

## NEWS DEPARTMENT

### *Perry Day*

On both sides of the Pacific, Perry Day was celebrated on March 31, 1934, being the eightieth anniversary of Japan's first treaty with the United States. In Seattle, Hon. Kiyoshi Uchiyama, Imperial Japanese Consul, was joined by many Japanese business men and citizens; Corwin S. Shank, President of the Japan Society of Seattle, was chairman of the Chamber of Commerce committee. Both these men gave addresses at the commemorating luncheon by the Chamber of Commerce, whose President, Alfred H. Lundin, also participated, as did Mr. Leonard E. Read, Manager of the Western Division of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States. Prominent citizens represented the Seattle Chamber of Commerce by giving addresses on the subject over various broadcasting stations.

It was a national event, sponsored by the various Chambers of Commerce in affiliation with other organizations such as the Japan Societies. Among the first cities to respond in addition to Seattle were Los Angeles, Spokane, Portland and New York. In the last named metropolis the Chamber of Commerce and the Japan Society combined in a big banquet, which was attended by Ambassador Saito and a representative of the United States Department of State.

In Japan, elaborate programs featured the day. On March 30, United States Ambassador Joseph Grew introduced Viscount Kikujiro Ishii who gave the trans-Pacific raido address. On the next day the Japan Chamber of Commerce and Industry sent telegrams to President Roosevelt and to the United States Chamber of Commerce. Other programs extended on into April and May, including an extensive festival of two weeks at Shimoda, one of the first Japanese ports opened by the treaty negotiated in 1854 by Commodore Matthew Calbraith Perry.

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### *The Tolmie Family Twice Bereaved*

On Memorial Day, 1933, the centennial of the first white settlement on Puget Sound was observed at the site of old Fort Nisqually. Dr. William Fraser Tolmie was remembered by the sending of a message of greeting to his five surviving children, prominent citizens of British Columbia—Hon. Simon Frazer Tolmie, Roderick Finlayson Tolmie, Miss Mary Fraser Tolmie, Miss Jane Work Tolmie, and

Miss Josette Catherine Tolmie. Since then two of that group have passed away.

Miss Mary Fraser Tolmie died at Victoria, B. C., city of her birth, on January 3, 1934, at the age of seventy-three years.

Roderick Finlayson Tolmie died at Vancouver, B. C., on March 26, 1934, at the age of seventy-four years. He was born at Fort Nisqually. Seven years ago he retired from the position of Deputy Minister of Mines after more than forty years in the Provincial Government Service.

The surviving brother, Hon. Simon Fraser Tolmie was until quite recently Premier of the Province of British Columbia. The entire family has been highly esteemed by pioneers for their participation in the development of the Pacific Northwest.

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*Bonneville Dam*

As the Federal Government work is being projected for the dam at Bonneville Rapids, Columbia River, great interest has been awakened over the probability that relics may be uncovered of prehistoric settlements there. Dr. Ales Hrdlicka, eminent anthropologist of the United States National Museum, is favoring a careful examination as the work of excavation progresses. Mr. J. Neilson Barry, of Portland, has taken the leading part in this project of investigation.

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*Passing of Professor Macbride*

Dr. Thomas Huston Macbride, President Emeritus of the University of Iowa, died in Seattle on March 27, at the age of eighty-five years. He is survived by a son, Philip D. Macbride, and a daughter, Miss Jean Macbride, both of whom reside in Seattle. Dr. Macbride enjoyed a remarkably rich experience in the work of education. He received many honors, probably the most prized being a great army of his former students in botany who loved to greet him wherever he traveled. His son, a well known Seattle attorney, is a Regent of the University of Washington.

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*Honoring David Douglas*

The Long-Bell Lumber Company of Longview, Washington, has shipped two hundred young Douglas fir trees to Hawaii. Elaborate preparations are under way there to celebrate the tragic death of the distinguished man on a mountain slope in July, 1834. The recognition of that centennial will be of great interest to all who are