



Dr. Ozaki Paid Tribute by U. S. Senate



WASHINGTON, D. C.—Dr. Yukio Ozaki, 91-year old member of the Japanese Diet, declared that his June 7th visit to the United States Senate, when he sat in a seat with Sen. H. Alexander Smith, R., N. J., and heard his career as a liberal parliamentarian lauded by Vice President Alben Barkley, was the "greatest honor of his 60 years" in public service.

Tributes to the career of the Japanese liberal were made in the Senate by Senators Smith,

William F. Knowland of California, Homer Ferguson of Michigan and others.

Dr. Ozaki is now in Hawaii and is scheduled to leave Honolulu on June 24 for Tokyo.

While in Washington Dr. Ozaki visited the cherry trees which he gave to the capital city of the United States nearly a half-century ago when he was mayor of Tokyo.

(In the above photo Dr. Ozaki is shown with his daughter, Mrs. Yukiko Soma, and Sen. Smith and Vice President Barkley.)

Report Senate Will Insist On Adoption of Own Amended Version of Walter Resolution

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The Senate will insist upon its version of the Walter Resolution, the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee learned this week.

On a motion of Sen. Pat McCarran, (D., Nev.), the Senate has agreed to a conference on the measure for equality in naturalization, with the provision that its conferees "insist upon (Senate) amendments."

Sen. McCarran was appointed chairman of the Senate Conference committee, which includes Senators James O. Eastland, (D., Miss.), and Sen. William E. Jenner (R., Ind.).

The original Walter resolution said simply that naturalization should not be denied on the basis of race. The Senate-approved version grants naturalization rights only to Japanese who entered this country prior to July 1, 1924. Thus, still excluded from naturalization under terms of the Senate amendment, would be all Asiatics (excepting Chinese, Indians and Filipinos) and South Pacific Island peoples.

Meanwhile the House has named Rep. Francis E. Walter, (D., Penn.), author of the resolution, to head its conference committee of Reps. Ed Gossett (D., Tex.), and Louis E. Graham, (R., Pa.).

The House conferees will be much more willing to liberalize the measure than the Senate committee members.

Rep. Walter has said he would fight in conference to restore as much as possible of the original bill.

No date has been set yet for the conference, but Rep. Walter is interested in holding it as quickly as possible because of the lateness of the session.

In event the conference is unable to come up with an acceptable compromise, the House may concur in the Senate version, though it is conceded House conferees will insist upon a more liberal bill, regardless of the views of Sen. McCarran.

One factor involved in the forthcoming conference is a report that the Senate version of the natural-

ization bill, as it now stands, may be extremely difficult to administer.

Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director, said he felt that while the Senate has instructed its conferees to insist upon retaining the present amendments, he does not expect such instructions would preclude action on any amendments necessary to facilitate administration of a new law.

He said he hopes the conference will, however, agree to broaden the resolution.

Senate Passes GI Bride Bills

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The Senate has passed nine more private House bills admitting Japanese brides, fiancées or children for permanent residence in the United States, according to the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee this week. The bills now go to the President for his signature.

They admit: Mrs. Fujiko Chichie Imbert and Robert Imbert Jr.; Kazuko Miyama and Chang King Akana; Setsuko Amano; Koto Kogami and Jeanette Akemi Kitsu; Nobuko Maeda; Mrs. Willard Jutta Kono Thulin; Suzuko Takahashi; Mitsuko Ito, and Mrs. Akiko Osada Gustafson.

Wins Fellowship

LOS ANGELES—Michi Frances Miyake was awarded the Archbishop McIntyre \$1,000 fellowship award for social welfare at the graduation exercises on June 4 at Mt. St. Mary's College in Brentwood Heights.

Many Japanese War Brides In U. S. Unhappy, Says Editor

TOKYO — Many Japanese war brides who married Nisei and other U. S. servicemen in Japan during the occupation and went to the United States are unhappy because of language differences and unfamiliar customs, the editor of a San Francisco Japanese American newspaper said here recently in an interview with the Nichi Nichi.

Shichinosuka Asano, editor of the Nichi-Bei Times, recently arrived in Japan for a visit after 31 years as a resident of the United States.

He cited the case of Mitsuko Miura, one of Japan's leading film actresses, who married a Nisei Army officer. He said that Miss Miura recently obtained a divorce and is now employed as an assistant in a San Francisco store.

Asano said there are more than 1,000 Japanese war brides now

living in the United States, the majority of whom are married to Nisei.

Many of them, he indicated, are having adjustment difficulties because of the language obstacle and differences in customs.

He said that many of these "unhappy brides" shared the popular mistaken impression in Japan that all people in the United States live as sumptuously as American military officers in Japan.

Asano also told the Tokyo Nichi Nichi that competition between promoters in booking Japanese stage artists for American tours is causing trouble in smaller Japanese American communities. He said tickets to these concerts "are by no means cheap" and hoped that Japanese artists do not go to America for profits alone.

Joint Senate-House Group Sets First Conference on Walter Resolution Provisions

WASHINGTON, D. C.—There is a "strong possibility" the joint Senate-House conference committee on the Walter resolution will meet for the first time early next week, the JACL-ADC reported on June 23.

There is still no indication that Senate conferees, headed by Sen. Pat McCarran, D., Nev., will agree to any substantial changes in the Senate version of the measure, which restricts its benefits to foreign-born Japanese who arrived in the United States before the passage of the Asiatic Exclusion Act in 1924.

It is considered likely, according to Mike M. Masaoka, national legislative director of JACL ADC, that the Senate group "will not object to minor amendments."

Rep. Francis Walter, D., Pa., author of the resolution and head of the House conference group, is hopeful the bill can be broadened to take in other aliens ineligible to citizenship, including Koreans and Southeast Asians as well as legally resident Japanese who arrived here after the 1924 date set by the Russell amendment to the Walter resolution.

Masaoka indicated there is wide support in both houses for granting naturalization rights to legally resident Japanese, including persons excluded by the Russell amendment.

It was noted that what criticism has been leveled at the Senate version in the past two weeks is that it extends naturalization privileges to Japanese, who were enemy aliens during the war, but does not do the same for such recent allies as the Koreans and nationals of southeast Asia nations.

Masaoka described the prospects "encouraging" for the conference to remove the limits on which resident Japanese may become naturalized.

"We are trying to have all restrictions removed on the naturalization of legally resident Japanese as a minimum improvement in the measure," Masaoka said. "Of course, we feel deeply the need of extending naturalization rights to all legal residents, without regard to race."

It was reported that House conferees especially are seeking early approval of a bill mutually acceptable to both houses so that some type of law extending naturalization privileges will be adopted at this session.

Propose Suspension Of Deportation for Nine U. S. Japanese

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Six Japanese have been proposed for suspension of deportation proceedings by Senate action, the JACL ADC learned this week. The six are: Shigeki Konishi, Isao Mukai, Fumiye Murakami, Shotaro Okamura, Kunio and Yukii Yoda.

JACL Supports Proposal For New Cabinet Agency

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee this week announced its support of a proposal to elevate the Federal Security Agency into a cabinet department of Health, Education and Security.

Creation of such a cabinet has been advocated in President Truman's Reorganization Plan No. 27, now before Congress.

Cabinet status for an agency that functions in behalf of the health, education and social welfare of 150,000,000 Americans is "long overdue," Mike Masaoka, national JACL ADC legislative director, said.

"Because of the scope of the Federal Security Agency, and its importance to the nation, it should have the prestige and recognition of Cabinet rank," he said, adding:

"The plan now before Congress has been drafted with a view to making clear that the professional powers and authority of the agency

Masaoka Case May Be Taken to Highest Court

SAN FRANCISCO — The Masaoka Alien Land law test case will be taken to the United States Supreme Court for a final ruling if necessary, Joe Grant Masaoka, regional director of JACL ADC, declared here this week.

Masaoka pointed out that even though the Walter resolution is passed by Congress, thus removing Japanese nationals from those barred from land ownership in California by the Alien Land Act, this action will not remove the cloud over titles of Nisei-owned property purchased between 1913 and the present time.

He noted that the Masaoka case, in which the California land law has been declared unconstitutional by Superior Judge Thurmond Clarke, has been accepted by the California Supreme Court.

The case involves the effort of the citizen children of Mrs. Haruye Masaoka, a native of Japan, to purchase residential property for her use in Pasadena, Calif.

Cleveland JACL Co-Sponsors Meet On Fair Employment

CLEVELAND—Merits of a fair employment practices law will be discussed on a citywide panel which the Cleveland chapter, JACL, is co-sponsoring with six other organizations on Sunday, June 25, at 2 p.m.

The topic "FEPC in Cleveland? — Youth Asks the Experts" will be handled by Martin Hamburger, counsellor, Jewish Vocational Service; Dr. D. R. Sharpe, vice chairman, Community Relations Board; Robert Rawson, Junior Chamber of Commerce; Arnold Walker, executive secretary, Urban League of Cleveland; Everett Randall, Technical Placements, Inc. and Manfred Mann, chairman.

Alice Morihiro and Howard Tashima of the Cleveland chapter are members of the committee which arranged this FEPC panel.

will continue to be in the hands of competent professional leaders.

"In the interests of efficiency and economy, Plan 27 permits the new Secretary to establish central administrative services, but specifically limits this power so there may be no infringement on the professional responsibilities within the new department."

Mr. Masaoka said that Plan 27 does not embody the recommendation of the Hoover Commission that all health activities of the Federal Government be placed in an independent United Medical Administration.

"But to make the Federal Security Agency a Cabinet Department of Health, Education and Security will in no way prevent subsequent action by Congress to transfer health activities if and when public and private agencies primarily concerned agree that it is desirable."

Mr. Masaoka urged JACL members to study carefully the proposals in Plan 27.

Evacuation Claims, Alien Land Law Issues Will Be Considered At Southwest JACL Parley

LOS ANGELES—Issues of local and national importance to Japanese Americans will be probed at the first postwar Pacific Southwest district council convention, slated for July 1 and 2 in Santa Monica at the Chase hotel.

Reports and discussions during the two-day meeting will feature evacuation claims, political issues and the California anti-alien land law.

A full program of entertainment has also been scheduled for booster and official delegates.

Four community leaders will be honored at the convention's testimonial dinner the first night of the meeting.

Keijiro Sato, ADC fund chairman; Katsuma Mukaeda, past ADC chairman and head of the Japanese Chamber of Commerce; A. L. Wirin, attorney; and William Carr, Pasadena realtor, will be honored for their contributions to the Japanese American community.

Mike M. Masaoka, ADC director, will deliver the main address. Robert M. Pirosh, writer-director at M-G-M, will be a special guest. Pirosh is now working on "Go For Broke," story of the 442nd combat team. George Inagaki will be toastmaster.

Special speakers during the convention will include David McKibbin, JACL counsel for evacuation claims; John Aiso, attorney; and Joe Grant Masaoka, regional director in San Francisco for the JACL.

McKibbin will sum up the evacuation claims situation for convention delegates. He has been a special investigator on problems and procedures arising out of the processing of claims in the Los Angeles field office of the Department of Justice. McKibbin does not handle individual cases but will assist attorneys and government attorneys in the expediting of claims.

Aiso will report on current political candidates and issues. He will emphasize the effect of candidates and issues upon Americans of Japanese ancestry.

Masaoka's report will be on the alien land act, one of the most controversial issues affecting persons of Japanese descent. Masaoka's report will include the history, present status and future prospects of the land act.

He is expected to enlarge on the Masaoka and Fujii cases, both of them testing the land act, which were victorious in the district courts. The Masaoka case now waits hearing by the California Supreme Court.

Panel Meeting

Of special interest to delegates will be a panel meeting to discuss the future of the JACL.

Masao Satow, national director, will act as moderator for the meeting. All presidents of the 16 chapters in the district council have been invited to sit in as panel members. National JACL staff and board members will act as consultants.

Delegates will be asked to consider questions relating to the future program of the organization, according to Dr. Roy Nishikawa, PSWDC chairman, who pointed out that the JACL will be at a crossroads with passage of legislation granting citizenship rights to resident aliens of Japanese ancestry.

Among problems to be considered will be financing of the national organization, maintenance of a regional office in Los Angeles, and activities of local chapters.

Social Events

Social highlight of the convention will be the queen's ball, a semi-formal dance to be held at the Chase hotel ballroom the evening of July 1.

