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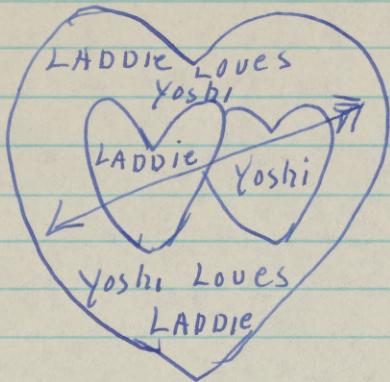
MY DIARY OF  
IMPORTANT  
EVENTS

YOSHI UCHIDA

1.

My class's graduation program -  
December 15, 1932

We had a graduation program and party on Thursday night December 15. It was about the European countries. We sang songs and did folk dances. Since it was just for parents Fay couldn't come. We had 2 big cakes which we cut and had vanilla ice cream with a green Xmas tree in the middle.  It was keen.



Feb. 19, 1933.

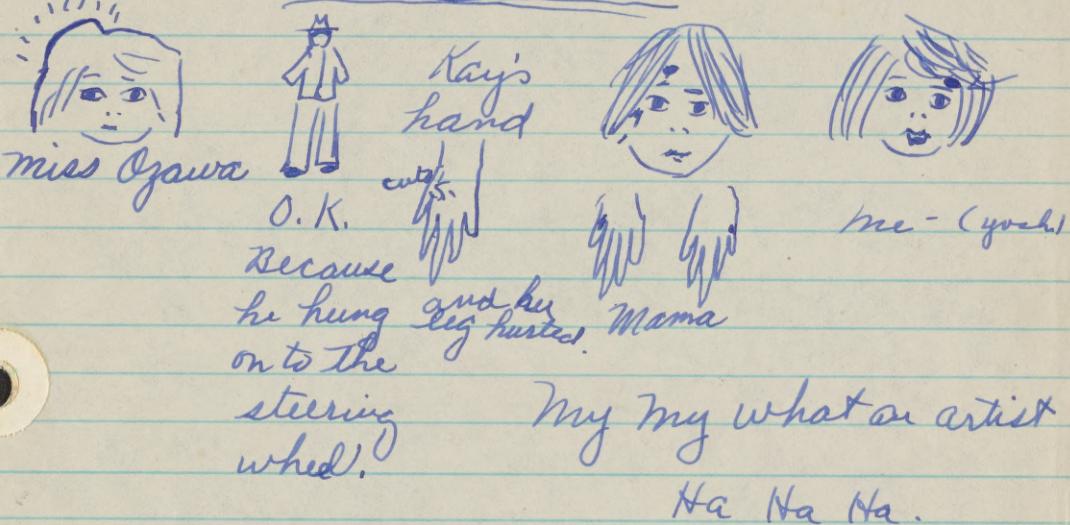
A dog at last! A Scotch Collie too. We named him Laddie. He's tan with a big white neck. The boy that brought him said he had a pedigree. His yard is way in the back where it's nice and sunny. We're going to let him sleep in the house at night until he gets used to his yard outside. We are keeping him in his yard at day time. He's a darling dog.

Feb. 20, 1933.

This morning we got up at 7:10 instead of around 7:30. On account of Laddie. (mama ought to be glad.)

Feb. 5, 1933

Crash! Bang! an accident on  
Adline and Stewart and our car too  
can you imagine that. Miss Ozawa  
was here and since it was sunny  
we went out, way up to the zoo in  
the hills. And just a block from  
home THE ACCIDENT.



Feb. 17, 1933

The Cossacks are here!

On Friday the 17<sup>th</sup> we heard the Cossacks at Harmon Gym. at 8:15. It was one of the best musical programs I ever heard. The leader is a little tiny man. The smallest one of the whole group. It was KeeN.

October 13, 1934

## A Midsummer Night's Dream -

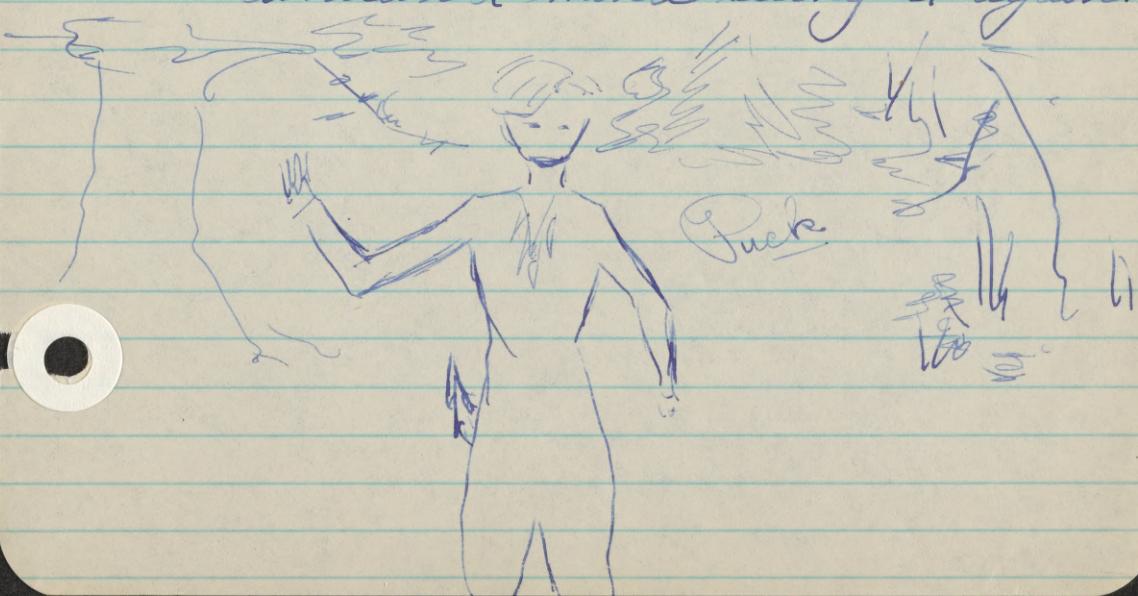
Gee! was it perfect! It started at 8:00. The first two scenes were out side on the lawn at the faculty Glade and the last scene, the wedding of Hermia & Lysander and Helena & Demetrius

In the first two scenes the fairies came out and danced and etc - Gee, Puck was swell! Mickey Rooney played his part. He was a Puck!

The last scene was at the Greek theatre and the whole audience had to walk over there. We got swell seats at the Greek theater but, the seats at the faculty glade were near the front but way off on one side.

The wedding was so pretty! It was really after the ceremony. It was the entertainment after the ceremony.

I wouldn't mind seeing it again.



November, 1, 1934

## The Cossacks are Here again!!!

Tonight we're going to hear the Cossacks. We were going to take Mr. Yamazaki too but he said he had to study so we're taking Marian instead.

Gee, was it swell! They sang perfectly. At the very end of the program two of them did a dance. It was a keek dance. The conductor was the same little man that came last time too. Serge Garoff. He's the tiniest one of the whole bunch too. They did about 4 encores.

Oakland Auditorium  
WONDERFUL }  
PERFECT } KEEN!  
MARVELOUS }

March 10, 1935.

# Roland HAYES.

Boy oh boy - what a man! What a voice!

To tell the truth I didn't think he was so wonderful until about the middle of the program. Then the songs started to get good. At the end of the program, I thought he was swell! I liked "When Malindy Sings," "You Come a Long Way" and "Joshua Fit de Battle of Jericho" and one of his encores the best.

His accompanist was colored too - he sure could play swell.



