# A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE ANCIENT ARABIC ORDER OF THE NOBLES OF THE MYSTIC SHRINE (A.A.O.N.M.S.)

Over 100 years ago an internationally prominent actor and a physician, who was also a highly skilled juggler-magician, decided to design "A Playground for Masonry." This organization, as yet unnamed, eventually became the Mystic Shrine of North America.

The famous actor was Billy Florence. The respected physician, who was a 33° Scottish Rite Mason, was Dr. Walter M. Fleming. They were brought together by their mutual quest for an organization of eligible Masons which would be interesting, impressive, pleasing and where good fellowship would be the watch word.

Dr. Fleming delegated the creation of the Shrine Ritual to Billy Florence because of his theatrical talents. Borrowing from experience obtained while in Europe, as well as many mystical and legendary traditions from several Arab countries, Noble-to-be Florence created the Shrine Ritual, much as we see it today.

After years of preparation, a meeting was held in the Masonic Hall, 114 East 13th Street, New York City for the purpose of formally organizing the First Shrine Temple in the United States.

Dr. Fleming proposed that "Mecca" be the name of this Temple. From that beginning over 100 years ago, the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine has grown to be one of the greatest Fraternal and charitable organizations in history. The Orthopedic and Burns Hospitals, 22 in number, are entirely supported by the nearly one million Nobles of the Shrine. Thousands of small bodies have been mended in the more than 60 years since the first hospital opened, all at no cost to the patients, parents or guardian.

It is written — "A Shriner believes that PLEASURE is something that one takes out of life but HAPPINESS is something that one shares."



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MEMBER KORA TEMPLE LEWISTON, MAINE

TO THE NOBLES OF THE FAR EAST:

As our great Fraternity enters its lllth year, we look to the future with great anticipation for steady membership growth and continued prosperity of Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children.

Since the first Shriners Hospital opened in 1922, more than a quarter of a million children have received excellent medical care and services, absolutely free. It's the dedication, support and enthusiasm of Nobles like all of you who ensure the continued progress of the "World's Greatest Philanthropy."

I wish that it were possible for me to personally greet my fellow Nobles and new Shriners from Japan, Korea, China, Thailand, Taiwan and the Philippines. Yet, I am certain that your hosts, Nile Temple, will make these Fall ceremonials most exciting and memorable.

On behalf of the more than 912,000 Shriners of North America, I welcome all the new creations into the "World's Greatest Fraternity" with great joy. While, I cannot be with you, please know that I send my best wishes and heartiest congratulations to you all!

Es Selamu Aleikum Fraternally yours,

Richard B. Olfene Imperial Potentate



# Mile Temple

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JOHN G. JONES III
POTENTATE



To the Nobles, Your Ladies and Families in the Far East:

1983 is a significant milestone in the history of Nile Temple. It is our 75th Diamond Jubilee Birthday, and we are proud to reach this glorious point in our history. We are equally as proud, in making our journey to the Far East, to share with you the great humanitarian effort in supporting the Shriners Hospitals for Crippled and Burned Children.

We are looking forward to our visit with each of you and want you to understand how much we appreciate your carrying the banner for Masonry in general, and Shrinedom in particular, in the Far East.

John G. Jones,

Selamu A Gikum,



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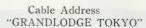
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It is my pleasure to cordially welcome Illustrious Potentate John G. Jones II, his Divan, the Shrine Masons of Nile Temple and their ladies to Tokyo, Japan, the first stop on their Orient Pilgrimage.

The twenty-one Shrine Orthopedic Hospitals and Burns Institutes for needy children are viable indications of the magnanimous, compassionate and charitable attitudes of Freemasons in general and Shriners in particular, and directly relate to one of the first lessons we were taught in the Blue Lodge.

May your ceremonial in Tokyo be successful, your brief sojourn in Japan enjoyable and worthwhile, and my personal wishes for a safe and memorable trip throughout the Orient.

Sincerely and fraternally,

James L. Johnston

Grand Master



# AMBASSADOR OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TOKYO



On the occasion of your annual ceremony, I offer my congratulations to the Torii Oasis Shrine Clubs of Japan. The good work you have accomplished and the many charitable contributions you have made over the years has helped further the friendship between the United States and Japan.

I would also like to welcome to Japan the Officers of the Nile Temple, Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine under the leadership of Illustrious Potentate John G. Jones III and the officers of Nile Temple, Edmonds, Washington. I hope that they will have a memorable visit to this country.

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With best personal wishes.

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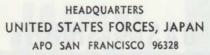


Tokyo, 19 September 1983

It is a great pleasure for me to
extend to the members of the Torii Oasis
Shrine Clubs of Japan my warmest congratulations on the occasion of the 1983 Shrine
ceremonial in Japan. Your effort for the
benefit of crippled and burned children is
a humanitarian act which is in line with
the best in the Masonic tradition.

My very best wishes for your continued success in the years to come.

(H.W. Freihow)







2 June 1983

Mr Paul E. Newman
Executive Secretary
Torii Oasis Shrine Clubs of Japan
Masonic Building
No. 1-3, Shibakoen 4-chome
Minato-ku, Tokyo 105

Dear Mr Newman

The members of United States Forces, Japan join me in extending a welcome to the officers of the Nile Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine who have come to Japan from Edmonds, Washington to present the Ceremonial.