Local candidates will compete at this time for the title of "Miss Pacific Southwest." The winner will represent the district at the National JACL convention this September.

A noted movie personality will be on the board of judges, according to Natalie Maeda, contest chairman.

Carroll Wax's orchestra will play.

The queen's ball will be open to the public and no registration will be required for this event, according to the convention committee. Tickets are now being sold at \$2.50 per person. They will also be available at the door.

Other special features of the weekend meeting will be the award supper, final event of the convention, and a beach party.

The award supper will be sponsored by the Thousand Club and will go on at 7:30 p.m., July 2.

Pacific Southwest DC Convention

Saturday, July 1
Registration: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Business session: 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Saburo Kido, keynote speaker.
Luncheon: 12:30 p.m.
Business session: 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.
Banquet: 6:30 p.m., Mike Masaoka, speaker.
Convention ball: 9 p.m.
Sunday, July 2
Business session: 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Special events:
Golf tournament: 5:30 a.m., Alondra Park country club, Lawndale.
Bowling tournament: 10 a.m., Santa Monica Bowl, 2524 Santa Monica blvd.
Beach party: 1:30 p.m. to 5 p.m., Chase hotel beach.
Bridge tournament: 2 p.m., Solarium Room, Chase hotel.
Award supper: 10 p.m.

Buddhists to Hold Leadership Course In San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO—A leadership training course for young Buddhists will be sponsored June 30 to July 2 by the Buddhist Churches of America at headquarters in San Francisco.

Dr. Daisetsu Suzuki, noted professor in Buddhism, will give a two-hour morning lecture on each of the three days. He will also lead discussion groups each afternoon from 1 to 2 p.m.

The training class will be in session from 9 a.m. each day until 3 p.m. Lunch will be served by the BCA.

An evening program for trainees will be arranged by the NYBCC and the WYBL.

The BCA will make hotel reservations for delegates wishing them.

Delegate

LOS ANGELES—Chikuku Yoshikami of Roosevelt high school is a delegate to the 1950 Girls' State meeting this week in Sacramento.

She is one of seven girls who left here June 21 as representatives of Los Angeles high schools. Delegates were chosen on the basis of leadership, participation in school activities and scholarship.

The program is sponsored by the American Legion auxiliary.

Trophies and awards for the golf, bridge and bowling tournaments to be held that day will be presented by Fred Tayama, master of ceremonies. The supper will be an informal affair, and no registration will be required.

Delegates and boosters are invited to the special beach party, which will be sponsored by the West Los Angeles JACL, on July 2.

The party will begin at 1:30 p.m. A light snack will be served before the entertainment in the Chase hotel indoor pool.

A water ballet team and a program of music by an inter-racial chorus will be features of the afternoon program, according to Dr. Kiyoshi Sonoda, chapter president.

Beach partygoers will have full access to a private beach for swimming. Registered convention delegates will also have a ticket for a dip in the hotel pool.

Delegates will take home a souvenir booklet, which will be distributed July 1 at registration. George Akimoto is the designer of the souvenir program.

Facilities

Facilities of the swimming pool, lounge, terrace and patio will be available to conventioners. The convention committee also announced that snack bar and coffee shop facilities are available at the hotel beach.

Prepare for Tea-Fashion Show



Mrs. Thomas Masuda explains the arrangements of the stage and runway to Mrs. Setsuko Nishi for the tea-fashion show which will be a feature of the JACL national convention in Chicago this fall. Mrs. Nishi will be fashion commentator.

—Photo by Ed Zobel, Chicago.

Serisawa's Development as Artist Told by Noted Critic

An account of Suetō Serisawa's development as a young American painter is given by Arthur Millier, Los Angeles Daily Times art critic and longtime friend of the young artist in the June issue of the *American Artist* magazine.

The article is illustrated with a number of Serisawa's works, including one in color. Other pictures show his maturing style, with samples of both his early and later work.

Until the beginning of the war, Millier says, Serisawa's career had been attended by good fortune.

Up to that time Serisawa had won the Foundation of Western Art's honor award, had taken second prize for oils at the California state fair and was getting a number of portrait commissions. At the time of Pearl Harbor he had a show at the Los Angeles county museum, where he was honored as the artist of the month.

"He had worked hard and joyously," writes Millier. "People had liked him and his work. He had reached a place where he and his wife could live modestly on his earnings as a painter. While he sympathized with the Chinese people's sufferings, and deplored Japanese inroads in their country, nothing had yet occurred to turn him from the good-natured, objective attitude towards people and nature which was expressed in his impressionist period."

Serisawa and his wife decided to move eastward upon hearing of the evacuation orders. They moved to Colorado Springs, stayed awhile in Denver, then in Chicago. Finally they went to New York City, where they stayed for five years.

Later Serisawa told Millier, in speaking of New York, "Great place to find stimulation. Bad place to live. Painters there eat each other. One develops a trick and everybody rushes to copy it."

"Yet New York offered Suetō experiences he could have nowhere else in America," comments the critic. "The friendship of Yasuo Kuniyoshi was one important experience. Kuniyoshi, like Serisawa, suffered from the conflict between his loyalty to the country which would not allow him citizenship and the sympathy he could not but feel for people of his own tribe. He spent one summer in Kuniyoshi's house at Woodstock where he painted one of the few landscapes of his war years . . ."

"Most of the time he painted his wife and their beautiful little daughter, Margaret, who is seven years old. These two, with himself, were his principal models during the New York years."

Millier dropped in at the Dalzell Hatfield gallery in Los Angeles, which handled Serisawa's work, to watch the painter's progress during the war.

"His style was changing," Millier writes.

"The first one I recall was a Village rooftop scene, rich in color and livelier in drawing than his California work. Several small heads of Mary (his wife) came

about the same time. These showed no radical change in formal treatment, though a consciousness of the independent functions which colors, tones and lines could play in painting was evidently modifying Serisawa's earlier woven-color method of painting. There was less concern with Mary's surface beauty and more searching for character and mood in the portrait studies."

The next period, apparently, for Serisawa was an indeterminate stage.

The next group of paintings to reach Los Angeles, Millier remembers, "seemed pale and lacked the old assured objectivity. The faces and figures had a dreamlike quality . . . Now he was after the persons behind the seen image, but they eluded him. While these works suggested Kuniyoshi, it was interesting to note that the older artist was himself going through a similarly indeterminate stage. Kuniyoshi later told me that he had great difficulty coming to grips with life at that time."

Now Serisawa came under more influences.

Says Millier: ". . . he found himself increasingly fascinated by old Chinese and Persian painting. The Chinese used line and tone as separate means, as the Persians had used line and colors. He was searching for a more positive way of painting than the atmospheric impressionism which no longer satisfied him. Archaic sculpture gave him other hints. Each form was simple and definite in itself. Lines were frankly themselves and were not confused with forms nor lost in them."

The Serisawas returned to California in 1947, and the painter's new canvases were "strikingly different from those shown before his departure."

"The mood of the new pictures, all figures or still life, was poetically melancholy. The girls seemed lost in reverie, their eyes open but seeing, not what was before them, but some undisclosed secret within. Calligraphy, a written kind of line drawing, was much in evidence . . . The color in these new pictures was extraordinarily beautiful . . . Heads and figures were built, not imitated, and gained in monumentality as a result. And the colors, while extremely subtle, were no longer woven in luminous skeins but covered large areas."

"The most impressive development, however, was in the treat-

Nisei Week Fete Planned Again In Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES — Preparations for the second postwar observance of Nisei week, traditional festival in Lil Tokyo, went ahead in Los Angeles' Japanese American community this week.

Chief incentive for committee-men and workers on the 1950 Nisei week committee, according to Kiyo Yamato, chairman, is the fact that proceeds of the festival will go toward building of a much-needed community center.

Approximately \$3,300 was raised for the fund last year. The 1950 festival is expected to raise as much or more, Yamato said.

Participating this year for the first time will be merchants outside of the First and San Pedro streets area.

Agreement to include Japanese American firms in other areas, primarily the Southwest and West Los Angeles districts, was reached at a meeting last week of the Downtown Businessmen's Association. The association agreed to the inclusion of other business firms at the recommendation of the festival board.

Jutaro Narumi of Los Angeles Mercantile Co. and George Kuniyoshi of Fuji Rexall Drug were named ex-officio members representing businessmen on the ticket committee.

Mitsuhiko Shimizu of Asahi Shoe and Dry Goods was named to the festival board.

Appointed legal advisor to the board was James Mitsumori, attorney.

Eiji Tanabe, past Nisei week festival board chairman, was named to head the Pioneer night committee. Pioneer night will honor the Issei.

Recognitions Group Cites Larry Tajiri As Award Nominee

CHICAGO—The National JACL recognitions committee this week named Larry Tajiri, editor of the *Pacific Citizen*, as a nominee for its leadership awards.

The committee cited Tajiri's effective editorship of the JACL weekly newspaper during the war.

The citation said that the editor converted the *Pacific Citizen* into "a hard-hitting effective weekly which, during the war years, was the outstanding spokesman for persons of Japanese ancestry in this country and the leading purveyor of news relating to this much persecuted minority."

The committee said his "hard-hitting, yet restrained" editorials provided leadership beyond the Japanese American group, and added that he is a leading spokesman not only for Japanese Americans but other racial minorities as well.

The citation noted that the *Pacific Citizen* received wide commendation from government and private individuals, including Elmer Davis, director of OWI, and was nominated by one organization for the Pulitzer prize for journalism.

First Candidate

LOS ANGELES—A pretty Pepperdine college student this week became the first candidate for the 1950 "Miss Nisei Week" title.

She is Akiko Kushida, 18, of Hilo, Hawaii.

Miss Kushida is a sophomore majoring in education.

She is 5 feet, 6 inches tall and weighs 118 pounds. Dancing is her hobby.

The winning candidate will reign over Nisei week festivities in August.

ment of space . . . Serisawa's studies of ancient and modern works and his ponderings during the difficult years had taught him the age old lesson that emotion can only be conveyed through form, and that everything in a painting, whether we think of it as form or space, is an element in an ideal architecture which must play its part in the whole, must be defined."

Shown as samples of Serisawa's work are his paintings "Girl in Blue Jacket," "Mother and Child," "Summer Vacation," "Mary, New York," "Nine O'Clock News," "Mary, 1948," "Girl in Costume" and "Mar Arranging Coiffure."

The author quotes from a column by Larry Tajiri to describe Serisawa's early work.

Japanese Navy Veteran Regains U.S. Citizenship

LOS ANGELES — Nisei Kikuyoshi Komura was restored to American citizenship last week in the court of U.S. District Judge D. E. Metzger.

Komura had lost his citizenship through service in the Japanese navy.

Judge Metzger agreed that Komura's service was not a voluntary act.

Testimony was introduced to show that the Nisei had been advised by the Japanese secret police, the Japanese military police, and by his teacher, classmates, neighbors and relatives to enlist in the armed forces of that country.

Judge Metzger ruled that these influences consisted of "irresistible influence, amounting to coercion." The Nisei's resulting decision to join the Japanese navy was not a free choice, the judge said.

"I can't see where he had any escape," Judge Metzger said, "and I can't believe that he lost his citizenship, nor that he did justly lose his citizenship by reason of happening to be in the predicament he was in. He wasn't responsible for it."

Komura was represented by A. L. Wirin.

YBA Announces Convention Tour To Hawaii

SAN FRANCISCO — Twenty-seven lucky Bussei will ride the YBA Aloha tour special clipper to Honolulu Aug. 15 for the 17th annual territorial Bussei convention in Wahiawa, Oahu, according to Jiro Nakaso, tour chairman.

The clipper will leave 6:15 p.m. from San Francisco airport and will pick up southern California delegates at Los Angeles airport, leaving there at 9:45 p.m.

Delegates will arrive in Honolulu at 5:30 the next morning.

Mainland delegates to the Wahiawa convention will assume only expenses of their travel to and from the mainland and Hawaii. All expenses during the convention, Aug. 16 to 20, will be borne by the Hawaii federation.

Round trip fare will be \$288, plus tax. Prospective delegates should write to the YBA Aloha tour office, 1881 Pine st., San Francisco, to make reservations. A \$50 deposit must be sent with applications to reserve a clipper seat. Balance of the fare is payable July 15.