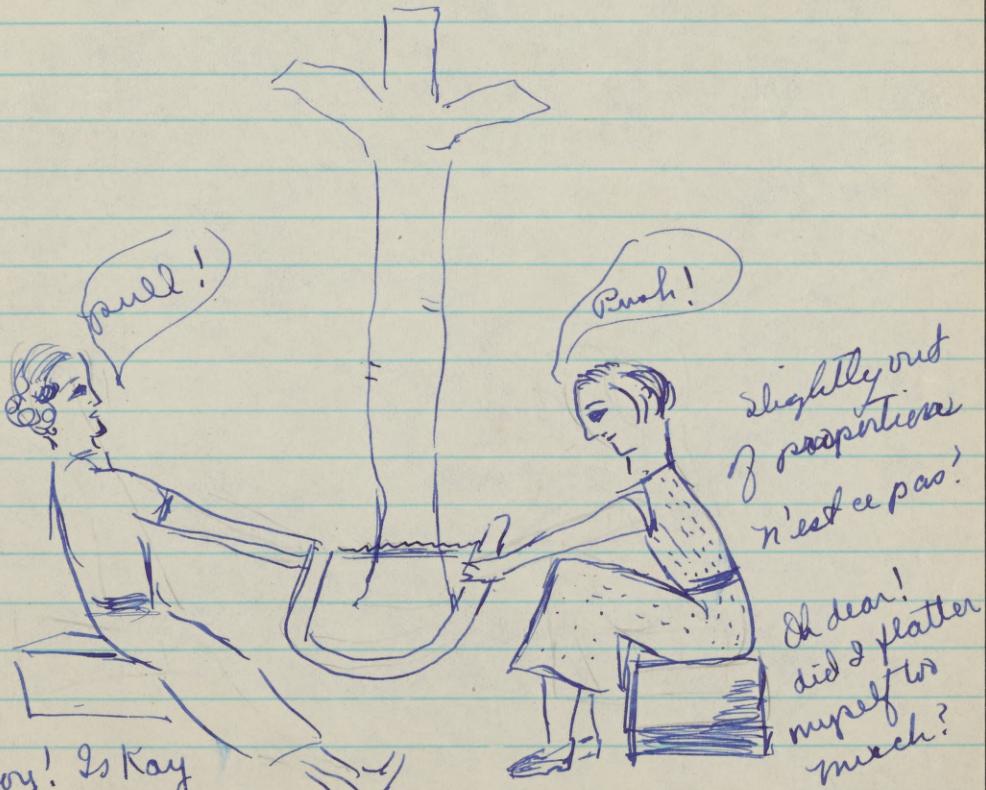
June 1, 1935

Pull! push! Pull! Push! 1-2-1-2-

A sweltering June 1, and Stay + I took a great big saw, from the garage and sawed down the remains of the apple tree. I sat on one side & Kay on the other and actually sawed it down. It only took us about  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour or less and we sawed it down to this → ... Boy, did we feel good after we finished it.

We ought to work in the lumber mills!!

Here's us



Boy! Is Kay  
mad at me! She thinks  
she's cuter than that!

slightly out  
of proportion  
next time?

Oh dear!  
did I flatter  
myself too  
much?

July 27 - 28, 1935  
San Diego Exposition!!!

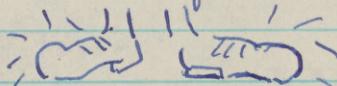
Lights!

Fun!



Visited lots of buildings and on the night of July 27 we took a sightseeing tour around the exposition and saw the swell colored lights. It sure was pretty!!

The next day was Children's Day and I got in for only a nickel (really 25¢) We saw the Ford Building, all the foreign Collages<sup>lots more</sup>. We stayed almost all day and walked & walked and our poor feet!!



The poor little dogs barked - barked  
It was hot too -

We left around 8:00 P.M. and got back to Los Angeles around 11:00 P.M.

Swell Time?

Uh-huh!!!!!!!

November 8, 1935  
8:15 P.M.

## TINA FLADE

Went to Mills College to see the dance recital of Tina Flade with Pfaff and Hayes. It was all modern dancing and sort of queer but pretty good.

Personally I'd rather have seen tap! No appreciation for fine dancing tek tek tek  
Saw Miss Heyt there too.



Oh yes, she's much better looking than that!

**\$25.00**

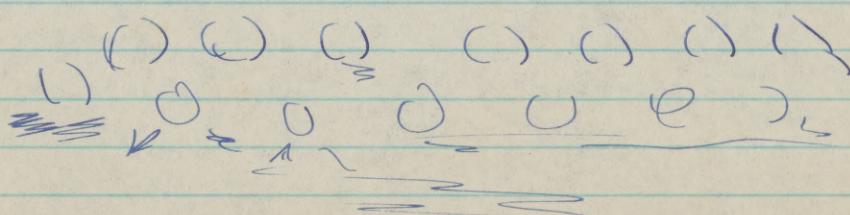
Nov. 10, 1935

Bank Night at Oaks Theater -

The number is chosen the men  
are calling for a Mr. Simmers. Where  
is he? Not here. Then a \$25.00  
consolation prize is to be given. The  
ticket stubs are sifted around in a  
bowl and one is picked. It's our

Stub !!!!! See! were we  
surprised. Daddy walked up, signed  
something & received the \$25.00 cash.  
Boy oh boy were we surprised.

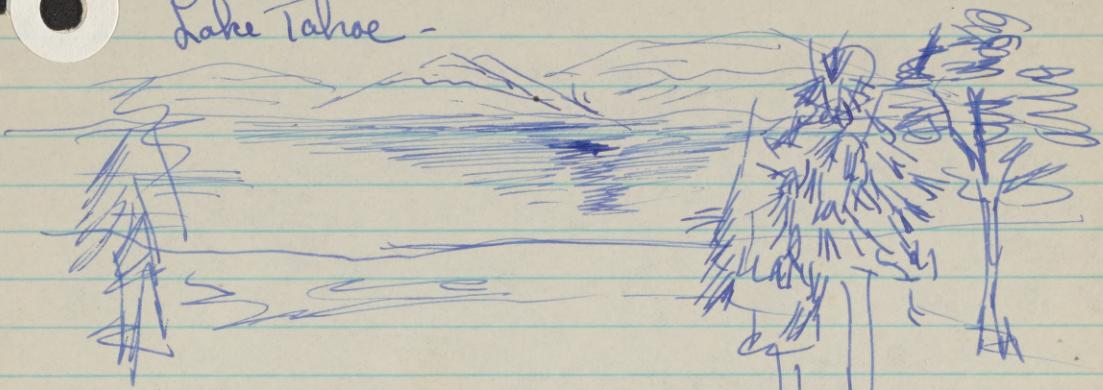
Some Luck eh wat ? ? ! ! :



12.

May 30 - 31, 1936.

Lake Tahoe -



The lake was much bigger than I expected it to be and was awfully pretty. Dad and I got up first Sunday morning and walked around. It was cold but just swell -

We stayed at Brockway  
+ froze \$8.66

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# Our Trip to Los Angeles - July 1 - 5

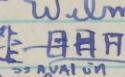
1.0A ← ← ← → Berkeley

Mama, Kay and I left Wednesday morning for Los Angeles on the Daylight Limited. We got up around 6:00 A.M. and got on the ~~train~~ 8:00 train. We got all settled and comfortable and then what do you think!!! The Pass wasn't any good on that train and we had to transfer to a poky ole' local train that took 2 hours more to get there. Were we disgusted!! We transferred at San Jose. Made a couple of friends on the train. We got to L.A. at 9:30 P.M. and all the kids except Kips were there to meet us. We had something to eat - & talked then went to sleep.

Thursday July 2 - We went with Mr. Okamoto took us to Forest Lawn Memorial Park. Gee it sure was beautiful. At the Mausoleum, where they keep all the bodies preserved they had the most gorgeous stained glass windows. Rose windows + one great big one of the "Last Supper" Gee, it was just SWELL. You could look at it for hours. We saw the "Wee Kirk o' the Heather" church too. Then we went to Griffiths Park + ate dinner there went up to the planetarium <sup>2100</sup> course we couldn't see any stars or anything but it was pretty interesting! A whole bunch of us kids went to Gulf that night. Some fun!! My score was 102 or something like that. I had to play with Vicki + Marcella.

Tuesday July 3. We left at 11:30 AM.  
(4 of us) & went to see 2 shows - "San Francisco"  
which was swell! + "The White Angel".  
Stayed & talked for a long time at night

Saturday - July 4<sup>th</sup> - ~~Ago 3~~

Waddy came on the 8 something train and Hiro, Hidy, all of us & Kay & Toki all went to get him and then headed straight for Catalina Is. We got on the boat at Wilmington. It was called the "Avalon" ~~at~~  and it took us 2 hours to get there. It was rocking quite a bit but we didn't get sea sick. When we got there, there was a great big crowd of people in bathing suits who were standing around & cheering & waving to the people who got off the boats.

 We ate oysters and then all people <sup>all ropes off</sup> went on a glass bottomed boat. Gee, it was swell, we saw great big sea weed and fish and everything! After we went to drink something cold and then got on the 4:30 boat, the "Catalina". The people there are sure wacky! We watched a lot of people dancing and it was more fun! we got home around 7:30 ate sushi and then had some fire works.