The selfless committment to helping your fellow man, which is characteristic of all your members, is worthy of our highest esteem. The Torii Oasis Shrine Clubs of Japan are widely known for many fine works and exemplify the noble ideals and purposes which are your hallmark.

Please accept our best wishes for a successful and memorable Ceremonial.

Sincerely

CHARLES L. DONNELLY, JR.

Lt General, USAF

Commander



# TORII OASIS SHRINE CLUBS OF JAPAN



29 September 1983

To Illustrious Potentate John G. Jones, III, His Divan, and guests of Nile Temple. On behalf of the Nobles of Torii Oasis Shrine Clubs of Japan, I take pleasure in extending fraternal greetings to you and hope your brief visit on your long journey thru the far east will be a safe and rewarding one. May the memories of this 1983 Pilgrimage be cherished by all for years to come.

To the Executive Committee, especially Noble Hiroshi Takasaki, Noble Hidemi Oda and last but not least Noble Paul E. Newman, our secretary, without whom Torii Oasis Shrine Clubs could not function. Your loyal and faithful support during my tenure as President will long be remembered by me.

To all the Nobles whithersoever dispersed we extend sincere and fraternal greetings and may we never lose sight in the duties we owe to God, our neighbors, and ourselves.

Joseph A. Anderson

President

Torii Oasis Shrine Clubs of Japan

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#### 1983 TOKYO CEREMONIAL

By Nile Temple of Seattle, Washington, U.S.A.

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POTENTATE'S RECEPTION

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23 October 1983 - Sunday

CEREMONIAL

Tokyo Masonic Center
8:00 A.M. Registration
Candidates report to B2
10:00 A.M. Meeting of Nile Temple at
Scottish Rite Hall
10:30 A.M. Welcoming address to
Candidates by Illustrious
Potentate
11:00 A.M. First Section of Ceremonial
12:00 Noon Lunch

1:00 P.M. Second Section

#### POTENTATE'S BALL

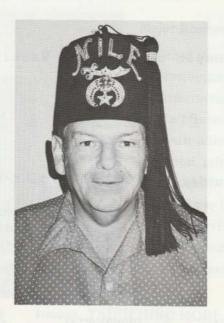
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Tel: 03-491-0111
5:30 P.M. Art viewing \*
6:30 P.M. Social
7:30 P.M. Buffet Dinner

<sup>\*</sup> The Meguro Gajoen has a noted Japanese Garden and is an excellent example of Japanese architecture of the Meiji period. The ancient art work displayed in its Gallery is in itself renowned.

# TORII OASIS SHRINE CLUBS OF JAPAN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

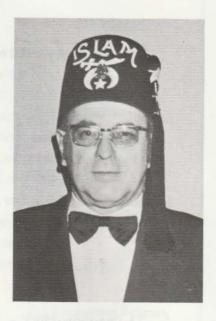


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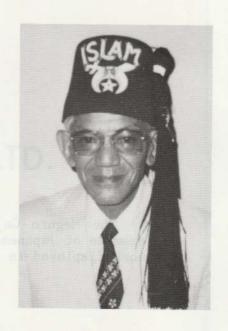


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#### BRIEF HISTORY OF NILE TEMPLE

Nile Temple, one of the younger Temples, dates back to July 14, 1908, when a petition signed by 466 Nobles of the Mystic Shrine was presented to the Imperial Council Session in St. Paul, Minnesota. On July 15, 1908, the dispensation was granted.

The first formal meeting of the petitioners for Nile Temple was held in the Elks Hall, Alaska Building, Seattle, September 16, 1908. The first Ceremonial was held in the Moore Theatre on December 2, 1908, with 122 Candidates and about 1,000 Nobles present.

Under the chosen title of "Nile Temple", a charter was granted at the Imperial Council Session on June 9, 1909, in Louisville, Kentucky--the largest Temple chartered in the history of the Order up to that time.

The famous slogan, "Smile With Nile", was coined by the late Past Potentate, John L. McLean, for the Imperial Council Session held in Seattle in 1915.

Today, Nile Temple has over 21 performing units, such as: A Band, Chanters, Clowns, Drum & Bugle Corps and various patrols; 20 Shrine Clubs in Washington and 4 in Alaska. From triannual treks through the Far East, Nile Temple has members and ties with Oasis in Manila, Hong Kong, Tokyo, Bangkok, Taipei and Seoul.

It is the most traveled. In the summer of 1909, as the excitement of the Gold Rush Days was fading, Nile made the first pilgrimage to Nome, Alaska. In 1914, 110 Nobles and their wives boarded the SS Minnesota, traveling 72 days and made the first pilgrimage to the Orient. In 1949, Nile conducted the first postwar Ceremonial in Tokyo, held at the Union Club and named after one of Nile's distinguished members, "The Douglas MacArthur Ceremonial". The pilgrimage this year, the 20th to the Far East, is "In Memory of Noble Douglas A. MacArthur".

Nile's Headquarters Building is located on its own beautiful Country Club of 100 acres on the shores of Lake Ballinger, 12 minutes from the city via freeway. Here the members and their families enjoy the lake front, swimming and family picnics beneath the towering firs. May 1, 1968 marked the opening of the Golf Course, and relaxing moments and sumptuous dining will be found in the Clubhouse.

