald Grissom; George Howell; Ronald Kasper; Tony Stricker; Jackie Tidewell; Thomas Virden; Michael Jackie French; Steve Cannon; Jay Getchel; Jim Swift; Roger Swift.

STUDENT COUNCIL HAS VARIED ACTIVITIES

The Student Council has organized a committee to work in conjunction with the administration to set up the activity meeting schedule for special period. It is to be arranged so that few activities which overlap each other will meet on a given day.

For the tournament this year, the Student Council made up a hand book which contained telephone dialing instructions, locations and hours of the post exchanges, officers', NCO and teen clubs and chapels in the Tokyo area for the conveniences of the visitors, to the tournament, who might have needed such information.

This month the Student Council will launch a school-wide contest for a Narimasu motto. After a motto has been chosen, there will be another contest for a school seal design. The seals will be used on all Student Council stationary and on other official papers of the school and as decorations for assemblies and other types of meetings.

If you have any questions or suggestions pertaining to your student government, do not fail to bring them to the attention of your class representative. Student Council meetings are held every Tuesday afternoon during special period in room 941, and you are all welcome to sit in on the meetings.

THE G.A.A. BOARD MEETING

The last G.A.A. board meeting was held Wednesday, February 25th, during Special Period and the general meeting for all club members was held Wednesday March 6th. Badminton and Table Tennis Tournaments were discussed.

If you are interested in joining G.A.A. come to the April meeting in Room 213; all girls going to N.H.S. are eligible to join. We will be planning our softball and tennis tournaments—so how about coming out and joining one of the most active clubs in the school? We know you will have fun and also learn to play some games and meet some of the other girls at N.H.S.

G.A.A.

The G.A.A. has been very busy these last two months. They have been planning their own basketball tournament and also the "big" basketball playday held on Saturday, February 16th with Meguro, Sacred Heart and Yokohama. Thanks are in order to all the committee members and especially to Ruth Dills, vice-president, who filled in for Wistaria Nakamoto—for the lovely job they did at the playday. All the girls seemed to enjoy themselves very much. Yokohama came out with top honors on the winning side with the Orange team a close second. Meguro was the top team on the loser's side with the Brown team coming in second. All members of the Yokohama and Meguro took home white first place ribbons; while the members of the orange and brown teams took home second place ribbons which were blue.

WHO'S WHO

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Earl Aoki was born in Honolulu, Hawaii, on June 26, 1938. He arrived in Japan in August of 1947.

He said he has enjoyed his stay in Japan, while residing at Yokota Air Base.

His favorite pastimes are sports and studying his English IV literature.

Earl's favorite food is beef stew and he likes pop music. He plans to graduate from Narimasu in June, 1957 and attend "Kickapoo" University in Dogpatch, U.S.A.

"Wow," is the favorite expression of Melanee Anne Way who is better known around N.H.S. as Susie.

She hails from San Francisco, California, where she was born on April 4, 1940.

She arrived in Japan in August of 1956 and her opinions of the country is beyond words.

Her pastimes are having fun and dancing. While her favorite food is spaghetti and "Mud" balls. She plans to return to the States after graduation.

The Fisher sisters, Mary Ruth and Georgia hail from Virginia. They arrived in Japan on July 5, 1956. Georgia's first impression of Japan was, "Oh no, carry me back to ole Virginny." When asked her pet peeve she stated, "Some of the unnecessary rules at N.H.S." She is seen around the halls with her steady Bob Schwing.

Mary Ruth the younger of the two, considered Japan the biggest disappointment of her life. But recently changed her mind, and now enjoys Japan thoroughly. Her pet peeve is Yo-Hi girls. Driving Francis Davis around takes up most of Mary Ruth's time.

These two popular girls are known mostly for their southern accent. They plan to return to the Z. I. this coming summer.

Clara Fenwick, a post-graduate, was born in Augusta, Georgia.

She graduated from Wichita Falls High School, Texas. She then attended the Texas State College for Women in Denton, Texas, for one year, before coming to Japan.