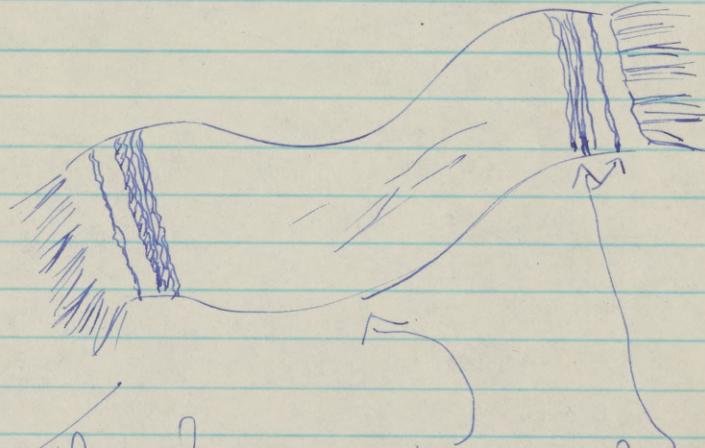
Sunday - July 5.

Went to their church. Pretty good. ate lunch & then while Mom & Dad went visiting Kays, Hiro, Kay, Toki, Merle & us two went to see "Fury" & "The 1st Baby" we were supposed to be back by 5:00 but the picture was so good we stayed until 20 after. When we got back, Dad & Mom had left already & we said "good bye" to Granny etc. & dashed off. We got there in plenty of time. Some fun!!!! Dad was disgusted at us.

Sometime in August -  
I do not know when,  
I finished a long scarf  
And to Mom it was sent.

It's five feet in length  
That's taller than me!  
One foot n'a half in width  
An' it's pretty to see.

It's real warm & nice  
made by me alone!  
It's just for mom  
when it's cold at home.



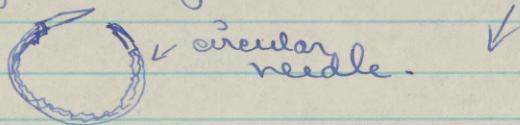
The colors are a tan-grey and rust

September 11, 1936.

Mom cast on my stitches for my skirt about a week ago and today — I started knitting !! First I knitted Mom's scarf and now I'm going to knit a suit !! Mom is going to knit the top for me and I'm knitting the skirt. Some ambition I must say !!!!.

I'm writing this now so that I'll know when I started, I probably won't finish until 1937 - or maybe 1938) who knows ?? > - - - -

The rest of this page will be saved for the day I finish my skirt — 193?



↙ circular  
needle. ↘

April 1937-

Well, here it is 1937 and my suit is all finished — but not by me -- Mom took over & finished about  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the skirt for me. It certainly looks slick!



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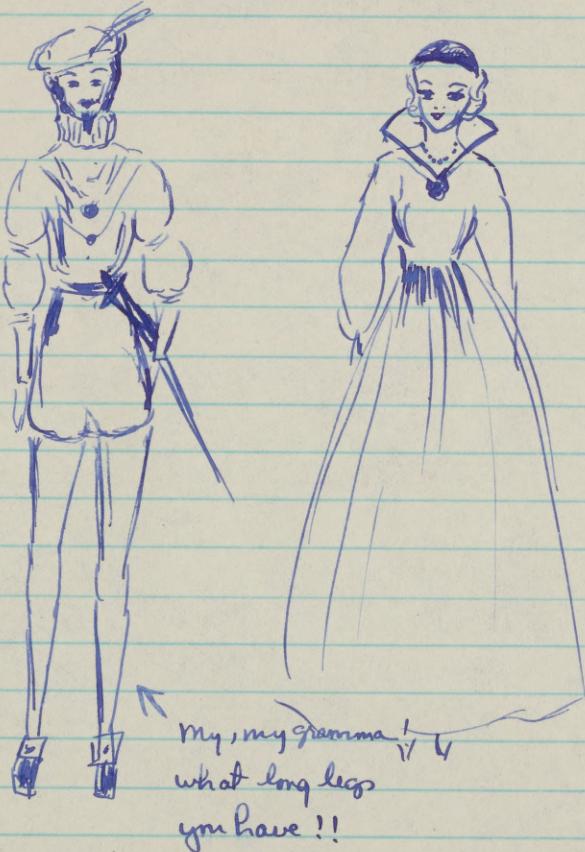
October 17, 1926

Place - Mills College

Time - 8:15 P.M.

Play - "Much Ado About Nothing"

We invited Roger + Whitney over for dinner and had "maitake no sukiyaki" - yum, yum!! Then went to Mills, met Kay + Ellen and went to see the play. It was given outside at a small amphitheater like place. Gee it was perfect!! It had lots of comedy + Frances Thomson was keen.



October 21, 1936

# HELLO DAY

Today <sup>in</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> period everybody was given  
a tag and we were supposed to go around  
getting autographs from all the kids we  
didn't know and that we wanted to meet.  
I got lots of kids on my tag that I knew  
but what's the difference?

~~There was a dance after school~~



But I didn't go.

October 23, 1936

UNI wins!!! 3 - 0

Spade Day Game

Tech vs UNI



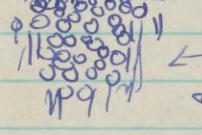
Had a keen rally yesterday and today the big game! In the morning the G. Rs were selling cute wooden spade pins in the front hall but by the time I got there they were all gone - doggone it! But I ordered one so that OM,

Gee at lunch time some kids came from Tech in cars & threw pies, tomatoes & stuff and there was a riot out in front but dear (????) Mr. Fleming stopped it and almost stopped the game too. It was going to be called off because of the riots & stuff but later they said they'd have it anyway. Thank goodness!!

After Barbara Burgett & I ran to Bushrod, where Kathryn was saving us some seats, we were just about squashed & smothered trying to get through the gate.



It was just



people, people  
& more people!

as bad if not worse going out.

But best of all! Uni won 3 - 0

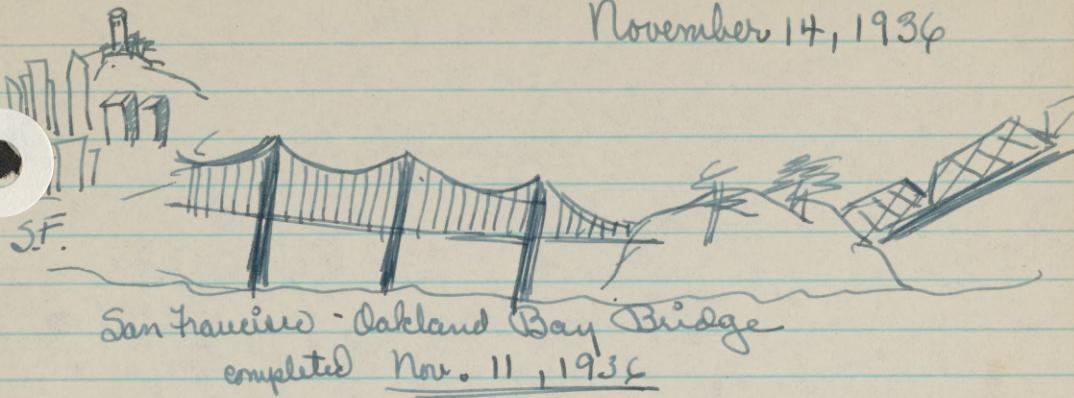
Yippee!! whee



In the meantime  
the whole Uni side  
went crazy!

Some fun!

November 14, 1936



Saturday - 14<sup>th</sup>

Today we crossed the Bay Bridge for the first time. Gee it sure was thrilling!! It's so big and pretty !! We left home around 4:00 P.M. and crossed the Bridge ate supper (ching go-han) and then went to see a big electrical night parade on Market Sts. Gee, it sure was fun crossing the bridge ! It's so big you don't feel as if you're over water at all. When we went through the big white tiled tunnel at Yerba Buena everybody honked like the dikes ! It was fun !

The parade was pretty too. There were about 60 big floats and the theme was "bridges". They had "The 1st Bridge"  "A Henitian Bridge"

"Portland" + Japan had the "Bridge of Friendship" 



Well any way on one side of the bridge there were 3 girls dressed in Ni-hon-gi and on the other side 3 girl dressed in white satin formal. It was pretty good.

Had a swell day

# Girl Reserves Midwinter Conference

January 30, 1934

Talked by Miss Esther Dayton

List of the 8 most important things in a Girl's life.  
Transition from childhood to maternity

a - Decide to grow up.

1 - Time - attitude towards it.

Some people do a thing 3 times

(1) anticipation (2) actual work (3) worrying over results. [Ex-Girl + essay]

Out of - bus in a week - the hours outside of school is all your own & leisure.

2 - Leisure - Take leisure time and concentrate on it. Don't worry over past or future. [Ex- at a friend's home getting up at 4:30 A.M. to catch a 6:30 train in order to have a leisurely breakfast and time to talk before leaving.