Nobles, the latchstring is always out and a warm welcome awaits.

#### NILE DIVAN



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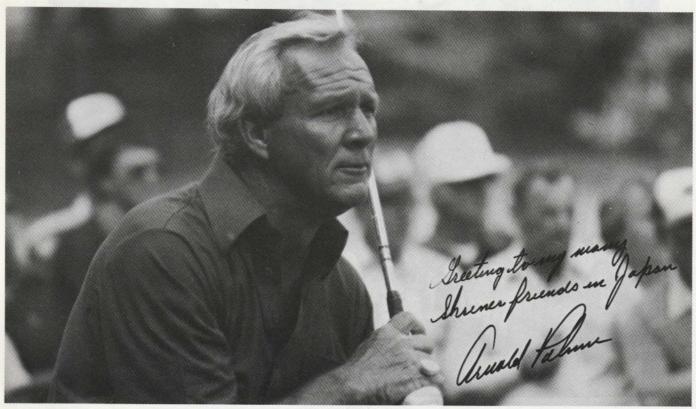
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Oriental Guide



ARNOLD PALMER

# MEMORIES OF NILE TEMPLE



Nobusuke Kishi, prime minister of Japan, receives a miniature fez from Lloyd X. Coder, potentate of Nile Temple, as other members of Nile look on at the right. (1959)



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# MEMORIES OF NILE TEMPLE



Nile Potentate (1965) William E. Parker smiles as Noble Louis Bernard (left) is introduced by TOSCJ President Alfred R. Harrison.



Noble Bill Lepper (left) greets Nile Potentate C. Noel Caldwell (2nd from right) and his aides. (1968)

## MEMORIES OF NILE TEMPLE



A part of the activities at the 1965 Potentate's Ball.



New Nile Nobles and their ladies. (1968)



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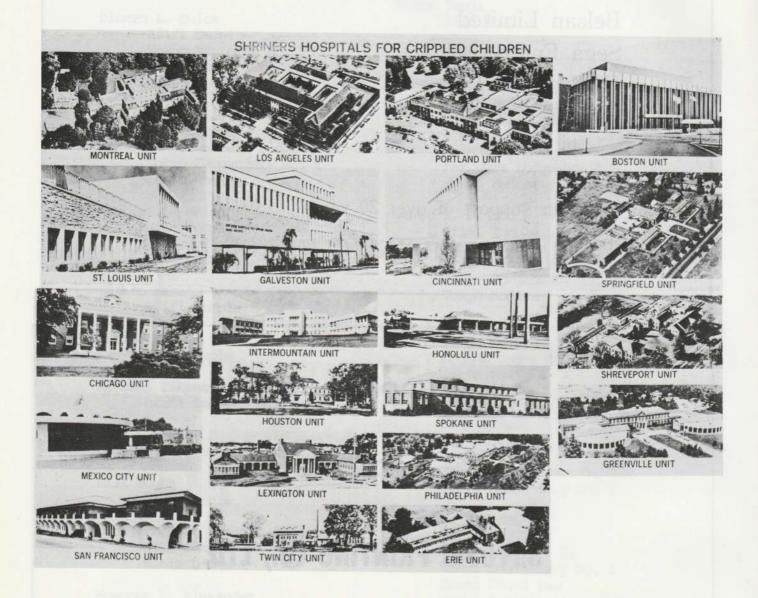
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### SHRINERS HOSPITALS FOR CRIPPLED CHILDREN

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# **FACTS ABOUT SHRINERS HOSPITALS**

# WHAT ARE SHRINERS HOSPITALS FOR CRIPPLED CHILDREN?

Shriners hospitals for Crippled Children are hospitals designed to provide treatment for crippled children or burned children, regardless of race or creed, with no cost to parents or guardians. There are 22 Shriners Hospitals in the United States, Canada, and Mexico, including 3 Shriners Burns Institutes. Orthopedic Units are specialized Hospitals equipped and staffed to treat children up to 15 years of age afflicted with deformities, diseases and injuries involving the bones, joints and muscles whose parents cannot pay for their care. The Burns Institutes are specialized hospitals equipped and staffed to treat severe, fresh burns in children.

#### SHRINE HOSPITALS

Orthopedic Units: Chicago, Illinois-68 beds; Erie, Pennsylvania-38 beds; Greenville, South Carolina-60 beds; Houston, Texas-54 beds; Honolulu, Hawaii-30 beds; Lexington, Kentucky-50 beds; Los Angeles, California-60 beds; Mexico City, Mexico-60 beds; Minneapolis, Minnesota-60 beds; Montreal, Quebec-60 beds; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania-100 beds; Portland, Oregon-80 beds; St. Louis, Missouri-100 beds; Salt Lake City, Utah-60 beds; San Francisco, California-60 beds; Shreveport, Louisiana-60 beds; Spokane, Washington-40 beds; Springfield, Massachusetts-60 beds;

Burns Institutes: Boston, Massachusetts-30 beds; Cincinnati, Ohio-30 beds; Galveston, Texas-30 beds.