A real Aloha reception, with music and flower leis, will greet mainland delegates, according to Robert Muraoka, general chairman of the Hawaii convention.

Picnic

IDAHO FALLS, Ida.—The Idaho Falls JACL held its annual picnic at the Shelley high school grounds June 11 under Speed Nukaya, general chairman.

Guests included visitors from Ogden, Salt Lake City and Honeyville, Ut.

Takeo Sato won the grand prize, a breakfast set.

The Idaho Falls chapter expressed its appreciation for support from the Rexburg and Pocatello JACL groups.

Nisei Buyer Criticizes Quality Of Japanese Export Novelties

TOKYO — A Nisei buyer from New York recently criticized Japanese novelties which are made for export and said that quality must be improved before Japanese manufacturers can take advantage of a big market in the United States.

Masami K. Maeoka, director of a New York trading company, who has been in Japan for several months, pointed out that Japanese manufacturers are far behind in technique and designing.

Maeoka explained that in the field of toys Japanese manufacturers are sticking to celluloid articles whereas United States toys are being made of newly-developed plastic materials.

Hawaiian Newsletter:

Honolulu Official Promises Inquiry Into Charge of Police Brutality Against Negro Group

By LAWRENCE NAKATSUKA

HONOLULU—Hawaii, striving for perfection in racial harmony, is being reminded that eternal vigilance is the price it must pay to keep its traditional race relations on an even keel.

Every now and then, the community is confronted with a new problem that causes its collective brow to furrow even though the problem does not actually threaten to upset the applecart, racially speaking.

The latest of these irritations concerns the so-called "Negro problem" or what has become better known here as "The Smith St. Situation." It involves the behavior of Negroes in "Skid Row"—a short one block area on Smith St. in downtown Honolulu.

And it also involves the behavior of the police officers who patrol the "beat." The Negroes and the police do not get along at all; the relationship has grown from unfriendly to actively hostile. The policemen have even been threatened, and in turn they have warned of revenge upon anyone who causes violence.

Is the threatened outbreak merely a case of the police having to deal with a hard-boiled section of the town or does it go beyond that to a problem of racial discrimination against the Negroes?

The answer probably is a combination of both. The Smith St. matter would not have assumed the significance it has in the Honolulu press had it not been for the emphasis on the racial discrimination charge given by supporters of the Negroes. Public interest also has been aroused because of the identification of the supporters of the Negroes—in this case the Hawaii Civil Liberties Committee.

The HCLC, as "leftist" as any organization in Hawaii, has gained prominence in the public mind since its defense of the John Reineckes who were discharged from their public school teaching jobs on grounds of alleged Communist connections. The HCLC has taken up other causes which have led the U.S. justice department to label it "subversive."

Thus, its intervention in the Smith St. situation lends an additional factor complicating the racial issue.

The tenor of the Negro-police conflict is indicated by acrimonious remarks such as the following, uttered by Attorney Myer C. Symonds, defense counsel for a Negro charged with assault and battery on a policeman.

In police court, Attorney Symonds told the judge: "I don't mean to incite anyone, but if the police don't show people on Smith St. the same consideration they show haoles (whites) in Waikiki, some policeman's gonna get killed over there."

The so-called Negro problem is unusual in that it is out of proportion to the small number of Negroes living here. Population tables do not even list the Negroes separately but instead classify them in a catch-all group called, "All Others," numbering only 1,913 as of January 1, 1950.

The Smith St. dispute came to public attention first when a Negro,

Thomas (Pittsburgh) Lampley, backed by the Hawaii Civil Liberties Committee, complained of police brutality to the chief of police. Lampley alleged that he was beaten by eight officers after an incident for which he was charged with disorderly conduct and with assault and battery on a policeman.

The first charge has been dismissed; the second is pending.

The chief of police has promised an investigation into the police brutality allegation. (An ironical note: the police chief is Dan Liu, of Chinese extraction—the first person of all Chinese blood to have been appointed to that high post in Honolulu, or in any American city).

Lampley and the HCLC accuse the police of arresting people on Smith St. without provocation—for standing on the sidewalks, for spitting on the sidewalks, for the use of casual profanity. They contend that police are concentrating too heavy patrols in that locality.

For their part, the police insist that such heavy patrols are needed because the Smith St. area is "the toughest spot in town."

One officer commented: "When I was down there, I made every effort to be nice to the people. I leaned over backward to do it. I called everybody mister, and I was polite."

"And still I've heard that if I don't look out, some day somebody's gonna put a knife in my back."

Chief Dan Liu says these threats of violence to police officers will be dealt with severely.

"Notice is hereby served upon those contemplating criminal violence against police officers that immediate and thoroughly effective retaliatory measures will be applied," the chief asserted.

"Utter and complete lawlessness as indicated in these threats of extreme violence against police officers and authority must be discouraged at its very inception."

Four Nisei On Sponsor List For Concert

LOS ANGELES — Mrs. Kango Kunitogu, William Takei, the Rev. Haruo Ishimaru of the Japanese Union church and Sakae Ishihara, executive secretary of the Nisei Progressives, were among sponsors of the first annual California choral festival held Saturday, June 17, at the Embassy auditorium.

The concert was presented by the Luvania Nash Negro Singers, the Jewish Peoples Chorus, the California Labor school chorus of San Francisco, the Fraternal Songsters of the Jewish Peoples Fraternal Order and the Southern California Labor School chorus of Los Angeles.

Three Nisei are in the Los Angeles Labor school chorus. They are Yuki and Tomi Fukuda and Sue Kunitomi.

Outing

MERCED, Calif. — The Livingston-Merced chapter of the JACL held an outing and weiner roast at Lake Yosemite last Saturday.

Motor boat riding and swimming were enjoyed by the members.

James Kirihiara and Walter Morimoto were in charge of general arrangements. On the food committee were Mrs. Bill Yoshino, Mrs. Sada Ozawa, Mrs. Fred Kishi, Mrs. Buichi Kajiwaru and Mrs. James Kirihiara.

Move to Oust Honolulu Nisei Supervisor Meets New Delay

Nisei Scientist Finds Way to Put Rosy Cheeks on Apples

ITHACA, N. Y.—Masami Uota of Ivanhoe, Calif., a scientist at Cornell University, has found a method to supply rosy cheeks to apples.

The chemical, sodium diethylthiocarbamate, when sprayed on apple trees has been found to increase the red pigment in apples. The pigment is called anthocyanin.

So far, according to the report, the method has not been perfected to the point where it can be recommended commercially.

During one of the New York experiments Uota sprayed the limb of a McIntosh tree on Aug. 22 and again eight days later. By the time of the second application the color of the fruit had changed noticeably.

On Sept. 11 the spray-treated apples were approximately 90 per cent colored as compared with 50 per cent of the untreated. More of the sprayed apples could be sold as Fancy or U. S. No. 1 grades.

Chuman Installed Vice Chairman of Human Relations Group

LOS ANGELES — Frank Chuman, national JACL second vice president, was installed as a vice chairman of the Los Angeles County Committee of Human Relations at a public meeting Tuesday, June 20, at the Civil Service building in the Civic Center.

Nita Blackwell was installed as chairman. Hunt Lewis, Armando Torres and the Hon. John Anson Ford, member of the county board of supervisors, were installed as vice chairmen with Chuman.

Brief reports from civic leaders on intergroup relations in Los Angeles county were given at the meeting.

Chuman is an active member of the JACL as well as many other civic organizations.

Riverside Completes Campaign for JACL ADC Funds

RIVERSIDE, Calif.—The Riverside community has contributed \$241 toward the 1950 campaign for JACL ADC funds.

The drive was completed last week under direction of Gyosuke Iseda, chairman.

A total of \$266 was received from 50 individuals, Iseda reported, for an average of \$5.30 per person. Expenses of \$25 were deducted.

Ideal of JACL Recognitions Group Told by Dr. Yatabe

CHICAGO — Nominations of the National JACL recognitions committee for leadership awards should include individuals who in day to day life have served their respective communities, Dr. Thomas T. Yatabe told the Midwest district council meeting in Cincinnati as he asked for further nominations for the awards.

He said the recognitions committee was formed as a means of recognizing persons whose services have been "taken for granted" by the people they served.

"It is good to take a periodic public inventory of community assets," Dr. Yatabe told the council. "Too often the average community and the average citizen take for granted the men and women who provide the cohesive and therapeutic factors instrumental in maintaining whatever health and vigor that that community has."

He said Nisei have been as guilty as other groups in their "easy and unappreciative acceptance" of these men and women.

"A scoutmaster, a group worker, a Sunday school superintendent, a pastor, a recreation director, a

Petition Asking Impeachment of Kageyama Redrafted

HONOLULU — More delay has occurred in contemplated impeachment proceedings against Supervisor Richard M. Kageyama, self-confessed ex-Communist.

A petition seeking to oust the Nisei city supervisor was filed with the city attorney's office last week. However, the petition, containing more than the required 100 signatures of citizens, many of them Nisei, is being redrafted to conform to specific legal requirements.

The new petition will be returned to the original signers for their signatures again. It will then be filed with the territorial supreme court which will hear the charges.

The first petition failed to set forth the specific charges against Kageyama, as required by law.

It is presumed the charge will be based on Kageyama's taking a non-Communist oath last December. He has since admitted having been a Communist party member in 1947.

The impeachment petition is to be signed by registered voters as individual citizens, not as members of any organization. The ouster move was started by Post 1540 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Disagreement has developed within the VFW over sponsorship of the impeachment attempt. One faction is opposed to the move, the other is pressing it.

In explanation, James G. Needles, former department commander of the VFW and an impeachment leader, stated:

"It is perfectly true that members of VFW Post No. 1540 initiated the move to impeach Kageyama. There were about 48 members at the meeting and they voted unanimously for such impeachment."

"Among them were a considerable number of our fine young veterans of Japanese ancestry."

"They had no hesitation in voting for the impeachment of Kageyama, a member of their own race, because they do not place race above patriotism."

"However, our action was taken as citizens and not in the name of VFW Post No. 1540."

Boise Valley JACL Tops 1949 Total in Membership Drive

CALDWELL, Idaho—The Boise Valley JACL chapter this week reported that 141 members were enrolled for 1950, making the largest total in the chapter's history.

Last year the chapter had 138 members.

Henry Watanabe is serving as membership chairman this year.

chapter president—these and others are people who in their prosaic but all important capacities have worked to make it easier for youngsters and adults to become mature and responsible personalities, to emerge as strong and useful citizens. They have frequently been the avenues through which the initial social intercourse between the Japanese and the non-Japanese developed," Dr. Yatabe pointed out. "Their day to day activity has been a private, self-critical campaign to win for the Nisei and Issei the respect and welcome of the non-Japanese society."

Dr. Yatabe said the Nisei had been "too long delinquent" in honoring such individuals and asked that local groups send in the names of persons in their communities who were worthy of recognitions.

He asked that nominations include a biographical sketch of the nominee and a full statement of his activities and achievements. Nominations should be sent to Dr. Yatabe in care of the Midwest regional office, JACL, Room 1008, 189 West Madison street, Chicago 2.

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EDITORIALS:

"Conscience Money"

The Canadian evacuation of its residents of Japanese ancestry in 1942 roughly paralleled the American evacuation, but there were certain significant differences.

One of these lay in the handling of evacuee property.

In 1942 the Canadian government peremptorily embarked upon a program of confiscation and public sale of property belonging to Japanese Canadians who, by this time, had been safely tucked away in camps in the interior. Houses and farms, cars and trucks, fishing equipment and other goods went on the auction block. Property that the evacuees had owned for years went up for public sale—without consent of their owners. And as in public auctions everywhere, the cash returns for value received were small.

The highest bidder got the property. There is no evidence to indicate that the government attempted to get reasonable sales prices for the immense amount of property it had confiscated.

In one of the most flagrant instances, the Veterans Land Act Administration bought Fraser valley farm lands at figures well below their assessment values. Assessment values, generally, are still again well below regular market values. Thus the government itself was, on the one hand, confiscating property and on the other purchasing it at prices far under its real value.

Eventually the evacuees in the interior camps got checks for their property thus summarily disposed of.

Obviously these methods were highhanded. The Canadian conscience began to prick and in 1947 Prime Minister MacKenzie King announced that while the government did not believe that the Japanese had suffered any evacuation losses, the government would nevertheless appoint a "commission" to investigate.

