[Home Movies of Girls Dancing the Charleston; Yosemite; Babe Ruth and Lou Gehrig Barnstorming in Stockton, CA and more / circa 1927 – 1928]

Date ca. 1927-1928

Primary Maker

Sasaki, Sensho

Medium

acetate

Description

Black and white footage shot by Reverend Sensho Sasaki, circa 1927 to 1928. Footage includes children playing in the vard of the Buddhist church; visit to Yosemite; recreational activities (tennis and water-based); youth football and baseball sporting events; and the Young Men's Buddhist Association (YMBA) on a trip to Sacramento. Other footage also includes Sasaki alone and with his daughters as well as an exhibition game with Babe Ruth and Lou Gehrig during their barnstorming tour. Timecode list: 0:30 -- Exterior of Stockton Buddhist Temple on 148 West Washington Street with automobiles driving by; group of pre-teen girls gathered outside goofing off, dancing the Charleston 1:30 -- Yosemite (including Bridalveil Falls from Yosemite Valley, river, and El Capitan) 2:38 -- Groups of people at a viewpoint (El Capitan, Glacier Point, and Half Dome visible), a river, and a giant sequoia 3:53 -- "Grizzle Giant Diameter 29.6 Feet Height 204 Feet Approximate Age 4000 Yrs." sign; people looking at and standing with a giant sequoia, and a 1920s sedan drives through it 4:54 -- A man (Reverend Sensho Sasaki?) with a 120mm[?] cigarette poses with two girls, possibly his daughters or daughter and friend 5:27 -- Men practice tennis serves and other moves on a tennis court 6:06 -- "Quarter has ball down yds. To go scored penal" sign for football games 6:15 -- Football game; some players on the white uniform team do not wear helmets and ball is intercepted by the white uniform team in the last play 7:49 -- Children eating snack on the playground at Stockton Buddhist Temple, two boys pretend they are in a wrestling match 8:43 - Various watercraft in a wharf, including one small boat with "Kneass Cruisette 5375 SF" sign and a large ferry [unsure] with a few people diving/jumping off the back 9:53 -- Two men practicing tennis moves on a tennis court 10:11 -- Group of young children 10: 25 -- Football game; "Pacific" banner visible toward top of camera frame 10:37 -- Young men's athletic team members 11: 04 -- Baseball game with Babe Ruth and Lou Gehrig on their barnstorming tour 12:46 -- Children heading into Stockton Buddhist Temple 13:37 -- Stockton and Yamato baseball teams lined up together and practicing together 14:27 -- Group of men in suits and coats holding a YMBA (Young Men's Buddhist Association) pennant, walking in downtown Sacramento (including State Capitol building) 15:53 -- Group of men at train station, then in a parking lot/backlot 16:45 --Footage from a car of busy street, including streetcar; also a cow wearing a halter and lead in a park 17:11 -- Man (Reverend Sensho Sasaki?) sets up the camera to film himself sitting and smoking a cigarette 17:45 -- Film runs out Black and white home movie footage by Reverend Sensho Sasaki of touring Yosemite National Park, children doing everyday activites, sporting events, Baseball game in Stockton and the Young Men's Buddhist Association (YMBA) leaving Sacramento, California, 1927. Includes children at Buddhist temple. 0-25 ft : Girls in front of temple(?). Fooling around, dancing the charleston. (Fantastic!) 25-111 ft. : Yosemite touring. Various views, some with people. Automobile going through giant redwood tree. 111-123 ft. : 2 young girls posing with father. (Good) 123-140 ft. : Tennis. (Good) 140-181 ft. : Football. (Good) 181-201 ft. : Scruffy children eating (ice cream?). 2 boys playing in snow. (Fantastic!) 201-230 ft. : Speed boat races. (Good) 230-238 ft : Tennis. 238-244 ft. : Boys and girls having fun posing for camera. (Excellent) 244-260 ft. : Young athletes. (Excellent) 260-300 ft. : Baseball--not Japanese Americans. (Excellent) 300-321 ft. : Children going into temple. 321-340 ft. : Stockton and Yamato baseball teams, close-up pans and action. (Fantastic) 340-396 ft. : YMBA (Young Men's Buddhist Association) young men leaving Sacramento. (Good) 396-408 ft. : Automobiles in downtown Sacramento. (Excellent);1 film reel (408 ft.) : si., b&w ; 16 mm. original reversal pos., Title supplied by cataloger., Edgecode 1927.

Dimensions

L: 408 ft, Film Format: 16.00 mm, Diam: 7 in