# WHO OWNS AND OPERATES SHRINERS HOSPITALS?

Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children are owned and operated by the Ancient Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, located in North America. The first Hospital Unit was established in Shreveport, Louisiana in 1922.

### HOW MANY PATIENTS HAVE BEEN TREATED?

More than 180,000 patients have been treated, without charge, in Shriners Hospitals, which are equipped to render the finest and most modern care to the crippled or burned child. Approximately

8,000 patients are treated each year in Shriners Hospitals which, appropriately, have been called "THE WORLD'S GREATEST... AND MOST REWARD-ING... PHILANTHROPY."

# HOW CAN APPLICATION FORMS BE OBTAINED?

Application forms can be obtained from any Shrine Temple's Office. Islam's Office address is: 1651 19th Ave., San Francisco, CA. 94122.

## HOW ARE SHINERS HOSPITALS SUPPORTED?

Shriners Hospitals are financially supported by both Shriners and their friends. Funds from many Shrine-sponsored events, such as football, circuses, horse shows, baseball and basketball contests, dances, paper sales, and similar activities help support our Hospitals. Endowments, wills and gifts from Shriners and from non-Shriners, permanent contributing Hospital memberships, voluntary contributing memberships, and the current \$100 million dollar club are all sources of income for support of Shriners Hospitals.

SHRINERS BURNS INSTITUTES offer newest techniques in care and treatment of children with burn injuries, including plastic surgical procedures and physical therapy. Patients with "healed" burns, including loss of function of any part of the body, such as deformities, contractures or excessive scarring may be accepted for treatment in the Orthopedic Hospitals.

#### HOW MUCH WILL IT COST?

There is no charge whatsoever. All treatment and care in Shriners Hospitals for Crippled Children is provided without cost, even though Orthopedic cases may average \$1900 per patient with Burns cases averaging \$10,000 each. Some of the most severe burns cases have cost as high as \$25,000 and more.

# WHAT ARE THE PURPOSES OF SHRINERS HOSPITALS?

To furnish the finest possible medical care for crippled or burned children from early infancy to their 15th birthday;, to save the lives of burned children; to conduct research in both orthopedic and burns fields; to instruct medical personnel in the care and treatment of both crippled and burned children; and to return as many children as possible to useful and purposeful roles in society. APPROXIMATELY ONE-THIRD OF ALL ORTHOPEDISTS PRACTICING TODAY HAVE RECEIVED TRAINING IN A SHRINERS HOSPITAL.

### WHAT HAVE SHRINERS HOSPITALS COST?

The Ancient Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, have invested \$47,000,000 in construction costs which include \$12,000,000 for the three Burns Institutes. Since the erection of the first Shriners Hospital in 1922, the red-fezzed Nobles have invested \$147,489,189 in care and treatment resulting in return to the "race of life" of literally thousands upon thousands of handicapped youngsters. Annually, approximately \$30,000,000 is spent in the operation of 22 Shriners Hospitals.

#### WHO CAN HELP SHRINERS HOSPITALS?

Anyone . . . whether he is a Shriner or a non-Shriner (general public). Nobles may purchase a Permanent Contributing Membership in the Hospitals which exempts them for life from the \$5 annually assessed each member of a Shrine Temple for the support of the hospitals. The cost of the P.C.M. is \$150. Non-Shriners may purchase a Voluntary Contributing Membership at a cost of \$60 and dedicate the gift in memory of or in honor of anyone they desire. Other methods of supporting our philanthropy include endowments, wills, and gifts. The currently operating \$100,000,000 Club is also for this purpose.

Another urgent need is for blood donors. Shriners and non-Shriners can donate blood for use in a Shriners Burns Institute through any hospital that is a member of the American Association of Blood Banks and also at the community visits of the Red Cross Bloodmobile. Just ask at the time of donation that your blood be credited for use at a Shriners Burns Institute

# THE T.O.S.C.J. CRIPPLED CHILDREN'S PROGRAM IN JAPAN

The Torii Oasis Shrine Clubs, composed of approximately 1000 Shriners living in Japan and other parts of the world, have banded together to implement a program of assisting crippled children to regain their health, so that they can enjoy the life which is their rightful heritage. To date, approximately 325 patients have been hospitalized for periods lasting from three month to two years. Over 300 have received out-patient treatment such as massage, corrective shoes, braces and artificial limbs.

These unfortunate children were suffering from either clubbed feet, curved spines, tuberculosis of bones and joints, infantile paralysis, bow legs, congenital hip and such diseases and deformities that require orthopedic surgery or other methods of correction.

At present the Torii Oasis Shrine is placing its orthopedic cases in the St. Luke's International Hospital in Tokyo; the Seventh Day Adventist Hospital and the Japanese Police Hospital. Certain other disabling diseases are also given consideration.

Since the Torii Oasis Shrine Clubs' Hospital Program follows the same plan as the Shrine in the United States the use of plastic surgery and skin grafts to replace scar tissue resulting from severe burns or scalds are now included. Dr. Seiichi Omori of the Tokyo Metropolitan Police Hospital and Dr. Nobuyuki Shioya, outstanding plastic surgeons in Japan, are performing skillful restoration of badly scarred and mutilated tissue for our patients.

This hospital program is being financed by the Shriners in Japan with the assistance of their friends.