So it did, the "commission" consisting of one individual, Justice I. H. Bird of the British Columbia Court of Appeals.

Commissioner Bird appears to have attempted as thorough an examination as possible. He compiled in two years time 25,000 pages of evidence and 9,000 exhibits.

Last week it was announced that Canada would pay one and a quarter million dollars to 1300 claimants for their evacuation losses.

Obviously the amount is so appallingly low that it can in no way be considered a fair estimate of the losses suffered by the summary removal of 22,000 persons.

This is in part due to the severely limiting nature of the payment program. Claims were held strictly to those losses suffered under the forced sales program. Evacuees were allowed to claim for the difference between the actual value of property sold and its sales price under the confiscation and auction program of the government.

Even so, the evacuees entered claims amounting to seven million dollars. The government allowed \$1,222,829.

As for losses occurring through theft, damage and private sales, there appears as yet no means of recovery.

The confiscation program went into effect after the evacuation. In the meantime large amounts of property were lost. Early in the evacuation the Ottawa government seized and sold 1,000 fishing boats belonging to persons of Japanese ancestry. This was not covered in the reparation program.

Again, as in the United States, much of the early evacuation program was carried out in hurried fashion. There were numerous instances in which individuals were ordered from their homes on 24-hour notice. In one extreme case an individual was given two hours in which to pack and leave home for the interior.

A recital of these cases is reminiscent of the evacuation from Terminal Island, first one of the United States' evacuation areas.

The evacuees left much property behind because there was no way for them to dispose of it in the few hours allowed them. A few of them, pressured by time, sold household belongings at a fraction of their cost to bargain-hunting profiteers. Personal goods left in private buildings were stolen and destroyed. The lifetime property of these people was left to the ravages of time and circumstance and the war profiteer.

These are losses which the Canadian government has not considered in its evacuation loss payment program. The only recognition is has made of these losses lies in a recommendation of Commissioner Bird that \$150,000 be paid out for special claims that do not come within the original category of allowable claims. Certainly that sum, stretched out to cover other losses, must needs be stretched pretty thin.

Newsweek magazine reported on the Canadian repayment program this week. It called the payment of \$1,222,829 "conscience money."

It is a pretty fair appraisal.

Nisei USA

by LARRY TAJIRI

Dave Beck's New Look

This column long has taken a dim view of the growing power of Dave Beck, western boss of the AFL Teamsters Union, because of Mr. Beck's violently anti-Nisei attitude during the war and his pre-war attempts to segregate Nisei and other Oriental Americans in separate locals.

In recent months Mr. Beck has made an attempt to disavow his racist background regarding Japanese Americans, undoubtedly because this skeleton of a discriminatory past has come to haunt him in his attempt to extend his power and influence in the Hawaiian Islands where a large percentage of workers in the teamster and warehouse trades are of Japanese ancestry. He said in an interview in Honolulu on March 8 that he does not have an "anti-Japanese record" and that "some of the finest friends I have are Japanese." Anyone with any knowledge of Mr. Beck's background, however, will realize that the denial was false.

Dave Beck, in the Honolulu interview, also declared "we did no such thing" when asked whether he and his union opposed the return of Japanese Americans to the coast after the evacuation. The wartime files of the International Teamster, national publication of Mr. Beck's union, as well as the Seattle Post-Intelligencer of May 31, 1945 carry news and comment regarding Dave Beck's efforts to impede the War Relocation Authority's Japanese American resettlement program. Mr. Beck also did not say in Honolulu that the International Teamster continued to repeat the false rumors of sabotage by persons of Japanese ancestry in Hawaii at the time of the attack on Pearl Harbor two years after the rumors had been proved false.

It would have been far better for Mr. Beck to admit he had been wrong in his wartime attitude toward Japanese Americans, as a number of west coast political figures have done, since it is now a matter of record that the AFL Teamsters no longer discriminate against members of the group.

One of Dave Beck's locals in Los Angeles (the full title is the Fruit and Produce Drivers, Warehousemen and Employees Union, Local 630, AFL, affiliated with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen and Helpers of America) presents an example of rank and file democracy. Among Local 630 membership are some 400 members of Japanese ancestry who are employed in the Los Angeles wholesale produce industry.

Tats Kushida, the JACL ADC's regional director in Los Angeles, reports an instance of racial democracy in Local 630 which is in sharp contrast with the attitude of the AFL Teamsters leadership in Los Angeles back in 1945 when the Pacific coast was reopened to the Nisei and Issei evacuees. At that time the Los Angeles Teamsters Council adopted a resolution which opposed the return of the Japanese Americans and declared that "western climate will not be healthy for Japs for a long time to come." This Teamsters attitude was in opposition to the generally receptive attitude of west

coast labor as a group. The CIO favored the return of the evacuees and the AFL meeting in New Orleans in November of 1944, adopted a resolution opposing "unwarranted persecution and discrimination against persons of Japanese ancestry."

At the time the Army removed its ban against the return of the evacuees, a proposed deal between Teamsters leaders and leaders on the Los Angeles produce exchange was exposed in which the union was to have been given a closed-shop provision in return for its agreement to exclude Japanese Americans from membership. Some produce dealers in the Los Angeles area who had profited from the exclusion of persons of Japanese ancestry also were subsidizing one of the war-spawned "patriotic" organizations whose avowed purpose was to prevent the return of the evacuees to their former businesses, including those in the wholesale produce field. It is evident, however, that the proposed deal was too raw for some of the Teamsters officials and it met the opposition of the rank and file of the Teamsters local in the Los Angeles produce industry, a large number of the members of which were of minority group ancestry, and the move to deny membership to returning evacuees was defeated.

This rank and file attitude of trade union democracy is exemplified in the executive board of Local 630 which is interracial and includes a Nisei member, George Komatsu, as well as members of Negro and Jewish minorities.

Recently Tats Kushida was given a welfare problem involving an Issei who, because of a physical disability, no longer was able to work. Because of a technicality this Issei is not eligible for disability insurance and is dependent on a county relief grant of \$40 a month for food and lodging. The JACL ADC official investigated and found that this Issei had been a member for two years in Local 630. He called the union and was informed that there was a special provident fund from which a small grant could be given the former member.

Tats Kushida then went before the union's executive board and pleaded the case and was given a check payable to the Issei. Mr. Kushida also notes that he was impressed by the Local 630's democratic makeup and by the evident desire of the leaders of this Teamsters local to carry out obligations of its membership without reference to race, creed or ancestry.

It is to be hoped that the democratic makeup of Local 630 is symptomatic of a changed attitude in the AFL Teamsters as a whole. In the Los Angeles situation, of course, it is evident that the rank and file, rather than the union's leadership, is to be credited with the change. At the time early in 1945 when the membership of the Los Angeles Teamsters was opposing an effort to bar returning Japanese Americans, business agents of the Teamsters in Dave Beck's home town of Seattle were attempting to prevent the handling of produce grown by farmers of Japanese ancestry by firms in the Seattle produce market.

Note Growth of Race Relations Groups in California Cities

SAN FRANCISCO — Improvement of human relations through community organization is becoming increasingly popular throughout California, according to Richard W. Dettering, executive director of the California Federation for Civic Unity, in a mid-year field report issued this week.

Seven new local civic unity groups have been formed since the first of the year, the report said. These are the Tracy Council for Civic Unity, the Bakersfield Council on Intergroup Relations, the Delano Council for Civic Unity, the Sonoma County Council for Civic Unity (Santa Rosa), the Eden Council for Civic Unity (Hayward), the Yuba-Sutter Council on Intercultural Relations (Marysville) and the Civic Unity Council of San Diego. All of these groups are starting as broadly representative organizations

aiming to provide a framework for the discussion and solution of racial and religious tensions.

In addition four intra-group organizations have joined the Federation: the Los Angeles and San Francisco Chapters of the American Jewish Committee, the Los Angeles Co-ordinating Council of the Japanese American Citizens League and the Los Angeles Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

This brings the total of organizations now supporting the Federation to 60, according to the report.

Dettering stated that the civic group is a peculiarly California experiment and "its success proves that it might be used to advantage in other states." The general idea, he explained, is that by bringing people of different backgrounds

MINORITY WEEK

Conscience

From now on the CIO, in matters racial, will let its conscience be its guide.

Pres. Philip Murray has announced the CIO plans "to ignore and to violate, if necessary," any laws, regulations or ordinances requiring its organizations to practice racial segregation.

First

A 27-year-old Chinese minister has been named pastor for the Utah County Larger Parish of the Presbytery of Salt Lake. He is the first Chinese to be called to serve in a Caucasian Presbyterian parish. He was born in China, came to the United States in 1934.

Suit

The U.S. Supreme court all but invalidated the restrictive covenant a couple of years back, but there are plenty of people who still honor that infamous device.

That's why a Los Angeles couple, Oscar C. Reichow and his wife, today face a \$185,000 suit.

Last December the Reichows sold their home at 3913 Sixth ave. to a Negro couple, Mr. and Mrs. Preston M. Wilson. The property had a restrictive covenant on it.

Former neighbors of the Reichows formed a property owners association, raised funds for a court case and then slapped the suit on the Reichows. The suit charges the Reichows with selling their home to the Wilson, "knowing of the restriction against other than the white race... and knowing that the Wilsons were not going to occupy the property in the capacity of servants."

The resultant furor has also caused Reichow to lose his job as a radio broadcaster.

Well, Maybe

Los Angeles' City college students have tried for some time to get their employment office to stop using racially designative questions on job application forms.

Last week they got a little satisfaction.

Dr. Morton J. Renshaw, dean of student personnel, announced that henceforth questions asking for nationality, place of parents' birth and religion would be eliminated in the future.

But, he added, "identifying marks" would be retained for use of the employment office.

The "identifying marks," many students concluded, would serve as well as the questions to be eliminated.

Solution: Parties

There were kids of 48 different nationality groups at PS 165 in New York City. And it seemed like they were getting into trouble all the time. The school was in what social scientists like to call a "high tension" area, and the district generated plenty of tension. That is, it did until Dr. Rachel Davis-Dubois resorted to parties to stop the trouble.

Once a week about a dozen kids of various racial backgrounds were released from school from noon till 3 p.m. to go to a party. The kids would get native dishes to eat, sing songs, play games and learn about customs of the different nationality groups represented by the hosts.

Then the kids went back to their social study classes and reported on what they'd learned.

Believe it or not, the tensions lessened, the kids learned more about each other and they stopped fighting the kids who were "different."

Parties, Dr. Davis-Dubois found out, were better than sermons when it came to routing prejudice from the hearts of kids.

together to work on common problems, ignorance, fear and misunderstanding are quickly overcome. The main aim of the local group is then to educate the rest of the community by using the democratic method of fact finding, persuasion and negotiation.

Such projects as breaking down discrimination in restaurants, eliminating police brutality against minorities, providing unrestricted public and private housing and equalizing job opportunities are receiving the major attention of the local groups.

BETWEEN CARBONS

By AL T. MIYADI

These Foolish Things —

The house was a white stucco affair with cute green shutters about the windows, a hedge that led its way through neatly planted rows of flowers up to the oak door, a wide window in the loving room, a garage, white and clean, a back yard with all its necessary useless things, and a big green lawn in front with a sign stuck in the middle of it which read: "For Sale."

The Nisei couple, at first hesitant because it is a "White" neighborhood, inquire within.

A gray haired lady, with gentle eyes, an aristocratic chin, greets them with a smile.

"Why, how do you do? Won't you come in? I saw you looking at the sign outside. What's that? No, we haven't sold yet . . . but we've had offers. We want to make sure and sell only to the right people. The neighbors are awfully strict about these things."

"However, I feel that race, color or creed does not signify any 'right' sort of people. Now, the neighbors have made a good amount of fuss, you understand, but I stood firm on the premise that any American with good intentions is eligible to buy my home. They didn't like that a bit."

"After all, I say, this is America. A long time ago, it might have been different but not any more. We're so much more liberal now. You've probably noticed that, too. It is a progressive age, you know. Yes, and now, about the terms . . ."

What a nice old lady, the Nisei couple think, and so liberal, and fair minded, not anywhere like those neighbors who stare so with openly hostile looks, and even though the price was a bit steep, it's worth it. It's such a nice neighborhood, so clean and white. Yes, what difference did it make that they paid \$5,000 more than the home was actually worth. It's worth it . . . so clean and so white.

