

## GLOSSARY

Baishaku kekkon: An arranged marriage. A marriage made by a go-between.

Baishakunin: Matchmaker or go-between who arranges marriage.

Camp: Euphemism for the concentration camps into which people of Japanese ancestry were put during World War II.

-cho or -machi: (suffix) Street or town.

Doshikai: Organization of people with common interests.

Gobo: Burdock root used as a vegetable.

Gochiso: Feast

Gosei: Fifth generation or great-great grandchildren of Issei immigrant.

Hakujin: Caucasian.

Imin: Immigrant.

Issei: First generation immigrant from Japan.

JACL: Japanese American Citizens League.

Ken: Prefecture or regional geopolitical unit in Japan.

Kenjinkai: Association of immigrants from same ken.

Kendo: Japanese fencing.

Kibei: One born in America but educated in Japan.

Koden: Condolence gift of money to the family of the deceased.

-mura: (suffix) Village.

Nihongakko: Japanese school.

Nihonjinkai: Japanese Association or the political social organization of the Issei.

Nisei: Second generation or children of the Issei.

Obaasan: Grandmother or aged woman.

Obasan: Aunt or middle-aged woman.

Obento: Box lunch.

Ohinasan: Dolls which are put on display during the celebration for Girls' Day on March 3rd.

Ohinadana: Shelves on which dolls are displayed.

Ojiisan: Grandfather or aged man.

Ojisan: Uncle or middle-aged man.

Omochi: Rice cakes which are made by steaming and pounding sweet rice.

-sama or -san: (suffix) Title of honor such as Mr., Mrs., Miss, and et cetera.

Sanbasan: Midwife.

Sansei: Third generation or grandchildren of the Issei.

Satoimo: Taro potato.

Seinenkai: Young people's organization.

Shigin: Chanting or recitation of a Chinese poem.

Sumo: Japanese wrestling.

Tsukemono: Picked vegetables.

Yobiyose: One born in Japan and summoned to America by an Issei parent, often in adolescence, therefore a younger Issei.

Yonsei: Fourth generation Japanese-American or great grandchildren of the Issei.