Clara thinks studying business subjects at Narimasu is fun after college. She also has a good opinion of Japan, thinks it is fascinating.

Mrs. Schnelker, one of our history teachers, hails from Birmingham, Michigan. She arrived in Japan in August of last year. She heard of the need for substitute teachers at Narimasu and signed up. She was hired as a regular teacher when Mr. Stevens left.

Mrs. Schnelker has many hobbies among which are interior decorating, landscaping, and collections of perfumes and earrings. She likes people, teenagers especially. She dislikes boredom and discontent: "It's bad enough in older people, inexcusable in young ones."

Mrs. Schnelker plans to return home in the summer of 1958.

ORCHARDS AND THISTLES

D. C. has found a new friend at Yo-Hi. His name is Bucky.....

Did you hear about the bellboy who got fired for spreading a rumor.....

Odd as it may seem, nobody wants to talk about the party at Washington Heights on Saturday the 6th. Quite a few kids went there. Chesmore and Clark anyway.....

The Tachi Girls Club had an **expensive, successful**, party last Friday, the 15th.....

Well, Well, so it has been nine whole days since L.B. has received a letter. But he sounded so faithful Lin. And OOOOH that diamond!!!

All the "noise" at Yokota A.F.B. Friday the 22nd, was coming from D.D.'s house. Some party!!

What is it with this "new" club from Wash. Heights? It's such a secret that there's no telling who the members are. Joan? Pat H? What did you say the **name** of it was????

After approximately 9 or 10 dates D.J.'s boyfriend finally kissed her. I might add it was well worth waiting for from what she tells me!!!

More trouble with that '56 DeSoto huh, Nancie?

Saturday, the 23rd, a party was held at Palace Heights, given by Sue Maxon. It was fairly successful.

Only one small misunderstanding!!!!

The behavior of some of the students of N.H.S. in the Grant Heights Special Services Library is reported as that not becoming to a teen-ager.

It is a black mark to the rest of the school for any of our students to misbehave in any public place.

"If the shoe fits wear it."

HUMOR

Elmer Smurd was a tense, troubled businessman who broke away from the cares of the office for a half hour one day and went into a near-by park where he fed peanuts to the pigeons.

The next day, still feeling the need to relax, the man went back to feed the pigeons again. After that, every day for a month, Elmer returned to the park and fed the pigeons peanuts.

And today that park has the fattest pigeons in the world.

HOW'S YOUR SCIENCE?

Copper the law
Zinc go to the bottom
Distillation ... pride of the backwoods
Ohm residence of a British subject
Fission sitting with pole in hand
Shunt past of shun
Lye a willful falsehood
Prismatic resembling a jail
Armature... someone new at something
Bicarbonate the morning after the night before

THIS IS FOR LATIN STUDENTS ONLY

"Priori Remo augurium venisse fertur sex vultures, iamque nuntiatio augurio, cum duplex numerus Romulo se ostendit, utrumque regem sua multitudo consalutaverat."

CLUBS

PEP CLUB MAKES PURCHASES

The Pep Club has purchased megaphones for the cheerleaders. They were used in the tournament on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, the 28th of February, and the 1st and 2nd of March. They bought jackets for the cheerleaders. Both the megaphones and the jackets are blue and white.

STUDENTS FILE APPLICATIONS

Several lucky girls who filled in applications to go to the Tokyo Army Hospital for an orientation are: Sandra Ross; Kay Keller; Nona Parker; Barbara Bosselet; Lynn Heffelfinger; Betty Neill; Sandra Adams; Judy Hubbard; Darlene Ramph; Joye Johnstone; Ginger McKibben Mary Busalacchi; Joan Williamson; Lois Olson; Elizabeth Fowler; Karen Smiley; Sue Maxson; Mary Rodriguez; Pat Henderson; Margaret Moore; Friedl Tonidandel; and Ginnie Weissinger.

Grant Heights Teen-age Club

On the 22nd of February the Grant Heights Teen-age Club gave a chili supper in appreciation for all teen-agers who participated in the play, Street Corner Capers, given at Camp Drake the preceding week.