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It wasn't long after the Nisei couple had moved in when the sheriff came around with an eviction notice. This, they ignored. But when the neighbors got up a petition with the signature of every individual on the block and took it to court, they were indignant.

And of course, they took it to court, too, to fight it. With the help of the JACL, and the Civil Liberties Union, the couple defeated the petition. But, in the end, it had cost a pretty penny. (Add items to the cost of the house.)

In time, they became acquainted with the neighbors, waving to each and every one as they walked home from work. They soon began to call many of them by first names, and the neighbors returned that courtesy. The fact was that many an hour was spent conversing with the neighbors over the back-fence, about fishing, hunting, the movies, all the foolish things that all good people indulge in. And it was inevitable that the conversation one day turned to the circumstances of their 'transgression' into the neighborhood.

"You know," said the neighbor, "at first, all of us were pretty resentful of you folks. I know it sounds silly now. But that was because of the recent war and all that sort of thing. Now that we've come to know you, it's a lot different. We've come to like you, to respect you. We know you're a bunch of fine folks. It's that, as I've said, we really didn't know you folks, we never had a chance to. But now, we do."

And so the Nisei couple were more than a bit perturbed when the neighbor and their neighbors put out stakes with a big white sign attached to them which read: "For Sale."

"Yes," said the neighbor, "We've decided to move. Out to Arcadia. It's all right here but it's kind of cramped. Feel as if we're cooped up . . . and my wife, she likes a lot of fresh air."

"That's too bad," said the Nisei couple, "and we were just getting to know each other real well."

"Yes," laughed the neighbor, "But maybe we'll see you out there someday. Someday, maybe, you'll buy a home out that way."

This was hardly likely since the "gentlemen" out Arcadia way have quite a fraternity. In Arcadia, where homes go on the block for as much as \$100,000 it was extremely doubtful that the "gentlemen" would ever disagree.

In Arcadia, where the streets are still clean and white.

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The World Will Little Remember —

In Los Angeles, the sun when it does come out is hot and smoggy, the air as dead and dull as the little men who walk the streets about Fifth and Main. The trams and buses lie idle, the transit strike is on, and red-capped Nobles mill around Pershing Square in prelude to the mammoth Shrine convention, there is a carnival air about the city, people shout and laugh, and all the while the newsboys, unnoticed amid the throng try to be heard above the din of the crowd, shouting something about Russia, Harry Bridges and Harry Truman. And never a word about Lake Success. Business at the Paramount theatre is at a new low, stage shows have been cut, and the Orpheum has closed its doors — to business and to vaudeville. The old Belasco theatre, once a stronghold of bald pates and girlie shows has now been converted without nary a sigh into an Immanuel Gospel Temple.

Hollywood Park is busy with vans and horses for its inaugural, and the local bookies are sharpening up their pencils and collecting rubberbands, and Randolph Hearst is still screaming his head off about vivisection, boxing and the Alien Land Law and a man named Owen Lattimore.

Graduation day and thousands of hopeful young graduates trying hard to shut their eyes to the realities about them, unwilling to face the rigors of livelihood and the facts of life. Still ignorant of a man named Joseph P. McCarthy, of Dean Acheson, Ralph Bunche and deaf to the ominous roll of drums beating their grim Red staccato across Eastern Europe, only remembering yesterday's embrace and tomorrow's kiss. The want-ads, shipping clerks wanted, situations wanted, unemployment is decreasing but there are still not enough jobs open for even half of today's graduates. All this, and the generation upon which so much depends. Oh, there is some talk about the Atom bomb, the hydrogen bomb, the newest jet-propelled missiles, the imminence, the inevitability of war. But Rumor, just rumors. Used car prices have gone up and rent control is about to go and the new Santa Ana super-freeway is near completion, and the American Weekly carries a story on Henry Fonda's wife, how and why she committed suicide, and no-one quite recalls without difficulty the death of Count Bernadotte. The splash of headlines, "Citation whipped by Noor!" and in small print, much smaller print, another kidnapping of an American in the Western sector of Berlin, and T. V. Soong refuses to return to his homeland. New-born infants cry, cars jam the roads in downtown Los Angeles, and the bakeries are going on a strike, and bright garish signs are hung about the windows of all the shops — "Welcome Nobles!"

All this, and not a word about Peace.
This is Los Angeles, June 19, 1950.

Race Relations Meet Will Be Held at Fisk

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — The seventh annual Institute of Race Relations will be held June 26 to July 8 at Fisk university.

It is sponsored jointly by the

American Missionary Association's department of race relations and Fisk.

Forty experts in race relations will assist as lecturers, consultants and clinic leaders.

Bill Hosokawa:

FROM THE FRYING PAN

Post Hires Negro Reporter

Denver, Colo.

A Negro named George Brown came to work as a reporter for the Denver Post this week. An assistant city editor took him around to meet the other reporters, and his reception was neither overly brusque nor effusive. But his acceptance was as complete and impersonal as if his skin had been white, for newspaper folks are not given to emotional display and usually they're pretty busy.

George Brown is fresh out of the University of Kansas journalism school. He made up his mind long ago that he was going to work for a white newspaper, although it might have been easier to get a job with the Negro press. George knows what it is to be unwanted. It was that way during the war in army flight schools where some instructors made little effort to conceal their feelings.

It was that way in journalism school, too. But George didn't say much, concentrated on his lessons and showed that he was all business. Pretty soon some of the profs were taking a bit more interest in George, and when it came time to get his sheepskin, most of them were pulling for him to get a job.

George knows that so far as the Post is concerned, he's playing a Jackie Robinson role. A few Negroes work on white newspapers back east where there are large concentrations of Negroes. But on the Post, Negroes had been hired heretofore only as janitors. Until Palmer Hoyt came to the Post as editor and publisher in 1946, no Negro ever had been selected to the weekly "Gallery of Fame" for unusual service to the community.

Now George Brown would be sent out on assignments to talk to people, both white and black, as a representative of the Post. It's a long step in the right direction for both the Post and George Brown. Both are to be congratulated.

Vagaries

Best Seller . . .

A Japanese woman, little known in her native land but well known in the United States where she long was a resident, was reported critically ill recently. She is Mrs. Etsu Inagaki Sugimoto, author of the pre-war best seller, "Daughter of the Samurai." Editions of this 20-year old novel have been published in the United States, England and Finland since V-J day . . . Houghton, Mifflin will soon publish a true story by a Nisei who went to Japan before the war and was drafted into the Japanese army . . . Yoshiko (Rikoran) Yamaguchi, Japanese film star, was forced to cancel most of her Los Angeles appearances last week because of illness . . . Misora Hibari and Haruhisa Kawada, Japanese radio singers who will arrive in the United States from Hawaii soon for public appearances, will play the leading roles in a Shochiku film, "Tokyo Kid," which will be placed in production in Tokyo late in July.

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Suit . . .

Michiko Tanaka, Japanese actress now living in Germany, may file suit for \$40,000 against Sessue Hayakawa. Miss Tanaka, who starred in European films before the war, claims Hayakawa borrowed and pawned her jewelry in Paris in 1939. Hayakawa, now in Tokyo, declared he has "no intention or obligation to pay back the money." "According to French law," he told newsmen, "my debt is already cancelled." . . . Hayakawa is now starring in a Japanese version of "Les Miserables" which he hopes to bring to the United States for showing in art theaters. He also is being considered for a number of Hollywood roles since his comeback in "Three Came Home."

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Isamu Noguchi, New York sculptor now visiting Japan, has been in France, Italy, Spain, Greece, Egypt, India, Ceylon, Indonesia, Thailand and French Indo-China since he left his studio in Greenwich Village a year ago. Noguchi's tour is sponsored by a New York foundation.

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Art Notes

Yasuo Kuniyoshi, one of the top dozen among American artists, will be a guest instructor at the University of Minnesota's second summer session, July 24 to Aug. 26. He's also been announced as a visiting artist at the Skowhegan school of painting and sculpture in Maine this summer . . . Meanwhile Sueo Serisawa is back at Kann Institute of Art in Hollywood for the summer session.

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Soprano . . .

A Nisei girl from Hawaii, Hinae Koito, is the latest soprano of Japa-

Mike's Gun Poses a Problem

It was a beautiful thing, and Mike fell in love with it immediately. It was a toy pistol, shaped like a revolver and built to shoot a roll of caps automatically. There was genuine imitation bone on the handle, with the heads of longhorn steers tooled into it. It had the bluish gleam of a real gun, and he wanted it with all the boy-yearning of his innermost soul. So he got it.

But the gun was a shambles within an hour. Somehow, a screw fell out. Mike says Susan dropped it, and the screw came out. Susan says nothing of the kind happened. At any rate, a screw fell out and aroused Mike's curiosity as to what was within this wonderful gun. He found out. There were a couple of springs and a few twisted up pieces of metal, and before he knew it they were out of the gun and in his hands. And now they wouldn't go back into the gun the way they came out.

This was a problem for wiser counsel, the old man for instance. Pop had never made claims to being a gunsmith, but he was game. Some twisted up pieces of metal and a couple of springs? Why, any fool ought to be able to put them together.

So Pop got out a screwdriver, spread the parts on the kitchen table, and went to work with the determination of a student-watchmaker at examination time.

Two hours of determined concentration later, the parts were still laid out on the table. So simple and yet so completely baffling. This dingus ought to fit there, but it doesn't. And where would that thingamajig go, and what does it do?

Stymied Mike's old man is going to take the parts down to a fellow he knows who's clever about putting things together. We hope he can assemble the gun, for Mike is very unhappy about his old man.

"Do You Know?"

Internal Problems Beset Local Chapters in Prewar Period

By ELMER R. SMITH

The JACL membership drive took up much of the energy of the local chapters during the years 1939-40. The drive was under the leadership of Bill Ishida of Fresno, and resulted in an increase of over 30 percent in national JACL membership.

Late in 1938 Teiko Ishida was appointed as the National JACL historian. During 1939 a questionnaire was sent to all the chapters for the purpose of obtaining specific information for the writing of an official JACL history. Only 24 chapters

answered the questionnaire, and as a result the history was not completed. However, these twenty-four questionnaires have been of great value in the preparation of the present JACL story.

During the 1939-40 period, a number of internal problems beset most of the chapters. There was considerable criticism in some quarters that the JACL expected too much of its members. The representation at meetings was about 11 to 12 percent of the total membership of the specific chapters.

Another form of criticism was directed at the leaders and officers of various chapters. This maintained that the local officers did not continue their interests in the league's affairs after their term had expired. It was pointed out that some persons even refused to take office after they had been duly elected by the chapter membership.

The PACIFIC CITIZEN found itself, during 1939, in a very precarious financial condition. The PACIFIC CITIZEN was always being run only on a "shoe string," even in its best days. However, in the late part of 1939 conditions became so serious, because of the failure of the JACL membership to adequately support and subscribe to it, that a decision was reached by the national president, Walter Tsukamoto, to suspend publication

nese ancestry to sing the lead role in "Madame Butterfly." Miss Koito sang the part in the American Opera company's production of the popular Puccini opera on June 4 in Chicago with June Arakawa as Suzuki . . . Fifteen-year old Carolyn Okada will dance in "Promised Valley" and "Faust," the two productions on the University of Utah's summer festival in July.

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The result of the Original Amateur Hour contest over the ABC network, in which James Shigeta of Honolulu is a contestant, won't be known for another week. The results were scheduled to be broadcast on the June 22 program but the sponsors announced that all the votes had not yet been tallied. Shigeta is believed to be among the top five in voting of the twelve in the competition for the \$2,000 first prize scholarship.

of the paper on January 1, 1940. After a few months of suspension the various chapters were able to raise money for its revival, and the PACIFIC CITIZEN has continued publication ever since with the exception of a few months immediately following the March, 1942 evacuation orders.

Internal problems did not keep the JACL from continued growth as evidenced by five new chapters being added to the national organization. Also, the Intermountain district council was initiated at a meeting in Idaho Falls on Dec. 2, 1939. The Intermountain district council was officially organized in Salt Lake City on Dec. 29, 1939, and was accepted as such by the sixth National JACL convention at Portland, Ore. from Aug. 28 to Sept. 2, 1940.

