



Vagaries

BY LARRY TAJIRI

PICTURESQUE BACKGROUND OF JAPAN

Denver

We found 20th's *House of Bamboo* to be a melodrama played against the vivid panorama of postwar Japan. It's no great shakes of a drama, being saddled with a routine cops-and-robbers story line, but the CinemaScope screen is filled with a succession of colorful backgrounds which makes the picture a rewarding one, if simply as a travelog. There is the Japanese countryside with Mount Fuji, garish Tokyo scenes of neons, crowded streets and pachinko parlors, and the quietude of the great shrines.

Shirley Yamaguchi's performance is easily the best in the picture. She adds a dimension of warmth and humanity to the scenes in which she appears, giving the film a blood and flesh reality which the rest of the picture does not have. Miss Yamaguchi plays the secret wife of a Tokyo gangster named Webber who is killed by his own gang when he is wounded during a hold-up. The criminal syndicate, made of renegade American ex-GIs and headed by Robert Ryan, has standing orders to kill any member who is wounded—on the theory that any man captured by the authorities will inform on the other members, since each man has his breaking point.

Robert Stack is appropriately tough as a member of the Army's criminal investigation department who disguises himself as an ex-convict friend of Webber's and comes to Tokyo from San Francisco to join the gang. His one contact is Webber's widow, Mariko. Although she is unaware of her husband's real background, it is through her that Stack convinces Ryan of the validity of his assumed identity.

BEST FILM SINCE V-J DAY

House of Bamboo is one of a number of films made by American companies in Japan since V-J day. It is easily the best so far. Produced by Buddy Adler, it was directed by Samuel Fuller, the writer-director of the independent *The Steel Helmet*, the Korean war film. Into this latter picture, Fuller wrote in the character of Tanaka, the 442nd Combat Team veteran, and gave Richard Loo who played the role some pungent lines about discrimination against Japanese Americans in the United States.

Some of the best scenes which Fuller directed in *House of Bamboo* are those between Stack and Miss Yamaguchi, delineating the awakening love between the tough army cop and the young widow.

Other principals in the film include Sessue Hayakawa as Kita, the Japanese police inspector, who underplays effectively. Cameron Mitchell is Ryan's No. 1 aide, and Brad Dexter is a CID official. Sandro Giglio is a newspaperman turned informer. Teru Shimada, one of Hollywood's most accomplished actors of Japanese ancestry, appears briefly as Nagaya, Mariko's uncle. Robert Hosoi is a doctor and May Takasugi has a good scene as a bath attendant. Bob Okazaki, a veteran of Hollywood films for a quarter-century, plays Hommaru, the pearl merchant.

Japan is getting to be a popular location for Hollywood. All of the exteriors and many of the interior scenes in *House of Bamboo* were made in Japan. Columbia's *Tokyo Joe*, which starred Humphry Bogart several years back in the story of an American tough guy in Tokyo, was another cops-and-robbers yarn, most of which was filmed in Hollywood with only the exteriors done in Japan. Many of the scenes in Paramount's *The Bridges at Toko-ri* were lensed at Yokohama and Yokosuka, but all the scenes in which Grace Kelly appeared—including the bathhouse sequence—were shot on the Paramount lot. Although William Holden, Fredric March and Mickey Rooney made the trip to Japan, Miss Kelley didn't leave Hollywood. The as-yet-unreleased Columbia's *The Gentle Sergeant*, starring Aldo Ray and Mitsuko Kimura, was made in the Osaka area.

PROSPECT OF FUTURE STORIES

There was a flurry of co-production deals after V-J day, with Japanese producers joining in with Americans in financing pictures, but all of these went awry. The main reason was that major American producing firms were not involved, and the pictures were made by independents on veritable shoestring. *Tokyo File 212* turned out to be a cheap crime melodrama, and *Geisha Girl* was a tired farce. Both of these are being seen on TV on the late, late shows. Several other films, including *The Invisible Worm* and *Forever, My Love*, have not been released, the producers figuring they may not be good enough to stand a chance in the world market.

The man who is the go-between Hollywood and the Japanese film industry is Norman Thomson, a civilian employe of the motion picture service of the U.S. Army's Far East Command. It was Mr. Thomson who helped get U.S. Army cooperation on scenes showing Army operation in the film.

Mr. Thomson recently was quoted as saying he had received a number of queries from Americans who hope to make films in Japan.

"Every suggestion I have seen is either about an American boy and a Japanese girl or a cops and robbers chase," Thomson says. "That's not enough. Too many directors think of Japan in terms of Mr. Moto. From now on it will take good stories that are germane to the Orient."

BOY IN FAMILY OF 12 ATTENDS BOYS NATION, CHOSEN CHIEF JUSTICE

(Washington) Richard Kono, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Kono, Farmington, Mo., was the sole Nisei delegate to Boys Nation last month and was elected chief justice — one of the top three elective posts, the others being president and vice-president.

The Missouri Nisei is one of a farming family of 12. He will be student-body president of his high school next fall. One of two state delegates to the 10th annual Boys Nation sponsored by the American Legion, where youths from all over the country come to study and witness government in action, he met President Eisenhower and all Washington dignitaries.

Kono also visited the Washington JACL Office during his stay here.

SACRAMENTO BOX PLANT IN SPECTACULAR BLAZE

(Sacramento) Seven engines and nearly 200 men responded to fight a spectacular blaze Sunday night at the Capital City Box Co. plant at 2nd and Q Sts., operated by Gen Hitomi.

The fire attracted many Issei and Nisei who were witnessing the Obon Festival dances nearby. Fire officials surmised the fire started from a small bonfire built by vagrants along the railroad tracks in back of the box company building.

Congressman eases Justice Dep't pressure on claimants to adjudicate claims quickly

(Washington) Rep. Emmanuel Celler (D., N.Y.), chairman of the House Judiciary Committee, addressed a letter to the Attorney General that remaining claimants be protected from pressure during the congressional recess from adjudicating their claims under present restrictive Dept. of Justice interpretations.

The letter was first suggested by Mike Masaoka, Washington representative of the Japanese American Citizens League and Committee on Japanese American Evacuation Claims.

Under provisions of the Hillings bill, many items, which have heretofore been considered non-compensable under the restrictive interpretation of the attorney general, will be allowed.

Masaoka, who has been in con-

STATE SOCIAL WELFARE OFFICIALS SEE SNAG IN MASTERSON BILL GRANTING ISSEI ALIEN PENSIONS

(Los Angeles) Aged Issei hopeful of receiving California old age assistance benefits under Master-son Bill (AB 2255) enacted by the state legislature in June may not receive pension payments until next year, even though the effective date of the Act is Sept. 7, according to Tats Kushida, JACL regional director.

Officials of the State Department of Social Welfare and the Bureau of Public Assistance which will administer the program in Los Angeles county informed Kushida that the state headquarters office of the department is now preparing new forms, regulations and procedures which apply to the special group made eligible for Old Age Security benefits under this new law.

This group includes only those who were ineligible for citizenship because of race or national origin

prior to Dec. 24, 1952, who had lived in the United States continuously for 25 years, who had attained the age of 60 years on or before Dec. 24, 1952 and satisfying eligibility requirements. This would qualify most Issei who for reasons of age or infirmity were unable to become naturalized citizens even though naturalization privileges became available to them on the above date under the Walter-McCarran act.

While this law establishes a precedent in that it extends Old Age Pensions benefits to non-citizens for the first time, the major difficulty in establishing policies and procedures, Kushida was informed, was the clause which states "this section shall not be construed to authorize the granting of aid to a person who has committed an overt act against the United States."

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NEW AMENDED EVACUATION CLAIMS BILL INTRODUCED BY REP. LANE

(Washington) To correct some ambiguous language inadvertently drafted in the latest Hillings Bill on evacuation claims, Rep. Thomas J. Lane (D., Mass.) chairman of the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Claims, introduced a new bill in the waning hours

of Congress at request of Mike Masaoka, Washington representative of the Committee on Japanese American Evacuation Claims and the Japanese American Citizens League.

The bill, which was prepared by COJAEAC and the Washington JACL Office, was introduced by Congressman Lane at the request of Congressman Hillings' office since Rep. Patrick J. Hillings (Rep., Calif.) is in Europe on official congressional business and is not expected to return until fall.

The present bill is identical in purpose to the previous measure introduced on June 29 by Congressman Hillings.

Since some questions were raised, however, regarding the interpretation and meaning of some of the provisions of the amended Evacuation Claims Act of 1948, the new bill was redrafted to clarify its remedial intent.

Under the present statute internees had been excluded as a class eligible to file claims. In addition, claims for management, conservation expenses, fair rental value, and fair crop losses had been declared to be noncompensable items.

The Lane-Hillings bill specifically provides that these claims shall be considered compensable items.

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Amendments to immigration regulations permit prospective Japanese immigrants to visit U.S. without losing quota place

(Washington) Prospective Japanese immigrants to the United States may visit temporarily on a non-immigrant visa without losing their place on regular quota list, the Japanese American Citizens League was informed Tuesday by the State Department visa office.

This important amendment to the regulations is of special benefit to those who desire to visit the United States temporarily for business or compassionate reasons but who previously could not do so without forfeiting their place on the quota waiting list if a non-immigrant visa were obtained.

In particular, there are many Nisei stragglers in Japan, parents who wish to visit their children, and Japanese business men who wish to look after their business interests here.

The prospective immigrant, thus is no longer faced with the dilemma of either postponing the necessary trip to the United States until the regular visa is issued, which might be several years, or taking the trip and losing his place on the quota list.

The JACL office has joined with many other organizations in urging upon the State Department relaxation of procedure in order to allow people with compassionate and business problems an opportunity to visit in the United States without losing their registration priority on the quota list.

Exceptions to the regulation of those whose names cannot be retained on the regular quota waiting list by the consular officer are an exchange visitor who in such status may not also be an intending immigrant; an alien who

has been deported from the United States unless the attorney general has consented to his reapplication for admission; or if the consular official has reason to believe that the alien has violated his status while in the United States.

