

George Inagaki, who represented the Pacific Citizen on an eight-day tour of Japan last month on a special Japan Air Lines press flight, greets Miss Yoshiko Harada, the Miss Nippon of 1954 and candidate for Miss Universe contest this summer, upon her arrival this week in Los Angeles aboard the good-will mission flight of Japan Air Lines.—Toyo Miyatake photo.

Proposed social security legislation on overseas payments studied by JACL

Washington
In response to a number of requests from Issei in the United States and in Japan regarding proposed social security legislation affecting payments abroad, the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League has investigated all pending social security legislation.

None of the pending legislation is so sweeping as to deprive most Issei in Japan from their rightfully earned social security benefits as many fear, according to Mike Masaoka, JACL Washington representative.

Masaoka said that the only bill now pending which would change overseas payments under the social security program is H.R. 6863, introduced in this session of Congress by Rep. Carl T. Curtis (R., Neb.). Practically all Issei recipients of the program now in Japan and others planning to retire in Japan on social security benefits are not likely to be adversely affected at this time, he added.

The Curtis bill would terminate payments abroad unless certain conditions are met at the time the insured individual first becomes eligible to apply for his benefits.

Since almost all Issei who will receive benefits in the near future, or who are now receiving benefits, have been or will have been residents of the United States for at least three consecutive years immediately before their first eligibility for retirement insurance payments, almost no Issei, here or in Japan, will be adversely affected by this provision of the Curtis bill, Masaoka said, even if the Curtis bill is passed.

Another section of the same Curtis bill, however, if enacted into law, would affect all persons in Japan receiving social security benefits, except widows and parents payments, should such persons become employed or self-employed in any capacity.

Present law only affects beneficiaries of the program who are under age 75 and whose income from work is over cer-

● The T. D. Ezakis, 2305 Bryant South, Minneapolis, celebrated their golden wedding jubilee Jan. 10 with their four children, William, Ben, Mrs. Teiko Uejima (Minneapolis) and James (Chicago).

tain limits and is taxable under the program. Only certain work done in Japan by American citizens for American firms or for the United States government can affect social security payments at this time.

Social Security lump sum death payments, under the Curtis bill, cannot be paid to persons who are not residents of the United States at the time of death of the insured individual or at the time of payment. Present law, providing for a maximum death payment of \$255, contains no resident restrictions, noted Mike Masaoka.

"While the Curtis bill on social security does not affect many Issei or Nisei at this moment, the JACL will actively protest against this legislation which would deprive certain non-residents of benefits which the Issei and Nisei rightfully earned through the payment of tax premiums," declared Masaoka.

"While the resident requirements of the Curtis bill were not intended to strike directly at the Japanese,

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Adverse claims ruling hits merchant who sold store at loss because of rumors

Washington
Losses suffered in anticipatory forced sales prior to the issuance of official orders authorizing the military evacuation are not compensable under the Evacuation Claims Act of 1948, the Dept. of Justice informed the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League.

This particular adverse-to-claimant adjudication involves an Issei couple who alleged a loss through the sacrifice sale of the stock in trade and equipment of claimants' shop in Hollywood, Calif.

The sale involved took place Jan. 13, 1942, its preliminary escrow agreement having been executed Jan. 3, 1942.

Claimants' evidence is that they effected the sale on the advice of the manager of their bank and in anticipation of evacuation. The basis of this anticipation, the Government says, was that rumors were then generally prevalent that alien

Nisei anthropologist appointed to high UNESCO position

Madison, Wis.
Dr. Hiroshi Daifuku, Honolulu-born anthropologist, has been appointed program specialist in the Museums and Monuments Division of the Dept. of Cultural Affairs in UNESCO, Paris.

As the first anthropologist appointed to this division, his duties will be the organization of international conferences among natural history museums.

A graduate of the Univ. of Hawaii in 1942, he did post graduate work in his field at Harvard until 1945, when inducted into service, but returned to get his master's degree in 1949 after being discharged in Germany. He was instructor in anthropology at the Univ. of Wisconsin and in 1951 was conferred his Ph.D. degree by Harvard in archeology. For the last two years he was curator at the State Historical Society museum here.

His father, Dr. Kuniyasu Daifuku, was among the first Issei to be naturalized last year and this year is serving as president of the Territorial Board of Chiropractic Examiners.

The young Daifuku is married to the former Alice Coan, Albion, N.Y., and they have three children, who will join him in Paris by June.

Los Angeles prepares for '54 Nat'l JACL confab

Los Angeles
Further appointments on the 13th biennial National JACL convention board were announced by Dr. Roy Nishikawa, board chairman, this week. They include:

Official Events—Dave Yokozeki, Mrs. Merijane Yokoe, assts.; Dr. Kiyoshi Sonoda, luncheons; Mrs. Chiyo Tayama, Mrs. Sumi Kashiwagi, banquets; Fred Tayama, 1000 Club affair; Mrs. Sue Joe, Sayonara Ball. Social Events—Lily Otera, asst.; Mrs. Mary Ann Kimura, fashion; Mas Narita, fishing; Dick Jeniye, golf; Ty Saito, tennis; Hisashi Horita, bridge; Grace Morinaga, sight-seeing; Kei Uchima, date bureau. General Arrangements—Dr. Tom Watanabe, Miwako Yanamoto, assts.; Art Ito, floral. Registration—Midori Nishi, Mrs. Marvel Miyata, Frances Kitagawa, Alice Hatakeda, Mrs. Yaeko Hatakeda, assts. Budget-Finance—Ken Utsunomiya, Akira Hasegawa, Tom T. Ito, Kimi Fukutake, Joe Yamamoto, assts.; Michi Kataoka, art editor; souvenir booklet; Tats Kishida, John Watanabe, booklet staff. Public Relations—Mack Hamaguchi, queen contest; Ritsuko Kawakami, reception.

\$70,000 OF CL ENDOWMENT FUND NOW IN TRUST, 1900 CONTRIBUTE

San Francisco
JACL National President George Inagaki and National Treasurer Dr. Roy Nishikawa announced this week that a total of \$72,474.26 had now been received for the National JACL Endowment Fund. They also announced that \$10,000 had been added in the Trust Fund with the Bank of America so that the total amount in trust now is \$70,000.

Inagaki publicly thanked the 1,961 individuals who have made voluntary contributions to the National JACL Endowment Fund.

"We are building to insure

a permanent future for our national organization so that we can protect the gains we have made for our people, and at the same time gird ourselves for any possible emergency which may arise in the future."

National JACL Headquarters indicated that every cent contributed to the Fund has been deposited therein with the exception of \$2,000 which one donor specifically earmarked for administrative purposes in connection with the Fund.

According to the stipulations

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Judicially-determined evacuation claim not compensable, Justice Dept. rules

Washington
When the value of property has been determined by a court of law and paid, any additional amount claimed under the Evacuation Claims Act of 1948 cannot be considered, the Dept. of Justice informed the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League.

In this particular claim, a former resident of Terminal Island, Calif., sought to recover the difference between what he had received after condemnation proceedings had established the value of his holdings and the alleged value of the improvements.

The Government declared that "no part of the claim is allowable under the Evacuation Claims Act because determination of the value of the building is *res adjudicata*."

It quoted from a similar case, Southern California Fisherman's Association et al v. United States, when the court said: "Appellants occupied Termi-

nal Island at the time of the taking under the express condition that they were to vacate the land within 30 days, with the right to take such improvements as they saw fit. The net worth of the improvements was thus subject to that condition. Appellants' loss, insofar as just compensation is concerned, was no greater than the legal rights allowed under the permits which, after service of notice of termination, was the removal value plus the right to retain them upon the land for 30 days."

Since the value of the claimant's house had been judicially determined, claimant cannot recover under the law, the Dept. of Justice contended, inasmuch as recovery can be had only when such claim "is not compensated for by insurance or otherwise . . ." The word "otherwise" covers court determinations of value.

VESTED PROPERTY FILING DEADLINE:

House committee approves bill

Washington
The House approved yesterday and sent to the White House legislation extending the time for filing claims for return of vested wartime property for a year after enactment of the Act.

Washington
Legislation, extending for a year after its enactment the period of filing claims for the return of vested property now held by the Office of Alien Property, has been favorably reported by the House Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee, the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League announced this week.

Approved by the Senate unanimously last session just prior to adjournment, it now goes to the House for its concurrence. This action is expected within the month, the JACL Office said.

The JACL testified for this measure last summer before the Senate Judiciary Committee on grounds that many Issei and Nisei stranded in Japan during the war did not have either the information or the opportunity to file claims before the statutory deadline of Apr. 30, 1949. In addition, for one reason or another, a considerable number of Issei and Nisei failed to file for the return of yen deposited with pre-war Japanese banks.

No property owned by a person of Japanese ancestry has been vested since the Treaty of Peace became effective in 1952.

During the House Committee hearings, only governmental

witnesses were heard. All testified in favor of the legislation.

The State Department noted that some ten foreign governments requested this legislation.

The War Claims Commission and the Office of Alien Property itself endorsed the bill.

Rep. Carl Hinshaw (R., Calif.), ranking member of the Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee, asked whether Japanese would be benefited by the legislation. When he was assured that they were, he appeared to be satisfied.

Although the Senate has passed identical legislation during the past few years, the Washington JACL Office noted that this is the first time that the House Interstate and Foreign Commerce has acted favorably upon it. Previously, the House Committee pigeonholed the measure by neglecting to consider it.

Gov't returns Shinto temple to Hawaiian congregation

Washington
An order to return property to the Hawaii Ishizuchi Jinja, a Shinto temple in Honolulu, was approved by the Office of Alien Property, which decided the property was eligible for return under provisions of the Trading with the Enemy Act. Property is to be returned after final audit.

(Organized in 1916, the temple will serve 150 member with Rev. Tomiji Kimura as pastor, who has been occupying the premise although unable to conduct services while it was vested.)

Washington Newsletter

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MIKE MASAOKA

THE BRICKER AMENDMENT . . .

As this is written, one of the great constitutional debates of our time is raging in the Senate of the United States. At issue is the adoption of the so-called Bricker Amendment to the federal Constitution.