To be eligible for admittance to a hospital under the Torii Oasis Shrine Program, a child must be under 15 years and its parents unable to pay for treatment.

There is no reference to race, color or religion when submitting an application.

If you know of any crippled child whom orthopedic hospitalization can help, feel free to contact any Shriner or call the Shrine Office 433-4914 and the Hospital Committee will carry on from there.

William R. Lepper

Chairman Emeritus
Torii Oasis Crippled Children's
Program

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# 日本 トリイ オアシス シュライン クラブ 身 体 障 害 児 童 治 療 計 画

日本 トリイ オアシス シュライン クラブは、終戦後、初の社会福祉事業推進を目的として、1949年に設立れました。

それまでは、相模 シュライン クラブ・東京 シュライン クラブ・横浜 シュライン クラブが中心となって個々に身体障害児童のお世話に当っておりましたが、当クラブの組織誕生をみて、また第一回記念事業の成功とその治療計画の推進により全国各地に続々と支部が設立され、現在では 1,846 人の新会員が加入しております。

会員達は身体不自由な子供達が、一日も早く健康を回復し、楽しい生活がおくれることを願って、これまでと同様に現在も事業計画に沿ってお世話しております。

今までに約295人の子供達が3ヵ月から2年間入院治療し、300人以上がマッサージ・足の矯正・又矯正靴をうけるため通院しました。この子供達は小児マヒの後遺症として長い間内反足とか、先天性股関節脱臼などで苦しんでいました。整形外科手術は日本でも著名な東京聖路加病院の外科医服部 武博士のもとでおこなわれ、ゆきとどいた看護をうけ、それぞれ退院し、現在では楽しい日々を送り、りっぱな市民となっております。

当クラブは、また米国のシュライン計画にならい、大やけどの皮フ後遺症を治療するため、これもまた日本で有数の外科医、東京警察病院長の大森清一博士並びに形成学会長、北里大学病院の塩谷信幸教授が植皮手術等のむづかしい治療にあたっております。これら東京の医療機関の他に、青森県三沢市はまなす学園・広島赤十字病院・韓国のカソリック メディカル センターなど、各地の子供達にも恵まれた環境の中で治療がおこなえるよう、治療機関を用意してあります。これらの治療計画は、当クラブの会員と関係各方面からの暖いご援助のもとにおこなわれております。

治療をうける子供さんは、国籍、宗教は問いません。14才未満で、多額の治療費負担困難な、恵まれない 子供さんならば、どなたでも援助させていただきます。

恵まれない多くの身体障害児童が元気になられ、退院され楽しい社会生活が送られるようになられることは、私達の無上の喜びです。もし、このような手術、治療により救われるからだの不自由なお子様をで存じでしたら、是非で連絡下さい。医療委員会が、ご相談に応じます。

#### 連 絡 先:東京都港区

日本 トリイ オアシス シュライン クラブ 電話 (03) 433 - 4914

> 会長 ウィリアム R. レパー トリイオアシス 医療部



30 September 1983

Mikako finally gathered the courage to undergo reconstruction surgery as recommended. The reconstruction of the eyesocket will be by a series of operations.

She was rather hesitant to go through with these operations, which is understandable considering the ordeal she experienced in childhood. However, with the encouragement of Mrs. Fernandes, Mr. Takasaki and personnel working in Chushin Gakuen, she finally agreed to have the operations.

We are in the process of creating an eyesocket, eyelid and also resurfacing of the right cheek. All with skin from from her neck area. The period of these operations will be tedious, physically and emotionally, but if successful, she should be able to wear an ordinary artificial eye and go out in public without special dressings.

No matter what the outcome, Mikako will need your assistance and encouragement for a long time.

Nobuyuki Shioya, M.D., F.A.C.S. Dept. of Plastic Surgery Kitazato University School of Medicine Mikako Kawasaki Born : November 5, 1965 Kanagawa Prefecture

When Mikako was 40 days old, she was attacked by a cat which bit and severed the orbital and maxillary regions and the right eyeball. Her mother, who was out of the house at the time of the attack, has been institutionalized ever since. As a result, Mikachan, as we now refer to her, has spent practically her entire life in an orphanage.

As an infant, she underwent several complicated skin graft operations and her face was restored although her eye was missing. All of her life, she has been visiting the hospital once or twice a year as Dr. Nobuyuki Shioya, Dep't of Plastic Surgery, Kitazato University of Medicine, waited for her to grow up so he could make her a new eye socket that would enable her to have an artificial eye.

On May 18, 1981, Mikachan received a polyurethene prosthesis to cover the affected area and an artificial eye unit. This was the first time in her life she had seen herself "with two eyes."

Later that day, Shrines Clubs Hospital Chairman Hiroshi Takasaki and Mrs. Fernandes, Shrine Clubs Secretarial Assistant, took Mikachan to an optician and bought her a pair of glasses to cover the outer edges of the prosthesis. For the first time, Mikachan was able to walk out on the street without bandages on her face.

The prosthesis was made under the direction of Prof. Kanichi Seto, M.D., Dep't of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, Tsurumi University, Tokyo, by Doctors Tanabe and Kondo.