The National JACL convention held in Portland in the early fall of 1940 found a growing interest in the Nisei emanating from many sources. The JACL was considered by various non-Nisei groups as the only organized spokesman for the Nisei. The leaders and delegates to the sixth convention discovered their problems and responsibilities increased in proportion to the recognition given the JACL.

Recognition of the increased responsibilities of the JACL led the officers and delegates to outline nine specific objectives for the JACL and a program to carry out these objectives. The objectives were:

1. Make the Nisei more conscious of responsibilities as citizens;
2. Make the Nisei conscious of unity;
3. Fight for all those movements which will give Japanese aliens and citizens, status;
4. Fight against all those movements which jeopardize persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States;
5. Education of the American public to the fact of Japanese American citizenship;
6. Promotion of Japanese American and public amity;
7. Community improvement;
8. Community cooperation;
9. Work to give the JACL status in the community.

These nine points became the basis for the general over-all program and discussions at the sixth national convention.

PACIFIC CITIZEN Sports

Henry Aihara — Greatest Nisei Trackman

USC's Co-captain Henry Aihara, the greatest track and field star developed from among the Nisei, has a chance for another European trip with AAU athletes if he places high in the broad jump at the National AAU championships on June 24 at the University of Maryland. Aihara, a Californian who was forced eastward by wartime evacuation, first attracted attention at New Trier high school in Illinois. He later attended the University of Illinois and won the Big Ten and NCAA broad jump titles back in 1946. He returned to the coast with his family the following year and enrolled at USC but lost a year of eligibility because of his transfer, just as Bob Watanabe, UCLA's speedster, lost a year because he transferred from Detroit's Wayne university. Last year Aihara won the Pacific Coast Conference broad jump title and repeated this year. He placed third in the national AAU meet at Fresno last June with a jump of 24 feet 8 and was named to the AAU squad which toured the Scandinavian countries during the summer. On the tour Aihara, who has cleared 6 feet 2, also appeared in the high jump and ran a lap on the relay team. In last year's AAU meet Aihara nosed out Jerome Biffle of Denver U. for a place on the squad. Biffle came back this year to beat Aihara in the NCAA and the two will be competing again this Saturday. Aihara, incidentally, has broad jumped farther than any other Nisei. He cleared 25 feet 1½ inches at Minneapolis last week, bettering his mark of 25 feet 1¾ in. winning the Coast Conference title in 1949.

New Ball Star in Yonamine Family

The latest baseball star in the Yonamine family of Honolulu and Maui is Nobu Yonamine, third baseman for Iolani school in Honolulu whose big bat helped the Red Raiders win their first Honolulu interscholastic baseball championship recently. Incidentally, Iolani defeated Farrington high school in the championship playoffs and Farrington was the alma mater of Nobu's older brother, Wally, now with the Salt Lake Bees. Doug Matsuoka, Iolani's star pitcher, is rated just about the best in Honolulu prep circles this year. . . . Hank Matsubu, playing his second year of pro baseball as a catcher for Yuma Ariz., in the Sunset League, pitched his first game at Riverside, Calif., on June 17. Matsubu entered the game in the third inning after Riverside had knocked out three of Yuma's regular pitchers and led 16 to 0. Matsubu got out the side and allowed five more runs for the rest of the game as the Rubes beat Yuma by a 21 to 6 count. Matsubu has played in the infield and outfield during the season but this was his first turn on the mound. . . . Lincoln Kimura of the San Jose State athletic department is attending a conference of college trainers at Kansas City, Mo., this weekend.

Lodi Nisei Nine Enters Tournament

Herb Imanaka, Hawaiian Nisei football and baseball star at the College of Idaho in Caldwell, is playing softball this summer in the Nampa, Idaho, softball league. Herb and Dyke Itami received a chicken dinner, a half-gallon of ice cream and free dry cleaning for their uniforms by hitting home runs recently in league play. Bob Imanaka, Herb's brother, is playing for Garber's of Caldwell, while Bill Nishioka is performing for Hoff's, the team he managed last year. . . . The Lodi AC team, composed of the top Nisei players in the area is entered in the National Baseball Congress district tournament now under way. The winner of the district tourney will get a berth in the California state championships at Atwater. The California champion will receive a trip to Wichita. . . . George Yoshinaga reports in Crossroads of two Nisei GIs in Europe who have been starring on the track in U. S. Army meets. Tom Ota is reported to have done 9.8s in the century, while George Maekawa has a time of 4:28 in the mile run. The latter time is the best ever reported for a Nisei runner. . . . Nancy Ito, probably the best Nisei girl softball player in the country, is now playing for the Denver Industrial Bank. Last week she got two for three, including a long triple, in an exhibition game against the visiting Harlem Queens. . . . Fibber Hirayama, Fresno State's batting champion of the California Collegiate Athletic Association with a .437 average, started out his baseball career with the Bulldogs as a catcher and later played left field and in the infield for the Fresno nine. Last week, playing for the Fresno Nisei, Hirayama exhibited still another talent as he pitched a five-hit shutout against the San Jose Zebras on June 18 at Fresno. In fact, Hirayama bested Jiro Nakamura, the Zebras' pitching ace and formerly of the Modesto Reds, in a pitching duel which wound up with a 4 to 0 score. Hirayama struck out nine. A return game between the teams, rated as two of the best Nisei ball clubs on the mainland, will be held on July 2 in San Jose Municipal Stadium.

Kitamura Plays in NCAA Tourney

Dick Kitamura did pretty well in the NCAA baseball tournament at Omaha last week but his team, Colorado A&M, didn't and the Rams were eliminated after two successive defeats at the hands of Wisconsin and Texas. Kitamura is expected to play with the Harlem Globetrotters this season. . . . Hawaiian swim fans may get a line on just how good their latest young star, Ford Konno of Honolulu, is as a competitive swimmer. Konno will meet Ralph Sala, Stanford's NCAA champion in the 440-yard freestyle, in the Keo Nakama swim meet which starts July 5 at Waikiki. Sala's NCAA time last year was 4:43.1s and this has been matched by Konno this year. Sala is in Hawaii to take a "postgraduate" swim course from Soichi Sakamoto, the University of Hawaii's aquatic coach. . . . Bill Nishita has definitely turned his back on pro baseball offers this year in order to enroll at the University of California. Nishita will keep his arm in shape this summer by pitching for Allen Nagata's Honolulu Athletics in the Hawaii Baseball League.

Japanese Collegians to Play in Hawaii

A Japanese all-star college team will leave Yokohama by ship on June 24 to play a series of games, mainly with teams of the Hawaii Baseball League, in Honolulu and other island cities. Two Oahu Nisei teams, the Honolulu Athletics and the Red Sox, are among the teams scheduled to play the best of Nippon's collegians. . . . It's reported 132 Nisei have entered the Northern California Nisei golf tournament to be played on June 25 at the Pebble Beach and Del Monte courses on the Monterey peninsula. . . . Because of the removal of the ABC's membership ban, Nisei interest in bowling is expected to boom when regular league play gets under way in the fall. Several Nisei teams already are planning to enter the national ABC tourney at St. Paul in 1951. . . . Richard (Dick) Miyasato, star quarterback for Farrington high school in Honolulu, is the initial recipient of the Henry M. Kusunoki memorial scholarship. The award honors the late Farrington high school coach who died suddenly while coaching basketball. Miyasato will enter the University of Hawaii. . . . Richard Tomita, 1949 national AAU 132-pound weightlifting champion who didn't defend his title this year, mainly because it takes a lot of money for round trip passage between Honolulu and Philadelphia, the site of this year's tournament, may represent the U. S. in the world's

Aihara Takes Second Place At NCAA Meet

USC Star Also Places Second in Meet with Big Ten

Henry Aihara of USC made one of the best jumps of his collegiate career but took second place behind Jerome Biffle of Denver University in the NCAA track and field meet on June 17 at Minneapolis.

Biffle won the event with a leap of 25 feet 4¾ inches, while Aihara's best was 25 feet 1½ inch.

USC won the meet with 45 1-5 points, followed by Stanford with 28 points.

On June 20 Aihara competed in the annual Coast Conference-Big Ten dual meet at Madison, Wis., and took second in the broad jump with a mark of 24 feet ¾ inch. Jim Holland of Northwestern won the event with a jump of 24 feet 11¼ inch.

Bowlers Set for PSWDC "Open" At Santa Monica

LOS ANGELES — Bowlers from South Gate, Coachella Valley and Long Beach were among early entries for the 1950 Pacific Southwest district council "open" at Santa Monica Bowl on Sunday, July 2.

A last-minute rush is anticipated this week from local keggers.

An overflow slate in the men's handicap singles and mixed doubles is predicted by Paul Uyemura, co-chairman.

Marigold Arcade Bowlers Lead Chicago Northside League

CHICAGO — The Marigold Arcade team remained undefeated in the North Side Nisei bowling league, pounding out a 2843 team series in the second round of play on June 19.

Edo Yamauchi's 29 series, including games of 236 and 210, topped the Marigold team.

Other teams in the league are H. J. Sandberg Co., Nisei Merchants, K. Ando, Kushinos, Cosmopolitan National Bank, Modern Auto Works, T. Hiyama, Wall's Flower Shop, E. Kanaya, Al's Sandwich Shop and Matt Seto.

John Takemoto has the high average with 188.

Grad Dance Held By Boise Valley

NAMPA, Idaho — Eleven high school and college graduates were honored at the Boise Valley JACL graduation dinner dance June 17 at the IOOF hall in Caldwell.

Dyke Itami was toastmaster.

The Rev. Harold Nye of the Caldwell Methodist church addressed the group on "Building for Tomorrow," which was the theme of the evening.

The Rev. I. L. Shaver opened the dinner with an invocation. Dyke Itami, toastmaster, welcomed the graduates. Alice Abe spoke on behalf of the guests.

Capital Nisei Team Has .500 Record in Softball Circuit

WASHINGTON, D. C. — Nisei athletes of Washington have entered a softball team in the D.C. Recreation League and are fighting it out for top spot in the Park and Playground Circuit.

Right now, the "D.C. Niseis," as they've tagged their team, are parked in third place, with a smart .500 game average — two wins, two losses.

But the wins have been tallied up by lopsided scores, and the two games they've dropped have been close.

Other teams in the strictly-for-fun league are keeping a wary eye peeled for the Niseis. They consider the Niseis one of the roughest teams in the D.C. circuit.

weightlifting championships in Paris later this year. Tomita's success as AAU champion lifted 640 pounds, while Tomita has been this year's AAU tourney was Tommy Kono of Sacramento who placed second in the 148-pound division. Hal Sakata, of Honolulu, runnerup for the national weightlifting title in the Cleveland meet last year, is now wrestling professionally on the mainland.

Wally Yonamine Places Eighth In Pioneer League Batting

Wally Yonamine, centerfielder for the Salt Lake Bees, is now eighth among Pioneer League regulars with an average of .336 as of June 17, according to averages released this week by the Howe News Bureau in Chicago.

Unofficial averages as of June 22, when the Bees dropped a doubleheader to league-leading Twin Falls of the Yankee chain, give Yonamine a .328 average. In the first game of June 22 Yonamine accounted for both of the Bee scores with a triple and double as the Salt Lake team lost a 7 to 2 game.

Golf Tournament Will Be Highlight of JACL Confab

CHICAGO — Sport highlight of the 11th biennial JACL convention in Chicago Sept. 28 to Oct. 2 will be the convention golf tournament, according to Hiram Akita, chairman.

Present plans call for three flights, based on certified handicaps to permit all conventioners, duffers and experts alike, to participate.

Sites for the 36-hole tourney will be the Silver Lake Golf and Country Club on the southwest side on Friday, Sept. 29, and the Bunker Hill Golf and Country Club on the northwest side on Saturday. Starting time will be 6 a.m. on both days to allow delegates time to attend afternoon functions scheduled at the convention.

The convention tournament will be preceded by a national Nisei golf championship the week previous. This tourney will be sponsored by the Midwest Golf Association.

Assisting Akita on tournament arrangements will be Mo Domoto, George Koyama, Mike Hori, Jiro Yamaguchi, Mart Iriye, Ed Kito and Victor Yamakawa with Dr. George Hiura, Abe Hagiwara and Dr. Randy Sakada as advisors. The women's Chicago Fairway Club under Pres. Helen Hori will assist in registration and tabulation.