3 - friends - Discover the value of people. Listen to and watch closely people that you admire. Always try to speak & look your best to other people. Move gracefully, smell clean, be pleasing to eye, ear, nose, touch & all senses.

Discussion group :- Be friends to sinners & love their enemies" Go around with strong as well as weak people. Should go with a strong person first so that you can influence and help the weaker later. Love your enemies for not only their good part but their bad parts.

4. self-awareness - Know yourself. What are your special abilities? How do you usually act? Kindly or bitterly?

5 - Religion - find your personal values. There can be peace in understanding.

6 - Books

7 - family

8 -

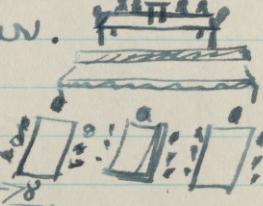
"Ideals are worthless unless they are put into action"

Toyohiko Kagawa.

January 30, 1937

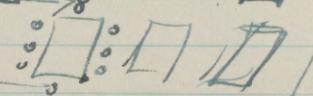
Annual Mid-Winter Conference. Girl Reserves  
of the Northern California Y.W.C.A.'s  
Mills College.

I got up at 7:15 A.M. on Saturday and Dad took me to the "Y" in the car. Then Mrs. Scott came after me and then took Sylvia, Sue, Margaret Summers & me. We went to the Music Bldg. around 9:00 - registered and got the yellow program & the blue card telling where to go for the discussion groups. Then when we got in, they gave us the orchid colored leaflets for the ceremonial. Gee, it was keen - then Miss Dayton spoke, that was swell too. Then we went to discussion groups - our leader was Miss Patricia Ricardi. Then we went to Mills Hall for lunch. We got those Ceiloman leaflets at the table and the Berkeley girls had to be hostesses. I had to be one too. After the lunch of Roast ham, scalloped potatoes, lettuce & olive salad, milk, bread & apricots. They had an Asilomar serpentine. Then some people at the head table told us some things about Asilomar. Then we went to hear Cotton at the Music

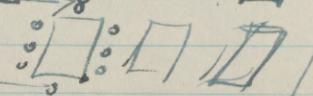


Then  
Miss  
Hall.

Then we went to discussion groups and our leader was Mrs. Abbott. After that, Sylvia, Sue, Lily Se Nore, Polly Sue, & me went to the Stable



+ Miss Summers



our leader + Miss Summers

to see the horses. Gee, we had more fun! We raised hands to all the cars that passed by and some people made the funniest faces! Gee more fun!



at 5:45 we all had to pick out those emblems from a box and go to the table with that certain emblem. They had candles + those blue folders. The menu + program are in there. After the swell supper we went back to the Music Bldg. for the closing ceremonial. It was quite impressive. Then Mrs. Scott brought us home around 9:30 P.M.

The End of a Perfect Day.

February 15, 1937.

Leslie Howard - in - "Hamlet"

Gee - was it perfect! It was a Sunday night and it was an extra performance given because there was so much demand. It was pretty long but it was awfully interesting - Leslie Howard was good looking & "Ophelia" was awfully pretty and she did the mad scene perfectly. I liked the man that played Ophelia's father too - he was big & fat & more fun! He furnished most of the comedy.

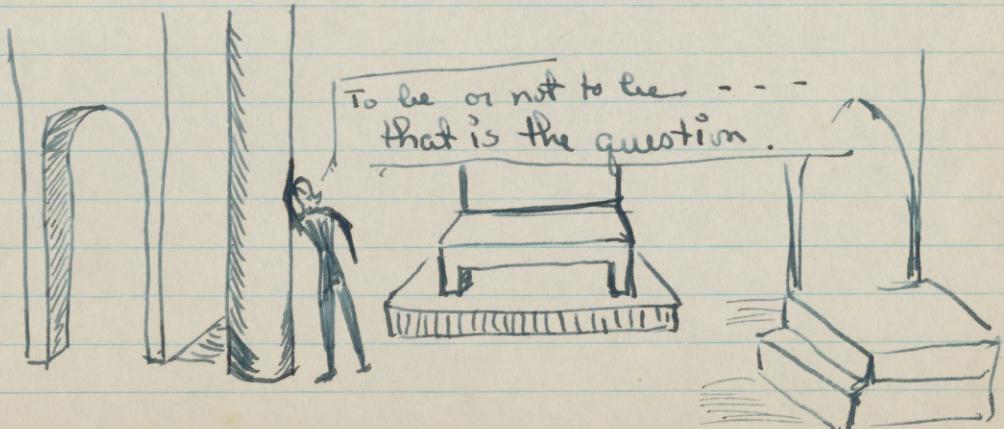


One good effect was the part where Hamlet's Father's Ghost comes out from the dark - There was a red light glowing all around him & he really looked like a ghost the way the light faded out & made it look as tho' he was disappearing.

All that scratch around him is supposed to be the night →

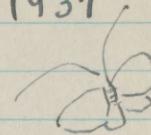


Well any way it was perfect and they all clapped so much he gave a short speech at the end.



March 4, 1934

Hiji Koyke in



Madame Butterfly



We sat in the 2nd row from the front and it was keen. Hiji Koyke isn't an awful lot to look at but she's cute the way she acts. One funny think I noticed was that in the scenes they had beautiful (crepe-paper) cherry blossoms & ~~the~~ Pinkerton was dressed in a white uniform + everything but they had cherry blossoms popping up all over the place. - I guess I wasn't supposed to notice that.

Hiji Koyke has an awfully pretty soprano voice + "One Fine Day" was the prettiest thing! The last part was awfully sad + Kay bawled her eyes out but I didn't - (hard boiled?????)



# Davis Cup Tournament

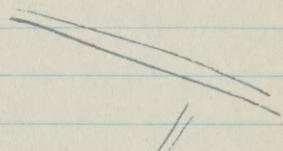
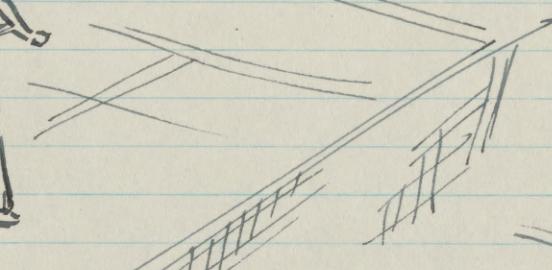
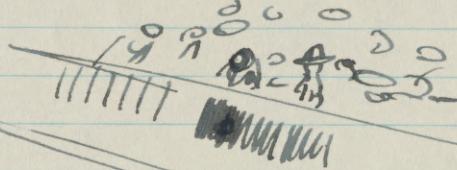


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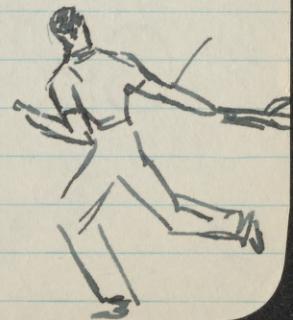
We left church services early (10:00, Sat.)  
 Mom saw it on Friday with Mrs. Terada) and  
 when we got to the Olympic Club it started  
 right away. Nakano was pretty rotten  
 and got beaten 6-0, 6-3, 6-2 by Frank  
 Parker. And Don Budge beat Yamagishi  
 6-2, 6-2, 6-4 - Gee - Don Budge is so  
 swell & good natured & I think he's cute!  
 Once he hit a good ball right into the  
 net and he says "Oh Donald!!" - he sure  
 is good natured. It certainly was perfect  
 though. It makes me wish I was a  
 good player.