The majority of the expense involved with this 18-year endeavor was borne by Japanese government insurance programs. The Shrine Clubs has paid for some items needed by Mikachan such as underwear and a night gown, for her hospitalization.

The foregoing, as well as the following report on this year's activities, was condensed from comprehensive reports submitted by Noble Takasaki and Mrs. Fernandes. In the interest of brevity, we have omitted most of the details, the expressions of happiness, pain and disappointment evoked by Mikachan's tribulations, which we feel are now nearing a satisfactory conclusion.

On April 20, Noble Takasaki telephoned Mikako Kawasaki at the Chushin Gakuen to find out if she was going to undergo the operations for the next stage of the facial improvement. She said she would if the "results would be perfect." Noble Takasaki replied that this would be discussed with the doctor the following day.

Noble Takasaki later telephoned Mikachan's brother who was of the opinion that since she had come this far and since there were so many people willing to help her, it would be best for Mikachan to undergo the next stage of treatment. He said if the results were not quite satisfactory, she could go back to covering the eye area.

On April 21, Noble Takasaki and Mrs. Fernandes took Mikachan to Kitazato University Hospital for her appointment. Dr. Shioya could only say that the planned series of operations had a good chance of being 70-80% perfect. He further said that even if the final result was close to perfect, there was no way to judge whether the psychological injury was corrected or whether the patient was truly satisfied.

The doctor later explained to Mikachan the steps he planned: first, making a socket for an artificial eye, which could be done during the summer; second, taking skin samples from several areas to check for compatability with the eye area; and third, cosmetic surgery next spring and inserting of the eye.

Dr. Shioya felt now was the best time, in terms of age, physical development, future considerations, etc., to operate.

On the way back to the orphanage, Noble Takasaki, Mrs. Fernandes, Mikachan, and her teacher-nurse Ohgawara stopped off for coffee and discussed Mikachan's future. It was explained to Mikachan that a broken cup could be patched together but could never be perfect again, and that a bad tooth could be replaced but it would never be the same as the original. It was also explained that "perfect" means many things to everybody and that it would be best to go as far as possible with the doctor's help and recommendations.

Noble Takasaki and Mrs. Fernandes noted at that time that Mikachan had overcome her reserved character. She said she thought Dr. Shioya was very nice and interesting.

In May, arrangements were made for Mikachan's hospitalization.

From July 25 through Aug. 6, she was hospitalized for X-rays, cardiogram, skin typing, blood tests, photos, etc., in preparation for her operation.

On Aug. 18, she again entered the hospital. At 9 a.m., on Aug. 22, she underwent a three-hour operation in which a 6 cm by 20 cm section of skin was partially removed from her neck. The ends were left attached. The horizontal edges were rolled and sewed together to form a "neck tube."

Mrs. Fernandes took her a night gown and some underwear on Aug. 26. A nurse had suggested this as Mikachan was not properly outfitted for a hospital stay. It seems that the orphanage had not taught her to think of such personal things on her own. For example, she was surprised to learn that the flowers by her bed needed water regularly.

In a 15-minute operation on Sept. 5, the left end of the "tube" was detached, allowing it to be free of the body, alive and dormant, but allowing the right end to receive most of the body's nourishment and become stronger.

The making of the "neck tube" left Mikachan in a very uncomfortable position. Due to the pinched skin along her neck, she could not raise her head. For a few days, a board restraint was used to prevent any movement which would have pulled or strained the neck tube. Throughout this painful trying period she remained bright, only saying she didn't like doing the operations under local anathesia as she thought it upset her stomach.

On Sept. 19, the left end of the "tube" was attached to the area just above and in front of her right ear.

On Oct. 3, the "tube" was detached from the right side of her neck and attached to her face.

The next step will be to make the eyesocket, remove the skin formerly grafted from her stomach and replace it with the skin from her neck. The skin from her stomach will probably be used inside the eyesocket.

Keith L. Hager Editor Assistant Secretary TOSCJ

### Noble Bill Lepper

On Saturday, Sept. 3, 1983, TOSCJ Secretary Paul Newman visited Noble Bill and presented him a wheel chair. Though the chair was not new, Noble Bill received it with a smile of gratitude.

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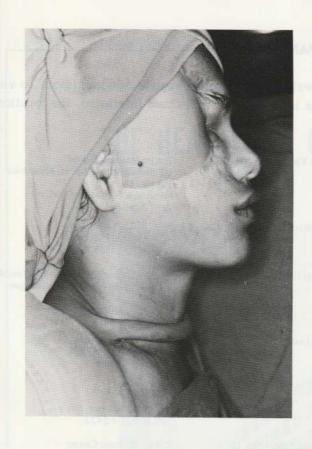
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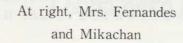








Mikachan and her "neck tube"