Sonoma JACL Tells Plans for Picnic

SANTA ROSA, Calif. — Spacious Doran park on Bodega bay will be the site of the third annual Sonoma County JACL picnic Sunday, July 2.

Tom Shimazu, general chairman, and his committee have planned the day's activities to commence at 11 a.m.

Assisting Shimazu will be Chick Furuya, Sam Miyano, John Hirooka and Tad Ono.

Other committees have been announced as follows:

Benefit: Fred Yokoyama, George Murakami and George Hamamoto.

Bingo: Kanemi Ono, Jim Miyano, Tad Ono, Henry Shimizu, Yosh Sugioka, Charles Yamamoto, Tak Koga, Joe Furusho, Hiro Taniguchi, Miyo Masaoka, Harry Sugiyama, Mike Yoshimura and George Yokoyama.

Children's events: Tak Kameoka, Harry Itani, Frank Kobayashi, Mary Namba, Mary Taniguchi, Paul Otani, John Matsumoto, Mrs. Karl Yoneda, Mrs. D. K. Nakamura, the Rev. Onoyama, Sam and George Tsurumoto and George Okamoto.

Summer Camps Open For Nisei Children

CHICAGO — Two summer camps have been made available for Nisei children between the ages of 8 and 14 years, according to the Chicago Resettlers Committee.

Sixteen children and three adult leaders will be recruited for Camp Reinberg, 30 miles northwest of Chicago near Palatine, for the period July 10 to 22.

In addition to the Resettlers group, children from Edwin Markham Center, Near-Westside community council and Cook county welfare department will attend this period in July. There will be 96 children in all. Camp fee will be \$21 per child.

Seven boys and seven girls will be recruited for the Tower Hill camp in Sawyer, Mich., for two periods, Aug. 9 to 17 for girls and Aug. 17 to 25 for boys. The camp is operated by the Chicago Congregational Union. Total fee will be \$15 per child for each period.

Any adult wishing to serve as a camp leader may apply to Abe Hagiwara, associate director who will accompany the children to camp. All expenses of camp leaders will be paid.

More details may be obtained from the Chicago Resettlers Committee, 1110 No. La Salle st., Chicago. The phone number is DELaware 7-1076.

Nisei Football Star Heads Student Body

GARDEN GROVE, Calif. — Jim Tak Matsunaga, co-captain of the varsity football team, recently was elected student body president at Garden Grove high school.

Matsunaga, 17, plays right guard on the Garden Grove eleven and made all-Orange League second team for the past two years.

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BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Yosh J. Fujii a girl, Nancy Keiko, on May 18 in West Los Angeles, Calif.
 To Mr. and Mrs. George Kuroda a girl on June 18 in Marysville, Calif.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Ben Fujiwara a girl on June 13 in Sacramento.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Yasuo Hashimoto a girl on June 12 in Sacramento.
 To Mr. and Mrs. George Takao a boy on June 17 in Ontario, Ore.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Takeo Hasebe a girl on June 16 in Ontario, Ore.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Momoichi Nakata, Winslow, Wash., a boy on June 19.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Masanobu G. Tsukasaki a girl in Oakland, Calif.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Kaoru Frank Hibba a girl on June 3 in San Francisco.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Tosh Takata a boy on June 14 in Denver.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Toshio Thomas Suzuki a boy on June 6 in San Francisco.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Akira Haya-hida a girl in Berkeley, Calif.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Takao Hikoyeda a boy in Berkeley.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Mitsugi Miyasaki a boy in Berkeley.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Tadao Hirozawa a boy, Todd Alan, on June 2 in San Jose.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Kiyoshi Miyazaki a girl on June 16 in Salt Lake City.
 To Mr. and Mrs. George Kazuo Sakai a boy, Sterling Kazuo, on June 16 in San Francisco.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Misao Doi a girl on June 18 in Salt Lake City.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Ted Sano a boy on June 15 in Seattle.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Noboru Kageyama a boy on June 15 in Seattle.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Tatsuo Mamiya a boy on May 24 in San Diego, Calif.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Nobuyuki Mit-suoka, Pasadena, Calif., a boy on May 21.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Yoshimi Henry Tsukamoto a boy, Tadashi Timothy, on June 8 in Los Angeles.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Hiroshi Uye-hara, Essington, Pa., a girl, Lisa Ann Yoshi, on June 11.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tokukei Koga a girl on June 11 in San Francisco.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Takeshi Miyoko a boy on June 13 in San Francisco.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Nobuo Ozaki a boy on June 13 in San Francisco.
 To Mr. and Mrs. George K. Sakai a boy on June 16 in San Francisco.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hashimoto a girl in Denver.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Peter T. Koshi, Aurora, Colo., a girl.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Ken Sakashi Ishibashi, Cupertino, Calif., a boy, Steven, on June 8.

DEATHS

Rinta Numoto on June 16 in Colorado Springs, Colo.
 Eiko Obayashi, 56, on June 17 in Los Angeles.
 Takashi Todd Umekubo, 27, on June 16 in Fresno, Calif.

MARRIAGES

Shizuka Jo to Reizo Miyamoto on June 11 in Los Angeles.
 Fumi Sotomura to Lane Nakano on June 11 in Los Angeles.
 Irene Aiko Kusayanagi to Mas Kinoshita on June 11 in Los Angeles.
 Sanaye Okamoto to Shigeo Kita of Venice on June 18 in Los Angeles.
 Shizuye Muragishi to Hidetada Nakaguchi on June 18 in Los Angeles.
 Kiyoko Kato to George Omoto on June 18 in Denver.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Mary Nozumi, 24, Pioneer, Calif., and Kuniye Kurosaki, 30, Livingston, in Reno, Nev.
 Joyce Kiyoe Ikesaki, 22, Florin, and Yoshio Hirai, 26, Hood, in Sacramento.
 Dorothy R. Arakawa and John K. Okada in Seattle.
 Shigeko Susie Nakayama, Palo Alto, and Thomas Takashi Tomihiro, Stanford, in San Jose.
 Kumi Shimada, 21, Santa Clara, and Harry K. Saito, 23, Palo Alto, in San Jose.
 Teruko Hoshino and Shiro Fuji-hara in Seattle.
 Helen Mori, 24, and Roy Yamane, 26, in Oakland.
 Yoshiko Aoyama, 27, and Yoshiteru Miyake, 27, in Salt Lake City.

100 Delegates at Church Conference

CHICAGO—More than one hundred delegates attended a joint spring institute held at Camp Duncan by the Armitage Young People's church and the Ellis Community Center church.

Steve Tomita, Armitage YP church, and Ben Toba, ECC church, were co-chairmen.

"Seek Ye First the Kingdom" was the conference theme.

Delegates attended four study groups. Prof. Malconian of the McCormick seminary led discussions on usage of the Bible. A study group on "What Is My Faith?" was led by the Rev. Aki of the Christ Congregational church, Rev. Wasaki of the Armitage YP church, and Rev. George Nishimoto of ECC church. Seichi Adachi was moderator for this group.

Mrs. Dorothy Kito, registered nurse, and Mrs. Ethel Vistor, psychiatric case worker, led a discussion group on marriage titled, "For Better or For Worse."

The Rev. Victor Fujii led a group in a study of comparative religions.

Pianist Scores In Benefit Concert For Fresno JACL

FRESNO, Calif.—An enthusiastic audience heard Maria Miyamoto, San Francisco pianist, in a benefit program last Friday night under sponsorship of the Fresno JACL.

Miss Miyamoto was assisted by Lois Kanagawa Yee, violinist; Skipper Yee, tenor; and Helen Kazato Hasegawa, accompanist.

The program was a benefit for the chapter's scholarship fund.

Miss Miyamoto displayed a virtuosic technique at the piano, plus an unerring sensitivity to nuances and mood.

Her small physical stature belies the power behind her fingers. An almost unprecedented incident (generally occurring once in two or three million times) happened in her first number. During a fortissimo passage in the Beethoven Waldstein sonata, she broke a piano string.

Mr. and Mrs. Yee, accompanied by Ray Hasegawa of Fresno, gave a moving rendition of "Agnus Dei," by Bizet.

Miss Miyamoto played Chopin's "Nocturne in C Minor," "Ballade in A-flat Major" by Chopin, "Little Elf" by Ganz, Faure's "Impromptu," Debussy's "Prelude in A-minor" and "General Lavine Eccentric," Liszt's "Valse Impromptu" and "Etude in A-minor" by Paganini-Liszt.

Chico Taira and Fusa Hikami were co-chairmen. Other committeemen were Sachi Toshiyuki and Toshi Koda, ticket sales; Ai Kimura, Setsu Hirasuna and Toy Hoshiko, finances; Caroline Matsuyama, Masako Inada, Edna Yabuno, Helen Hasegawa, reception; Maybelle Nakamura and Betty Nakamura, ushers; Setsu Nikaido, Mary Sugai, May Kazato and Frances Yanase, decorations; Faye Kazato and Tomiko Ishikawa, invitations; Tsuru Namba and Tomoye Tachino, program; June Toshiyuki, scholarship; and Kazue Iwatsubo, Alice Takahashi and Lily Suda, publicity.

Attends Boys State

SACRAMENTO — Yui Okano of Wheatland was one of 19 youths elected as councilmen from among the 725 delegates who attended the California Boys State at the State Fairgrounds last week.

Jim Yoshimura of Yuba City was an election board official.

Los Angeles Couple Hurt in Auto Crash

SACRAMENTO — Sozan Takahashi, publisher of a Japanese vernacular magazine in Los Angeles, and his wife were injured in an automobile accident near Woodland on June 19.

Takahashi was treated at Woodland hospital while his wife received only slight injuries.

Four Escape Serious Injury



TULARE, Calif.—The four occupants of the late model sedan (above), driven by Min Kinoshita, miraculously escaped serious injury when the car collided with the rear of a hay baler in Tulare on June 13.

Kinoshita and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Y. Kinoshita, and Gen Goto, 50, all of Madera, were treated at Tulare emergency hospital for shock and minor injuries. The car was a total loss.

The accident resulted in what was described by Mike Iwatsubo, Fresno insurance agent, as "one of the quickest and most generous settlements" when Kinoshita received a check within 24 hours after the crash from the Western Pioneer Insurance Company, newly-organized Nisei capital stock insurance firm. Iwatsubo said Kinoshita had taken out auto insurance coverage with the Nisei firm only two days prior to the accident.

Private Bills Permit Canada Nisei Brides to Enter U. S.

TORONTO, Ont.—Marriages between Canadian Nisei girls and Americans, most of whom are of Japanese ancestry, is a development of World War II, the New Canadian reported this week.

It all started back in 1947 when the Soldier Brides Act of the United States was amended in order that American GIs and ex-servicemen who married girls not covered by the original act could bring their wives to the United States.

This order made it possible for Canadian girls of Japanese ancestry to enter the United States. They previously were barred because of their Japanese racial origin. Although Canadians by birth, they were classified as Japanese under United States immigration regulations.

Three Canadian Nisei girls who married United States Nisei soldiers were able to enter the United States under the amended GI Brides Act.

Despite the expiration of the GI Brides Act approximately 20 Canadian Nisei girls have entered the United States as brides of American citizens since 1947, the New Canadian reported.

Arkansas Valley Chapter Signs 80 for Membership

DENVER—The Arkansas Valley JACL, ninth and newest chapter in the Mountain Plains area, is third in membership for the region with a total of 80 members.

The chapter was initiated only last month at a public meeting in Rocky Ford.

Membership figures for other chapters in this region to date are: Denver, 215; San Luis Valley JACL, 82; Fort Lupton, 66; Albuquerque, 58; Omaha, 56; Montana, 48; Northern Wyoming, 47; and Rio Grande valley, Texas, 36.

Army Language School Still Trains Nisei for Occupation

The United States Army, which trained more than 5,000 Americans of Japanese ancestry in the Japanese language for intelligence work in the Pacific war and for occupation duty after V-J day, is still turning out Nisei linguists at the Military Intelligence Service Language school at the Presidio of Monterey.

Unlike the wartime production line at Fort Snelling, Minn., where most of the Nisei GIs were trained, the school at Monterey is training only a small number of Nisei for assignment to the Far East Command.