Don Budge



Yamagishi

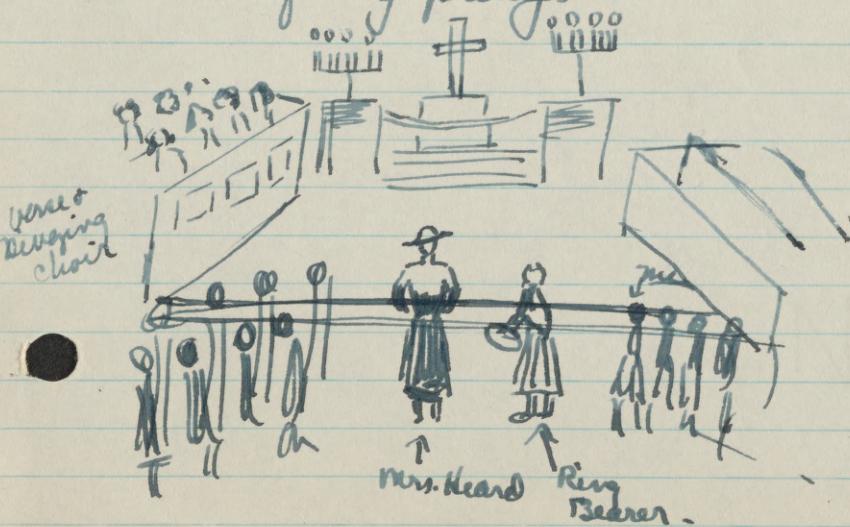


May 23, 1937-

Girl Reserve Closing Ceremonial  
St. Clements church

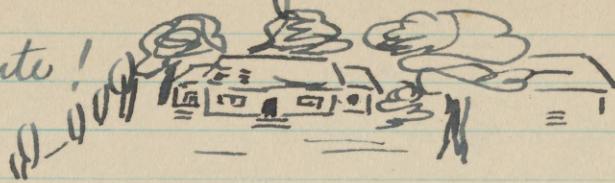
Berkeley, Calif. - 4:00 P.M.

At 4:00 P.M. the Pipe Organ began to play preludes and then the choir (verses & music) I was in it too) marched in - then all the other G.R.'s. The whole program went off perfectly and Mrs. Heard presented us with our rings and a beautiful gardenia. Then she gave the G.R. salute & each one salutes back. It was awfully impressive and thrilling too. We all felt sort of sad now that we've gotten our rings there isn't anything more to work for & get. I certainly am happy over my ring. It's awfully pretty.

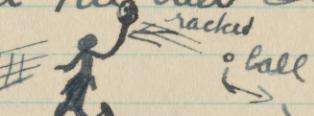


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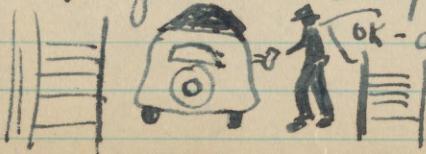
Del Monte!



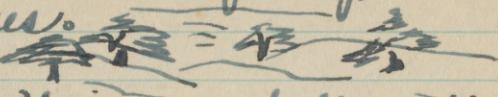
Left home around 12:00 or -8 mean left church around there on Tuesday & arrived in Del Monte around 4:00 P.M. The whole Co. went there for a farewell party for the Jimas & Isudas. We fooled around for a while & Dad went to play golf so Mom, Kay & I went to see Mrs. Shima. Then we had supper at 7:00 & what a supper whewie!! ① Avocado cocktail soup, ② Fried sand dab ③ Steak, potatoes & beans ④ Lettuce salad ⑤ Ice cream. Some meal I must say!! Well after that we went back to our bungalow & had futon like "3 movies there. Went to bed.

May 31 - All the men went to play golf at Pebble Beach so we had breakfast separately & then Mrs. Seki, Mrs. Hasagawa, Mr. Ito & Shumura, Kay & I went to play tennis. I can't even hit the ball so I just watched. Here's me 

Then at 10:00, it was sort of late but Mom, Mrs. Hasagawa, Mrs. Ito, Kay & I went on the 7 mile drive (Kay drove) It was just swell & we got a pass from the Hotel to drive thru' the Del Monte forests etc - so did I feel slick handing the gate man the pass & whizzing by!!



We passed Asilomar on the drive  
 and there were beautiful cypresses  
 and sand dunes.

We drove along the  water front too so it was awfully pretty.  
 When we got back at 1:00 the men had  
 gotten back & some of the ladies had gone to  
 eat already so Mr. <sup>Mrs.</sup> Hisagawa, Mr. Ito, Kniehl  
 Dad, Mom, Kay & I had a swell lunch  
 together. Then Kay & I went to see the  
 Roman Plunge - is it a swell pool!  
 They were having some sort of a contest  
 for the kids there.

At last at 3:00 we had to leave  
 as it was "good by to Del Monte". I  
 never saw such a gorgeous place for  
 a vacation. Hope I can come again.  
 Dropped Kay off at Mill & arrived  
 home around 7:00 P.M.

The end of a Perfect weekend !!



Think my own bed's the  
 best bed I've ever  
 slept in.

October 23, 1937

U.G. vs U.S.C.

CALIFORNIA  
20-6 S.C.

I got an H.S.U.C card thru' Mary Yamada and Lily & I went to see the game. Was it swell off! Left home around 12:10 and met Lily at the "Y", then I had to go to the Co-op to get a pom-pom. Then the long walk up the hill to the stadium. When we got there it was half-time between the Frosh & S.C. Frosh. Cal took last 7-2. tick-tak! Saw Mary Ocate & Ray Y. There & sat one row below them so I met Mary after the game & came home with her.

Ge - but the Cal team is super! Especially Vic Bottari - I never saw such swell football playing. I read that the total yardage made was 349 to S.C.'s 66. Some team eh? wot! Boy did they slaughter S.C. and the only touch down S.C. made was while the Cal 2nd string was in

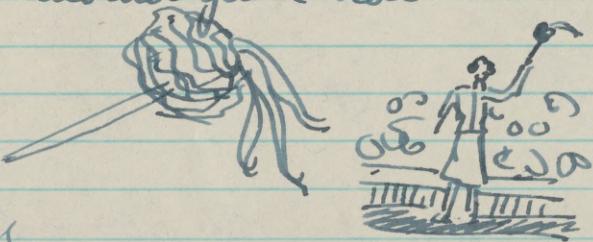
It was the 1st time I ever sat in a rooting section. Ge - It must have been awfully pretty from the other side to see every girl with a pom-pom and during the 1st half a girl I on a blue back ground in the Corp rooting section. (Blue C on goes black in the 2nd half.) During the half time both of the bands marched around.

and was the J.C. band cool! They had on yellow jackets, maroon colored pants & hats & ties. Just like Los Angeles I shot! And they had a guy playing little bells so the Cal boys started singing jingle bells - what a kick!

The Cal band looked super in blue & white (gold caps) uniforms & they spread out all over the field. : : : : : and then lined up in a single line right across the field. : : : : : X.

The Announcer called it "135 yds of California band". Wish I could've seen the card stunts from the other side. the J.C. stunts were pretty good but all they did was make J.C., <sup>1937</sup> <sup>Hi</sup>, <sup>champs</sup>, <sup>etc</sup>, <sup>way</sup> + no carictures - but any less - it was keen.

Gu - did I have fun! I want to go to another game now.



C A

Nov. 7 —, 1937

I did get to go to another game! Thru' bly again. Oh boy was I glad - but what a disappointment -

Wash. A - o Cal - o

Every body's saying that the Cal's wonder team is now only Cal's football team. But maybe it was because Vic Follari couldn't play only for 1 half & his leg wasn't up to par!

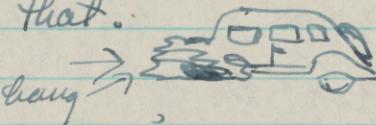
December 12, 1937

## Another Accident! tsK tsK

Dad, Mom & I just picked up Lily Yamada since we were going to Stanford to the Girl Reserve Jumper Service & she wanted a way. We were just on the approach to the bridge on 38th just below San Pablo where we came to an intersection. Daddy didn't see the stop sign & so BANG!!! & also \$\$\$\$

We didn't have insurance on our car & it cost for a around \$200 — woowow — !!! - The Co. paid for the other car - about \$150 -

Dad bumped his chest which was sore for about a week & mom got lots of black & blue spots & I bumped my head, & Lily her cheek & knee - No serious injuries tho' so we were thankful for that.



You're hoping no more accidents!

May 3, 1938.

On a peaceful Tuesday night we hear an awful crashing sound - run into the bathroom where Daddy was & find him panting on the floor.

Golly! what a scare.

It hurt him like the dickens & he couldn't lie down so had to try to sleep sitting up in the parlor. Poor pop.

7 ribs were fractured

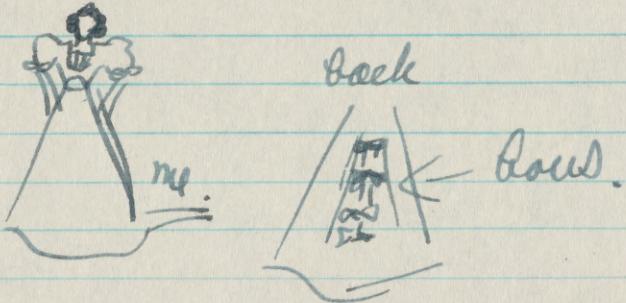
Golly - it sure was a scare! After people started finding out we had visitors, visitors to more visitors - 49 groups, and flowers, of candy - omimai - all over the place.