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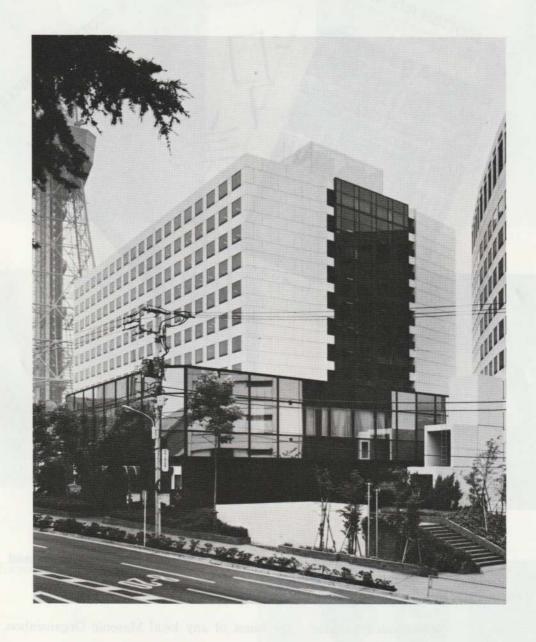
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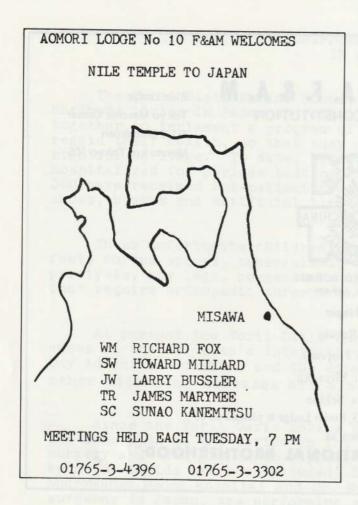
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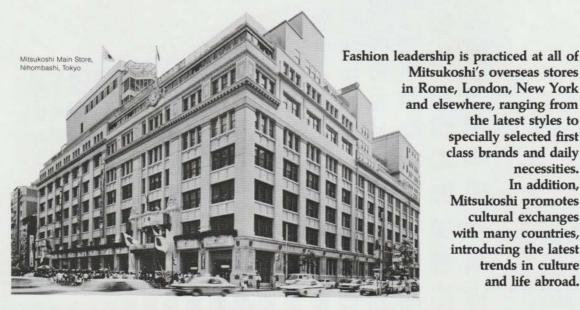
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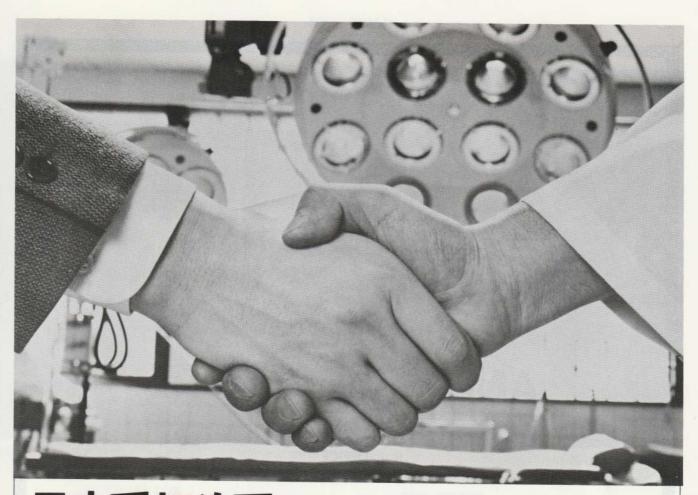


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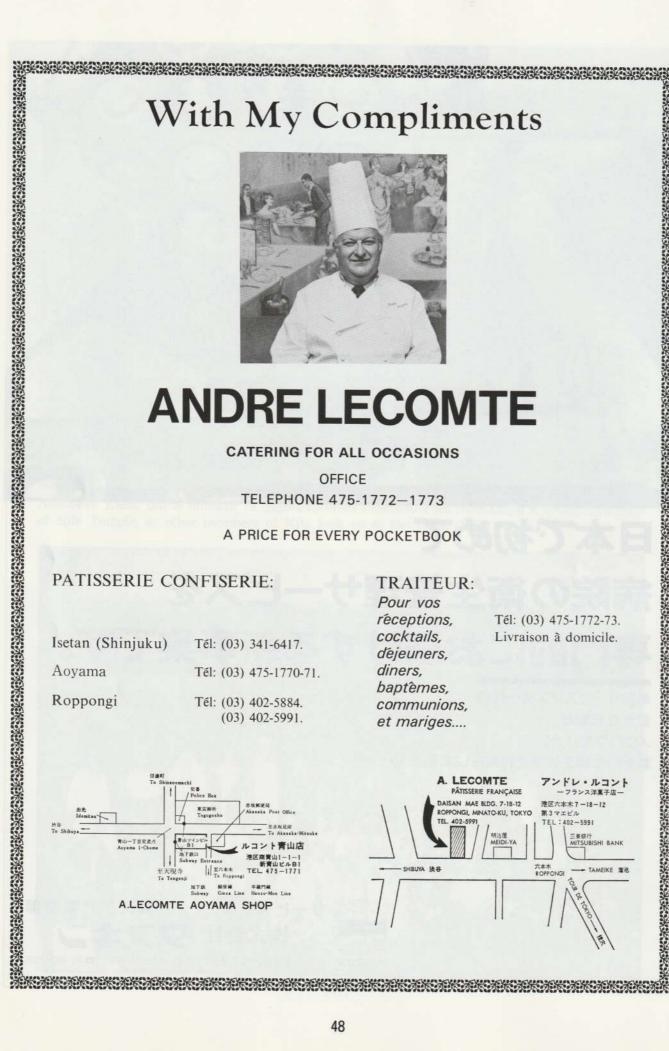
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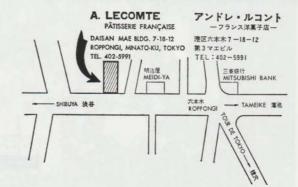