The MISLS has announced that Nisei applying for the school must have a good background in the Japanese language with at least six to eight years of Japanese schooling and pass a written and oral test in Japanese.

Men passing the test will be sent to Fort Ord, Calif., for basic training after which they will be sent to the language school for 12 months intensive training.

Most of the graduates of MISLS receive a grade of corporal upon graduation but the top ten percent of the graduating class will receive sergeants rating.

MISLS graduates served during the war in Australia, New Guinea, the Philippines, in the island warfare in the south Pacific and in the China and Burma-India commands.

Several thousand Nisei officers and enlisted men who graduated from MISLS also served and many are still serving in the Japanese occupation.

Buddhists Plan U. S. Academy In New York

HONOLULU, T.H.—Three visiting Buddhist scholars from the mainland United States this week started a drive for funds for the opening of a Buddhist seminary in New York City.

They are the Rev. Hozen Seki of New York, the Rev. Yoshitaka Tamai of Denver and the Rev. Zaishin Mukushima of New Jersey.

The campaign in Hawaii, which will be carried on simultaneously with a drive on the mainland, has a goal of \$350,000 for an initial payment on a six-story stone building in New York City which has been chosen as the site of the mainland's first Buddhist seminary, the American Buddhist academy of New York.

The Gardner School for Girls is expected to vacate the structure at the end of the month.

The visitors say the seminary is needed to train all English speaking ministers of the faith.

Senate Passes Bill

REDWOOD CITY, Calif. — The Senate of June 8 passed a private bill admitting Mrs. Sachiko Iwai Higaki of Japan for permanent residence in the United States, according to information received here.

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Little Misora Hibari Plans Appearances in United States

By BROWNIE FURUTANI
HILO, Hawaii—Two of Japan's top troupers, Misora Hibari, 13-year-old songster, and Haruhisa Kawata, original song and dance man of the Japanese stage, played to a capacity audience when they performed here under auspices of the famous 100th infantry battalion.

They will tour the mainland, making their first stop in San Francisco. The tour will end with a Hollywood stop, where they will be guests of MGM studios.

Misora will present Margaret O'Brien, her idol, with a beautiful Japanese kimono and valuable Japanese dolls.

Haruhisa Kawata, popularly known as the Bob Hope of Japan, hopes to present his namesake with Japanese slippers and a monogrammed kimono which is being specially woven and dyed for the famous star.

Little Misora began her singing career at the age of nine.

According to her mother, Mrs. Kazue Kato, who is accompanying her daughter, Misora learned to sing just by imitating stars on the phonograph and the radio. She chose adult songs and soon became known as a jazz and boogie woogie singer.

Friends urged Mrs. Kato to enter her daughter in amateur contests and other small theatrical undertakings. Misora, then known as Kimiye Kato, soon had a following and in a short while found herself in the movies and headed towards radio stardom.

Today she is one of Japan's most popular singers and a great favorite on the screen.

She is a bright young lady with a high IQ. Generally it takes her only 30 minutes to learn any new song. She is one of the few stars who look better off the screen than on.

Her favorite song is "Kana-shiki-kuchi-bue," which was composed especially for one of her movie rolls.

Guitarist and comedian, Kawata is also recognized as Japan's original song and dance star. He began his stage career 20 years ago at Asakusa and has been going on ever since.

Idaho Falls Chapter Thanks Issei for JACL Building

IDAHO FALLS, Ida.—Issei in this area were honored at a dinner at the JACL hall June 16 by the Idaho Falls chapter.

The dinner was an expression of thanks to the Issei for the JACL building, which was turned over to the Nisei for JACL use by the Issei. It was previously used as a Japanese school.

Mrs. Yoshiko Ochi, Mrs. Kochee Tokita and Mrs. Margaret Yamasaki were co-chairmen for the banquet.

Tadashi Watanabe and Katsuki Yamasaki expressed the gratitude of the Nisei for the building. Yamasaki gave a report on the remodeling of the building.

Mrs. Morishita and K. K. Nukaya spoke in behalf of the Issei.

Pres. Joe Nishioka gave the welcoming address.

Sam Sakaguchi, master of ceremonies, and Emmy Yamasaki arranged the program.

Shiro Ueda and Lena Date, social chairmen, were general arrangements chairmen. Charley Hirai directed the arranging of flowers. Nisei donated food used in preparation for the banquet.

Festival

The Japanese Church of Christ in Salt Lake City will hold its second annual Oriental Festival June 30 and July 1 under the direction of the Rev. Clifford T. Nakadegawa, associate pastor.

On the program will be demonstrations of Japanese classic dances, fencing and music.

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Here are 13-year old Misora Hibari and Haruhisa Kawata who will perform on the mainland soon.

"Commencement Fling"

CHICAGO — "Commencement Fling," the Chicago JACL's dance in honor of all Chicago graduates, will be held July 1 at the McCormick YWCA, 1001 North Dearborn, from 8:30 p.m. till midnight.

Clay Harvey and his band will provide the music.

Admission will be by couple only at \$2 per couple, \$1.25 per couple for high school students.

All graduates of Chicago high schools, colleges and trade schools have been sent free bids. The committee emphasized, however, that any graduate who has not received his should contact the JACL Midwest regional office, at 189 W. Madison st.

Ben Iijima is general chairman. He is being assisted by Hide Akagi, Jean Kaita, Kaz Kita, Helen Kitahata, Margaret Makino, James Matsumoto, Joe Maruyama, Mas Nakagawa, Asako Narahara, Hal Noguchi, Joe Seto, Fran Watanabe and Kay Yamashita.

Chicago JACL Promotes Classes In Foreign Cooking

CHICAGO—More than 25 women are signed up for the cooking class sponsored by the Chicago JACL Special Activities Committee every Thursday evening. Lessons in Chinese, Mexican and Japanese dishes are being featured this year in the six-week course held at the St. Paul's Episcopal Church kitchen.

Among the instructors are Mrs. Ruth Nakagawa, who taught egg roll, Chinese style; Ben Moy, prominent Chicago cooking teacher who is writing a book on Chinese cuisine; Mrs. Dorothy Kitow, who will feature a Spanish dish; Mrs. Ayako Kumamoto and Mrs. Okita, Japanese dishes. The lessons will be climaxed with a demonstration on "Shortcuts to Housekeeping" at the Commonwealth Edison Company on June 27th.

Mrs. Shizu Sakada is chairman of the cooking class, assisted by Hana Okamoto and Mrs. Suzy Sabusawa.

Plan Annual Social

CALDWELL, Idaho—The Fourth of July Issei-Nisei social will be held this year at the Caldwell labor camp.

The day's events, according to Henry Watanabe, chairman, will include a talent show, races, pot-luck dinner and a softball game.

Wins Fish Derby

CALDWELL, Idaho—Fred Miyoshi received the first prize of the opening day fishing contest of the Boise Valley JACL.

Since no other fish were turned in, the other two prizes will go on the grand prize list.

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Uyeda Sisters Will Appear at Fair in Chicago

CHICAGO—Haruko and Tomeko Uyeda, Japanese dance artists, will appear at the opening of the Chicago Fair of 1950 on Saturday, June 24.

The fair, a national exposition of science, commerce, industry and agriculture, will be held on the site of the Chicago Railroad fair of 1948-49 along the one-mile front of Lake Michigan.

The Uyedas and their students will participate in a half-hour program of Japanese songs and dances, beginning at 8 p.m. Michael Hagiwara will be master of ceremonies and will sing several songs, accompanied by Eileen Nagatomo.

Hinaye Koito will dance the hula.

*Several classical and modern Japanese dances will be presented by the following students of the Uyeda sisters: Mariko Ann Akiyama, Sadako Fujii, Christine Ito, Makiko Kato, Toyoko Kitahata and Beatrice Okubo.

The vast lake front exposition opens at 10 a.m. on Saturday, June 24, and will run for 73 days, through Labor day, Sept. 4.

"The American Way of Life" will be the theme of the fair.

U. S. Files Tax Lien Against Honolulu Nisei

HONOLULU, T.H.—A tax lien for \$183,901 on properties owned by Takaichi Miyamoto, Honolulu liquor store operator, was filed this week in U.S. district court here.

The property of Miyamoto, who is prominent in Democratic circles in Honolulu, and of his wife, Misayo Miyamoto, was attached by James M. Alsop, collector of internal revenue.

Figures include alleged unpaid taxes, interest and penalties.

Claims against Miyamoto cover a four year period as follows: 1943, \$32,856; 1944, \$79,048; 1945, \$64,368; and 1946, \$7,627.

The claim against Mrs. Miyamoto for \$38,941 was settled out of court recently under terms of an agreement.

The territory also has a mortgage on about \$70,000 worth of liquor at a store operated by Miyamoto.

San Benito JACL YBA Group Honor Graduates

HOLLISTER, Calif.—The San Benito County JACL and the YBA joined in honoring county graduates at a dinner and social evening.

Robert Nishimura and Carol Ann Nishimoto, elementary school graduates; Ayako Nakamoto and Amy Fujii, high school graduates; and Mary Kamimoto, graduate of Hollister junior college, were guests.

Congratulatory speeches were given by Sho Nakamoto and George Yamanaka. Miss Kamimoto responded in behalf of the graduates.

Following the dinner the evening was spent in card games, ping pong and dancing.

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Seek Nisei Technicians for Atom Bomb Casualty Survey

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The Atomic Bomb Casualty Commission this week advised the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee it is seeking applicants from Nisei medical technicians, physicians, nurses and medical stenographers to fill job vacancies in Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

The commission has been making detailed studies of the after-effects of atomic bombings in these two Japanese cities. Its work is expected to continue for some time.

Currently, the commission has a staff of 125 allied nationals and 650 Japanese nationals engaged in atomic casualty studies in Japan.

Dr. Herman S. Wigodsky, of the National Academy of Sciences, National Research Council, said Nisei have been doing invaluable work in Japan, and have contributed much to the success of studies being made there.

He said interested persons should write directly to:

The Committee On Atomic Casualties,

National Research Council,

2101 Constitution Ave.,

Washington 25, D.C.

They also may write to the JACL

ADC office, 300 5th St., N.E., Washington 2, D.C.

Job applicants must be citizens. A knowledge of Japanese is helpful but not necessary, it was stated.

The Committee on Atomic Casualties is the same agency for which the JACL ADC helped recruit Nisei professional workers two years ago.

Gives Valedictory

FRESNO, Calif.—Nobuo Sunada of North Fresno was the valedictorian at the annual commencement exercises at Central high school on June 16.

Nobuo recently received the Fresno JACL scholarship award and the Nisei Memorial scholarship at Fresno State college.

Queen Candidate

LOS ANGELES—Itsuko Hamamoto, 18-year old science major at Los Angeles City College, is the candidate of the Downtown Los Angeles JACL chapter in the Pacific Southwest District Council queen contest on July 2.

Graduates Feted At Council Tea

CHICAGO — Thirty-seven Nisei girls who will be graduating from Chicago high schools during 1950 were honored by the Girls Interclub Council last Sunday at the group's annual graduation tea. It was held at the Loop Center YWCA.

Thelma Tanaka, council president, extended greetings in behalf of the council, which is composed of 13 girls clubs.

Kas Kita directed the program. Main feature was a fashion show with Mrs. Mike Hori as commentator. Dresses and suits made and modeled by members of the girls clubs were shown.

Graduates at the tea were Shirley Kawanaga, Rose Yoshida, Pauline Ase, Grace Doi, Ruby Doi, Kay Fujimoto, Yaeko Sugimoto, Janet Kataura, Chiz Haruta, Sally Miyamoto, Dorothy Nishiyama, Lillian Okada, Dorothy Okamoto, Jane Shinosaki, Takayo Tsubouchi, Tomoko Kakita, Yaemi Horiuchi, Irene Nakamura, Sally Eshima, Mary Takaki, Terry Yamaguchi, May Nakashima, Alice Kadota, Dorothy Kanii, Rosie Morihiro, Sue Hattori, Elizabeth Noshima, Jeanette Sakamura, Jean Miwa, Flora Morita, Betty Kato, Toshi Kawasaki, Joan Ide, Irene Yamashita, Marian Nakashima, Toby Ozone, Evelyn Nagata.

Ballet Class

CHICAGO — Applications for a ballet class are now being taken at the Ellis community center, according to Delphine Guy, newly appointed program director.

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