He was home from the hospital 3 weeks & got well pretty quickly considering. We sure were thankful it wasn't his head.

May 6, 1938

Chugoku Graduation Dance.

I was at some little hall near church & was my first formal dance. — And I was a guest of honor too. Oh boy! — Had pretty much fun! Geo. Kyotow, Ake Kubota, Dick Suzuki & a few other non-church fellows were there too.



Back

Front.

June 1938

## High School Graduation

Rehearsals - all last week  
more fun!! -

June 17th - 10:30 A.M.

### Senior Assembly

Ge - what a thrill! actually a senior - sitting on the stage - say did I feel slick! marched down as usual and sat in the 2nd row.

swell seat, swell class, swell assembly!  
Hate to leave good old Uni now.

Didn't feel like crying but I knew I will tonight at the ceremony.

Ray - kids came to the assembly  
News S.C. Prexy made a swell speech to us seniors.

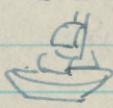
### Senior Lunch 12:30

Theme - Treasure Island -

Ge - was it keen - I took pictures of the kids & then we went up to lunch. I helped make the darling decorations -

Treasure Island Theme -

Place cards were darling little maps -



The speeches made were awfully good too -

Had a keen time. - Sat by Lily, Lucile, Libby, Sylvia etc - so it was swell -

We also got white carnations in our hair!

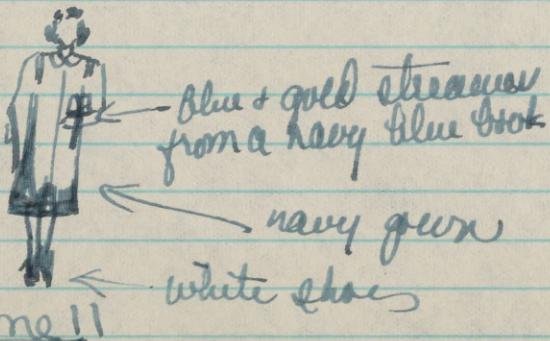
June 17 - 1938 - 8:00 P.M.  
Commencement!

It was just wonderful - especially the Scholarship, Citizenship & Gratitude Speeches and the Boulder solo & the Balcony choruses - In fact everything was swell! I didn't cry as I expected, probably because I saw it rehearsed so much. It thrilled me the most at the first whole rehearsal.

It certainly is a wonderful commencement exercise though and I loved it.

Mr. Dimmeler was kind enough to get an extra ticket for me for my Mary Kasai arrived too and I almost got her in too - but got the extra ticket too late.

Can't believe I'm all through with High School & good old Uni. It hasn't sunk thru' my head yet I guess! Here's hoping I have fun at Cal this fall!



me!!

Go - every one's been so swell about remembering me at graduation!

July 18, 1958.

Summer Vacation!!!

And what am I doing? -  
Reminiscing! (sp?) - I haven't  
even put down what we did  
last summer so here goes -

Summer '54 -

a visit to Seattle - Portland &  
pointe North - including Victoria.  
First we went to Seattle and the  
train ride thru' the Oregon  
Forest, etc. - was just beautiful!  
It sure is "God's Country" all  
right! - Called up Tobayashis  
at the Portland Station - Then  
rode up to Seattle - Visited  
around and met the Matsumotos.

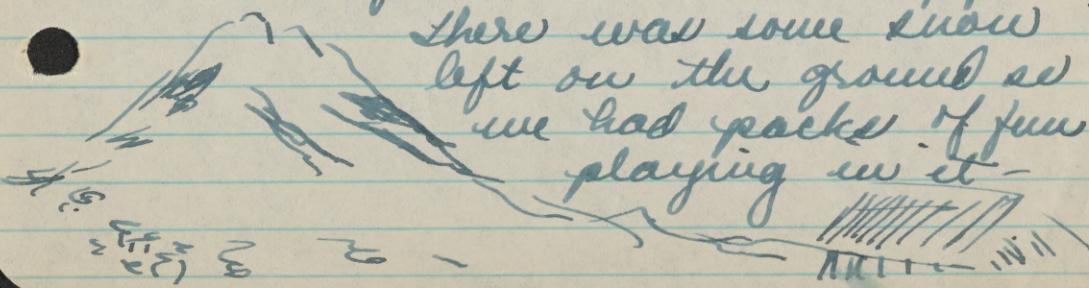


what swell people! Had

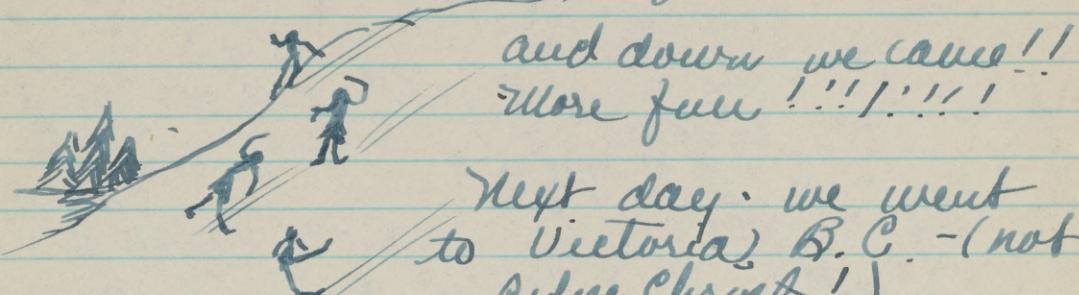
dinner at their house & in the aft.  
Mr. M. had taken us sightseeing.  
Gee - everything sure is green &  
luscious. It's a beautiful place.

Next day went to Mt. Rainier  
with the Matsumotos. - Gee - is  
it beautiful - all snow capped.

There was some snow  
left on the ground so  
we had lots of fun  
playing in it -



We found a hill to slide down  
on skis - oh yeah!! - on our  
own little pair of feet & shoes.



and down we came!!  
More fun!!!!!!

Next day we went  
to Victoria, B.C. - (not  
before Christ!)

It's a little boat ride - approx.  
1½ hrs. or more. It's such a pretty  
place - full of flowers - even on  
the lamp posts there were little  
pots of flowers.

We took a sightseeing bus - and  
went to Butchart's Gardens - boy  
was it pretty! - A huge place  
with sunken gardens, rose tallies  
lakes in everything! It's so  
pretty up North! - Had to have  
passports to get there & back.

After a send off with Matsuyotos,  
Mrs. Lawanda & a few others - Daddy's  
friend - left Seattle for Portland  
Portland - stayed at the Multnomah.  
Service was sort of slow - but it's  
a swell hotel. Kobayashi took  
us around and we went to  
see Mt. Hood. It was  
swell but I ~~was~~ <sup>was</sup> sick  
Came lots later. They gave us  
a swell dinner - and the girls



Sept. 30, Oct 1 + 2.

N.C.Y.P.C.C -

It really was organized swell & it turned out to be a keen康樂. I helped Mart. on the Banquet Committee - (Grace did too), and so, it made me feel as if I did something - anyhow - Also - Grace & I had to speak on one of the hi'school groups Panel Discussion Group - Fornie! - Never again! Also - I was in the 100 voice choir which went along pretty well. So - I did quite a bit this time.

Hi nite - I went to the banquet - and it was pretty good - the hi nite speaker was just super! - I lo' t provoking! above:

Sat - morn. I was involved in the panel, heard youth speakers etc - Then helped Mart out at noon for the Day lunches - which were in bags. They ran out because too many tickets were sold so quickly - what a mess. I helped pour the milk etc - and then helped clean up at the end - bunch of us, Kay, Gay, Mart, Fay, Grace, etc Kyot, Tak & nother fella - did the cleaning up. - Then in the aft - soc. & interest groups & Banquet. Pretty good - Helped put on flowers on the Banquet - Mary & Helen Kajato stayed at our house

Nov. 24, 1938.

## Thanksgiving Day + My Birthday - !!

Bird waffles in the morning  
which Kay & I made. Then  
actually studied! had lunch &  
went to have Thanksgiving dinner  
at Hotel White Collar with the  
Katagawas. It was awfully good.

But you - Mom gave me the  
finished top to my suit for a present  
& you do you look slick! - Kay  
gave me a pair of narrow gloves to  
go with my piece - oh yes mom  
gave me a little gold charm too..