Such violations would include accepting employment while in the United States except with the permission of the immigration authorities or willfully overstaying the period of permitted entry.

In this event the consul can remove the alien's name from the waiting list and require him to file a new application for registration.

Under the new regulations, aliens who qualify for a first preference quota visa under the Act may have their names entered or retained on the appropriate quota list.

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From the Frying Pan

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BROTHER RUBE AND FAMILY VISIT

Denver

For the past few days we have been playing host to the Minneapolis branch of the Hosokawa family, namely my brother Rube, his wife Yoshi, and youngsters Dave and Mary Sue. Fortunately, even the 90-degree weather we've had to suffer in Denver was more comfortable than the summers they've been subjected to in Minnesota.



We did what almost everyone does at a family gathering—ate ourselves silly, sat around and yarned a lot, and went sight-seeing. We went fishing one day, too, after the vaunted Colorado trout, and came back with one sad specimen. That's one matter we'll have to correct before they make a return visit.

Our guests had made a long and arduous pilgrimage back to the home country in the Pacific Northwest, and it was heartening to hear their report of the economic and social progress being made by the Nisei thereabouts.

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NISEI IN PACIFIC NORTHWEST

We recalled the case of one brilliant Nisei who was studying to become an aeronautical engineer at the University of Washington back before World War II. When his class visited the Boeing plant, he alone was barred at the door, although there was no reason for such super-security other than that this student had been born an American with a Japanese face.

The experience embittered the boy. He went on to get his degree, but he knew that many other doors would be closed to him when it came time to go job-hunting. So he booked steerage passage to Japan, don't know where this Nisei is now, but he was more than ordinarily bright and I'm sure that the United States is the poorer for having lost him.

Today, after the bitterest of wars, the doors at Boeing are no longer slammed in the face of Nisei. The Nisei have proved that they belong. Scores of them are employed in the Boeing plant, many in critical capacities, many in positions that require long years of study and specialized scientific knowledge. And the security and compensation from such jobs, as Rube pointed out, has enabled these Nisei to own homes and live on a scale in keeping with their abilities.

I suppose this story could be repeated many times. Operating in reverse, prejudice has worked to our advantage. Take the cases of men like Albert Einstein and Enrico Fermi who fled the repression of Nazi Germany and Fascist Italy, respectively, to become the American architects of the atomic age. Where would this country be today if it had not given asylum and welcome to these refugees seeking liberty and opportunity? It's a shame that some of our own native-born have had to flee these shores in search of that same opportunity. But as Rube and I had occasion to observe together, a wrong has been righted, belatedly but surely.

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GENERAL ACCEPTANCE

The situation at the Boeing aircraft plant is but one manifestation of the acceptance that the Nisei have won all over the country, and especially on the west coast. In pre-evacuation days a Nisei could expect to be hired on the basis of his abilities east of the Cascades and the Sierra Nevada. On the west coast, where prejudices were deep-seated, the Nisei faced a stone wall with few fissures to break the front. Now, not only do the Nisei find opportunity, but there are many instances where they are sought out and invited to take jobs.

Many times, even in Denver, I've heard employers praise their Nisei employees and say, "I would be happy to use 20 more Nisei as well qualified as Joe, Sam and Tom."

Sure, we talked about a lot of other things, too. But these were the matters that Rube and I dwelt on as we recalled our boyhood and a host of old friends whose paths had not crossed ours for many and many a moon.

Minority Week

Attorney General Eugene Cook's proposal to discharge any public school teacher in the State of Georgia who joins or contributes to the NAACP has been denounced by the Georgia NAACP State Conference as "an encroachment of the constitutional guarantees of every white and Negro citizen."

The executive committee of the NAACP Conference meeting here recently took "the position that any American citizen has the civil and constitutional right to join or support any organization whose purposes are legitimate and not contrary to the law of the land."

The policy of labeling institutions of higher education by race in its annual *Education Directory Part 3: Higher Education*, has been abandoned by the Office of Education. The next issue of the *Directory*, which will appear early in 1956, will not carry the designations heretofore used to indicate racial distinctions, the NAACP was informed.

Japanese press keeps watchful eye on Russian concentrations along Japan Sea, despite glowing prospects of Geneva talks

Tokyo

Without a single exception, Japanese newspapers have done an outstanding job covering the Summit meeting of the Big Four leaders at Geneva in past weeks. Speeches of the American, British, French and Soviet leaders were all prominently played up, the texts printed in full with annotations and significant portions fully explained.



It was the first important international news breaking in the Japanese press that was treated such blazing headlines where Japan was not directly involved as a member of the international conference.

The tenth anniversary of the United Nations drew similar treatment in the Japanese press, but it didn't measure up to the importance attached to the Geneva talks. It may be proof that Japan has great expectations from this conference.

The Geneva meeting outlined plans for peace and disarmament. It was a needed welcome for the Japanese, who have long been exposed to direct threat from the Communist powers in the Orient.

Prior to the Big Four talks, the Japanese Communist party had announced its plans to "disarm". It was a strange overture for the Communists were known to have secretly trained for street fighting and rated an organization on the scale of a small national army. The Japanese populace was wholly unprepared for the "disarmament" announcement. It may spell an even more dangerous consequence as this change of policy could mean a higher stage of accomplishment in the left-wing movement.

On the other hand, some have interpreted the announcement as something which was to be expected in advance of the Summit talks.

When the Japanese Reds announced "disarmament", there were no reports of pistols or rifles being surrendered. Firearms and weapons are still in their hands, concealed and ready for emergency use.

It would be well to remember that the Japanese concept of "peace" is likely to differ from the American concept. Today, the Japanese lies overdosed with the sugar-coated pill called "peace" as administered by the Communists for these many years. Hence, President Eisenhower's message may ring difficulty in Japanese ears. Said Eisenhower:

"The American people are determined to maintain and, if necessary, increase this armed strength for as long a period as is necessary to safeguard peace and to maintain our security."

"But we know that a mutually

dependable system for less armament on the part of all nations would be a better way to safeguard peace and to maintain our security. It would ease the fears of war in the anxious hearts of people everywhere. It would lighten the burdens upon the backs of the people. It would make it possible for every nation, great and small, developed or less-developed, to advance the standard of living of its people, to attain better food, and clothing, and shelter, more of education and larger enjoyment of life.

"Therefore, the United States government is prepared to enter into a sound and reliable agreement making possible the reduction of armament. I have directed that an intensive and thorough study of this subject be made within our own government."

Interpretations of the Geneva talks has proven to be a delicate matter. It depends on which point of view the interpreter has—ultra-conservative or super-radical. Time will be the only judge of the Geneva conference.

Japan's press was correct in attaching great importance to the Big Four talks, even though Ja-

pan wasn't a participant. She was looking across the Japan Sea, as she has been for a long time, at the Soviet Russian concentration of some half-million soldiers, 3,000 planes and 120 submarines, when the Big Four talks were being held.

This Russian bid for peace was made in Geneva. In the Japan Sea, Russia means business. Japan is in danger of invasion, whatever has been said elsewhere.

Hawaiian Nisei named welfare finance officer director for west U.S.

(Honolulu) John Miki, finance officer of the Territorial Department of Public Welfare, has been elected western regional director of the National Conference of State Welfare Finance Officers.

Miki attended a week-long conference at Denver last month.

It is the first time an official from Hawaii has been so honored.

Miki will hold office for two years, covering financial developments in welfare agencies in Washington, Oregon, California, Colorado, Arizona, Idaho, Alaska and Hawaii.



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Honolulu Newsletter

BY LARRY NAKATSUKA

AMERICAN DEMOCRACY IN ACTION

Honolulu
Quite often the best examples of American democracy in action can be found close at hand. The Nisei in Hawaii may not fully realize it but they themselves are demonstrating the successful manner in which our type of society is perpetuating and, more than that, accelerating progress in human relations.



It is much easier, perhaps, for the Nisei to find fault with the society in which they were born and reared, than it is for them to appreciate the tremendous implications of their rather short history in these islands.

It was a short 70 years ago when the first group of Japanese immigrants landed in Honolulu as contract laborers for work on the sugar plantations. Working conditions were hard and sometimes harsh; wages were low; and living conditions trying. The children of the immigrants obviously were handicapped by the circumstances in which they and their families found themselves. But slowly, steadily, the opportunities for advancement opened up for the new generation. Once the wheels of progress started turning, the pace was stepped up with each passing year. Every challenge and obstacle has been met successfully.

The Nisei can congratulate themselves for much of this success. They worked hard to achieve progress. They earned the recognition that came to them in larger numbers and in more conspicuous ways in recent years.

SITUATION NOT BRIGHT ELSEWHERE

By contrast, the Negroes comprise a small minority in the United States. If the problem in America were anything like it is in South Africa, there would be only 30 million white people as compared with 130 million Negroes.

Obviously, under this situation, the attitudes of the whites towards the Negroes would be quite different and relations far more strained.

As it is however, the United States is fortunate in that the Negro problem is concentrated in large part in the South. The U.S. Supreme Court has ruled against segregation in the schools, and it is a matter of time, despite the practical difficulties involved, before this problem will be handled effectively. The Negroes have been integrated into our Armed Forces much more smoothly than even the advocates had expected. The Eisenhower Administration has selected outstanding Negroes for high posts in the Federal government.

As one observer has noted: "Much of the success of the Negro in overcoming his legal, social and economic disabilities has been an outgrowth of the strong stand on his behalf taken by church leaders, journalists, trade unionists, businessmen and politicians who have created a climate of opinion favorable to Negro claims and who have based their assertions on the values which constitute the American Creed: Equality of treatment under law and human brotherhood under God."

But they could never have come as far as they have if this were some other community—Japan, for instance—and not Hawaii. The ingredients were here to make it possible for an ambitious, hard-working race of people to rise progressively higher in the economic and social ladder. Hawaii was a community that could absorb peoples of different races, cultures and traditions, and provide the opportunities for growth for each new group of immigrants and their off-springs. It has worked with the Japanese, as it has worked with other segments of the community.

