

A Guide to the Japanese-Americans of Northeastern Colorado Collection

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Abstract:

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Tsune and Yoshi Noguchi both graduated from Colorado State College of Education (now the University of Northern Colorado). Tsune Noguchi received a B.A. in 1940 and a M. A. in 1941; she taught fine arts at the college beginning in the fall of 1941. Yoshi Noguchi received a B.A. in Fine Arts in 1943.

Researchers may wish to consult the following for additional information:

- Former faculty and administrators (RG3 S17, Folder: Noguchi, Tsune)
- *Cache La Poudre* year books (RG10 S1 F3)
- *The Mirror*, the University of Northern Colorado student newspaper (RG10 S1 F1)
- Greeley-Weld County Miscellaneous Collection (C9 S4, Folder: Race/ethnicity – Japanese)

Arrangement (required for multiple level collections):

This collection is organized into the following series:

Series 1: Biographical Sketches

Series 2: Clippings

Series 3: Miscellaneous Items

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Subjects:

Inouye Family.
Kinoshita Family.
Kobayashi Family.
Kosuge Family
Noguchi Family.
Otsuka Family.
Shimamoto Family.
Yoshimoto Family.
Japanese Americans -- Colorado -- Logan County (Colo.) -- Genealogy.
Japanese Americans -- Colorado -- Sedgwick County (Colo.) -- Genealogy.
Japanese American women -- Colorado -- Sterling -- Archives.
Logan County (Colo.) -- Genealogy.
Logan County (Colo.) -- History.
Sedgwick County (Colo.) -- Genealogy.
Haring, Carol Hoshiko.
Haring, William.
Otsuka Brothers Farming and Feeding (Sedgwick, Colo.)
Northeastern Junior College (Sterling, Colo.)
Peterson, Wayne M.
Propst, Nell Brown.
Shimabukuro, Hisa.
Sterling Arts Council (Sterling, Colo.)
Wells, Dale, 1937- .
Noguchi, Tomi, 1890-1967.
Noguchi, Minosuke, 1875-1972.
Noguchi, Tsune, 1913-1988?
Noguchi, Sugi, 1914-1982?
Firmage, SuZan Noguchi Swain, 1916-2010.
Lorincz, Yoshi Noguchi, 1917-2002.
Sasaki, Kisa Noguchi, 1919-2006.

Inventory:

Box 1, Series 1, Folder 1-- Biographical Sketches

Inouye. 2p. Typed. Photocopy.

Information on the family of Mrs. Rin Inouye and Rikimatsu Inouye of Sedgwick, Colorado.

The Kinoshita Family History. 3p. Typed. Photocopy.

Information on the family of Mrs. Tsuchi Kinoshita and Kansuke Kinoshita of Sedgwick, Colorado.

Kobayashi. 2p. Typed. Photocopy.

Information on the family of Mrs. Miyo Kobayashi and George Kobayashi of Ovid, Colorado.

Biographical Sketch of Shichirobei and Some Kosuge. November 7, 1979. 11p. Typed. Photocopy.

Information on the family of Mrs. Some Kosuge and Shichirobei Kosuge of Logan County, Colorado.

[Noguchi Sisters]. 7p. Typed. Photocopy.

Information on the Mrs. Tomi Noguchi and Minosuke Noguchi Family and their five daughters Tsune Noguchi, Sugi Noguchi, SuZan [Noguchi] Swain Firmage, Yoshi N. [Noguchi] Lorincz, and Kisa Noguchi Sasaki.

Otsuka Family. Photocopy. 3p. Typed. Photocopy.

Information on the family of Mrs. Tome Otsuka and Torakichi Otsuka of Sedgwick, Colorado.

Shimamoto. 2p. Typed. Photocopy.

Information on the family of Mrs. Katsu Shimamoto and Hikoichi Shimamoto of Sedgwick, Colorado.

Yoshimoto. 1 p. Typed. Photocopy.

Information on the family of Mrs. Hide Yoshimoto and Hideichi Yoshimoto of Sedgwick, Colorado.

Wells, Dale. "The Japanese," pp. 211-216. In *The Logan County Ledger*, Logan County Historical Society, 1976. Photocopy.

Box 1, Series 2, Folder 2 -- Clippings

"Noguchi Sisters Owe Their Talent to the Questing Spirit of Parents." Photocopy. *Sterling Journal-Advocate*, Apr. 27, 1979, n.p.

"Northeastern Colorado Nikkei Honored." Photocopy. *Rocky Mountain Jiho*, May 16, 1979, n.p.

"Plains Americana." Photocopy. *Denver Post*, Apr. 22, 199. n.p.

Propst, Nell Brown. "The Wonderful Harvest of Minosuke Noguchi." . Photocopy. "Empire Magazine," *Denver Post*, Apr. 22, 1979, pp. 17-18, 20-22, 24-25.

"Sterling Plans Tribute to Japanese-Americans." Photocopy. *Rocky Mountain News*, Apr. 25, 1979, p. 48.

"They Came Down Both Side of Platte River." Photocopy. *Rocky Mountain Jiho*, May 16, 1979, n.p.

Box 1, Series 3, Folder 3 – Miscellaneous Items

Letter dated January 20, 1980 from the Sterling Arts Council to "Dear Library Director" materials relating to the "Five Noguchi Sisters " art exhibit held in Sterling, Colorado in May 1979.

Program In Honor of Japanese-Americans of Northeastern Colorado, April 29, 1979, Theatre, Northeastern Junior College, 3:00 P. M. Photocopy. 1p.

[Sterling Arts Council]. The V Noguchi Sisters Exhibit. Sterling, CO: Northeastern Junior College, 1979.