Mrs. Kitag. gave me a scarf which  
just matched my suit & the Kuniyas  
a pair of stockings - Gramine & I -  
& Kuni a card - but last of all -  
a telegram from Mary, Ned & Grace  
"Happy Birthday Esther, & thanks  
giving greetings to family" Golly  
but it made me feel good when  
I got that!

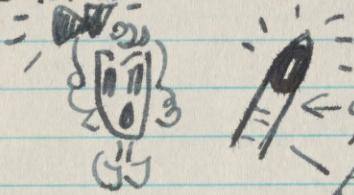
And now! — I am 17!!!  
Guess I can call myself Miss  
now — or can I? ! ? ! !

February 12 - 17 -

The Week of an Initiate !!

All this week - we poor initiates had to wear big red crepe paper bows in our hair, black & green nail polish, & no talking to fellows.

(Wow, !)- Is it terrific!



← goody but just matthe  
looks like the Compromis  
but is supposed to be my  
finger nail

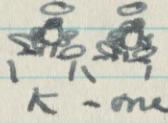
Kay nearly gags every time I show her my icky nails & - I wear gloves to school so nobody can see them. Gosh - are they awful!!! - Go around saying 'hells' to fellows anyway - even if we aren't supposed to I think that - the P.W.S.C. isn't worth ruining my reputation over!

Friday night - Informal Initiation - Wonder what they'll do to us !!!

February 19, 1939

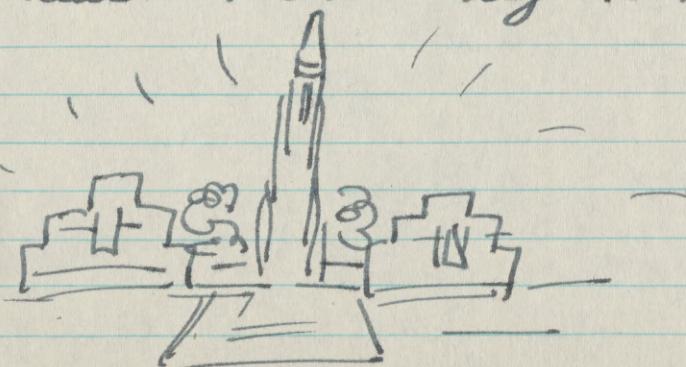
Had supper at Mrs. Hickey's  
with the Linnifers, the Walters,  
Miss Lamb & Barbara (Kirie -)  
11 of us all together.

Ge - was it good! - Salad -  
cole slaw like that biscuits, rice,  
chicken pie ('yummy, yummy!')  
and pickle, please the o the best  
pineapple whip) dessert. Ge -  
every thing here was delicious!!!

I had a pretty good evening -  
talked with the Linnifers the  
most. - Oh - we did the dishes  
for Mrs. Hickey too.   
K-one

No more news!!!!

The Exposition opened yesterday  
Feb. 18. - Still mostly unfinished  
I hear. Best at night - they say.



If imagination is used -  
this is the Expe.

March 15, 1939 -

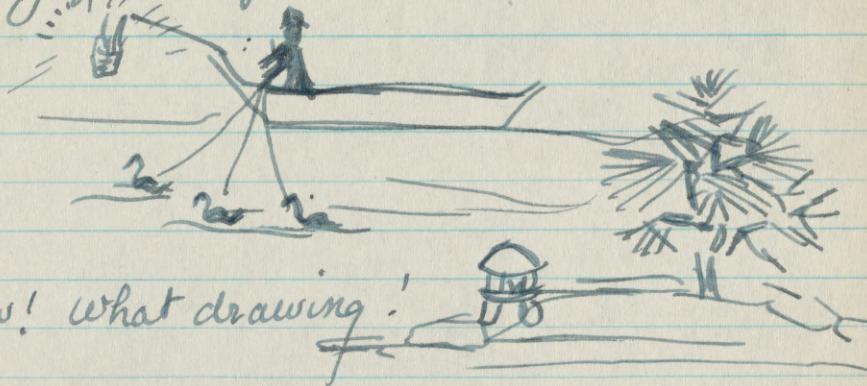
Kay's Birthday -

Kay's actually 21 years young now! - We thinking about giving a party but decided not to. So Kay & I went to the Exposition about 5:30 since it was the last day for the Cormorant fishing.

It's soooooo pretty!!

Specially with the lights on.

- Went thru 'Vacationland', Science Bldg., Dairy place, Ford Bldg. - and waited at the Cormorant fishing place for about 1 hour.



Wow! what drawing!

March 24, 1939

Stanford - Cal Debate - .

Stanford had the choice,  
choose the topic & : naturally  
won. - What singing, big - headed  
- - - - -

Am I glad I didn't go to  
Stanford.

Mary Ed & Kay, Grace & I  
went together.

March 31, 1939

Rock Fiesta!!!

Had lots of fun - went  
to lot of work for it too - Grace  
was Gen. Chmn - Sonoma &  
we were in charge of entertainment -  
Nobu. Miss Anna games etc. etc.

First we had Conchos singing -  
I had to play the piano - my my.  
Kay, Sakae, Ted - Then we had  
games, refreshments (apple pie)  
a la mode & punch - yummy!!!  
Then dancing. Had lots of fun -  
& Nick took me home -  
since they were asking kids to  
help out in transportation.

April 8, 1939

Advance !!

After weeks of preparing, work, waiting etc etc - - at last it finally came. I was supposed to get there at 8:30 - but didn't till 9:00. - Had to lug up my suit case with my formal in it too. Wore my pink, navy coat - white - navy skirt  & blouse -  & pink

Any how - all of us on the reception committee were supposed to get all the kids into 11 wheelbarrows for singing - but spent most of the time - bumping into other kids on reception or somethin' - Well - any how - did my duty - & aid I? Then heard speaker give opening address - then their discussion groups - had to help collect tickets for our lunch - then went to Dr. Yamagai's discussion group on Propaganda - Golly - he sure went to a lot of work for it - 15 page outline - Wow!! -

Then picture & lunch - ate with same old gang plus a few others - The lunch was huge - for once, so had to leave early. - Musical was fair. Can't

Day was really hot - Gail, Eric  
was interesting & small procedure etc.  
- Then had to help over to the  
Women Club House at 7:30 - to  
help with the tea - then ran  
over to the I House with the  
reception committee to help with  
the Banquet - golly by that time  
my feet were beginning to feel the  
effects of heels - <sup>Y</sup> + ouch !!!

Then tried to have the kids  
fill up from the front, but not  
much of a success --. Sat with  
same old gang again - the meal  
was super (actually - at the I House  
too!) Had to miss the after dinner  
speaker & get ready for the tableau -  
golly had to be in 2 scenes so  
had to rush down & change from a  
street dress to a formal between 2  
scenes. Oh! aid I wish - Every  
body said the tableau was swell -  
so guess it must have been! -



But the dance was just super!  
Never had so much fun or danced with  
so many kids. - and Frankie Jones  
Orchestra - boy was it swell!!!  
Max Takehito asked me for my 1st & last  
dance to & went in with him.  
(surprise!!) Sill treated Gail & me  
& Eric to a coke just before the  
dinner. - Then - boy did I have fun!

Just to see how many kids I danced with - 1 - Max Takehito 2 - Yuko Okamoto (surprise!) 3 - Kitabuchi - had about 5 with him. Lots of fun - & actually learned the ½ time from him! Had more fun doing it - & also shocked a couple of people too - I'm afraid! 4 - Max Satata 5 - Bobby Leyda 6 - Tak 7 - Hank Dunn 8 - Bill 9 - Goro Ichikawa (super dancer!) 10 - Gary Koch 11 - Rots Keri 12 - Vora 13 - Min George 14 - Goro Matsumoto 15 - Buddy (ick! won't dance ever!) 16 - Goro Yamamoto 17 - Teddy Sida 18 - Billy Kata (5 steps only!!) 19 - Kibz (with short one!) 20 - Hugh Cazals 21 - Wuchida 22 - Yoshimura (another ick!) 23 - Joe Takehito 24 - Harry Takehara (surprise!) 25 - Sat Sumiyaga 26 - Harry Takehito (surprise SURPRISE! Two togo los!) 27 - Jack Abe 28 - Yammine 29 - Couple of other kids I didn't know and Jolly - 5 kids asked me for my last dance - including Kitabuchi - boy - did I feel popular! (for once!) Had a super - super time!  
 Couldn't find a way home so Max Takehito, Bill, Ernie & Buddy walked me home. Jolly - were very fat tired & sore! Wow! - thought I'd drop!!! But gee - sure had fun!

End of a Perfect Day!!

April 9, 1959



← Leslie - supposedly.