This proposal by Republican Sen. John W. Bricker of Ohio would place sharp limitations on the treaty-making powers of the President and draws support from those who fear that the United Nations or some kind of world government might some day override the United States Constitution. Proponents also include those who espouse states' rights.

The real heart of the argument is the so-called "which clause" that reads: "A treaty shall become effective as internal law in the United States only through legislation which would be valid in the absence of a treaty."

This is the section that the President and other opponents charge would turn back the country to the Articles of Confederation days of the American Revolution and would mean that the Secretary of State, for example, in negotiating with another nation would be representing not one united country but 48 separate states.

The Bricker Amendment, if approved, would mean that no treaty affecting internal law, Federal, state or even municipal, would be effective until enabling legislation had been passed by the affected part or parties.

Some 63 senators joined with Senator Bricker in introducing the original draft. This means that the constitutional two-thirds of the Senate necessary to approve an amendment to the Constitution supported the idea when it was first proposed. Since that time, however, many of its original sponsors have indicated that they can no longer go along with the proposition.

As a matter of fact, now that President Eisenhower has expressed his "unalterable" opposition to the present language of the proposed Amendment, unless some compromises acceptable to both the White House and the Sponsor is worked out, the proposal appears to be headed for floor defeat or recommitment to the Senate Judiciary Committee.

NISEI INTEREST . . .

As citizens of the nation, all Nisei are concerned with the outcome of this great debate.

And, as most of our Issei parents are still subjects and nationals of Japan because they have not yet been afforded the opportunity to become naturalized citizens under the McCarran-Walter Act, their treatment may be involved in the ultimate disposition of his legislation.

The recently negotiated Treaty of Commerce and Friendship between Japan and the United States provides for certain reciprocal treatment of their respective nationals in their respective jurisdictions. If the Bricker Amendment becomes a part of our Constitution, it means that the various states and even cities and counties could by their independent action nullify and invalidate those treaty guarantees of fair and equal treatment and consideration.

Recalling the hate and hysteria days of the early 20s and the discriminatory laws that were passed by the State of California and many of its municipalities in spite of the 1913 Treaty of Commerce and Friendship then existing between Japan and the United States, one can appreciate the safeguards in the present system that the Bricker Amendment proposes to discard.

Moreover, few Nisei are aware that the historic post-war constitutional test cases involving the rights of persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States have been cited by both sides in the Senate debate.

Last week, Larry Tajiri revealed in his usual able manner the part that the Sei Fujii alien land law decision by a California Appellate Court played in the genesis of the Bricker proposal. It was a revelation to this writer to hear senators who had never heard of the alien land laws before arguing whether sections of the United Nations Charter, to which this nation is a signatory, can be used to invalidate state laws. Curiously, no specific mention was made of the discriminatory nature of these alien land laws.

Receiving more verbal attention than the Fujii case, however, was the Takahashi case in which the United States Supreme Court held that a wartime California law prohibiting alien Japanese from engaging in commercial fishing was unconstitutional.

Senator Bricker reminded the Senate that Dean Acheson argued the matter and invoked the United Nations Charter to demonstrate that the state law was unconstitutional. He also reminded the Senate that the then Solicitor General Philip Pearlman filed on behalf of the United States Government a brief as a friend of the court in which the United Nations Charter again was cited.

Senator Bricker mentioned, too, that more than 20 national organizations had filed friends of the court briefs on behalf of the JACL, the sponsoring organization, and Takahashi.

The Ohio Republican then noted that Mr. Acheson, Mr. Pearlman, and every one of the 20 organizations that cited the United Nations charter in 1952 are now on record against his Amendment which, in his words, would make sure that hereafter no treaty could be used to overturn a state law.

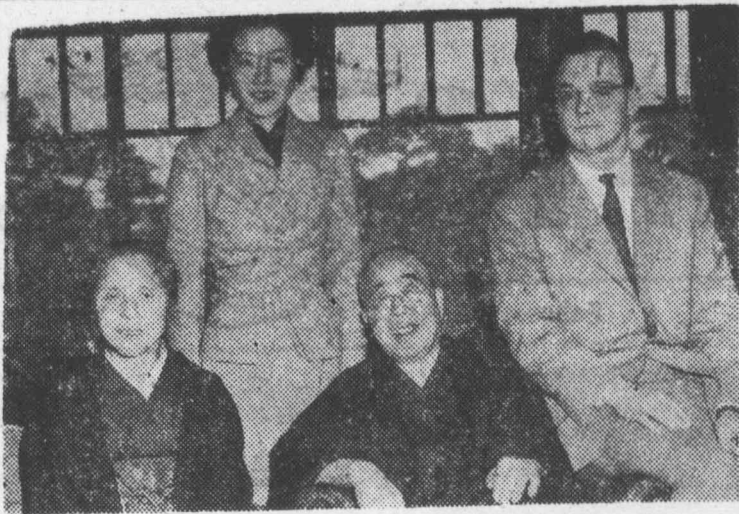
Opponents of the Bricker Amendment replied that the United Nations Charter is not self-executing and that the United States Supreme Court in declaring that California statute unconstitutional did not rely on the treaty but on the Federal Constitution itself.

Again, as in the alien land law matter, the senators did not comment on the discriminatory nature of the legislation but only on the question of whether a treaty can be invoked to nullify a state statute.

Nisei may not be aware of it, but the historic post-war constitutional issues raised by the JACL are today being argued in the great Senate debate on changing the treaty-making powers of the President.

Though the discriminatory character of the state laws the JACL successfully litigated has not been specifically mentioned on the Senate floor, the senators in studying these cases must of necessity have learned something of the vicious practices of some western states in the past in denying to aliens of Japanese ancestry the right to a decent and humane life.

All this should add up to a better appreciation of the present lot and life of persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States today.



The recent wedding of Matsuno Kuhara, 23, of Tokyo, to Hugh T. Patrick, son of a Rock Hill (S.C.) newspaper publisher, was hailed as another "assist" for Japanese-American friendship. She is the daughter of the Fusanosuke Kuharas. Her father was onetime states minister and industrialist, who won international fame in 1927 by being the only Japanese to talk personally with Josef Stalin.

Nippon statesman-industrialist Kuhara to foster U.S.-Japan friendship

By TAMOTSU MURAYAMA
Japan Bureau, Pacific Citizen

Tokyo

The American community is adding many interesting and outstanding figures of Japan on its list to foster cooperation and promotion of Japanese-American friendship.

The latest personality here is Fusanosuke Kuhara, 87-year-old statesman-industrialist, whose 23-year-old daughter, Matsuno, became the beautiful bride of Hugh T. Patrick, son of the Rock Hill (S.C.) Evening Herald publisher.

Their romance started two years ago. She was given every opportunity to study America and Americans, being sent to America by her wealthy father to meet the parents and relatives of her future husband as well as gain first-hand information and knowledge by extensive travel.

"When my daughter wanted to marry an American, I said nothing," he told this reporter. "I sent her to America to study the various aspects of life in America because so many such marriages have failed miserably."

"I wanted her to make up her own mind. She can withstand the hardships which are ahead of her, I believe," Kuhara added.

The wedding took place Dec. 29 with the presence of the husband's parents, sister and brother who came here by plane.

Kuhara gained international fame as a state minister and head of the Seiyukai, then a ruling political party, before the Pacific war.

Kuhara was the only Japanese who had a heart-to-heart talk with Josef Stalin in 1927.

"Stalin was 10 years younger than myself," he recalled. "From my own impression, he could have lived longer. He might have died for other reasons than a natural cause."

Kuhara with appearances of a man in his 60s and in vigor-

ous health, expressed hopes to travel around the world to present the latest picture of Japan.

Meanwhile, the newly-weds are enroute to their South Carolina home via the South Seas. Before departing, the happy groom said his bride needs to study English.

"I'm going to put her in college—probably at the Univ. of Michigan, where I shall probably go," explained young Patrick. His father is also visiting Korea, Southeast Asia and Europe to gather material for the Evening Herald.

Kuhara promised to join efforts in promoting closer U.S.-Japanese relations, doing his part as a father-in-law of a young American.

"It took me sometime to give my daughter approval for this marriage. In this atomic age, things rapidly change. Don't think of me as an old man, as I am still young and can do a great deal," Kuhara concluded.

The Kuhara mansion is among the biggest in Tokyo. The home was formerly occupied by Hikozaemon Okubo, whose personality at the early stage of the Tokugawa Shogunate was fascinating.

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there is no justification to terminate social security benefits to Issei and Nisei in Japan, no matter how few in number," he added.

Masaoka noted that several other bills affecting social security have been introduced by Rep. Daniel A. Reed (R., N.Y.) on behalf of the Eisenhower administration. These bills do not contain residence requirements and should not be confused with the one introduced by Rep. Curtis of Nebraska, Masaoka said.

VERY TRULY YOURS:

A milestone in TV

By HARRY K. HONDA

Reaching some of the store counters recently was a gimmick to turn off sound by remote control when a jabbering TV huckster appears on the screen . . . Very symbolic, it is no complement to the television industry which has made great strides technologically . . . When you look back the year just past and assess its progress, no one in 1952 would have forecast 21-inch sets would be selling at the prices we have today. And color TV was still five years away (although I felt it was "around the corner") . . . The latest is, duo-scope sets, where the old man can watch boxing and the little lady her favorite show.

A recent TV survey confirms the fact that I haven't been missing anything special on the air . . . In terms of actual hours and hours on increased time, crime drama stands first. Even

advertising agencies are beginning to admit programs are over-commercialized . . . Pay-as-you-see programs will be here and should prove mighty popular as the viewer will not be confronted with irritating "spots" and overdramatized advertising . . . Recent demonstrations of color-TV programs being recorded on magnetic tape and immediately played back drew a favorable response from the special preview audiences. This potential alone will hasten color-TV to the general public as production costs will be hacked considerably.

So, with great marvels from the video engineers, it is regretful the program producers have not kept pace . . . It's too bad some gimmick can't be invented that will make television programs twice as good as they were in 1953.

State supreme court to rule on Nisei liquor license case

Los Angeles

The long drawn-out liquor license case which started in November, 1951, may be settled when the state supreme court soon rules on the petition of Toshikuni Taenaka, Nisei G-2 veteran, market proprietor at 1026 E. 103rd St.