If one is inclined to be blasé about this example of social progress, he should be reminded of cases where the opposite situation prevails. For an extreme illustration, take the case of South Africa, where the racial problems are so complex and overwhelming that most Nisei would be horrified if they were acquainted with the facts.

There, the trend is the exact opposite of that in the United States. Instead of desegregation, South Africa's remedy is more and more segregation.

NISEI PROBLEM

The scope and complexity of the problem can be seen in some of these facts: The principal problem is that the non-Europeans are a big majority, far outnumbering the white population. South Africa also has several races — not only whites and natives, but Indians and people of mixed blood, called "coloreds."

By comparison, the "Nisei problem"—if it can even be called that—has been infinitely easier to cope with. The climate of opinion did not have the long and difficult history to overcome as it did in the case of the Negroes. True, there were occasions when the feelings against the Nisei were antagonistic and even tense, as during the Pearl Harbor period. But in retrospect, circumstances have been favorable to the Nisei to an extent that they themselves have not quite comprehended their vastly improved status in this community.

Perhaps it is time for them to take stock of their progress in order that they may chart their future course more intelligently and even more successfully.

DOCTOR ORDERS EDITOR TO QUIT, PAPER FOLDS
(Wailuku, Maui) The Valley Island Chronicle has suspended publication indefinitely because of the illness of its editor, Ricki Yasui.

Yasui wrote his readers in a farewell editorial July 15 that a "gimpy leg from an old shell fragment wound plus galloping old age" has forced him to seek a less strenuous routine.

Colorado Times publisher dies

(Denver) Fred I. Kaihara, 67, publisher of the Colorado Times for the past 25 years, of Lakewood, Colo., died Saturday, July 30, at the General Rose Hospital here.

(The Colorado Times, five-day-a-week English Japanese vernacular, had changed hands July 1.)

Kaihara had been an influential leader in the Colorado Japanese communities for the past 30 years. He previously headed the local Japanese-American association and for two years served as an interpreter and instructor in the naturalization of Issei Japanese.

Kaihara was born in Okayama prefecture in Japan and was educated at the Univ. of Oregon law school.

Two cars collide, drivers blinded in duststorm

(Ontario, Ore.) A blinding dust storm caused two cars to collide north of the Farmer's Market on Highway 30 July 23.

Kenneth E. Takeshita, 19, of Ontario ran into the rear of an auto driven by Hugh Glenn, 55, of Rt. 1, Nyssa, who received some injuries and was hospitalized.

Both drivers said that the dust impaired their vision to such a degree that the accident was unavoidable.

Midwest secretary

(Chicago) Mrs. Esther Hagiwara is replacing Mrs. Ruth Matsuo, who was granted a summer leave of absence, as Midwest JACL Regional Office secretary. Office hours during the summer are from 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

HAWAII ISSEI ALIEN TRAVEL TO MAINLAND CLARIFIED, NO SPECIAL DOCUMENTATION NEEDED FOR TRIP

(Washington) Alien Issei traveling from Hawaii or Alaska to the mainland of the United States no longer need to secure special documentation as a prerequisite, the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League announced this week.

Its statement was based upon the decision of the attorney general, acting for the commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization, that he would not appeal the so-called Haymes deportation case to the United States Supreme Court.

Popular crooner Dick Haymes was ordered deported by the Department of Justice on the grounds that he illegally entered the United States after a trip in 1953 to the Territory of Hawaii to woo actress Rita Hayworth. The government charged that Haymes was an "excludable alien" because he claimed deferment from military service in World War II as a citizen and national of neutral Argentina.

Federal Judge Burnita S. Matthews, in the District Court of Washington rejected these arguments by pointing out that, by law, the Territory of Hawaii is a geographical part of the United States, and therefore, no entry into this country was made since the singer was simply traveling from one part of the nation to another.

The government, which had publicized the case when it was first brought to their notice, allowed it to be dropped without any formal announcement or explanation.

Although the Haymes case received greater publicity, the District of Columbia justice based her opinion on a previous judgment, that of the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in the Alejandro Roca Alcantra case decided on May 31 of this year.

Alcantra, a Filipino fisherman, left Seattle for temporary, seasonal work in the Alaska canneries. On his return to Seattle, he was detained by the Immigration and Naturalization Service and ordered deported as not having

complied with those provisions of the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952 which treat aliens traveling from Hawaii, Alaska, Guam, Puerto Rico, or the Virgin Islands to the continental mainland in about the same manner as immigrants from a foreign country applying for admission in the United States.

In the Filipino fisherman decision, in which the alien was represented by attorney A.L. Wirin of Los Angeles, the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, through Justice William H. H. Taft, held that Hawaii and Alaska, for example, are not "foreign soil" within the meaning of the Walter-McCarran Act, but are integral parts of the Federal Union.

In commenting upon the attorney general's decision not to appeal the Haymes decision, Mike Masaoka, Washington JACL representative, declared that the findings of the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals and the District of Columbia court vindicates JACL's contention that the Walter-McCarran Act was not intended to harass and humiliate aliens seeking to travel from either the Territories of Hawaii or Alaska.

In this connection, the Washington representative recalled that it was in 1948 that the JACL succeeded in having President Truman revoke the 40-year discrimination against the Issei in Hawaii which was promulgated by President Theodore Roosevelt in 1907 by executive order. These orders provided that all immigrants admitted into the Territory with "limited passports," which was the case of most alien Japanese, could not enter the United States mainland without complying with requirements usually reserved for temporary visitors from a foreign country.

In his representations to the White House, Masaoka argued that since Hawaii was an integral part of the nation, and not a foreign land, there should be no restrictions on travel, even for aliens, between Hawaii and the continental United States.



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TRUMBULL PARK AFTER TWO YEARS

Chicago

Over the past two years, Trumbull Park housing project has been in national limelight because of racial disturbances that began June 30, 1953. The Pacific Citizen, in interest of keeping its readers informed on the status of minority groups in housing projects—public or private (if financed with government funds)—has kept abreast of significant developments with Trumbull Park.



As it starts its third year, a Negro resident's point of view was revealed. There are 30 Negro families living in the 462-unit development today.

"The neighbors in the project are friendly now," a 26-year-old Negro mother of two children told the Chicago Daily News Reporter Robert Gruenberg last week. "I feel that the people in this community had only read or heard things about Negroes. Now that we are living among them they found out we are just like other people."

The young mother, Mrs. Dora Gully, who taught school in Alabama before coming to Chicago several years ago, her husband Eugene, 33, and youngsters have lived in the project since October, 1953. "The first three months were the most hectic," she recalled. It took three months for the neighbor next door to meet her and a year later, she was invited into another neighbor's home across the way.

"There are many in the project who are our friends—but they can't afford to express their opinions," she added. "Outside the project they are still as hostile as ever," and not elaborating further.

When the Gully family first moved into Trumbull Park, when disturbances were at their heights, she didn't go anywhere outside the project except to the store two blocks away. "Then we began to fight for walking distance. Now we can walk to places within a one-mile radius," she continued, although police have advised against it.

"But I feel that if I don't walk alone I'll be here"—mooting about here to the small four-room apartment—"for the next 20 years. The sooner I walk alone, the sooner I'll do it in peace."

Of the aerial bombs that are still exploding at nights, she said they have learned to sleep through them. "To me this is just like living in any other neighborhood—until night comes. Then I'm reminded I live in Trumbull Park," she said.

As for leaving, the Gullys may move someday to a better place but not back to the one room at 55th and Prairie Sts. to escape this. "At first, I was afraid—just like anyone else. They put snakes in my house, shot the windows out—and I'm not the bravest person. We stayed. We just feel we owe it to our children."

AROUND WINDY CITY — PERSONALITIES

Chicago and 63 other communities of Illinois started collecting an additional 1/2 cent city sales tax from Aug. 1 to the state's 2 1/2 cents on a dollar.

Something new has been added to the predominantly masculine realm at the Chicago brokerage office of Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Beane. It's perk and petite Edith Wu, 22, daughter of former governor of Formosa, Dr. K. C. Wu. Her spot on the trading desk keeps her on the phone most of the day as she deals with business institutions, helping to buy and sell unlisted securities. The Chinese girl arrived in Evanston from Asia five years ago, enrolling at Northwestern University where she racked up impressive records in the school of commerce as a major in finance.

Richard B. Vail, manufacturer of wire-staplers and wire products and U.S. congressman from the Chicago Southside, died July 29 at the age of 59. He served in 1946 and 1950 and was an outspoken Republican candidate in 1948 and 1954, losing by narrow margins to Democratic incumbent Barrett O'Hara.

Women's Fellowship of Christ Congregational Church will have a beach party Aug. 14 at the Montrose Beach, pits 9 and 10, from 1 p.m. The church's bi-weekly Passage staff is vacationing this month and will resume work with the Sept. 6 issue . . . Kenwood-Ellis Community Center sponsored a children's fair and street-dance last Saturday.

