

Basic Detail Report

[Home Movies of the California Pacific International Exposition; San Diego Zoo and more / circa 1935 - 1936]

Date

1935-1936

Primary Maker

Hashizume, Naokichi

Description

Black and white home movie footage of the California Pacific International Exposition, San Diego Zoo, and family life at home filmed by Naokichi Hashizume, circa 1935-1936. Footage includes exhibitions, shows, and pedestrians at the California Pacific International Exposition in Balboa Park in San Diego; as well as animals at the San Diego Zoo in Balboa Park. Footage at the Hashizume home includes Naokichi's wife, Kikuko, and their daughters Kimie and Teruko playing and eating noodles and ice cream, as well as toys and Christmas decorations. :29 – title card reversed 'AGFA 1935', then flips to regular orientation :36 – [Japanese title card] :40 – Closeup of "Santa Fe" and "Santa Fe to San Diego and Return" sign (for train travel). :51 – View of train passing. 1:01 – View of California Tower at Balboa Park, San Diego from large pedestrian bridge; arch over roadway in the distance. Pedestrians pass by. 1:17 – Close up of California Tower; view back towards pedestrian bridge. 1:46 – [Japanese title card] 1:51 – Women ride in two wheeled cart pulled by a man. Pedestrians walk around plaza in Balboa Park, others are pushed in wheeled carts. 2:04 – Views of Balboa Park buildings, bus, pedestrians at California Pacific International Exposition. Outdoor stage show. 2:56 – Japanese American man speaks to a person in a shell-shaped information booth. 3:04 – [Japanese title card] 3:08 – Visitors walk around the exposition. Exterior of House of Japan building; flags outside lining walkway. 4:04 – Lily pond outside large glass building. Interior of exposition building, including Coca Cola booth with neon "flowing" soda. 4:18 – [Japanese title card] 4:24 – Japanese building exterior and Japanese garden. Woman in kimono walks through garden and up steps. 5:09 – [Japanese title card] 5:16 – More exposition buildings, panning over exteriors. Some signs advertise movies, bulbs, "Spanish novelties," etc. 5:49 – Japanese American man inspects crafts made from gourds, including penguins. 5:54 – Midway entertainments including Ripley's Believe It or Not, "live monsters," etc. Two African men stand with a large snake. 6:05 – Large building painted with "World's Greatest Indian Show" with Native American performers and assembled crowd. Some zoomed in views of various Native Americans. 6:25 – [Japanese title card] 6:33 – Large circular Ford building exterior. 6:51 – Interior of Ford building with car-related exhibits (spark plugs, steel, etc). Miniature model train village. 7:35 – Spectators in amphitheater viewing a show. Visitors milling around. Exterior of Ford building. 8:12 – Same outdoor stage as 2:04. Pedestrian bridge with view of California Tower again. 8:41 – [Japanese title card] 8:46 – Penguins swimming and preening at San Diego Zoo. 9:04 – Bears play fight and wave at spectators. 9:34 – Seals swim. 9:50 – Polar bear paces. 10:10 – Bears wave and catch treats thrown by visitors. 10:44 – Asian bear paces. 10:50 – Monkey on a chain leash drinks from bottle and walks around. 11:02 – [Japanese title card] over little girl's face. 11:15 – Animated toy Santa Claus. 11:34 – Little girls play near outdoor decorated Christmas tree. One brings a stuffed animal to the cameraman. Closeup of teddy bear in toy wagon. Little girl plays with tree decorations. 12:17 – Little girls sit in front of the Christmas tree and eat ice cream cones. Mrs. Hashizume leans over and licks the younger girl's ice cream cone. The younger girl offers the cone to her mother. Both girls raise their ice cream cones repeatedly. 13:14 – Little girl in kimono running around garden. Younger girl in sailor outfit. 13:43 – Little girls in high chairs, each with a bowl of noodles. They eat the noodles with their hands; the older uses chopsticks to drop noodles onto the younger's tray. Someone feeds the younger with chopsticks, and dangles a noodle for her to eat. Older shovels noodles into her mouth from the bowl. Younger tries to share her noodles. 15:08 – Girls try to both eat an apple; younger cries when mother takes the apple away to peel it. 16:02 – Girls play with tricycle in front yard. One combs the other's hair. 16:30 – Film ends.

Dimensions

Film Format: 16.00 mm, L: 341 ft, Diam: 7 in