Taenaka was granted his off-sale license Nov. 15, 1951, and three weeks later revoked because of a protest voiced by a minister in the neighborhood. Attorneys James Mitsumori and Lynn Takagaki took the case to the superior court for writ of mandamus to compel the State Board of Equalization to return the license under Section 7.1 of the law, which specifies the board must return the license for the same location.

Judge Frank Swain ruled in favor of the Nisei, but the district court of appeals reversed the decision last July.

The attorneys then petitioned the state supreme court for ruling. Oral arguments were heard recently.

In the meantime, Taenaka is stuck with more than \$10,000 in fixtures and stock as well as the income he could have made.

Community center project 'must' over home for aged

Toronto

The matter of a community center for Toronto Japanese Canadians obtained full priority over the question of an old folks' home, which last year shelved the community center project.

A committee will determine the means of financing the \$70,000 project. To date, a sum of \$1,428 has been accumulated.

New citizens —

Boulder, Colo.

Three Issei were naturalized here Jan. 6 with District Judge William E. Buck officiating. They were:

Shinzaburo James Togashi, his wife Mitsuye Nagasawa Togashi and Tatsu Kido, all of Boulder.

Sacramento

Eleven Issei women of Sacramento and three others from this area were naturalized in ceremonies Jan. 12 in the courtroom of the U.S. Judge Dal Lemmon. They were:

Mrs. Shigeno Nishimi, Mrs. Toshiko Ota, Mrs. Haruko Hamamoto, Mrs. Teru Matsuoaka, Mrs. Chu Sato, Mrs. Chiseyo Otani, Mrs. Kayo Fujimoto, Mrs. Kiyoye Nikaido, Mrs. Matsu Miyahara, Mrs. Masaye Tanaka and Saku Mori.

Asakichi Sanui, J. Kono, Rocklin; Mrs. Hideko Wakita, Perkins.

Cheyenne, Wyo.

Six Issei were among 20 persons naturalized in the U.S. District Court here Jan. 11. New citizens were:

Mrs. Nancy La. Bumbard, Mrs. Tokio Sakata, Sam Ogasawara, Mrs. Kiyoko Kubota, Tatsu Takahashi and Mrs. Haruyo Tani.

Franklin Life pays for over \$365 million last year

Los Angeles

Franklin Life Insurance Co., Springfield, Ill., produced over \$365,000,000 of paid business last year—an average of a million dollars every 24 hours in the year. The firm also has \$1,500,000,000 of insurance in force, according to Charles E. Becker, president.

(The Golden State agency of the Franklin Life Insurance Co., here, includes a number of Nisei agents.)

Attainment of this high mark marks one of the most remarkable growth records in the history of life insurance with a half billion dollar gain in less than three years. Its accomplishments were publicized in the Jan. 25 issue of TIME magazine.

At its present rate of growth, the firm expects to reach the goal of \$2-billion of insurance in force by the end of 1955, according to Becker. "We give a large measure of credit for this outstanding performance to our modern insured savings and protection plans which have won such amazing acceptance from the American public," commented Becker.

Honolulu Newsletter

LAWRENCE NAKATSUKA

Hawaiian Attitude toward the Deep South

Hawaiians learned a lesson in tolerance and understanding from a newspaper editor from the Deep South recently. A strange thing to report, unless you know the Hawaiians and unless you know Hodding Carter, the editor.

The Hawaiians are a proud people because they live in the world's happiest "melting pot of races." They like to think they are intolerant only of intolerance. They have very little patience with race-sensitive areas like the Deep South.

Then came Hodding Carter to do a story for the Saturday Evening Post on Hawaiian statehood. Carter is no ordinary newspaperman. At 47, he has become a voice of the New South, an able spokesman for the side of the South that hasn't been described much till lately.

Editor of a small town daily—The Delta Democrat-Times—in Greenville, Mississippi, Carter is a Pulitzer Prize winner, a Nieman Fellow at Harvard, a Guggenheim Fellow, and author of several books on the South.

With his wife Betty, Carter toured the Hawaiian Islands for two weeks, gathering material on the pro and cons of statehood for Hawaii. What he found strengthened his conviction that Hawaii should be granted statehood.

But he became disturbed at what he called the glibness of the general Hawaiian attitude towards the South. He found the Hawaiians had a one-sided picture of the South. They were not unique in this attitude. It is an attitude typical in many parts of the United States.

Carter said he understood the reason for the Hawaiian attitude. It was the congressmen from the South who had defeated statehood legislation time and time again.

Thus, in the minds of Hawaiians, the South became identified with the worst labels of racial bigotry, economic and social backwardness, and political demagoguery.

Before leaving Hawaii, Carter gave a talk before the Honolulu Press Club. In his friendly yet forthright way, the editor said he wanted to give the other side of the picture.

He did not defend or excuse what was bad about the South. But he emphasized instead the progress the New South has made in race re-

lations.

He spoke proudly about the fact that his town of Greenville has a Negro policeman. Negroes there are given educational, recreational and hospital facilities equal with those for white people.

Equality in voting also is an accomplished fact. His paper refers to Negroes in the news as "Mr." or "Mrs." without losing circulation. And there hasn't been a single lynching in the South for more than two and a half years.

The pattern of intolerance, Carter noted, is changing. A new conscience is emerging and the Negro is taking his place in the civic and political life of the South.

This quiet revolution has gone largely unnoticed in Hawaii and perhaps in many other places. Comfortable, even smug, in the feeling that they have solved their own race relations, most Hawaiians have failed to appreciate the enormous difficulties and differences in the racial problems of the South.

Hodding Carter has done a good deed for Hawaii. He has made the Hawaiians see "the other side" of the South.

Salt Lake CL benefit recital slated Feb. 15

Salt Lake City

Enroute home after studying in Germany for a year, Mrs. Harue Miyake, who was remembered by audiences for her portrayal of Mme. Butterfly here in 1952, will appear Feb. 15 at the LDS Church assembly hall in a Salt Lake City JACL benefit.

Arrangements have been made also to have the Japanese soprano sing at a student concert the same week.

Tickets for the benefit are on sale at \$1 at Glen Bros. Music Store, 74 S. Main. James Miyake and Howell Ujifusa are co-chairmen.

Buddhist conference

San Jose

"Buddhism Today and Tomorrow" is the theme for the sixth annual Western Young Adult Buddhist Association convention here Feb. 14. Rev. Kenjo Kurokawa, graduate of USC and Columbia universities and Ryukoku Buddhist university in Osaka, is main speaker.

IN HONOR OF

The \$150 Kathryn Livingston Memorial Scholarship from Berkeley High School was presented to Mary Tagumi.

Kazuo Kage of Wailuku became the second Nisei to be installed as president of the Maui Chamber of Commerce this year. First Nisei was Shizuichi Mizuha.

The Japanese government conferred the Fifth Order of the Sacred Treasure upon Ginji Mihara, 64, pioneer Seattle Issei, for his contribution to the welfare of Japanese in the United States, Mihara, among the first Issei to be naturalized, was visiting Japan.

Bobby Nakata, Hi-Y Boy of the Year at Gardena High School, was honored at the YMCA kickoff banquet last week.

Snowfall fails to stop IDC delegates

Caldwell, Idaho

Despite a heavy snowfall, seven out of eight JACL chapters were represented at the Intermountain District Council meeting Jan. 24 here.

This marked the first meeting held since the election of the 1954 Intermountain District Council officers, who are: Jim Ushio, chairman, who presided at the meeting; Mas Yano and George Sugai, v.-chmn.; George Nukaya, treas.; and Dorothy Mukai, sec.

National Director Mas Satow, who made a special effort to attend the meeting, lead active discussions regarding JACL Supporting membership, naturalization, endowment fund, 1000 Club, importance of chapters submitting their quotas early to the National Headquarters, national convention, etc.

It is hoped that the attendance of the June meeting which will be held in Yellowstone, Idaho, will be as well-represented.

MENTION THE PACIFIC CITIZEN TO OUR ADVERTISERS

Foreign policy guides Dirksen group to recommend vested property be returned

Washington

Returning of vested wartime property to former owners, including Japanese nationals residing in Japan, is one of the major recommendations made by the Senate Judiciary Subcommittee that investigated the operation of the Trading with the Enemy Act, Sen. Everett McKinley Dirksen (R., Ill.) informed the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League.

Senator Dirksen was chairman of this special Judiciary Subcommittee which since June, 1952, has been inquiring by means of investigations and hearings into administration of the Act under which the assets of former enemy countries and enemy aliens of the World War II period were vested and administered by the Office of Alien Property.

The Dirksen report points out that in World War I the theory of seizing and administering enemy property was based on the idea of custodianship, while in World War II it was changed to one of confiscation and liquidation.

It also points out that the present policy of confiscation can nullify and destroy the effects of a foreign policy which is designed to build a strong Western Germany and Japan as bulwarks against further Communist aggression, and investment of private risk capital abroad is discouraged.

In this connection, the Wash-

ington JACL Office recalled that during public hearings last summer before the Dirksen Subcommittee, Mike Masaoka, Washington JACL representative, urged inclusion of the Japanese in any remedial legislation, rather than limiting it to the Germans.

At that time, all legislation providing for the return of vested wartime property was confined only to Germans. Following Masaoka's testimony, the chairman assured him that the Subcommittee would not discriminate against Japan but would give Japan equal consideration with Germany in all legislation proposed by his group.

The Subcommittee recommended the drafting of legislation that would eliminate certain inequities and injustices in the present law and bring it into conformity with the purposes of American foreign policy.

The recommendations included:

1. Providing for the return of private property confiscated under the Trading with the Enemy Act to individuals not convicted of war crimes but holding in trust property of individuals who are under the domination and control of governments of Communists and Communist satellite nations.
2. Providing for a reasonable and appropriate charge against property which might be so returned as a reimbursement for custodial charges.
3. Providing for adequate protection of claims which may be pending against confiscated assets.
4. Providing for the retention of the property which belonged to former enemy governments.
5. Providing the President of the United States with discretionary power upon a finding that the national interests is involved to dispose of alien holdings in property which is located in the United States to bona fide American purchasers, the proceeds of the sale less custodial charges to be returned to the alien owners.
6. Providing for the payment of claims under the War Claims Act of 1948 from sources other than funds derived from vested property in order that there may be assurance of the satisfaction of all legitimate claims that an obligation of this government to its citizens.
7. Providing for an equalization of benefits to American prisoners of war who were captured in Korea with the benefits now granted to veterans of World War II.