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(San Francisco) New memberships and renewals in the JA CL 1000 Club received at National Headquarters here for the month of July are as follows by chapters:

- EIGHTH YEAR
East Los Angeles—Ken Utsunomiya.
- SEVENTH YEAR
Hollywood—James O. Ito.
San Luis Obispo—Karl Taku.
- SIXTH YEAR
Columbia Basin—Harry Masto.
- FIFTH YEAR
Berkeley—Masuji Fujii.
Santa Barbara—Ikey Kakimoto.
Chicago—Jack N. Kawakami.
Florin—Dick Nishi.
Gardena Valley—Ken Osaka.
Seattle—Fred Takagi.
Twin Cities—Harry I. Takagi.
San Jose—Dave Tatsuno.
- FOURTH YEAR
Chicago—Franklin Chino.
East Los Angeles—Ben Katow.
Seattle—William Mimbue.
Long Beach—Masao Narita, Mrs. Nobuko Narita.
Dayton—Frank Y. Sakada.
Salinas—Henry Tanda.
Placer County—Thomas M. Yego.
- THIRD YEAR
Gardena Valley—Ryo Komae.
Seattle—Peter Ohtaki, C. T. Takahashi, Dr. Kelly Yamada.
Coachella Valley—George K. Shibata.
- SECOND YEAR
East Los Angeles—Anson Fujioka.
Downtown Los Angeles — Dr. H. James Hara, Ernest Iwasaki, Choyei Kondo, Dr. Mitsuya Yamaguchi.
Seattle—Joe S. Hirota, John M. Kashiwagi, George Y. Kawachi, Mitsugi Nogi, Dr. Paul S. Shigaya, Minoru Yamaguchi, Miss Kazie Yokoyama, Juro Yoshioka.
Chicago—Dr. Victor S. Izui, Noby Yamakoshi.
San Francisco—William T. Kimura, Alice Shigezumi, Daisy Uyeda.
Sequoia—Richard Kitasoe.
West Los Angeles—Mrs. Mitsu Sonoda.
Placer County—Roy T. Yoshida.
- FIRST YEAR
Seattle—Hiram Akita, Howard B. Sakura, Ted Sakura, George Yanagimachi.
Downtown Los Angeles — Kazuma Chogyoji, Kaei K. Kamiya, Roy W. Kito, Albert S. Kushihashi (North Platte, Neb.), Nisuke Mitsumori, H. S. Murayama, Mrs. Michiko Nagahiro, Dr. William Sato, Dr. Megumi Y. Shinoda, Dr. Arthur Sugino, Matao Uwate.
Gardena Valley—Katsueemon Hatano, Kameichi Kuida, Kiyoshi Momii, Kodo Muto, Yatsuka Yano.
Chicago—Thomas Hayashi, Corky T. Kawasaki, Miss Sumi Kobayashi, Mrs. Asako Sasaki, Richard A. Tani.
Alameda—Haruo Imura.
Sacramento—Dr. James J. Kubo.
Salinas Valley—Tulie Miura.

Dentist's office door damaged by home-made bomb set in mailbox

(Stockton) Explosion of a small home-made bomb in the mailbox of the office door of Dr. James Tanaka, 301 W. 9th St., damaged the building entrance early last week.

Malicious mischief was the only explanation police could find for the mysterious explosion over the weekend which broke out the door glass, ripped away the inside door moulding and shattered the wooden mail receptacle.

Michi Ueda, Dr. Tanaka's dental nurse, discovered the damaged door on arrival at work Monday morning.

Police examination at the scene indicated a small bomb had been inserted in the mail slot on the side and halfway up the door.

Nothing was reported missing from the building.

Police said they found bits of black tape and adhesive tape scattered around the office and theorized the bomb may have been made by wrapping gunpowder in the shape of a ball with the tape.

Damage to the entrance way, to the office was estimated at \$50 by police.

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Claims

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of the new bill.

He recommended further that claims which might have an upward allowance in the light of proposed legislation should have the determination of final awards postponed until the next Congress acts one way or another upon the Hillings bill.

In this way, he asserted, fairness to both the claimants and the Department of Justice, whose work must continue on through the summer months since appropriations have already been allocated, is dealt.

Members of the Subcommittee on Claims expressed some astonishment at the request made by Masaoka and declared it was an unprecedented action. However, after great deliberation and cognizant of the reasonableness of the suggestion and the injustice which would devolve upon those whose claims might be adjudicated during the summer months, with possible favorable action on the Hillings bill forthcoming in the next Congress the suggestion were accepted and the letter sent.

Japanese medical society founder dies at 75

(Los Angeles) Dr. W. Kaworu Iseri, founder of the Japanese Medical Society of Southern California in 1914, died at the age of 75 after a lengthy illness July 23. A graduate of the Stanford Medical School, he had been practicing in Los Angeles for 43 years.



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CHAPTER MEMOS

San Francisco JA CL: Marshall Sumida, who chaired the community picnic committee, was appointed to the chapter board, succeeding Sets Asano who has resigned . . . The membership report shows 629 as of July 7—and the goal is 700. The chapter 1000 Club roll shows 49 members.

The chapter blood bank supply has been depleted. An SOS call was issued in the July 27 chapter newsletter for members to call on Irwin Memorial Blood Bank, 2700 Masonic Ave., JO 7-6400.

Southwest Los Angeles JA CL: A square dance session with Ken Keenly, member of the So. Calif. Square Dance Callers' Ass'n, will be held tonight at the International Institute. Tats Sumida is evening chairman.

IN HONOR OF

Yajiu Yamada, sixth-dan judoist, of Los Angeles, who spent ten days demonstrating his art at the Phoenix Boys Club and Y.M.C.A., was made deputy sheriff of Maricopa County and a member of the Arizona Mounted Patrol, Mesa-Chandler Troop 1. A naturalized Issei, his daughter Takako was a Nisei Week queen and attendant last year.



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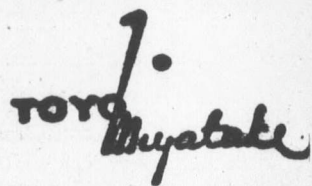
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BY HARUO ISHIMARU

San Francisco

Last week the San Francisco JACL chapter invited me to write an article for their monthly newsletter which I was most happy to do. I am using the same article for this week's column. Because of proximity, I have worked most closely with this bustling chapter and have leaned heavily on them for assistance.

However, I would like to point out that our district council has been particularly fortunate in having the best and the most active chapters in our national organization. The National Membership Bulletin of July 15 will bear this out. We had 4,403 out of the national total of 11,906 from the eight District Councils, practically twice as many members as the second largest area. But, back to the San Francisco Chapter.



SALUTE TO SAN FRANCISCO JACL

With remarkable rapidity the last four years have sped by. It seems such a short time ago that I assumed my position on June 10, 1951. Many interesting assignments have come my way and a number of them have taken place in San Francisco. The San Francisco JACL Chapter, because of its strategic location and its very important position has played a major role in the history of the Japanese American people. Of course in any struggle for growth and progress there is required a number of stimulants and factors. This local chapter has been part of an integrated organization which has made tremendous gains by working together. With all due respect to the brother units and the parent organization, I would like to extend my warm commendations to the San Francisco Chapter for their part in the truly historic events that have taken place here.



NATIONAL CONVENTION—1952

Let us recollect some of the important events that were staged here. One of the greatest and certainly the most dramatic JACL national convention was held in San Francisco in 1952. When the National Board met a day before the official opening of the convention, a depressing gloom cast its pall over the officers because of the report that the President had vetoed the bill which would have given our Issei parents the right to become citizens of the U.S., the land that they had adopted and which they had served more fully than we Nisei can ever match. The Bill would have established also a quota for immigrants from Japan for the first time in American history. A very small and token number, it is true, but nevertheless it would have removed the Japanese from the category of undesirable aliens. It was during this convention that our delegates, in response to a fervent plea from our Washington, D.C. office, rallied our forces to fight the veto and to persuade Congress to override the ominous decision. I remember how our business session was halted when all of our delegates stopped for a moment of prayer. No one can forget the wild excitement and exhilaration that possessed the convention when we learned that we had won. Our Issei parents were vindicated; the Nisei were no longer "second class American citizens." Yes, that was a conviction.

LOCAL NATURALIZATION PROGRAM

No time was wasted here in implementing this new law thereby translating it into a workable reality for our Issei. Here in San Francisco the first naturalization class to be taught in Japanese was authorized by a public school body even before the bill was effective. The class was sponsored jointly by the Chapter, and the San Francisco Adult Education Department. Another milestone was the first mass naturalization examination ever conducted by the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service when almost 200 Issei from the Bay Area took their examination in the Japanese language in San Francisco. A solemn and moving occasion was the first swearing-in ceremony of a group of new American citizens of Japanese ancestry in the Japanese language. This symbolized the fruition and the rich reward of our years of tears and work.

However, the battle was not over by any means. Because of an adverse ruling of the Naturalization Section of the U.S. the Issei men who had been exempted from army service during World War I were denied citizenship. This would have affected possibly 80 per cent of our Issei men. Again we took up the battle and challenged the U.S. Government itself, and here in the District Court of San Francisco, the case was won which overruled the decision of the naturalization department. Victor S. Abe, of our city, was the chief attorney in this very important case which removed the last obstacle.

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATION

We weren't finished. California had the blackest record
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CONFERENCE SCHEDULES:

NC-WNDC meets Aug. 7 at Salinas

(The following schedule for the third quarterly session of the Northern California-Western Nevada JACL District Council Aug. 7 has been reported by Harry Shirachi for the host Salinas Valley chapter.)

Headquarters: Hotel Cominos, Salinas
11:30 a.m.—Registration of official and booster delegates.
1 p.m.—Meeting for official delegates.
6 p.m.—Dinner. George Inagaki, National JACL President, main speaker.
8:30 p.m.—Dance at Knights of Pythias Hall.

Second Annual NC-WNDC Golf Tournament
Aug. 7—Salinas Golf & Country Club
James Abe, Harry Shirachi—Tournament Co-Chairmen
7:30 a.m.—Starting time for delegates who plan to attend afternoon business session.
11 a.m.—Official starting time.
Prizes: Five low net prizes; one novice prize for players without established handicaps; and one prize for 1000 Club members.

NATIONAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT: by MASAO SATOW

Hopes of accumulating \$100,000 in nat'l JACL endowment fund this year recalls 1936 biennial convention when idea originated

San Francisco

The idea of a National JACL Endowment Fund was originally conceived at the 1936 Biennial in Seattle. At the time we thought our sights were pretty high on a \$100,000 goal. We recall National Treasurer Sim Tgasaki, then known as the "Alexander Hamilton of JACL", hustling for Endowment pledges on the convention outing boat ride.