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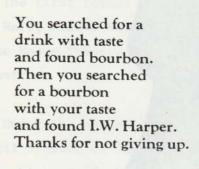


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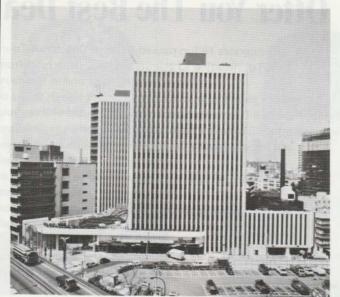
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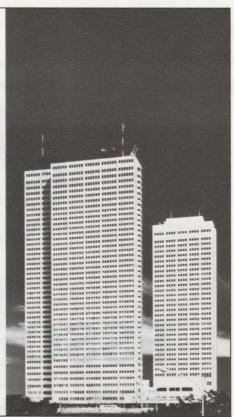
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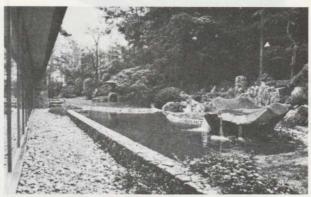
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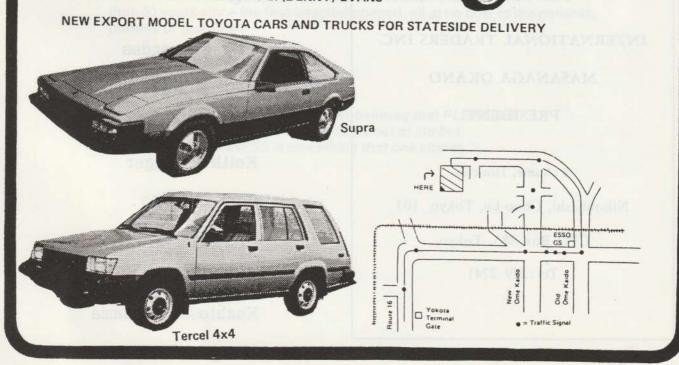
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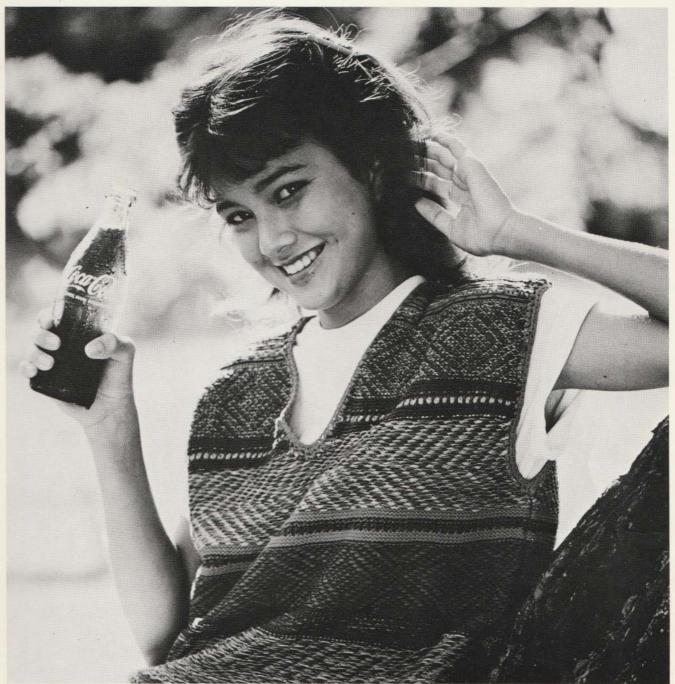
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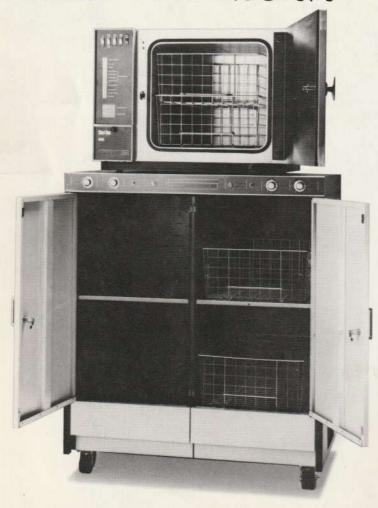


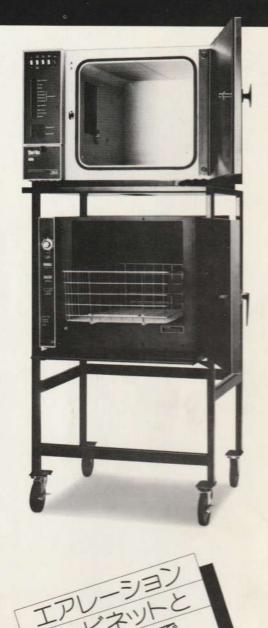
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