Bronze Star medalist

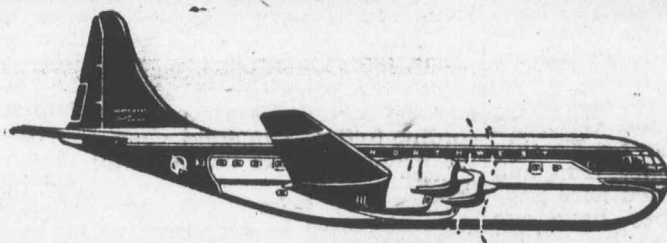
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Capt. James K. Arima, 10701 Inwood Ave., Silver Springs, Md., was presented the bronze star medal last week for his intelligence work in Japan between 1950 and 1953.

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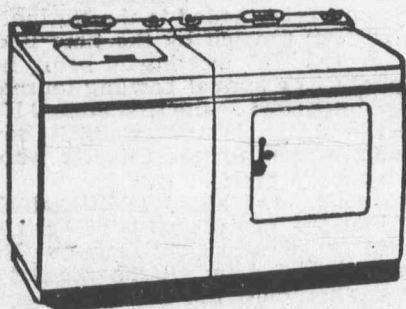
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Around Windy City . . .

The City Council voted 44-2, approving a bid to construct city incinerators that set off days of council debate.

• The College Age group will sponsor a stag-stagette dance Mar. 27 at the McCormick YW-CA, 1001 N. Dearborn St. Theme: Spring Fever . . . IGOR KOPYTOFF, Northwestern student in anthropology, relates his Chile copper mine experiences at the City-Wide Recreation Council meeting Feb. 12 at the home of HANNAH TANI, 6211 S. Kimbark . . . The Cosmo (Japanese warbrides) cabinet proposed a program to acquaint members with American living customs at their first Saturday meetings as follows: March—American cooking; April—purchase of clothing; May—how to shop; June—Group discussions; September—planning for parenthood . . . Consul General OTOSHIRO KURODA hosted a New Year's party at the New Wilson Village last Saturday. Nisei attending included:

Noboru Honda, John Y. Yoshino, Thomas Masuda, George Teraoka, and James T. Nishimura.

Busses propelled by propane will replace old red streetcars on Ashland Ave., next week.

• The Chicago JACL meeting Feb. 19 will be geared to the theme of Brotherhood Week. Francis W. McPeck, executive director of Chicago Commission on Human Relations, speaks on "Human Relations in Chicago." Public is always invited. It meets at Woodrow Wilson Room, 13th floor, 116 S. Michigan Ave. . . The 1954 Chicago Japanese American directory, published by the Chicago Shimpo and Chicago Publishing Corp. (publishers of Scene magazine), is now on sale . . . Peter, Peter, Pumpkin Eater is playing at the Art Institute's Children Theater on weekends from Feb. 6-Mar. 14 (Saturdays at 2:30 p.m., Sundays at 3 p.m.; additional run Mar. 6, 10:30 a.m.) . . . The Art Institute received an unrestricted bequest of \$237,855 from the trust established by the will of the late James Viles, co-founder of Budas Co.

Of People . . .

• LOUISE SHERRIN, the Nisei ballroom instructor at Ray Quinlan Studio, 28 E. Jackson Blvd., is MRS. LOUISE NAKAJI, a CLer. She is the former Louise SHIRAMIZU, Salinas, Calif. By day, she works at Shure Brother (hearing aids dept.). Her brother JIMMY was one of the first Mainland Nisei to be killed in the 100th Infantry. Others in the family are TAK, HARRY, ROSE (Miss Denver JACL in '48) and SUMI of Denver. Husband GEORGE NAKAJI, mechanic for Keeshin Motor Co., a trucking firm, and Louise were married here September, 1943. They have one son, FREDDIE, and live at 1208 W. 64th St. George's brothers are TOM and MASAYOSHI of San Jose and HENRY of Chicago. George was active in the prewar Monterey Peninsula JACL. They have a niece, MRS. HENRY KAWASE, San Diego, and a nephew, ED NAKAJI, Chicago.

• Among the 165 graduating last week from Hyde Park High School were twins ALINE and ARLINE SUMIDA. Aline was valedictorian and received the Phi Beta Kappa award. Arline ranked fifth in the class scholastically. Others were:

Elaine Hayano, Shoji Horita, Robert Matsubayashi and Armina Ko (of Chinese descent).

At Waller High was one Nisei graduate:

Helen Yonehara.

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Past National JACL President Hito Okada of Salt Lake City installs the 1954 Salt Lake City JACL chapter cabinet at its yake, social; Rae Fujimoto, treas.; Howell Ujifusa, v.p.; Jean Konishi, rec. sec.; and George Yoshimoto, hist.



Installation of the Seattle JACL chapter officers for 1954 was among the highlights recently at the chapter's banquet, which honored some 250 Issei citizens and Hiroshi Miyamura, Nisei Congressional Medal of Honor winner. Leading the oath (back to camera) was Robert Mizukami, to (left to right) George Kashiwagi, pres.; James Matsuoka, 1st v.p.; Hiram Akita, 2nd

v.p.; Mitsugi Noji, Issei v.p.; Mrs. Mary Fujita, rec. sec.; Marie Yamamoto, cor. sec.; Amy Hatsukano, treas.; Dr. Kelly Yamada, del.; William Mambu, Ted Sakahara, Tak Hori, Dr. Susumu Fukuda, Min Yamaguchi, Heitaro Hikida and Frank Hattori, advisory board

—Elmer Ogawa photo.

Idaho Falls Clers sponsor carnival, citizenship class, install officers

Idaho Falls

Community support of the Idaho Falls JACL chapter is visualized each year at its Winter Carnival, held this year at the local armory two Saturdays ago and regarded a success, according to Sam Yamasaki, chapter president, who chaired the event.

Donations from local merchants as well as Japanese families in the area amount to thousands of dollars in cash and merchandise. The food for refreshment booth is donated by chapter members and families. It culminates several weeks of wholehearted preparation by the chapter at large.

Mrs. Joe Nishioka and Shoji Nukaya, chapter social chairmen, were in charge of the food booth which highlighted hot chicken noodles, Japanese delicacies and refreshments. While all chapter members worked in the carnival, committee heads were:

Mas Honda, 1st asst.; George Tokita, treas.; George Nukaya, Kay Tokita, Eli Kobayashi, Deto Harada, Ken Ogawa, Hito Nukaya, Isamu Tanaka, Mac Tanaka, Isamu Sakaguchi, Sam Sakaguchi, Masaji Uyeda, Charles Hirai and Yukio Inouye.

The Willard Watanabes of Idaho Falls won the major prize—a TV set—of the evening.

Last week, Mrs. Marjorie Johnson began citizenship classes for some 30 Issei here with expenses being met by the chapter. Classes meet Wednesday and Friday nights.

Earlier last month, Yukio Inouye was the installing officer for the new Idaho Falls

chapter cabinet at Jack's Chicken Inn. He stressed the importance of being active JACLers. He also pointed out that Idaho Falls could be proud of having the largest membership per chapter in the 1000 Club.

The new officers are:
Sam Yamasaki, pres.; Mas Honda, v.p.; Mrs. Katsuki Yamasaki, rec. sec.; Mrs. Isamu Mayeda, cor. sec.; George Tokita, treas.; Mrs. Joe Nishioka, Shoji Nukaya, soc.; Kay Tokita, Mrs. George Tokita, Mrs. Shig Nii, Mrs. Tak Haga, reporters; Kay Tokita, hist.; Ken Ogawa, Isamu Sakaguchi, cpts-at-arms; Charles Hirai, Sadao Morishita, dels.; Joe Nishioka, photographer.

TWIN CITIES CHAPTER REELECTS DR. I. IJIMA

Minneapolis-St. Paul

Dr. Isaac Iijima was re-elected chapter president of the Twin Cities United Citizens League and installed at a dinner-dance last week. Harry Takagi, Midwest District Council chairman, was installing officer.

On the 1954 cabinet are:
Tsutomu Kumagai, 1st v.p.; Tosh Abe, 2nd v.p.; Fred Ohno, treas.; Lucy Torii, cor. sec.; Mari Kitagawa, rec. sec.; Dorothy Shimada, hist.

Henry Omachi was toastmaster. The event was held at the White House with Ray Winkler's orchestra.

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NEW CHAPTERS ON THE MAKE

We are happy to report that we have a new chapter on the make. A number of our people have resettled in Washington's Columbia River Basin around Moses Lake which the Grand Coulee Dam has converted into farmland. Spearheaded by Ed Yamamoto, Bill Hattori, and Harry Yamamoto, a group of 23 met on Jan. 8 and decided to form themselves in to a JACL Chapter. Which again shows that in any area where there are an appreciable number of socially alert and responsible Nisei, a local JACL is inevitable. We hope to visit them when we go to Seattle for the Pacific Northwest District Council meeting which Chairman Dr. Matthew Masuoka has called for the latter part of March.

The patient efforts of Northern California Regional Director Haruo Ishimaru in Gilroy are bearing fruit, and we look forward to another chapter being added to the Northern California-Western Nevada District Council by the time it convenes in Sacramento Feb. 14. This DC meeting is being held in conjunction with the Capitol City's annual bowling tournament. The tournament has been designated as the first annual Northern California-Western Nevada JACL District Council Bowling Tournament with a perpetual trophy for the Chapter whose team comes out on top on a handicap basis.

With the good news about additional chapters, we regret to announce that the Mountain-Plains District Council, following the general recommendations from our National Credentials Committee and accepted by all the District Councils, has had to place our southernmost Rio Grande Valley Chapter in Texas on a six-month probationary period.

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HARUO ISHIMARU

Placer County—Chapter of the Year

In the last two columns, I've described activities of the two runner-up chapters for the Chapter of the Year award. It's a pleasure to report on the first place winner—Placer County. Recently I had the privilege of attending Placer County's 25th Anniversary Dinner.