The initial boost was a \$1000 contribution by Dr. Russell WeHara of Oakland. Incidentally, it can now be disclosed that an anonymous donation to National JACL a week after Pearl Harbor was from Mrs. WeHara.

At evacuation time the National Endowment totalled \$3300, part of which was used by JACL to carry on its important wartime program and subsequently returned.

Our present goal is ten times the original figure, but we have hopes of this year attaining \$100,000, what with \$85,400 in now. At the start of this year when our Endowment Trust stood at \$80,000, the actual market value of our trust shares amounted to \$92,000. According to our able Administrative Assistant Daisy Uyeda, who handles all details for the Endowment, 2235 contributions have been received for the Fund since the endowment program was stepped up at the 1952 National Convention in San Francisco.

Encouraging letter

Along with the contributions to our Endowment we have received many heartwarming and encouraging letters. One from Mr. and Mrs. Jenmatsu Mio of Wilmington, Calif., says in part:

... This is in appreciation for the evacuation claim we received recently. We thank you deeply for your untiring efforts and continual fight for justice in our behalf which resulted in all of us receiving compensation for our losses.

May the JACL keep up the marvelous work it has done in the past. We have always felt grateful for the great service our organization has rendered, and we hope that this contribution will, in a small way, help you to continue with the tremendous job still ahead of you.

Lest there be any misapprehension that National JACL is "loaded with dough", we point out again that the purpose of our Endowment is to assure some income for JACL's current operations through dividends therefrom.

The principal in trust is not to be touched except in the event of a national emergency threatening the welfare of persons of Japanese ancestry in this country, and even then, only upon the written consent of three fourths of our chapters in good standing.

COJAEC membership

National President George Inagaki made a hurried trip to the Pacific Northwest last month, covering Portland, Hood River, Tacoma and Seattle. He reports 95 additional signups for the committee on Japanese American Evacuation Claims. Although larger claimants are carrying the load for our present claims program, the provision for a token payment to every evacuee in the

New song, new dance to be premiered at East L.A.'s Emerald Ball

(Los Angeles) Socialites attending the East Los Angeles JACL Emerald Ball, Aug. 13, at the Elk's Club will be treated to two premiere performances: vocalist Masto Karasawa will sing a personally-composed ballad, "Come Back", and night club dancer Miss Ding Dong will present "Street Scene".

Karasawa has made recent appearances on TV and at local night clubs, while Miss Ding Dong (Amy Iwanabe), who has been dancing since the age of 8, has worked extensively in movies and in night clubs after training with the Michio-Ito Studios.

Hillings Amendment should be of more than passing interest to everyone.

Lest we miss the boat

We would like to put in a strong second to Tats Kushida's column plug of James Edmiston's Home Again.

Since the movie rights to the book have been sold, it will be to our advantage to see that the story gets the widest possible reading, not only because the book itself deserves reading, but also to convince the producers that the motion picture must be a major production.



Now is the time to assure the greatest public relations value for ourselves.

Every JACLer can help by simply buying Home Again which is one of the books about our experiences which should be in every home. Many Nisei have expressed the desire to have the book, but the usual indolence in this case may conspire to miss a great bet for ourselves. Order now at the special JACL price of \$3.00. Pay later if you wish, but send in your order now!

1956 nat'l convention

We have had our first informal meeting on the 14th National Biennial which is slated for San Francisco under the auspices of National Headquarters. As announced this week, the famed Sheraton-Palace Hotel will be convention headquarters.

We faced the dilemma between adhering strictly to the "watered down" type of convention as set by the National Council, and making the convention interesting and worthwhile enough to attract a substantial number of booster delegates.

In addition to the usual National Council business sessions, plans include an official delegates luncheon, a mixer, the One Thousand Club affair, an outing, banquet, and sayonara ball. This may turn out to be just about the regular convention we have been having, with the difference that National Headquarters is saddled with all the arrangements.

As of this month, we go on double duty for the interim period since National Headquarters will be servicing the Northern California-Western Nevada area. The National Convention details will be one of the major assignments for whoever comes on the Regional staff.

Hq. gets a break

The 1759 Sutter Street Building board of trustees has decided to apply the \$2000 from the pre-war Nihonjin Kai to general improvements on the building, including a badly needed outside paint job.

We also hope there will be some interior repairs and improvements to make Headquarters more cheerful and homey, after patiently putting up with certain inadequacies for two years. We are not particularly proud of our present National Headquarters look, but as Ed Ennis recently commented, at least our members upon seeing Headquarters will realize that the bulk of their finances is going into program and personnel, and we are trying to keep other expenses at the very minimum.

More joiners

Ten more chapters have boosted their membership listings over last year, making a total of 52 chapters doing better.

The Northern California-Western Nevada and the Pacific Southwestern areas have joined Central California to surpass their respective District Council figures.

Achieving the honor chapters group this past month are Boise Valley, Detroit, French Camp, Gardena Valley, Montana, Northern Wyoming, Placer County, Po-

catello, Reno, and San Luis Valley.

Now if the sixteen chapters yet unreported respond to somewhere near their last year's total, our 15,000 goal this year will be assured.

District conclaves

Both the Intermountain and Northern Cal-West Nevada District Councils are meeting this Sunday, Aug. 7, at Idaho Falls and Salinas respectively. The Pacific Southwest convenes in San Diego on Aug. 14.

Meanwhile, plans are being made by the Puyallup Valley Chapter to host the Pacific Northwest DC Convention in Tacoma this November, and the Snake River Valley Chapter will greet the Intermountain chapters over the Thanksgiving weekend.

Nisei keglers

Congratulations to Chiyo Tashima of Los Angeles and Nobu Asami of Oakland for being named to the "300 Magazine" All Western Women's Bowling team, Chiyo for the third straight year on the first team, Nobu as honorable mention. Both are members of our National JACL Advisory Board on Bowling.

Another Advisory Board member, Choppy Umemoto, will be chairman of our 10th Annual National JACL Tournament in Salt Lake City next March. He will be assisted by former National JACL President Hito Okada as tournament executive secretary. Both helped to organize our first National tourney.

Our Berkeley Chapter and the Eastbay Nisei Bowling Association have already had their first meeting to plan for the 1957 Nationals.

Nisei keglers have built up a tremendous amount of good will for us.

Violinist Roy Tanabe voted outstanding boy at Stockton music camp

(Stockton) Roy Tanabe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eiji Tanabe, 1203 S. Mariposa St., Los Angeles, was named the outstanding boy at the tenth annual Pacific Music Camp July 24.

The announcement was made by J. Russell Bodley, dean of the Pacific Conservatory of Music, at the final camp concert in Pacific auditorium.

Tanabe appeared as concert master of the PMC symphony at most of the summer series of Sunday evening concerts. He was also first chair violinist last year for the Los Angeles high school orchestra and for an all-city high school orchestra in Los Angeles.

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The Squawster

BY TATS KUSHIDA

IT'S A SKEWER (KUSHI-DA)

Los Angeles

No, we ain't washed up yet. The only reason we haven't discussed items gastronomic the past few weeks is that there are other things in life besides food, it says here. Name one. All right: women, it says here again. And that there first sentence has nothing to do with cleanliness or state of mind.

Food is here to stay, and having tastefully introduced this subject, we take this paragraph to pour encomiums upon the booch shishkebab conjured up by host Tom Ito, Pasadena chapter prez, and his wife Mary when we took our two heireses to sample the moisture content in their new swimming pool last Sunday.

Parboiled vegetables alternated with generous chunks of Spencer (sukiyaki) beef marinated in teriyaki sauce are skewered with a bamboo spit (kushi, as in you know what—and it ain't comb) and barbecued over charcoal. Ingredients for the sauce: shoyu, sake, sugar, Ajinomoto, ginger and garlic. Easy on the garlic. This is the McCoy, to coin a phrase.

Whoever said everything he wanted to do was illegal, immoral or fattening is a guy we'd like to invite as a contributor to this column for purposes of introducing contrasting (sic-ed.) viewpoints.

BRING YOUR COMPASS

Warning to visitors: the PSW JACL-PC office is still located in the Miyako Hotel, room 238, in case you might scoot on down the hall looking for our former dingy quarters. The magnanimous proprietor of the joint gave us a spanking new paint job Saturday (our intellectual curiosity is aroused—how do you get an old paint job?) Jim Higashi, Doc Toru Iura and Doc Roy Yamadera (Jim flunked veterinary college, hence no Doc), local CL stalwarts, helped move the furniture around.

Frank "It's a lateolabrax japonica" Suzukida spent all day Monday helping us dispose of our Smithsonian accumulation, rearranging file cabinets and even building new shelves from salvaged coffins. Open-house will be held on August 14—when we'll be in balmy San Diego for the PSWDC meeting at the Esdee Buddhist church.

George Kodama, San Diego prexy, invites everyone to take in the annual chapter weinie bake at Twin Palms after the hardseat session in the peeyem. No charge for the hot dogs but the shappo will be passed for a free will offering.

This weekend, the 7th, we'll be in Salinas attending the NCWDC quarterly gathering at the Cominos Hotel. Driving up with PSWDC chmn Dave Yokozeki, esq. in his Merc will be PC editor Harry Honda, DTLA's embalming specialist Duke "Rigor Mortis" Ogata of Mission Nisei Mortuary who incidentally supplies us with casket rejects, and "The Skewer" (sic - tk).

Couple of columns back, thought we mentioned artist Michi Kataoka doing the town in Japan. This week, we got a postcard from Las Vegas with this cryptic message: "Hi! On July 27. —Michi and Charlie Asawa". Good luck, kids. That's the way we did it back in '40 only we picked Yuma, Ariz. Chas. is active with ELA while Michi's an ossifer of SWLA. No divided loyalty here—it's all in the same grand family.

REWARD

The Calif. Dept. of Employment's director, W. A. Burkett, sent us a nicely engraved commendation which we'll frame for wall-hanging one of these days. The citation was for our serving on the Area Advisory Committee on Minorities of the state employment service which meets regularly to discuss broadening job opportunities for all persons. This agency has recently instituted some progressive non-discriminatory policies which speaks well for the committee's existence.

