KABAYAMA GUEST OF HONOR WITH BINSTED AT LUNCHEON

Count Praises Teusler; St. Luke’s Growth Reported

Count Aisuke Kabayama was guest of honor at a luncheon given at the Down Town Association on October twenty-fourth by The American Council of St. Luke’s International Medical Center. Other honor guests were The Right Reverend James DeWolf Perry, Presiding Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and the Right Reverend Norman S. Binsted, Bishop of Tohoku and Acting Director of St. Luke’s.

In a brief address, Count Kabayama paid a remarkable tribute to Dr. Teusler, declaring him to be one of the greatest men who had ever served Japan. He indicated that no further testimony was needed to prove to the world the acceptance of the institution by the Japanese people other than the fact that three of Japan’s greatest specialists, Dr. Hiroshide Shioda, Dr. Ryokichi Inada and Dr. Inokichi Kubo, had requested permission to serve on the staff of St. Luke’s. Count Kabayama compared St. Luke’s favorably with great medical centers in New York although St. Luke’s, he said, is not so large.

Meet Increasing Demands

Bishop Binsted reported that St. Luke’s was serving an increasing number of patients. During the month of September, he said, the Out-Patient Department gave more than four hundred treatments a day. The present out-patient buildings, he

TEUSLER MEMORIAL FUND GETS COUNCIL SUPPORT

Bishop Binsted Reports on Future Needs of St. Luke’s

A special meeting of The American Council was held at the Down Town Association, New York, on September 24, in order to receive a report of progress from the Right Reverend Norman S. Binsted, Acting Director of St. Luke’s Medical Center, who had just arrived from Japan. The Honorable George W. Wickersham, President of the Council, presided. The Council agreed to carry forward the effort to establish a Teusler Memorial Endowment Fund which was initiated in Japan last Spring.

In reporting the financial status of the institution, Bishop Binsted declared that there was imperative need for $200,000 to complete the building fund. In addition, he said, St. Luke’s would require yearly income to take the place of some $15,000 annually by which the National Council had been forced to cut its pledge.

Charity Work Threated

Unless this additional income was forthcoming, Bishop Binsted said, it would be necessary for St. Luke’s severely to cut present charity work. This, he declared, would greatly reduce the effectiveness of the hospital. An endowment fund of $1,000,000 was held to be immediately necessary for this purpose, and the Council voted unanimously to assist Bishop Binsted in an effort to secure this sum and
Women's Division Holds Organization Meeting

A meeting of the Women's Division of The American Council of St. Luke's International Medical Center was held at a tea given by Mrs. William M. Seabury, at her home in New York, Thursday, October 24.

Bishop Binsted outlined briefly the history of the Medical Center and spoke of the desire of the many friends of Dr. Teusler to perpetuate his work through the Teusler Memorial Endowment Fund.

Dr. John W. Wood spoke of the work done not only in caring for the sick but in promoting good will and good feeling between the two countries.

Japanese Gratitude Described

The growth of the appreciation and gratitude of the Japanese for St. Luke's was illustrated by Mrs. Renzo Sawada, wife of the Japanese Consul General in New York, with an example from her own family.

Mrs. William M. Seabury, who visited Japan last spring, spoke of the beauty and charm of St. Luke's in contrast with the institutionalized atmosphere of most hospitals.

Others present were: Mrs. Arthur Osgood Choate, Mrs. Clement R. Ford, Mrs. Robert C. Hill, Mrs. A. B. Kinsey, Mrs. Allen M. Look, Mrs. Robert C. Mead, Mrs. John McCloy, Mrs. George A. Trowbridge and Mrs. Davenport West.

Plan Teusler Biography; Ask Early Life Material

At the request of The American Council, the Reverend George K. MacNaught of Rye, N. Y., has begun to collect material on the life of Dr. Teusler which later will be compiled into a biography of the late Director of St. Luke's, Dr. Howard C. Robbins, of General Theological Seminary, has promised his active participation in the preparation of this biography.

Letters Requested

While there is an abundance of material available regarding Dr. Teusler's later life, Mr. MacNaught would like, particularly, to have information on Dr. Teusler's boyhood and his student days at the Medical College of Virginia.

If anyone having letters from Dr. Teusler or knowing of incidents in his life which might prove of interest, will send this material to Mr. MacNaught in care of The American Council of St. Luke's, 60 East 42nd Street, New York, it will be highly appreciated. All material will be carefully handled, and will be returned to its owner as soon as Mr. MacNaught has had opportunity to study it.