This chapter proves that age is not synonymous with senility because this chapter is actually older than our National Organization but still barreling along.

I'm willing to bet a month's supply of chewing gum that there isn't a more active chapter anywhere. This chapter owns its own baseball park and picnic grounds and every year enters a semi-pro baseball team in the Placer-Nevada League. Their team is one of the most popular in the league.

The chapter activities are characterized by regular and monthly general chapter meetings supplemented by as often as four cabinet meetings per month. The chapter sends out newsletters regularly and keeps the members posted on activities not only in the local area but state and nation wide. Their meetings run the gamut of a TB Christmas Seal stuffing party and assisting in the filing of Evacuation Compromise Claims, to potluck dinners and dances.

One of the highlights of the Placer County program is their Annual Goodwill Banquet. This is one of the largest affairs held in the county and including the selected guest list consistently goes over the 300 mark in attendance.

Since the return from evacuation, the chapter has sent out top leaders to the District Council meetings and convention. Two postwar District Council presidents are from Placer County: **Cosma Sakamoto** and **Tom M. Yego** (incumbent). Tom is one of the most active JACLers in the country and is a 25-year member of the Placer County JACL Chapter. Among his many activities, quite recently, he was named by Gov. Goodwin J. Knight to a four year term on the board of directors of the 20th District Agricultural Fair in Auburn.

The past chapter presidents include: Frank Hironaka, 1951; Homer Takahashi, 1952; Tadashi Yego, 1953; and the newly elected president is Koichi Uyeno.

I'd like to mention the fellows who were honored as 25 year JACL members at the last Annual Goodwill Banquet: Tom Yego, Sam Sunada, Roy Yoshida, Togo Yokota, Uichi Sunada, Masayuki Yego, Kay Takemoto, Cosma Sakamoto, Harry Kawahata, Tom Matsumoto, Tokuchi Imamoto, Jack Hanamoto and Tadao Nakamoto.

Placer County Chapter is a constant source of pride to our District Council and a shining example of what a bunch of conscientious fellows can accomplish. Our congratulations and continued best wishes to the Placer County—the busiest chapter in the country.

Sonoma County's Piggy Bank for Jacyln

Sonoma County Chapter threw another very excellent installation dinner. The officers who have kept the chapter going the past years were: **George Kawaoka**, 1951; **Min Matsuda**, 1952; **Art Sugiyama**, 1953.

One feature I thought very appropriate was the "Pledge of Allegiance" led by, soon-to-be-citizen, **Eichi Yamamoto**. Under capable instruction of **Henry Shimizu**, the Issei in the county are studying to get citizenship as soon as possible. It was a very good idea to let one of the leading Issei who has contributed so much to the cause of the JACL, lead the "Pledge of Allegiance."

We are touched also by the two other special items of consideration. Evidently, not only do chapter members read **Tats Kushida's** article describing my gastronomic capacities but believe him, because (lo and behold) on my dinner plate appeared two fried chickens. They don't call me 'Sokonashi' Ishimaru for nothing!

Another pleasant surprise was the filled piggy bank contributed by the chapter members towards our baby Jacyln's trousseau in 1974 or thereabouts.

Frank Oda, who works for the U.S. Customs Service, sparked the dinner meeting as emcee. "Gochisosama" and good luck to the Sonoma County Chapter.

Still Growing—New Chapters

A sign of life in the JACL is evidenced by two new chapters in the process of organization. We hear reports that a Moses Lake Chapter is being planned in the Pacific Northwest.

Last year, I had the pleasure of visiting that area with **George Inagaki** and we were both impressed with **Ed Yamamoto's** bounce and enthusiasm. With all credit to Moses Lake JACLers, **George Inagaki** should get an orchid for planting the seeds of organization during his recent visit in the Pacific Northwest.

Close to home, I am very happy to report that the Gilroy JACL Chapter will be making its debut at the next District Council meeting. They held their organizational meeting on Feb. 1, and elected temporary officers which include:

Hiroshi Kunimura, pres.; **Tom Obata**, v.p.; **Kiku Okawa**, rec. sec.; **Kimi Okawa**, cor. sec.; **Shigeru Yamane**, treas.

We look for great things from this newest JACL chapter. Our thanks go to San Benito County Chapter, especially to **Dick Nishimoto**, **George Nishita** and **Tom Shimonishi**, instrumental in making the first contact for us in encouraging Gilroy fellows all along. Our thanks also the **Tom, Jack and Joe Obatas** who had the welcome mat out for us every time we came out. Good luck to the new chapter and the members.

SATOW: Your National Director Reports . . .

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IDC MEETS

Despite adverse weather conditions, there was a very satisfying turnout at the Intermountain District Council meeting at Boise last month. It was one of those trips where you swear you could see the plane's wings flapping!

IDC chairman **Jim Ushio**, Mt. Olympus Chapter President **Jim Hirabayashi**, National Board Secretary **Alice Kasai**, IDC Secretary **Dot Mukai**, and **Kiyo Nishida**, drove the 400 miles from midnight through snowstorms and ice-slicked roads to get to the meeting just in time. As soon as the meeting was over they set out to brave the return trip to get back to work for Monday with no shuteye for the second night in a row. That's JACL loyalty for you!

Some of the rest of us repaired to Ontario's friendly East Side Cafe, bent elbows, jiggled a bit, yackety yacked about JACL and the poor price of spuds and onions, and wound up at active 1000 Clubber **Joe Saito's** new home for coffee at 3 a.m. These informal after-sessions, though a bit rugged on the Deacon's frail constitution, certainly help us get better acquainted with our members.

CCDC INSTALLATION

The following weekend saw us in Fresno participating in the joint installation banquet of the Central California Chap-

ters arranged by **Dr. George Miyake** of Fowler and his committee. It was quite impressive to witness all the newly elected officers of eight chapters taking the oath of office together, also good to see the several Chapters bringing along as special guests their mayors, local newspaper editors, Chamber of Commerce presidents, and other influential friends. CCDC Chairman **Tom Nakamura** who covers his area like a blanket is doing a bang-up job in following up the work of able predecessors **Kenji Tashiro** and **Johnson Kebo**.

We drove back from Fresno just in time to take in the Alameda Chapter installation the following day. Alameda is one of those Chapters where this year the "younger blood" is taking over with **Tom Haratani** as president, but we appreciate the old time JACLers like **Haruo Imura**, **Kay Hattori** and **Ruz Maeyama**, upon whose support and encouragement we can always depend.

ROAD WORK AHEAD

The Pacific Southwest District Council has scheduled a full day Chapter Clinic for Feb. 28. The new chapter officers will profit greatly from this sharing of experiences and airing of local chapter problems. Air travel makes it possible for us to fly down to Los Angeles for the day and be back in San Francisco that night.

A couple of days later we take off for our eighth Annual National JACL Bowling Tournament in Chicago. Enroute we will drive down to Rocky Ford in southern Colorado with **Min Yasui** for a visit with our Arkansas Valley Chapter. This midwest trip will give us a chance to visit our midwestern chapters—something we have not done since 1949. We will also confer with Mike in DC and attend the Eastern District Council meeting on March 13 and 14 hosted by the Philadelphia Chapter.

Our National JACL Bowling Tournament was organized in 1947 at Salt Lake City with the purpose of putting Nisei bowlers on an equal footing with everyone else. We participated with other national groups in the National Committee for Fair Play in Bowling, which group was finally able to crack open ABC's exclusiveness with a suit in Illinois in 1950. We are glad to see that Nisei are now winning their share of prizes in various tournaments. Looks like 170 plus bowlers are now a dime a dozen, and many are participating in non-Nisei leagues and teams upon the basis of their ability and interests—which is the way it should be.

Newsletters Received: Berkeley JACL Newsletter (Jan., 1954), Venice-Culver JACL Spotlight (Jan., 1954).

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SPORTSCOPE:

Dartmouth's Japanese Slalom Champion

Definite emergence of a new slalom runner of world class is in the making, according to Archer Winsten, ski columnist for the New York Post, who reports CHIHARU IGAYA, 22-year-old Japanese freshman at Dartmouth, won the seventh annual Victor Constant trophy race two weeks ago at Mt. Mansfield. . . He is remembered as the 1952 Olympian nicknamed "In Control" after the spill in the North American Downhill which turned him into a human pretzel. To the amazement of all, he quickly unwound himself and resumed the race, winning a good position. . . In the downhill run, he was 10 seconds behind the winner to land in sixth place. But in the slalom course, the technique was distinguished, the columnist adds. "Where Karl Fahrner (a pro), second on both runs, was all dash and fury, fighting for speed and turns, seemingly cutting corners at the greatest pace of all, Igaya hardly turned corners at all. Almost by sleight of hand or body, he seemed to straighten the crooked course. . . There was a ghostly quality in both of the Igaya runs." And LIFE is presenting his picture story this week.

Double winner FORD KONNO of Ohio State in the 220 and 440-yd. freestyle events led his Buckeyes to a 64-27 win over Northwestern last week. Times were 2m.14.4s., and 4m.45s., respectively. ED KAWACHIKA of Ohio State was second and third in the same respective events. YOSHI OYAKAWA helped his Buckeye 300-yd. medley relay team break the Evanston pool record set by Michigan in 1950 at 2m.52.4s. Oyakawa also swam in the 400-yd. freestyle relay, Ohio State winning in 3m.41.7s. . . NORMAN YABE, East Denver High swimmer, won top honors in the first annual Invitational High School Swim Relays at Colorado State recently. He was second in the 150 individual medley and a member of the 200 breaststroke relay winning squad. BILLY KAWAMURA of Manual won the one-meter diving event. . . Incidentally, against Pittsburgh, the Ohio State swim team hung five pool records in the loser's pool two weeks ago. FORD KONNO'S 2m.15s. in the 220 freestyle was included.

Durable NORMAN TAMANAHA, 47, ran the 10-mile road race in record-breaking time in 59m.41s. recently. He broke his own mark of 1h.34m. made in 1946. His next race is the 15½-mile stint on Feb. 21 before the AAU marathon run a month later.