Speaking of employment, our job assist of the week was trying to locate a precocious Sansei youngster for a part in a tv movie Lassie series.

We finally met Miss Japan—three times, yet. First Geo. Kuniyoshi, majordomo of two Rexall superdrugs here and a new branch in Tokyo, escorted Keiko Takahashi to our office the day after she made the final five in the Miss Universe contest. Then twice again on the street. So now we're on speaking terms. But ever try to talk romaji?

This brings us to a column in the Washington, D.C. chapter's News Notes. It's captioned "Capitolizing". The lead in the July issue sez: "Uwasa is the Japanese equivalent for Capitolizing, we understand . . ." As an exponent of Oriental triple talk, may we say u-was-a right because capitol rumors couldn't be more aptly translated. Which is this week's installment on linguistics.

TRIBUTE TO TWO

The passing parade of pioneer Issei struck close to home last week when the fathers of two swell JACLers, and community leaders in their own right, drew the curtain on their twilight years. Yonekichi Kuwahara, patriarch farmer of Cortez, Calif., had a reunion with his children before giving in to illness. His son, Sam K., is a chapter leader while daughter Yuki's married to 1000 Clubber Chas. Kamayatsu.

Dr. Kaworu Iseri was one of the first Issei medicos of the southland and founded the local ass'n years back. He leaves his wife and several children including Mrs. Alice Sakemi of Indio, who's prexy of the Indio Women's Club. And son, Victor, with whom we undergraddated prewar. Alice's husband Henry, is a farmer and 1000 Clubber. A past PSWDC chmn, Henry recently got a nice write-up in Time Magazine.

TOK TALKS

Glad to hear from Chicagoan Tok. He's announced his association with attorney Ed Ennis of DC on immigration matters. Tok is none other than Harold R. Gordon, past nat'l 1000 Club chmn, whom the grand nat'l hierarchy knighted Tokuzo, after Japan's eminent feudal barrister and horse thief. He reports a pickup of Thousands in the windy city and an improved game of golf in the low eighties. Which is our speed, too, except we run it up on nine holes.

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Immigrants—

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waiting list with the registration priority established as of the date the approved petition is filed with the Attorney General.

The priority date of a first preference alien, that is, a needed skilled worker, is determined by the date of the filing of the petition by the importing sponsor with the Attorney General on behalf of the alien.

The priority date of second preference immigrant status, that is, parents of a United States citizen; third preference, spouse of minor child of lawfully resident alien; or fourth preference, brother or sister or married or adult child of an American citizen, is the date of the filing of the petition with the Attorney General by a relative.

The exception to this rule is that if the second, third, or fourth preference alien is in the United States, the priority date shall not be earlier than the date of such alien's departure from the United States.

Under the amended regulation every alien applying for an immigrant visa makes application at the United States consular office in the consular district in which he has his residence.

However, relaxation of this provision is possible since the consular officer can, using his own discretion or at the direction of the Secretary of State, accept an application for an immigrant visa from an alien having no residence in a consular district if the alien is physically present there.

Another amendment to the regulations removes the requirement that the consular officer in accepting the application for an immigrant visa must be satisfied that the application may be accepted without prejudice to the security of the United States.

In other words, the consular officer no longer judges as to whether or not the alien is eligible to receive a visa but merely accepts the application for a visa.

While the State Department is to be commended for changing its

Japan Davis Cup team hopes for one point in this weekend's fray against Aussies

Australia's Davis Cup tennis team moves to Glen Cove, N.Y., this weekend where a pair of 23-year-old Japanese will try to set a road block in front of their attempt to recapture the coveted championship.

"We have no idea of winning," said Takeichi Harada, captain of the Japanese forces and once one of Nippon's greatest stars. "We hope to win one point. That would make our trip a success."

Kosei Kamo and Atsushi Miyagi carry Japan's hope against Australia's Ken Rosewall, Lewis Hoad and Rex Hartwig in the Eastern-American Zone playoffs Aug. 5-7.

Capable of pulling an upset, Kamo plays a "big game" — good service and good volley with a style patterned after Frank Sedgeman, former Aussie Davis Cup star. Miyagi, Japan champion, is a backcourt specialist, a dogged retriever and armed with marvelous speed and reflexes. Rail-thin former college teammates, they are both exporters.

Kamo gave Eddie Moylan, one of America's top players, a scare in the Southampton (N.Y.) Meadow's Club invitational quarter-final matches last week winning the first set 6-1, then bowing 1-6, 5-7. Miyagi lost in the same bracket to top-seeded Tony Trabert 3-6, 1-6.

Quarter and semi-final matches are on tap in the Southern California Japanese Tennis tournament this Sunday at Solano Canyon courts. They're scheduled between 8 a.m. and 12 noon. Semi-

procedures to take care of what has been a difficult situation, the Washington JACL office pointed out, nevertheless, that this is another illustration that if the administrative agencies of the government wish to interpret the Immigration and Nationality Act (Walter-McCarran Act) of 1952 generously, it is possible to do so.

final scores from last Sunday's series include:

MEN'S 'A' SINGLES
Jimmy Sakamoto def. Ty Saito 7-5.
MEN'S 'B' DOUBLES
Jim Tsuchiyama-Takumi Asano def. Hal Keimi-Tom Keimi 6-2, 6-3.

Roy Hashitani, Ontario (Ont.) golfer, whacked down Fred Stringfield of Caldwell 6-5 in the first round of the President's Flight of the Idaho amateur championship July 22. He was eliminated from the championship flight the day previous when he was up on the 19th hole by Vernon Batt. Hashitani shot a pair of 70s in the qualifying rounds to gain a championship berth.

For the first time since the Mile-Hi Golf Club was formed the 72-hole medal play has been split into two teams with one team playing at Willis Case and the other at the City Park course. Leading the 30-odd players were Dr. T. Ito at Willis Case and Kumagai at City Park after the first round.

Moto Matsuda won the San Francisco Century Club monthly tournament Sunday at Valley Municipal Golf Course with a 138.

Guild Wines took their seventh straight Sacramento Rural League crown with a 9-3 victory over Lodi A.C. last week.

Nancy Ito, stellar shortstop in girls' softball competition in Denver, played with the Granada Fish men's team in a TV feature game last week.

Kaz Maseba won Stockton's Dorado Bowl's sweeper tournament last week with a 947 in five games. Pat Ishizaki of San Francisco led the women entries in the annual Port Stockton Single Classic at Stockton Bowl over the weekend with 895 (345)-114. Over 1,000 entrants are vying for \$500 and diamond ring until Sept. 5; top men's score was 1234 (70)-1306 by Robert Covic of Portland.

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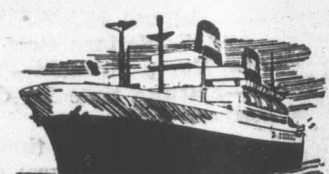
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Los Angeles Newsletter

BY HENRY MORI

'WHITE COLLAR' GETS SOILED

Los Angeles

We read with great interest last week's Honolulu Newsletter by Larry Nakatsuka, who, incidentally, holds an en-able position as press secretary in the Governor's Office there. His thesis in "White Collar vs. Plantation Jobs" should straighten some misguided people in Los Angeles. They feel those who wear a suit in the business world are regarded as suc-cesses. Which is far from the truth of the matter. Many a white-collar worker is dependent upon salaries or commissions and not blessed with a high standard of living (inspite of the well-pressed business suit). His life is one continuous struggle to make ends meet.

On the other hand, there are some 5,000 Issei and Nisei gardeners in Southern California who enjoy a high standard of living. Many of the community business houses strive on their success. Also, we cannot discount the countless number of farmers who come into town over the weekends to buy Japanese food supplies, clothing, home furnishings and appliances. Even the most avid shopkeeper advocating a close-on-Sunday policy admits that the weekend business really rings up the cash register.

BLUE JEANS FINER FINANCIALLY

Jobs for the Nisei before the war were primarily limited to fruit and vegetable stands here. Today, the opportunities have expanded to include the professions and trades. Yet, it's the man in blue jeans who brings home a bigger hunk of money.

That is one of the biggest reasons for one segment of gardeners, mostly Issei, who raise their arms in protest over state proposal to license garden maintenance workers.

They feel regimentation in any form would hamper and discourage future prospective gardeners who may be young students seeking temporary summer-vacation work. They will be future landscape contractors whose annual earnings in five-figure grosses, we've been told. Any mainstay occupation for the general good of the community is a respected one in itself. We should not miss that point.

OUR HODGE-PODGE VACATION

There is an old saying which goes like this: "He who travels alone, travels fastest." During our six-day respite last week from the grinds of newspapering, we had indulged men-tally our week's schedule of events.

Our first from home-base type of daily "vacationing" called for a trip to Disneyland in Anaheim. But when Tuesday rolled around, heir Bennett decided to take an afternoon off by flooring himself under a 104-degree fever. That left us with nothing to elate. It musta been the smog plus heat.

But kids fortunately recover quickly and two days later Bennett insisted we be on our way somewhere to regain from mental relapse. So he picked Long Beach, where only two weeks ago the shore was cluttered with international beauties vying for Miss Universe honors. But that left us still lacking Saturday.

So we packed our buggy and pointed toward Santa Barbara—a happy hunting ground for tired Angelenos—for a day of fiesta and siesta. We imposed our stay at the Herbert Walkers (ex-WRAMan) where we were dinèd with real mission town hospitality.

An 11th hour vacation can leave any man feel like ducking his head into a tub of water. But then Bennett is not to be denied. He is boss in our household.

SCENE FROM THE GOLDEN GATE

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legislative discrimination against the Japanese. It was from San Francisco that the battle was planned to remove the Alien Land Laws which were the most vicious blows aimed against the Japanese, also for remedial legislation in order to obtain Old Age Assistance for the few needy Issei who were unable to obtain American citizenship in order to qualify. The strategy was planned here and the important letters and briefs were written here that won our resounding California legis-lative victories this year.