Staff Residences and Office Opened by Medical Center

In Tokyo last month a new building was officially opened, which will provide staff residence and office facilities for St. Luke's. This building, which is located in the uptown district of Tokyo, was a part of Dr. R. B. Teusler's plan for combining St. Luke's staff residences with an office where medical facilities would be available to patrons of the institution living in districts remote from the section of Tokyo in which St. Luke's is located.

The building faces a main street and contains a pleasant waiting room and three offices, two of which will be used by members of the foreign staff, and one which is reserved for the use of Japanese doctors. At the present time only one member of the staff has regular office hours there but a plan is being worked out whereby at least one member of the hospital medical staff will be on duty at the uptown office throughout the day.

Above this main building there is a two-story apartment residence, and at the rear of the building, connected by a long passageway, are two three-story residences. The architecture is similar to that of the Medical Center.
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Japanese Council Honors Americans Visiting Japan

During a visit to Tokyo last spring Mrs. William Cooper Procter and her niece, Miss Mary Johnston, of Glendale, Ohio, and Mr. and Mrs. Eugene C. Worden of New York, were guests of honor at a luncheon given by Baron Yoshio Sakatani, Chairman, and other members of the Japanese Advisory Council of St. Luke's. Mr. Worden is a member of The American Council and Colonel Procter was also a member for many years before his death in 1934.

Baron Sakatani made a short speech welcoming the guests of honor and thanking Mrs. Procter and Miss Johnston for the gift to the building fund of St. Luke's made by Colonel Procter and Miss Johnston in 1931. He asked Mr. Worden to convey the gratitude and appreciation of the members of the Japanese Advisory Council to The American Council for all the latter group has done and is doing for St. Luke's.

Obata Asks Perpetuation of St. Luke's Standards

Former Aide to Shibuzawa Describes Pressing Need of Out-Patient Wing

Illness in St. Luke's was for him "a peculiar fortune" but "not necessarily a misfortune," Mr. K. Obata, secretary to the late Viscount Ei-ichi Shibuzawa, former Chairman of the Japanese Advisory Council of St. Luke's, writes in a recent letter to Dr. John W. Wood. Mr. Obata learned, during his thirty-nine days' stay in the institution as a patient, much of the value of St. Luke's which was not apparent to him during the many years with which he was familiar with the work of the institution as an interested and sympathetic observer.

Was Patient 39 Days

Writing of the work St. Luke's has done in developing nurses for Japan, Mr. Obata said, "There is a vast field yet to be cultivated along this line, and the initial move or start which Dr. Teusler gave will increasingly be appreciated by the many Japanese experts throughout the length and breadth of the country. In the meantime St. Luke's should keep a model laboratory, never falling behind any one which may arise in Japan in the future." There is a most urgent need for completing the out-patient wing of the building. The old barrack-like structure not only inconveniences the practical work of this department but suggests the idea of discrimination to the out-patients and adult charity patients who are treated exclusively in the old buildings. "The impressions which they receive day after day surely do not harmonize with the purpose and intents of St. Luke's," he wrote.

In concluding his letter Mr. Obata said, "It is desirable that the present high standards should be forever maintained, for the good record of the hospital and also for the moral influence it can shed upon all hospitals in Japan."

Mrs. Choate Appointed to Head Women's Division

At the invitation of The American Council, Mrs. Arthur Osgood Choate of New York has accepted the Chairmanship of the Women's Division of the Council and, as Chairman, will be an ex-officio member of the Council's Board of Directors.

Mrs. Choate has appointed as Vice-Chairman of the Women's Division Mrs. George A. Trowbridge, also of New York.

The Women's Division of the Council is being organized as a permanent body to represent St. Luke's in this country. Its activities will be coordinated with and will supplement those of The American Council, in fostering interest in the United States in the work being done in Japan and the Orient by the Medical Center.

To Be Permanent Group

Serving with Mrs. Choate and Mrs. Trowbridge on the Women's Division are: Mrs. Stephen Baker, Mrs. Howard E. Cole, Miss Christine Davis, Mrs. Clement R. Ford, Mrs. Robert C. Hill, Mrs. R. Keith Kane, Mrs. Allen M. Look, Mrs. John J. McClay, Mme. Renzo Sawada, Mrs. William M. Seabury, Mrs. Julian Street, Jr., Mrs. Edward H. Wells, and Mrs. Davenport West.