Bob's TV, once known as the Berkeley Nissei, virtually clinched the NAU Double Aye basketball title in Northern California after defeating San Jose Zebras 66-61 at the San Jose Tech High gym. The Zebras were undefeated in five league starts till Tosh Sano's brilliant 28-point performance decided the game. . . Whereas, down south, the NAU major cage race is in a four-way tie as the defending champs Nisei Trading was rudely upset 74-57 by Cosmopolitan Realty last Sunday. Kengo Yamamoto, former Chula Vista ace, supplied the scoring punch with 27 points for the victors.

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Mako Yaguchi fired a spare in the first frame and then banged out 11 strikes for a heavy 290 game last week in the Nisei Commercial League at Main Bowl. It was the high single mark posted since the league was organized seven years ago.

He finished the night with 792 and 177 for a 659 series. Other 600 series fancied the same night included:

Shig Sumioka 634, David Wong 633, Bart Okada 620 and Mas Shibuya 602.

Meantime, Nisei bowlers in the Northwest area were being urged to participate in the American Bowling Congress national tournament being staged here Mar. 20 in the booster-team competition.

Nat'l JACL kegling

Denver

Entry forms for the eighth annual National JACL bowling tournament, Mar. 5-7, Chicago, are now available at the Mountain-Plains JACL office, according to Minoru Yasui, regional representative. Entry deadline is Feb. 7 and all entries must be postmarked not later than midnight that date.

1000 CLUB

Memberships & Renewals

Month of January 1954

FIRST YEAR

Fred Hoshiyama, San Francisco; Fuji Hikida, Teton, Idaho; Frank Y. Kinomoto, Seattle; Lily Otera, Los Angeles; Chozo Shida, Honolulu; Tol Takamine, Denver; Newton H. Takashima, Gresham, Ore.; George Ushiyama, Rocky Ford, Colo.; George Yamada, Brighton, Colo.

SECOND YEAR

Abe Hagiwara, Chicago; Marc Scherbacher, Japan.

THIRD YEAR

Charley Hirai, Idaho Falls; Tad Hirota, Berkeley; Kazuo Kuwahara, Anaheim, Calif.; Dr. H. T. Tamaki, Collegeville, Pa.

FOURTH YEAR

H. Tsutomu Ikemura, San Diego; Harry Mizuno, Chicago; Frank K. Yamazaki, Idaho Falls.

FIFTH YEAR

Mashie Bessho, Montebello, Calif.; Noboru Honda, Chicago.

SIXTH YEAR

Willie Funakoshi, Los Angeles; Sim Togasaki, Alameda.

Denver

The intensive 1000 Club membership campaign in the Mountain-Plains region announced the signing of the 45th member, George Yamada, Rt. 1, Brighton, Colo., last week. James Imatani, area chairman, hopes to pass the previous high of 56.

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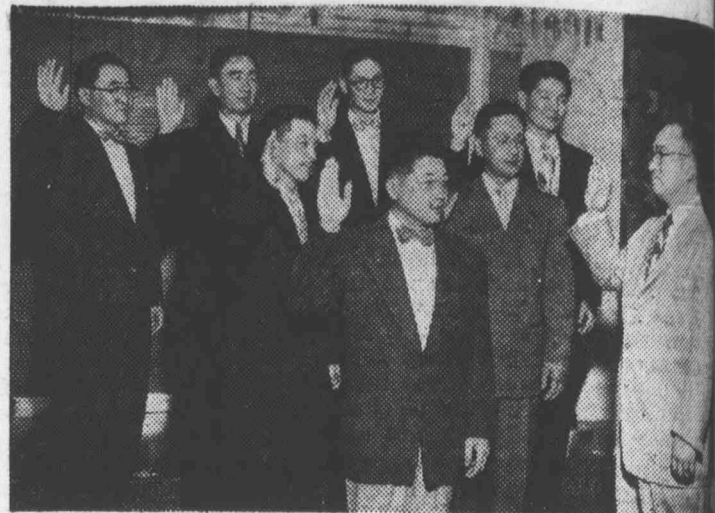
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Chapter presidents in Los Angeles county sworn into office by George Inagaki, National JACL president (extreme right) are (left to right) BACK: Tom Ito, Pasadena; Art Endo, Hollywood; Wilbur Sato, East Los Angeles; Ken Amamoto, Venice; FRONT: Hishashi Horita, Southwest Los Angeles; Dave Yokozeki, Downtown Los Angeles; Elmer Uchida, West Los Angeles. —Toyo Miyatake photo

By TATS "Sou'Wester" KUSHIDA

One of the nicest crowds we've seen attended the this annual joint installation dance of the Los Angeles area chapters on Jan. 30.

The Golden State room of the Statler Hotel turned out to be a perfect setting for the occasion. Over 350 JACLers and friends were on hand to witness the official swearing in of seven chapter cabinets. Unfortunately, a pea-soup fog prevented members of the Long Beach-Harbor District and the Gardena Valley chapters from probing their way through visibility so their presence was missed. Their respective presidents who were to have been installed were Fred Ikeguchi and Yo Minami.

A pleasant surprise was Abe Most's orchestra, heretofore untied at Nisei dances. A clarinetist of note, his band of five provided the best music in recent years, according to practically everyone there.

Callahan Inagaki, national president, conducted the cabinet installations ritual at intermission, followed by the presentation of chapter president pins to the outgoing president by Saburo Kido, past national president. Recipients were:

Harry Fujita (DLA), John Watanabe (ELA), Arthur Ito (Hollywood), Jiro Oishi (Pasadena), Mack Hamaguchi (SWLA), and James Kito (WLA). In absentia—Ryo Komae (Gardena Valley), Nobu Nakamura (Long Beach-Harbor District) and Kiyo Tanaka (Venice).

Frank Chuman did emcee chores and introduced Sgt. Mrs. Hersh Miyamura, CMH, Consul General and Mrs. Shinichi Hogen, Consul and Mrs. Kira and Bob and Nancy Pirosh. The proved to be the first time Pirosh, writer-director of MGM's "Go For Broke," met the Nisei winner of the Medal of Honor who had also served in the 442nd RCT.

This annual event is proving to be more and more popular and plans are already underway to schedule next year's affair again at the Statler.

Mile-Hi JACL: Chapter president Sam Matsumoto has been instructing numerous bridge classes in the past. He began a beginner's class with 20 members, now meeting Friday nights at the Denver Buddhist church. A \$2.50 fee is being assessed.

Sacramento JACL: George Inagaki, National JACL president, will be main speaker at the Feb. 14 meeting of the NCWN district council at the George Manhart American Legion hall, 3250-5th Ave., it was announced by Ginji Mizu-

tani, chairman.

Oakland JACL: A membership drive to surpass last year's count of 96 was started under chairmanship of Paul Nomura. With the city divided into zones, committeemen are making home calls, it was announced by Zoggy Akahoshi, chapter president.

Eden Township JACL: D. McElroy of U.C. Extension will be guest speaker on "Eden Township and You" tonight at the chapter installation dinner. Miss Sumi Kato is the chapter president.

RICHARD MATSUICHI KAWADA

Anyone knowing the whereabouts of above named person is kindly requested to notify his mother, Mrs. Sue Kawada, who is seriously ill. Her address is care of 3518 Wai'alae Ave., Honolulu 16, T.H. Kawada is about age 47, resided in Honolulu until 1932.

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Los Angeles Newsletter

HENRY MORI

If the enthusiastic response to the Los Angeles JACL Coordinating Council joint installation dance last Saturday at the Hotel Statler was any indication of what's to come then we're in for a busy reporting job in September when the 13th biennial national convention is held there with the local chapters as hosts.

More than 350 socialites danced to Abe Most and his orchestra. The music and atmosphere (we must say) was "most" delightful.

Honored guests included Sgt. Hiroshi Miyamura, holder of the Medal of Honor, and his wife Terry; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pirosh, MGM Studio director of "Go for Broke"; and Japanese Consul General Shinsaku Hogen.

Attorney Frank Chuman introduced the dignitaries. The function was chairmanned by Mme. Merijane Yokoe and Chiyo Tayama.

Los Angeles airport bigwigs this week stirred with interest as the Japan Air Lines plane "City of Kyoto" made its only pre-inaugural flight stop here, rolling its wheels at the International Airport in Inglewood.

When the two-day reception, sightseeing tours and Mayor's Office ceremonies were over for more than 35 JAL guests from Tokyo, officials here and from Japan began shedding crocodile tears: why can't we have a terminus here for the JAL?

Under the State Dept. and Civil Aeronautics Board, no JAL planes, or as a matter of fact, any other foreign airliner can land their wheels here. Washington has set San Francisco as home base. And although we have a natural center for airborne foreign trade, the rules say no.

The JAL's single visit has awakened local authorities for they are afraid that eventually such shortcoming may hamper foreign trade and they may lose much of the business to San Francisco.

Kensuke Horinouchi, former Japanese Ambassador to the United States, says Japan hopes to soon have a base in Los Angeles but that of course depends much on what the government does here.

In Pasadena's Calif. Institute of Technology, Dr. Henry Nagamatsu, senior research fellow in aeronautics, made a report that he has recorded compressed air velocities up to 9½ times the speed of sound. To a layman, the discovery is just another puzzle but what it means in theory is that it is possible to shoot a missile from here to New York City in a matter of 15 minutes by use of such compression.

In another scientific field, George Eric Onishi, experimental engineer for Studebaker plant, South Bend, Indiana, came into town with a group of smog-fighting officials to study the situation in the west coast.

Sniffing the exhaust fumes from 2 million cars is no easy task. But the smog committee hopes to find out what part the vehicles is playing to make the southland's otherwise pure air polluted.

Meantime, southlanders just basked in their warmest Feb. 1, 2 & 3, in recorded weather history when the mercury climbed to 86 degrees. It followed an equally warm Jan. 31 of 86-degrees but failed to break that day's mark of 87.