Actually got up for a joint morning Watch with O.M.E. - at Segunda. Got up at 6:00 AM. - after last night (how did I do it?????) After service had keen breakfast of grapefruit, eggs, hot cross buns & chocolate. Had fun with OME kids. Mick, Tommy, Eddie etc.

Then went home for Daddy & Mom - went to J.S. & then stayed in church service - had a long new chair. — Say, was it good! 9 services in 1 day. :o) ← me!

Not saying whether I listened or learned tho! -

ate at China Sea with family & Marg. Minas -

Kid asleep in the aft. on the couch. — . wonder why ??

April 29, 1939



## Japan Day at the Fair . . .

Went over with Mom & Dad - they went to the reception for the Ambassadors & Kay & I met Sumi & Miyu Tendo! Dad packed up some & saw every body under the sun & millions & millions of Nihonjins. Met up with Nobu & Yosuke Nak. & went together to see the Sakarazuka. Gg - they were swell!! Good looking gals too.

I then roamed around & nearly got alone off the island. Saw kids from school, Ted, Twins, Kyoto (at the parade - gave us his coat - poor fella!), Taiko, Eniko & Mill gals, etc etc etc - spent more time talking to people & didn't get to see many bldgs. Saw the lantern parade at night - oh yes - ate at Acme (60¢ dinner course - Yowie!!! - was we rooked!!!) - Met Mom & Dad at 9:00 - Went thru' Gayway - then went home. Sort of pooped after all that . . .



May 13, 1939

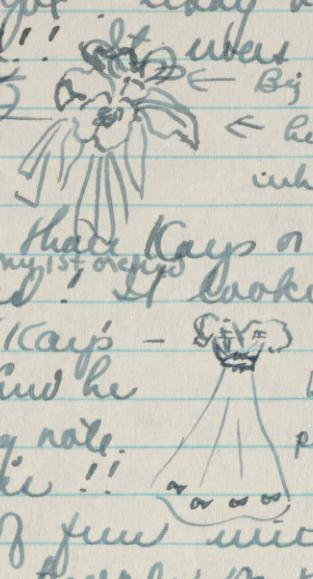


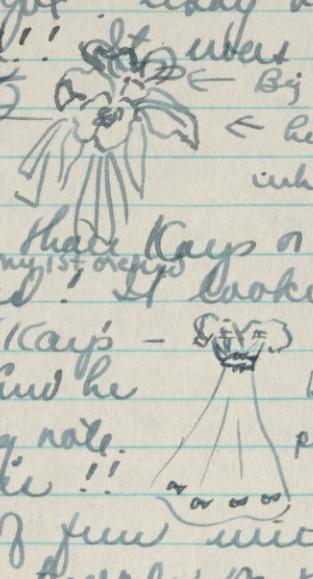
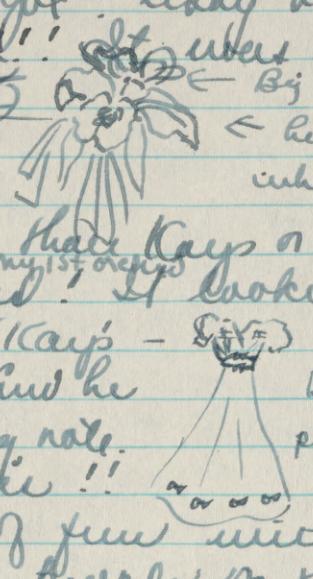
Senior Sing!

Started out at 1:00 - when I had to go to Stevens for the formal Senior Banquet. Gosh - what a pipe that was! The only reason why I went was cause they were supposed to have intermission after-wars & what do they do but call it off! The guests & a handful of kids were there at 6:00 but none of the rest of the kids came till 7:00 so everything was 'when lame late'. Blucky I must say! Any way everything went serenely and I was supposed to meet Li Ray there, but called him and had him come home instead.

Kay went with Bill & Mac T. & May. They beat us there - came in back our time going - since we didn't want to be too early. Gosh, the dance was perfectly super! I had more fun with Li Ray - He's a swell egg! The orchestra was just swell and they played the "Alteut" piece.

The evening went sooo fast tho'! My program got filled up right away - so at least I didn't have to worry about that. Had a heck of a time dancing with late Nori (maybe he's too good - or isn't)

Wow - almost forgot. Libay brought  
me an orchid  It was a great  
big beauty  Big Ribbons.  
 ← he-he -

Anyway - what a picture.  
it was getting dark (ays or daes -  
and was I thrilled!  It looked swell  
with my dress (ays - )  
borrowed one) And he  
put in a darling note.  
What a kick he is!!  Blue - with  
pink ribbons  
Sue had a lot of fun with him!  
Had fun trailing people on the floor  
too etc. - Sue dances were with Libay,  
Bill, Mac, Laelita & Nick. They're all  
pretty good!

The dance ended at 1:00 & we  
went to eat with Kay, Bill, Mac & May  
at the Chinese in Oakland. Was  
late of fun. Then - Kay beat me home  
cause we went round the lake &  
up around to get home. He let me turn  
part way home - No 't we'd get stopped  
for drunken driving ~

Finally got in about quarter to  
3:00. - End of a perfect day!!!  
Sue had a super time & the orchid <sup>a thrill!</sup> was  
By the way - all three with  
school now !!! - sort of nice it  
was!

May 18, 1939

Went to the fair with Grace today. Gee - we sure covered a lot of territory. We got there a little after 2:00 and took the 8:00 home. We went thru' all the big buildings - like Science, Elect. & Communication, Roads & Sew., Mines, Home & Gardens, Fed. Bldg., & Japan Bldg. etc. etc. --- We had a swell dinner at Maxwell House. — Waited till they put on the lights - then by 8:00 we sure were pooped & then on top of that we had to run like the dickens to get the 8:05. — Felt as if I actually accomplished something tho'! ! Pretty good!!

May 19, 1939

Went to the Senior Extravaganza with Bill. Went together with Kay, Kyste, May & Julia Noda. Ed. it was keen - but I sure froze - and I borrowed Bill's coat! Went afterwards to Ed's in Oakland to eat - but every body was sort of quiet, sleepy & pooped and I would have to sit in a very UN talkative mood - which helped. — Was pretty good.

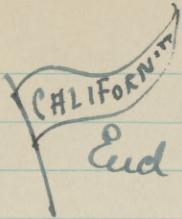
May 20, 1939.

U.C. Commencement.



It was the first one I had seen since I was so high. — so it was sort of thrilling to see it. Golly — the class was just huge — and we actually spotted a couple of the kids — and did we feel good about it! Pres. Lovell's talk was really swell and the passing out of diplomas at about 37 per minute was really somethin'! Gosh — no wonder they call it ~~a~~ factory mass production. The exercises were really swell tho' — later all the <sup>graduates</sup> were gathered at Kilgard — so we went there to reward and congratulate every body. Gu — all my best friends seem to be leaving this time — all the cutest kids. We will miss them. It began to rain just before the big — so dashed over in a car and had to help with the tea — so couldn't talk to many people or say goodbye to half the kids — darn it!

There was a swell commencement. More years & it'll be my turn!!!!



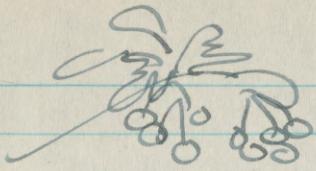
## End of 1<sup>st</sup> College Year.

Now that summer's here & my days as a College Freshman are over - I don't think I've ever had such a wonderful year! I made so many swell friends & had such good times that studying wasn't even half bad. Cornell is stuck of it & even enjoyed it and finally began to feel at the I'm learning something worth while <sup>and fine</sup>.

Course the football games & rallies, basket ball, class parties & dances were all just super & the J.W.D.C.; despite lots of talk about it, turned out to be pretty good too.

And as for the beautiful campus! All I can think of is that I sure am lucky to be going to such a swell school.

All in all, Cal surely lived up to all my expectations — and more too! Hope I'll feel this way all thru' college!!



May 30, 1939  
Memorial Day.

Levaded Vacaville in the P.M. to see the Obatas. Kay couldn't go since she had to study for finals so little "Yne" went instead.

Was glad to see Mary & Gae again & went to Lurey's & picked cherries again. Was pretty hot but they called it one of their cooler days. Went "akamari" later then Ben came home & we all had dinner, then left for home.

By the way - a mystery man phoned on Monday night & Daddy answered - but we had company & they were making lots of noise so by the time I answered, he hung up. Gosh, sure am curious & know who it was! In fact I am almost dying of curiosity!!!