YOKOTA TEENAGE CLUB

The Yokota Teenage Club had a Valentine Dance at the Showa Country Club; and now they're planning a trip to Nikko over Easter Vacation. Dave, the president, says they'll all be back in time for Church on Easter Sunday, so I guess the folks won't mind too much.

Joe Maruyama was elected to replace Fleming Currin (who left for the states) as one of the representatives to the student council.

Tachi Teen-age Club

Saturday, the 16th of February the Tachi Teen-age Club held a Valentine's Day Dance. The club provided refreshments, a 5 piece combo, and a bop contest. The winners were Dick Jamieson and Connie Dukes.

On March 8th there will be a grand opening of an annex to the Tachi Teen-age Club. This will be celebrated by a dance, band, special members and refreshments.

ANCIENT CHINESE PROVERBS

If young son wish to learn to drive family car father should not stand in way.

Give criminal enough rope and he is sure to skip.

One good turn gets most of the blanket.

One who builds better mouse traps will probably catch better mice.

"Obituary"

On the 19 of February M/sgt. Paul E. Heikkinen, father of Benny Heikkinen, a student at Narimasu, passed away.

Faculty and students express their sympathy to Benny and his family.

Class News

JUNIOR

The Juniors ordered their class rings from February 1st through February 28th. The order was mailed on March 1st and the rings are expected to be given out at the end of ten weeks.

Frank Nakamura, vice-president, became president of the Junior Class following the withdrawal of Benny Heikkinen from school. The Junior Class presented Benny an identification bracelet in appreciation for his hard work as class president during the first semester. Benny returned to the states March first.

The Juniors were in charge of running the various concessions at the Camp Drake Gym during the FEC Basketball Tournament. Soft drinks, candy, and Far East Tournament pins were sold.

Wednesday, February 20, was "Slack Day" here at Narimasu. Tickets for permission to wear the slacks were purchased by the girls from the following juniors: Sandy Ross; Pat Murphy; Frank Nakamura; Pat Temple; Mary Kumpe; and Benny Heikkinen. Some of the boys got in on the act too by wearing skirts!!

SOPHOMORE

The Sophomore Class is still getting ready for their party. They have no definite plans, other than they are raising money for the refreshments. They are planning to have about everything in the "book": including, hotdogs, cokes, candy, and other knickknacks.

They are also sitting tight, waiting for the results of the essay contest.

FRESHMAN

Joe Maruyama was elected to replace Fleming Currin (who left for the states) as one of the representatives to the student council.

POTPOURRI

1. A new senior boy around N. H. S. dresses real neat, **Joe**.
2. **D.D.**, when did you say your party was?
3. **Rita**, it was a pretty ring!!!
4. **Box**, have you taken the second most famous step?
5. So you have a job, **Linda**, but still no money.
6. **Delores**, did you climb out the window the 15th?
7. **Sam** and **Diane** are still together. Really!



Narimasu Cheer Leaders yell it up at Keihoku game.

SPORTS

UP-to-DATE SPORTS INTERVIEWS

The Sports Department of the **Dragon's Roar** interviewed Mr. Lott, coach of the Narimasu High basketball team and he stated what he thought about each individual ball player on the varsity squad this season.

"The outstanding ball players in shooting are (outside the key) Hito Muneno and (inside the key) Roy Martin. The outstanding rebounders are Jerry Nolte and Roy Martin. The outstanding ball handlers are Ed Cooper and Earl Aoki. The most improved ball players are Doug Haines and Jerry Nolte. The ballplayer with the most spirit is Ed Flynn. Ned DeGroot is the most potential ball player, whereas Bill Watts is the most versatile. The least tempermental ball player is Durk Jones.

KITAZANO BEATS NARIMASU

Kitazano High School handed the Narimasu varsity its first league setback of the season as they topped the Dragons 64-59 on the eighth of February.

The Dragons were leading Kitazano through most of the game, but in the third quarter Kitazano made 22 points while Narimasu could only get seven points. This action ran the score to a 38-37 total at the end of the third quarter. At the start of the fourth quarter neither team took many chances with the ball as both wanted to make every shot count, and they did, as the game ended in a 53-53 deadlock. There was only one overtime needed as Kitazano put the game on ice with a quick 12 points to win 65-58.