VITAL STATISTICS

Births

DOI—Jan. 18, a boy Michael Thomas to the Tom Doi, San Jose.
KAGETA—Jan. 2, a boy Grant Duane to the Frank Kageas (Florence Doi), Loomis.
KATO—Dec. 27, a boy to the Kiyoshi Katos, Stockton.
MATSUMOTO—Dec. 26, a girl to the Roy H. Matsumotos, Berkeley.
MATSUMOTO—Jan. 20, a boy to the Joe Matsumotos, Fowler.
MIYAMOTO—Jan. 21, a boy to the Hisao Miyamotos (Chizu Matsumoto), Watsonville.
MURASAKI—Jan. 9, a boy to the Allan E. Murasakas, Pasadena.
NITTA—Dec. 20, a girl to the Harold M. Nittas, Stockton.
OKAMOTO—Jan. 1, a boy to the Jin J. Okamotos, Lodi.
SAITO—Jan. 16, a boy Gordon to the Isamu Saitos, Fresno.
TAIRA—Dec. 29, a girl Carrie Yoko to the Kotaro Tairas (Keiko Uyechi), Los Angeles.
TAMAKI—Jan. 6, a boy to the Osamu Tamakis, San Francisco.
UJIYE—Dec. 18, a girl Gail Toshiko to the Arthur Akira Ujiyes (Loretta Shigeko Ohashi), Los Angeles.
YAGI—Jan. 24, a boy to the Thomas Yagis (Haruyo Yamasaki) Watsonville.
YAMAMOTO—Dec. 30, a boy to the Irving Yamamotos, San Francisco.
YAMAOKA—Jan. 19, a boy to the Noboru Yamaokas, Fresno.

Engagements

KAWAMURA-ASAMI—Joy, Fresno, to Pvt. Taro, Reedley.
KITAGAWA-FUJIMOTO—Elizabeth, Fargo, N.D., to George, Minneapolis.
MASADA-UZAKI—Miyoko, Fresno, to Junjo (Kentucky), Jan. 19.
MORI-SANBONGI—Marjorie to Kazuo, both of Fresno.
NAKASONE-UCHIMA—Mitsuko, West Los Angeles, to Kei, Los Angeles, Jan. 23.
TANIMOTO-TANIGUCHI—Yuriko, Los Angeles, to Mitsuo, Santa Maria, Jan. 24.

Marriage Licenses Issued

AOTO-KIDA—George, 31, Pasadena, and Nobuko, 30, Santa Monica.
HAMADA-MAEDA—George Hamada, 33, and Amy Maeda, 23, both of Penryn.
KAWAGUCHI-MATSUMOTO—Masakazu Kawaguchi, 35, Berkeley, and Sumiko Matsumoto, 26, American Fork, Utah.
KODAMA-KAWASAKI—Naohi Kodama, 68, and Tsuyuko Kawasaki, 48, both of Seattle.
MATSUMORI-TSUBOI—George T. Matsumore, 25, and Ikuko Tsuboi, 25, both of Glendale, Ariz.
SHINODA-SOGAWA—Yoshimi Shinoda, 35, Berkeley, and Hisako Sogawa, 33, San Francisco.
SUZUKI-ENDO—Satoshi, 33, Los Angeles, and Kaoru, 29, Whittier.
TAGAWA-TANAKA—Satoru, 24, and Harue, 25, both of Los Angeles.
TAKAMI-THOMPSON—Albert S. Takami, 22, Nyssa, and Mary A. Thompson, 16, Ontario, Ore.
TAMAKI-SHIOYAZONO—Sumiji Tamaki and Kiyoko Shioyazono, both of Denver.

CALENDAR

(Items for this column are necessarily restricted to JACL-sponsored activities.—The Editor.)

Feb. 6 (Saturday)
CHICAGO: Pre-Bowling Tournament dance, Hyde Park Hotel. Coronation of tournament queen.
BERKELEY: Dinner honoring 75 Issei citizens, Wing Kong Restaurant.

Feb. 9 (Friday)
MONTEREY PENINSULA: Installation potluck dinner, JACL Hall.

Feb. 13 (Friday)
DETROIT: Japanese movies.
SACRAMENTO: Invitational bowling tournament, Alhambra Bowl.

Feb. 14 (Sunday)
NCWDC: Quarterly meeting, George Manhart American Legion Hall, 3520-5th Ave., Sacramento. Dinner-dance, Players Club, 2315-9th St., Sacramento.
SACRAMENTO: Sixth annual bowling invitational tournament.

Feb. 15 (Monday)
SALT LAKE CITY: Mrs. Harue Miyake Benefit recital, LDS Church Assembly Hall.

Feb. 19 (Friday)
CHICAGO: Meeting, Woodrow Wilson Rm., 13th floor, 116 S. Michigan; Francis McPeck speaks on "Human Relations in Chicago."

Feb. 21 (Sunday)
SWLA: Snowhike.

Feb. 25 (Thursday)
DOWNTOWN L.A.: Luncheon, San Kwo Low, 228 E. 1st St., 12:15 p.m. Supervisor John Anson Ford, spkr.

Feb. 28 (Sunday)
PSWDC: Cabinet clinic, WLA and Venice host chapters.

Mar. 5 (Friday)
BERKELEY: Installation dinner-dance, Mira Vista C.C., 7:30 p.m.

Mar. 5-7
CHICAGO: Eighth annual Nat'l JACL bowling tournament, Hyde Park Bowl.

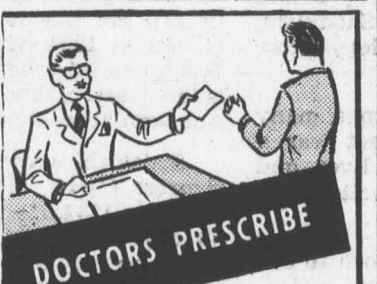
TAMANAKA-TAMANAKA—Masaru, 24, and Jean S., 24, both of Los Angeles.
TSUJI-OTAKE—Kiyoshi, 28, Burbank, and Mary M., 21, South Pasadena.
UMENE-NOMURA—Shinga Umene, 28, Alameda, and Flora Tomiko Nomura, 24, Oakland.
UYEHARA-MURANAKA—Masaru, 22, Compton, and Teruko, 22, Gardena.
YAMANAKA-SASAO—George J. Yamanaka, 31, and Kuniko, 29, both of Cupertino.
YOSHINAGA-MATSUSHITA—Kiyotaka, 32, Hawthorne, and Margaret H., 28, Gardena.

Weddings

HAMACHI-NISHIKAWA—Jan. 23, Ted Teruo Hamachi, Covina, and Alice Kumiko Nishikawa, Norwalk, at Los Angeles.
ISHIMOTO-SAKAI—Jan. 23, Roy Toshizo Ishimoto, Lancaster, and Ruth Shizue Sakai, San Francisco, at Los Angeles.
ITOMURA-OYADOMORI—Jan. 23, Masayasu Itomaru, Honolulu, and Toshiko Oyadomori, Los Angeles.
NAITO-NOMI—Jan. 24, Takashi Naito, Reedley, and Amy Nomi, Los Angeles.
OGAWA-KURANAGA—Jan. 24, Kempo Joe Ogawa and Fusaye Kuranaga, both of Los Angeles.
OTSUKA-IGUCHI—Jan. 17, Kenneth Kenji Otsuka, Chula Vista, and Dorothy Tayeko Iguchi, San Diego.
TABATA-HAYANO—Dec. 20, James Tabata (formerly of Hollister) and Judy Hayano, both of Minneapolis.
TANAKA-OTA—Jan. 24, Joe Tanaka and Nikki Naomi Ota, both of Los Angeles.
TASAKA-AZUMA—Jan. 23, Arthur Tasaka and Jane Azuma, both of Los Angeles.
TERASAKI-SUMIOKA—Jan. 24, Ichiro Paul Terasaki and Hisako Sumioka, both of Los Angeles.
YOKOYAMA-TANIGUCHI—Jan. 17, Frank M. Yokoyama, Rosemead, and Kazuko Taniguchi, Los Angeles.

Deaths

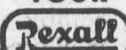
HOSHIKO, Eigi, 75: Ogden, Jan. 20.
INOUE, Minomatsu, 84: Los Angeles (formerly of San Luis Obispo), Jan. 11.
ISHIKAWA, Junji J., 69: Seattle, Jan. 22, survived by wife Masako, daughters Mary and Myra.
MATSUDA, Mrs. Masano, 65: Seattle, Jan. 19, survived by son Kiyoshi and three daughters (all in Japan).
SHIMIZU, Juichi: San Bernardino, Jan. 23, survived by wife Tsuneko, sons Tatsuya, Arthur, daughters Kiyomi and Mrs. Emiko Nishi.
YAMASHITA, Chosaburo, 74: Los Angeles, Jan. 27, survived by wife Chiyo, son Jo Shozo and daughters, Mmes. Susan Kado, Kikue Inouye.
YAMASHITA, Ishisaburo, 87: Watsonville, Jan. 21, survived by wife Riki (Japan), son Akira, three daughters, Sadami Wada, Nadaye Yamashita and Chisayo Miyazaki (all Japan).



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Mile-Hi JACL assist in Citizenship Day ceremonies

Denver

Representing the JACL at the city-wide observance of Citizenship Day Committee was Mrs. Fumi Yabe, Mile-Hi chapter third vice-president in charge of public relations, announced Sam Matsumoto, chapter president.

The committee organizes the annual program to honor newly naturalized citizens in October. Last year, several Issei were included.

Intermountain YBA

Salt Lake City

The 18th annual Intermountain YBA conference will be held Feb. 20-21 at Honeyville, Utah, it was announced by Bill Mizuno, IYBA chairman. A two-day bowling tournament precedes the convention at Ogden, Feb. 13-14. Miss Hatsumi Mitsunaga, recently selected Bussei Sweetheart of 1954 reigns at the conference ball Feb. 20 at Brigham City.



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EDITORIALS

From the Frying Pan . . .

Community Census

A modest but enterprising community directory for the Watsonville area compiled by the JACL chapter there was published last week. It contains 294 names, addresses and telephone numbers of Pajaro Valley residents of Japanese descent.

The small pocket-size green-covered booklet was the result of a year's work headed by Bill Mine, past chapter president, and June Sugidono, past chapter secretary, and a crew of 20 workers.

The JACL chapter also announced its findings of 1,159 persons of Japanese ancestry in the Watsonville community. Actually counted, the JACL census takers found there are 271 Issei, 520 Nisei and 368 Sansei. Other statistics show 63 Nisei were war veterans; of the 294 families, 80 percent were members of the Buddhist church, that 35 percent were workers in skilled, semi-skilled, laborer, professional and business fields in a primarily agricultural area.