IN RETROSPECT

Yes, San Francisco has been both the source and locale for many historic events in the life of the Japanese American people. Many persons worked on these projects and I wished that I could name and give credit to all. I can only acknowledge the leadership of the chapter presidents with whom I have worked; Yas Abiko, Fred Hoshiyama, Shig Horio, Kei Hori, and Jerry Enomoto. It was no surprise that the San Francisco Chapter, under the inspired leadership of President Jerry Enomoto, won the coveted "Chapter of the Year" award this year. Without hesitation, I would state that the San Francisco Chap-ter was the outstanding chapter nationally.

The richest reward that I have reaped from my service is the many good friends that I have found and the great privilege of sharing, in a little way, in the monumental work of this great chapter. I salute the San Francisco Chapter and its officers and members. You Have Made American History.

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Births

LOS ANGELES

ABE—June 27, girl Charlene Hisako to Shiyoji Abes (Satsuki Toyoshima).
 AKIYAMA—June 17, boy Richard Kenji to John Akiyamas (Dorothy Hashimoto).
 CARTON—June 16, boy David to Morris Cartons (Joy Kawaguchi).
 DOMON—June 9, boy Keith Yone to Steve Domons (Violet Wozumi).
 EZAKI—June 12, boy Marvin D. to Flyod Ezakis (Nami Nakagawa).
 HIGASHI—June 10, boy James P. to Paul Higashis (Kay Nedzu).
 HIGASHI—June 27, girl Shrilee Kimiko to Susumu Higashis (Hitoye Funa).
 HORIUCHI—June 15, boy Glenn M. to Munetoshi Horiuchis (Kimiko Nikaido).
 IKUTA—June 10, girl Valene Michie to Shigeml Ikutas (Mariko Tatami).
 ISHII—June 20, girl Maureen to Jim Ishiis (Ruth Ishimine), Pasadena.

Pension —

Continued from Front Page States", raising a problem as to how this provision will be interpreted and qualifying standards and procedures determined.

Thus, while the law becomes effective on Sept. 7, it is very possible that the district offices of the Bureau of Public Assistance may not be equipped nor prepared to accept applications until a somewhat later date, BPA cautioned. Contributing to the delay is the legislature's new raise of the maximum monthly old age benefits from \$80 to \$85 so that pension payments must be adjusted for many thousands of recipients thus placing considerable burden on the BPA offices.

Once an application for old age pension is made the BPA said, a two month period is required for investigation by a case worker to determine eligibility. Thus, an Issei who files his application in October or November, may not be eligible to receive his pension payment until 1956.

To summarize, Issei applicants for California old age pension must meet the following qualifications:

1. Must have been 60 years of age on or before Dec. 24, 1952.
2. Must be 65 years of age or over upon date of application (Issei who were 60 on Dec. 24, 1952 could not apply until Dec. 24, 1957).
3. Must have been a resident of California at least 5 years within the last 9 years (broken residence period acceptable) but the 5 years residence must include one year immediately preceding application date.

4. Must have resided continuously for 25 years in the United States.

5. Meet requirements concerning "overt act" above.
 6. Personal property of single, divorced, widowed or separated persons may not exceed \$1200, nor \$2,000 for married couples. Real property may not exceed \$3500, county assessed value.

Responsible relatives under state law must contribute to the support of the recipient, Kushida stated. These include spouse or adult children living within the state and who are financially able to contribute. The investigation of each applicant would include the determination of the net income of responsible relatives and the amount of monthly contribution according to a sliding scale.

The district offices of the Bureau of Public Assistance where applications may be made for California old age security (pension) are at the following locations:

- Alhambra—1509 Valley Blvd.
- El Monte—725 S. Tyler
- Pomona—180 E. 5th St.
- Belvedere—670 S. Ferris, Los Angeles
- 5427 Whittier Blvd., L.A.
- Glendale—152 S. Brand Blvd.
- Hawthorne—101 W. 129th St.
- Long Beach—1917 American Ave.
- San Pedro—1731 Pacific Ave.
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- 2615 S. Grand Ave.
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 KIM—June 20, girl Robin L. to Donald Kins (Ayako Shiraishi).
 KURIHARA—June 19, boy Robert Key-ichi to Saburo Kurihars (Hideko Idogawa).
 MAAS—June 19, boy Edward J. to Robert Vander Maases (Bertha Tabata), Santa Monica.
 MIYAMOTO—June 20, boy Gordon B. to Sunao Miyamotos (LaVons Boyd).
 MOORE—June 24, boy Gordon Kazuo to Richard Moores (Tamako Matsuda).
 OBERSCHLAKE—June 17, girl Helen M. to Albert Oberschlaques (Noriko Maeda).
 OKAWA—June 23, girl June K. to Sa-toru Okawas (Lillie Horibe).
 OYAMA—June 17, girl Judith Ann Hiroko to Albert Oyamas (Helen Hirota), Pacoima.

Nisei driver in middle of 90-min. traffic jam on S.F.-Oakland bay bridge

(San Francisco) A local Nisei engineer was right in the middle of a three-car collision which tied up traffic on the San Francisco-Oakland bay bridge for an hour and a half last week at the busy after-business rush period, but escaped without injury.

According to state highway patrolmen, a car driven by Richard Higashi of 550 Fell St. was overtaken and passed by another operated by Mrs. Celina Francis, 59, of Berkeley. Both were traveling westward toward San Francisco.

Mrs. Francis' car clipped Higashi's and bounded over the double line to collide with an eastbound automobile driven by Arthur P. Cannon, 59, of San Francisco. Mrs. Francis and Cannon were both hospitalized.

Salt Lake Jr. JACL co-chairmen recite vows

(Salt Lake City) Mary Takita and Frank Ujifusa, co-chairmen of the Salt Lake Jr. JACL, were married July 22 in a double-ring ceremony before the Rev. George Hirose at Skaggs Memorial Chapel. In the bridal party were:

Mrs. Darlene Mutchinson, matron-of-honor; Una Kasai, Katherine and Gail Matsumiya, bridesmaids; George Ujifusa, best man; Jack Nakamura, Tom Nakamura, Kuni Kanegae, Tabo Sonoda, ushers.

Bride was given in marriage by her brother-in-law, Tom Matsumori, past Mt. Olympus JACL president. Bridegroom, son of the Mike Ujifusas, Worland, Wyo., is employed by Twilight Studio. The couple will reside at 83½ D St.

Welcome for Yashimas

(Los Angeles) A garden party welcoming Mrs. Taro Yashima and daughter Momo was held at the Fujikuni residence last Saturday. The Yashimas were recent New York residents. Husband-artist Taro has been in Southern California for the past year.

Models for S.F. fashion show set

(San Francisco) A bevy of beauties will model the latest fall creations, many of them highlighting the current popular Japanese influence, at the second annual San Francisco JACL Auxiliary fashion show Sunday afternoon, Aug. 14, at Gyosei Hall.

Headlining the "Fashion Inter-lude" will be the appearance of two former Bussei beauty contest queens: lovely Kinu Abe, Miss East Bay of 1953; and charming Chiz Miyazaki, Miss WYBL of 1954. Also modeling her custom-made creations will be Ruby Yamamoto, former Powers model and a semi-finalist in the "Miss San Francisco" contest of 1954.

Completing the glamour entourage are:

Hana Abe, Kathleen Asano, Sumako Fukumori, Mary Ann Furuichi, Yo Furuta, Mary Hamamoto, Florence Higa, Hideko Maoki, Sumi Naganuma, Gladys Nakabe, Mary Negi, Chiye Okazaki, Jeanette Okazaki, Jean Omura, Lei Sugimura, Kaz Takahashi, Elsie Uyeda, June Uyeda and Alyce Yasukawa.

This fashion spectacular features a hegira to Japan with setting in a midst of breathtaking exotic oriental splendor. Beautiful Japanese objets d'arts and settings will be displayed through courtesy of Japan Air Lines. This preface to autumn within a Japanese fantasy will create an exciting stir within fashion circles.

A tea will follow the show. A drawing for door prizes will be held during the tea. Surprise gift presentations from Japan Air Lines and Pan American Airways will be made to guest

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Editorials

CAREERS IN AGRICULTURE

A career that gave the Issei stature and livelihood was agriculture. In many respects, they were pioneers in truck crops in the western half of the United States since the 1900s.

One of our favorite community newspapers, the Ontario Argus-Observer in eastern Oregon, points to a brochure published by the Association of Land Grant Colleges (county agricultural agents should have a copy on hand) presenting a revealing summary of careers in agriculture.

There are some 15,000 jobs on agriculture now in demand with only 8,500 students to fill these jobs. Openings are varied. Scientists are needed for agricultural research. Jobs in management, food processing, engineering and advertising are many in the agricultural industry.

Conservation, forestry service, wildlife management and foreign agricultural service are other important aspects of agriculture that is outside of farming and ranching.

The Argus-Observer wisely sums up the problem. "Each year, more than 200,000 young men become farmers. The need here is the most important of all. As the population of the world increases and the number of farmers decreases, it becomes more evident that food and clothing will have to be produced much faster and greater quantity if we are to survive."

"Agriculture is a tremendous field. It offers more opportunities than any other field in the world. It should definitely be considered as a highly useful career for the young men and women of today."

It would be somewhat amiss to see fewer Nisei engaged in a field their fathers gained fame. With modernization entering agriculture, it might be wise to take another look at agriculture.

Very Truly Yours

BY HARRY HONDA

TTS DAZZLING OPERATION

One week of operation of the brand new Comet with typesetter (TTS) at the Shin Nichi Bei, where we have our paper published, has dazzled us no end. While the bulk of our copy is still produced by Jerry Ogata, some of the lengthy stories emanating from Washington have been set on the Comet-TTS.