J. V. NIPS WASHINGTON HEIGHTS

The N.H.S. J.V. defeated the Washington Heights T.A.C., here, Friday night, February 8, by a score of 46 to 44 in a real thriller. During the entire game the lead changed hands regularly with the junior Dragons coming out on top.

High man for the Dragons was Truman Solverud with 12 points, followed by Pete Adams with 8 points. Solverud and Adams also controlled the boards to help Narimasu on to victory.

High man for Washington Heights was John Stagg, with 18 points, who took scoring honors for the evening. Teammate Bill Miles came second with 16 points. This left the J.V.'s with 6 wins, 2 losses, so far this season.

YO-HI BEATS N.H.S.

The Narimasu Dragons went down to a 60-44 defeat at the hands of the Yokohama Red Devils on Friday the 15 of February at Yokohama.

The Dragons got off to a poor start and the devils were quick to take advantage of the Dragons as they lead at the quarter 8-6. Yo-Hi added five points to their lead so that the score at the half stood 27-20 in favor of the Devils, but the death blow came in the third quarter when they ran their lead up to 46-34 and after that the game was as good as lost, as Yo-Hi went on to win 60-44.

J. V. Nipped by Yo-Hi

The Yokohama Red Devils defeated the Narimasu junior Dragons by a score of 57-38 on Friday, February 12, at Yo-Hi. The Yo-Hi quintet proved too much for the junior Dragons when they out-pointed them by a score of 24-20 at the end of the first half.

High man for the junior Dragons John Kee with 21 points taking scoring honors for the evening.

High man for the junior Dragons was Gary Briggs with 10 points followed by George Keyser with 9 points. This left the Dragons with six wins to three losses this season.

TOTALS in BASKETBALL SCORING up to 19 FEBRUARY

NAME	FG	FT	TP	PF
Martin	156	50	362	35
Nolte	91	16	198	29
Flynn	22	27	71	29
Aoki	25	20	70	31
Cooper	43	16	102	14
Muneno	37	18	92	22
Watts	16	9	41	11
Haines	35	5	75	16
DeGroot	17	0	34	5
Jones	3	1	7	6

DRAGON VICTORY

Revenging an early season defeat, the Narimasu Dragons klobbered Kitazano High School 65-39 on Tuesday the 19 of February at the Dragons' gym.

The Dragons hopped off to an early lead before Kitazano could get set, and by the end of the first quarter the score read 18-6 in favor of the Dragons, the second quarter went the same way as the first until the score at the half was 32-16.

The second half proceeded as the first and there was no threat to the Dragons lead as Kitazano could not crack the tough Narimasu defense and the game ended with N.H.S. the victor, 65-39.

NARIMASU WHIPS A.S.I.J.

The N.H.S. Dragons notched up their eighth league victory of the season as they downed the Mustangs of Meguro 54-43 on Thursday the 21 of February.

Coach Lott used the second string the entire game. He almost had to send the first string in, when Meguro started to get hot in the third quarter and came within two points of the Dragons as the horn sounded to end the quarter. But that was all as the N.H.S. heights proved to be too much for A.S.I.J. The Dragons pulled away to a final score of 54-43.

J. V. TROMPS A.S.I.J. to Finish 56-57 Season

The Narimasu High junior Dragons defeated the A.S.I.J. Mustangs, here, Thursday 21 February by a score of 48 to 17. Although holding a 21 to 6 lead at the end of the first half, the junior Dragons poured on the steam during the third quarter to raise the score 48 to 17 at the end of the game.

High point man for the junior Dragons was Gene Fletcher with 11 points, while following close behind was George Keyser with 10.

High point man for the A.S.I.J. Mustangs was Tim Slough with 8 points, while followed by Phil Richerson with 4.

This was the final game for the junior Dragons, during the 1956-57 basketball season with a record of 7 wins to 3 losses.



Nolte Hits From the side against Keihoku.

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