It is expected that membership in the Committee will gradually be extended to include representatives of other cities, in addition to New York.
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said, are entirely inadequate for the needs of the district served by St. Luke's. Construction work has begun on the Chapel, Bishop Binsted reported, and when this is finished there will remain to be completed only the wing for the Out-Patient Department and the Administration unit. About $200,000 will complete the buildings for the entire Medical Center project, according to Bishop Binsted.

Bishop Binsted reported the spontaneous effort of the staff of St. Luke's to initiate the Teusler Memorial Endowment Fund. Their original goal was 10,000 Yen, but over 28,000 Yen already has been subscribed by the staff, the Bishop said, and many of the gifts were made at great sacrifice. Other subscriptions to the Fund, particularly by great Japanese banking and industrial interests, had brought the Teusler Memorial Fund up to 142,000 Yen at the time he left Japan, Bishop Binsted said.

Binsted’s Work Praised
Dr. John W. Wood, Overseas Missions Secretary of the National Council, told of the dismay and misgivings felt by many regarding the future of St. Luke’s when Dr. Teusler died and of the remarkable work accomplished by Bishop Binsted and Dr. Tokutaro Kubo in assuming vigorous leadership, commanding the confidence and loyalty of the staff, and maintaining the work of the Medical Center unimpaired. Bishop Perry also paid high tribute to the leadership shown by Bishop Binsted and expressed high appreciation of the influence exerted by St. Luke's in Christian service, in medicine, and in international relations.

The Honorable George W. Wick-ersham, President of The American Council, presided.

Others present at the luncheon were: Stephen Baker, Colonel Henry Breckinridge, Colonel George W. Burleigh, Pierre C. Cartier, John B. Chevalier, Dwight H. Day, Douglas

Public Health Department to be Operated by Tokyo
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Nuno, and other members of the hospital staff to demonstrate the vital importance of this work to general health conditions in Tokyo. While the entire staff of 24 nurses will be working with the City Health Department, St. Luke's will continue its relationship to them in an advisory capacity.

With the transfer of the public health nursing work to the City, the curriculum of the College of Nursing has been revised to give all nurses in St. Luke's training in public health nursing work. The complete course will now require four years for all nurses, and even though some graduates may not choose public health nursing as their career they will be well grounded in preventive medicine.

Nurses Taught Supervision
The course also includes training in supervision and teaching, and nurses graduated from St. Luke's will be able to take positions in Japanese hospitals and to carry them St. Luke's standards of hospitalization. The course also has the effect, according to Miss Nuno, of developing nurses in Japan, where the main social group is the family, into leaders in their communities, because it gives them a different concept of community life. Up to now, about 100 Japanese women have completed the public health nursing course at the hospital.


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$200,000 to complete the building plans of the Medical Center.

In his report, Bishop Binsted gave two illustrations of the progress which St. Luke's has made in bringing American standards of hospitalization to the Orient. St. Luke's is so widely known in Japan that medical students are attracted to the institution from all parts of the Empire. Between 150 and 200 students ordinarily inspect the institution each month, he said, and their visits may last from several hours to several days. "They walk through the long corridors eagerly, notebooks in hand," he said "noting down scores of observations as to how St. Luke's differs from their own institutions."

The notes of these medical students, the Bishop pointed out, are just one of the ways through which the influence of St. Luke's is spreading throughout the whole of Japan.

It was resolved at the meeting that the members of the Board convey to the members of the Japanese Advisory Council through its Chairman, Baron Sakatani, an expression of their deep appreciation of the exceptional cooperation of the members of the Japanese Advisory Council in carrying forward the work of St. Luke's International Medical Center since the death of Dr. Teusler, and their appreciation of the generous financial contributions of members and friends of the Japanese Advisory Council toward the Teusler Memorial Endowment Fund.

Command Staff Support
It was also resolved that the members of the Board convey to the Acting Director, the Medical Director, and all members of the staff an expression of their sincere and hearty appreciation of the very generous contributions made by the staff in initiating the Teusler Memorial Endowment Fund; and also of the loyal and effective work of the staff in upholding the standards and ideals of their late Director, Dr. Rudolf Bolling Teusler.