The Comet is a new-design Linotype model. Perforated tape (prepared by typists Mary Imon and Ilene Miwa, who also handle our circulation) is fed into the TTS operating unit and out comes lines of type at 10 lines per minute—much faster than the standard manually-operated linotype which casts about 7 lines per minute.

Automation on the production line has arrived. In due time, other efficiencies should be initiated.

We still want to bring out the Pacific Citizen that merits wider readership, inspite of the presence of many daily vernaculars for the Nisei generation. The fact that we still boast the lowest annual subscription rate for a weekly (\$3 for members) is something more of the JACL membership might take advantage. Gift subscriptions from members are also invited at the same rate.

With Congress unable to adjourn Saturday night, our Washington Newsletter columnist Mike Masaoka asked his deadline be held up till Congress signs off. A trip to Japan didn't deter his missing the columnist's deadline—and we were quite elated over his handling of columns in advance. But we're even more elated at Masaoka's desire to present the latest news of Capitol Hill for this week's column.

Our presence in Salinas this weekend for the NCWNDC third quarter session is not "to cover" the proceedings but to make known our plans (as skimpy as they are at this time) for the 1955 Holiday Issue. We have been grateful in the past for their invitation to re-ignite chapter interest in soliciting Christmas greetings at their functions. The following weekend is being reserved for longtime friend, Haj Inouye, who's getting married to Louise Yamada. Haj worked on the past two PC Holiday Issues with us and we hope now Louise can join us in December.

1st session, 84th Congress adjourns sine die - but will Eisenhower call special session to act on two major bills?

Washington Early Wednesday morning, the First Session of the 84th Congress adjourned sine die, which in congressional parlance means until the Second Session convenes next Jan. 3.

But, even as the legislators prepared for adjournment, there were hints that the President might call the lawmakers back into special session this fall. It appears that the President is not satisfied with the language of at least two major bills passed in the last days of the session and also is displeased that two of his "must" measures were not acted upon prior to adjournment.

The military reserve bill and compromise housing legislation are grossly inadequate, according to White House sources, though it is conceded the President will not likely veto them on grounds that they are better than no laws at all and as stopgap expedients.

The national highways and the peaceful atomic ship construction bills were among top priority bills on the Administration list. The failure of the Congress to act upon them threatens our national interest, the White House is represented as alleging. The five months that pass before a new Congress meets may well cause the United States to lose much of the psychological impact gained from a peaceful atomic ship, Administration spokesmen charge.

Divergent Opinions

Inasmuch as next fall (1956) will see presidential and congressional elections, there is a school of thought that predicts the President will recall Congress to dramatize the shortcomings of this Democratic-controlled National Legislature. These individuals recall that former President Harry Truman was most successful in labeling the last Republican Congress as the "Do Nothing 80th".

Moreover, the group argues that by so doing the President will refute the Democratic claim that they cooperated so well with the Administration that they, and not the Republicans, should be elected to the Congress next fall.

On the other side of the coin, other political pundits analyze the President won't call Congress back into session because it would alienate the strong support he has received from Democrats on his foreign policy especially, but also on most of his domestic requests. These, it is pointed out, have generally been passed substantially as the President wanted them, though some Democratic flavoring has been added to most.

A special session this fall might be construed by Democrats as a political maneuver. Their resentment might spill over into the next session and the President would then be confronted with an antagonistic legislative branch.

Moreover, even though a special session is called, there is no assurance that its members would act upon those bills which the President may call to their attention.

Korea Emergency

Though the First Session didn't adjourn by the end of July, as set by the Reorganization Act of 1946, there is no question of

DECADE AGO

Aug. 4, 1945

- 442 RCT's 2nd Bn wins Presidential Unit Citation for outstanding combat record: capture of Hill 503 in Bruyeres, attack on Hill 617 near Biffontaine, and action near Massa, Italy. Federal indictment asked against anti-Nisei terrorists; Watson Brothers may face grand jury for possession of dynamite in raid of Doi farm near Auburn. Navy permits Issei-Nisei to fish in Hawaiian waters. State of New York passes FEP law. Special Nisei teams prepare GIs for Pacific war conditions at Ft. Meade, Md.; demonstrate enemy tactics in training program.

the validity of their actions on Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 1 and 2.

The 1946 statute makes an exception for times of war or national emergencies and the Attorney General had advised the Speaker of the House last week that such a national emergency existed. He cited the Presidential Proclamation of 1950, declaring a national emergency because of the fighting in Korea, which has never been revoked, as authority for holding that a national emergency still continues.

Senate Ready First

Up until late Saturday afternoon, July 30, there was a possibility that Congress could adjourn by the statutory deadline. The Senate was ready for that eventuality, but the House for the first time in many years was far behind the Senate in its legislative program.

In an effort to finish if it could, the House met at 9:30 Saturday morning, with some members saying that by staying in session until about 5 Sunday morning, they could adjourn. With that in mind, the House considered one of the longest private and consent calendars in history, plus many bills under unanimous consent agreements and suspensions of rules. All in all, it was able to pass 275 bills.

In the meantime, the Senate was rolling along too, approving 75 bills in a single day.

The inability of the conferees to compromise the differences between the House and Senate approved versions of the housing bill doomed adjournment plans for Saturday. When House Majority Leader John McCormack obtained unanimous consent to convene the House at ten o'clock Monday morning, it was official—Congress couldn't adjourn at least until Monday.

Last Two Days

Relieved of the pressure, other conferees on other bills in Conference refused to agree on compromises. And, lobbyists and congressmen with pet projects of their own prepared to try to force consideration of their measures Sunday recess, because Monday would be the start of a new week and it would be easier to delay adjournment for a day or two.

House recessed at 7:45 Saturday night, though the Senate remained in session until that same night.

On Monday, the House convened at 10 and the Senate at 11. And new difficulties arose, as an unprecedented argument developed between the two chambers on the so-called legislative housekeeping bill, the appropriations for the operation of the Congress itself. The Conference on housing continued in a deadlock, as did the Conference on sugar quotas. The Senate recessed at 11:30 Monday night, while the House recessed a little after 6.

On Tuesday, the Senate convened at 10 and the House at 11 in the morning. By now, however, the Senate had become engaged in some bitter debates on nominations and on foreign policy and the House, after taking action on a bill to settle the month-long transit strike and some other minor matters, took several recesses of various durations while conferees struggled to iron out differences between House and Senate passed bills on many subjects. The House had not only caught up but passed the Senate in its readiness to adjourn.

At long last, weary congressmen voted adjournment sine die when the Senate quit at 12:05 a.m. Wednesday; the House had already knocked off at 11:36 p.m. Tuesday, just three days less than seven months after convening last Jan. 5.

Too Early for Analysis

Though Democrats and Republicans will each assess the session as they evaluate it from their politically prejudiced eyes, it is much too early to reach any real conclusion regarding its accomplishments and its failures.

Perhaps at some later date we may undertake our own analysis.

Scoreboard

While it is not possible at this time to bring our congressional scoreboard up to adjournment time, the Congressional Record does give us some interesting statistics on the period from Jan. 5 to July 31.

In this period of 214 calendar days, including Sundays and holidays, the Senate was in session 103 days and the House 110 days. The Senate spent 533 hours and 11 minutes in session, while the House spent only 457 hours. To record their activities, the Senate consumed 5,944 pages in the Congressional Record and the House 4,868 pages, or a total of 10,812 pages in all. In addition, both senators and representatives extended their remarks in the Record for a total of 5,642 pages.

Eighty-one Senate bills and 111 House bills, or a total of 194 bills were enacted into public laws, while 68 Senate and 174 House bills, for a total of 242, were enacted into private laws.

All in all, however, the Senate passed 1,282 bills and the House 1,535 with Senate committees reporting 1,360 bills and House committees 1,518. Total numbers of measures introduced—bills, joint resolutions, concurrent resolutions, and simple resolutions—were 3,033 in the Senate and 8,742 in the House, or 11,775 in all. Of this number, 10,516 were bills both public and private, 2,731 in the Senate and 7,785 in the House.

The obvious discrepancy between the number of bills that became law and the number that were passed by the House and Senate can be accounted for by the fact that the President has not signed into law many of the bills that were rushed through Congress in the last few days of the recent session.

The Senate, of course, acts upon executive nominations, in addition to its legislative responsibilities and treaty-approving powers. In this period, the Senate received 41,463 nominations—for postmasters. Fifteen of these nominations were withdrawn, only two were rejected, and 785 were unconfirmed mostly because of the lack of time to study them.

And 40,661 were confirmed, including the first Nisei ever to be confirmed as a federal judge—Benjamin M. Tashiro, of the Territory of Hawaii.

Next week, a roundup of the JACL's legislative record in this session will be presented.

CALENDAR

- Aug. 5 (Friday) Richmond—El Cerrito: Board meeting, Kimoto residence, 6124 Rosalind, 8 p.m. New constitution. Aug. 7 (Sunday) IDC—Council meeting, Idaho Falls chapter host. Seattle—Chapter picnic, Gaffney's Lake Wilderness Resort. NC-WNDC—3rd Quarterly session: Hotel Cominos, Salinas; dance, Knights of Pythias Hall; golf tournament, Salinas Municipal course. Aug. 10 (Wednesday) East Los Angeles—Cabinet meeting, Linda Ito's home, 3519 Folsom, 8:30 p.m. Aug. 13 (Saturday) Philadelphia—Outing, Menlo Park (Raindate—Aug. 14). East Los Angeles—Benefit dance, Elk's Club. Aug. 14 (Sunday) PSWDC—Third quarterly session, San Diego Buddhist Church hall, 2-5 p.m. San Diego—Weenie bake, Twin Palms Mission Bay, 6 p.m. San Francisco—Auxiliary's Fashion Interlude, Gyosei Hall. Long Beach—Community picnic, Peck's Park, San Pedro. Aug. 27 (Saturday) Cincinnati—Evening picnic, St. Edmond's. Sept. 2-4 Long Beach—Community carnival, Harbor Community Center.

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