The chapter deserves special recognition for its population study. It was one joint venture which shall have lasting effects.

Census figures have always guided policy-makers, be they in business, government or civic welfare. That a JACL chapter recognized these possibilities with a community census is certainly contributing to the meaning of "better Americans in a better America."

Democratic Principles

Day after day, the major newspapers report news which the Pacific Citizen must limit to a half column on this page under the heading, "Minority."

In Asia, it can well be to the contrary, for Communists exploit such items to their ends—telling the millions in Asia of the struggle between Caucasians and non-Caucasians. In their attempts to show western democracy as purely white man's domination over Asians, they may succeed.

But the little steps being taken, as this week's announcement that segregation of schools on U.S. military posts would be completely eliminated by 1955, can mean more effective practice of democratic principles. Each step can betray the Communist on how much of a liar he can be.

We need front-line vigilance against the Communists, but the home-front should never be left unguarded to some prejudiced incident either.

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Nondescript Nisei Nebula

Denver

At Bob Uyeda's home the other night, in the course of a discussion on the wisdom of drawing for a low straight in the face of what appeared to be a pat hand, the subject of Nisei characters came up. Whoever suspects the Nisei are a colorless crew ought to sit down with some oldtime Pacific Coasters and listen to them reminisce about the sundry oddballs that sprang from their midst. There were and are scores of them, fabulous characters all, and a recounting of their foibles, escapades and idiosyncracies makes an entertaining evening.

Larry Tajiri, who was in Nisei journalism longer than anyone, knew a great many of these characters. He has a remarkable memory for detail and anecdote and could tell some amazing stories if he were so inclined. We suggested a series of columns about characters he has known, but Larry is reluctant to rattle old skeletons drying for so these many years in remote closets.

Some day, perhaps, when the adolescence and early adulthood of the Nisei is a remote thing, Larry might be persuaded to write a book for a limited circulation about the strange and wonderful personalities who spiced that era. A quick preview of such an unborn volume would reveal the inclusion, surely, of a chapter on the adventuresome and fun-loving preacher's son who had a marvelous knack for falling into trouble and emerging bathed in rose-like perfume. Then there would be a chapter on the man who was going to fly the Pacific to Tokyo and back when airplanes were scarcely more than contraptions; the fellow who was a professional super-patriot; the perennial promoter who was always in rags; the self-styled greatest Nisei tramp of all time, and many others of similarly fascinating ilk.

Our Mike is at the age where good grooming and clothing lay an exceedingly important

Vagaries . . .

Bohemian Sadakichi Hartmann

Sadakichi Hartmann was one of the most fabulous characters of that American artistic Bohemia which came into being shortly before the 1900s. For a vivid half-century Sadakichi, tall and gaunt, strode with his long legs across America's art and literature.

Although he left some 400 paintings, many plays and books behind, his impact was a personal one. He influenced the lives and times of the great and near-great writers and artists of his period.

Carl Sadakichi Hartmann was born in Japan in 1869 of a Japanese mother and a German father. He came to the United States in his teens and died in Florida in 1944, his daughter, Wisteria, one of a dozen children, was at his side. Hartmann's death, at the age of 75, was briefly noted by the wire services, for it was in the midst of World War II and by that time most of his contemporaries were dead and a generation has grown up which has not heard his name.

Sadakichi was technically an Issei, but most Nisei do not know him, either.

In his later years Hartmann lived mostly around Hollywood and he was an intimate and confidant of Gene Fowler, John Barrymore, W. C. Fields, and Charles Chaplin. Long before Sadakichi's death Fowler, who is certainly the most interesting of American biographers, determined to write the story of Hartmann's life. He discussed it with Barrymore, whose biography, "Good Night, Sweet Prince," Fowler later wrote. Somehow, and the reason may be apparent shortly, the book didn't jell.

Last week the Viking Press in New York announced the forthcoming April publication of *Minutes of the Last Meeting*, which isn't the long-projected life of Sadakichi but is Fowler's personal memoir about his attempt to do the Hartmann biography. The book reportedly will include "assists" by Barrymore, Fields and John Decker.

The Fowler book will be the first biography of Hartmann, but Sadakichi is remembered in many memoirs and recollections written and published by his friends and associates. They range from the memory of James Huneker, the famous critic (or was it Menck-en?) who recalled the dervish figure of Sadakichi, dancing like a man possessed, at a gathering of authors and critics at Luchow's on New York's 14th Street, to Emma Goldman, the anarchist, who remembered Sadakichi's long legs striding the floor at meeting in a

part in his life. He goes to church socials in a white shirt open at the collar, a freshly laundered pair of jeans, white socks and white duck shoes. That's what the rods wear, and by gosh he's a rod.

This recently developed concern with appearance has created a deep impression on his mother. I wasn't aware exactly how deep until a few days ago when she picked up a dress downtown. When she got home, she put it on, hurried off to seek Mike's opinion and approval, and his advice as to whether she ought to take up the hem. Satisfied with his approbation, she doffed it and hung it in the closet without so much as showing it to the man who'll pay for it.

"How come?" I asked. "Don't I count any more?"

Airily, she replied: "Mike knows more about such things. He pays attention to clothes and I value his opinion."

Makes a man feel mighty old.

Television has made a wrestling fan of Mike. In many ways he is quite sophisticated, but he was taken in completely by the grimaces, the groans, the seemingly authentic brutality of this branch of the drama. My careful attempts at exposing professional wrestling as an entertaining fraud were unsuccessful.

So one recent night I took Mike to see a real, live match. We got seats (complimentary, of course) in press row right at the edge of the ring. I was nervous all evening long, as huge and sweaty wrestlers threatened to fall through ropes right atop us. But we were close enough to see the subterfuge, the pulled punches, the clever showmanship.

When it was all over Mike admitted the matches were as phoney as stainless steel molars. "But," he added quickly, "I like wrestling better than ever now. Boy, it sure is fun being up close to those great, big, strong guys. When can we go see 'em again?"

by Larry Tajiri

time of industrial strife.

Sadakichi Hartmann gained fame primarily as a playwright, poet and a connoisseur of art. He was naturalized as an American citizen in 1894 when he was 25, although a few years later he would not have been considered acceptable for citizenship because he was born abroad and was of Japanese ancestry.

Sadakichi wrote three plays about religious figures: *Christ* (1893), *Buddha* (1897) and *Moses* in 1934. He wrote a book about the last 30 days of Christ, the one single work by which he may be remembered in some future time. His published books of poetry include *Drifting Flowers of the Sea* (1906), *My Rubaiyat* (1926) and *Tanka and Haiku* (1926). He painted more than 400 canvases. He wrote many other books and poems which were not published.

There was a time when Sadakichi took over one of the great houses on San Francisco's Russian Hill and founded an artist's colony, ruling it with the magnanimity and tyranny of a Kubla Khan. He was the center of artistic movements in Greenwich Village and in Hollywood where, for some years, he annually played host at a salon of the intellectually acceptable. At 3 o'clock one morning, presumably after one of these affairs, he was arrested by a policeman driving a taxi-cab in (of all places!) Glendale, Calif. Sadakichi's only explanation was that he had borrowed the cab.

Back in the early 1930s while we were editing the old California Daily News, we published a number of Sadakichi's *Haiku* and *Tanka*, the latter a classic form of Japanese poetry, fixed in feudal times in the standard arrangement of five lines. At that time Hartmann was living the life of a hermit in a mountain-desert retreat some miles from Los Angeles. We once wondered whether Sadakichi was living in his hermitage at the time of the evacuation of persons of Japanese ancestry by military fiat in 1942 and whether he, too, was a victim of mass displacement and mass indignity.

Sadakichi Hartmann was a man about whom legends clung. He proved his virtuosity in myriad fields. He was a brilliant conversationalist and a teller of tales. Gene Fowler's book may sweep away the legends, or create new ones.

There is a portrait of Sadakichi in a California gallery by Einar Hansen which pictures Sadakichi in his later years, brooding and gaunt, the way he will be remembered.

DECADE AGO

Feb. 5, 1944

Gen. Emmons warns against retaliation against persons of Japanese ancestry because of Japanese atrocities against U.S. and Filipino prisoners of war in the Philippines. . . . Inhuman treatment of Americans and Filipinos during fall of Bataan denounced by various Nisei groups.

Japanese Canadians refuse to accept Japan foodstuffs in protest against fascism; Dominion Nisei ask government to recognize citizenship of birth.

Hawaii's Nisei major factor in rebuilding territory's military defenses, Los Angeles lawyers told by central Pacific area deputy engineer.

Liberal coast congressmen present proposal for postwar treatment of Nisei; see voluntary resettlement program.

Tank units to be withdrawn by Army from Tule Lake segregation center, reduce guard personnel to normal complement.

Dies committee issues report on "yellow peril" to halt WRA program of releasing persons from relocation camps.

MINORITY

Gus Garcia, San Antonio attorney who argued a case pending before the U.S. Supreme Court in which a Mexican American was barred from jury service because of nationality, was honored by the Mexican-American Council of Chicago.

Only three states in the Far West, California, Oregon and Washington, have civil rights statutes prohibiting discrimination at hotels, restaurants and other places of accommodations, it was declared in the 1954 Civil Rights Objectives for the West Coast, an NAACP survey states.

The Army will take no steps to court martial or otherwise discipline the 50 Negro servicemen arrested and fined in Columbia, S.C., on last Thanksgiving night as a result of a Jim Crow bus incident.

A local campaign initiated by the Cairo (Ill.) NAACP branch ended Jim Crow practices previously engaged by some movie houses. The southernmost city of Illinois in January, 1952, was the scene of violence when the NAACP sought to end segregation in public schools.

Exclusion of Negro families from the Col. Hamtramck Homes, low-rent public housing development in suburban Detroit, has been banned by order of U.S. District Judge Thomas P. Thornton. It ended a seven-year legal fight.

Senate hearings on the FEPC bill starting Feb. 23 can be concluded in sufficient time to have legislation considered on the Senate floor, according to Sen. H. Alexander Smith (R., N.J.). Hearings were originally scheduled Jan. 12.

Negroes may now be served in the Knoxville (Tenn.) municipal airport restaurant. The new policy was instituted by vote of the City Council.

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