

Newcomers Seek Ouster of Longtime Residents

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EDITORIALS:

To make San Fernando Valley my home . . .

By and large, racial discrimination in housing concerns the rights of minorities to reside on purchase a home of his choice and means. The recent case of Maj. Sammy Lee is a typical example. He saw a house he liked in Garden Grove, but the sellers preferred money from a white man.

But the case of Amy Motodani is wholly different. She was there from the beginning. Tract homes then sprouted all around her. Some neighbor or whomever is behind it wanted her out in an obvious move to cinch an all-white neighborhood, although one family in Latin American and another is Nisei.

This Japanese American family has quietly endured the many malices and trespasses inflicted upon them and their property. There were anonymous telephone threats, unknown perpetrators of mischief and even a burning flare tossed in front of their home.

Last week, someone tampered with the U.S. mail. Letters delivered to the Motodani home at 14709 San Jose St., San Fernando, were found torn to shreds. That was it! She couldn't harbor further indignities quietly.

Since last July, in the meantime, local authorities as well as the JACL were informed of this sinister venture. The Motodanis had hoped by ignoring the threats the malignant elements would cease. The best way to fight was to sit tight.

Probably the siege will poop when perpetrators gain knowledge that the Motodanis aim to break up their lot by building four new homes and sell another part to a real estate firm. But before she does all this, Amy Motodani plans to settle the score with those who made her life this past summer more unjustly unbearable.



These Seattle JA CLers are among many residents of the Jackson St. area who turned out recently for the first Sunday operation of "Big Lift", a community improvement project to landscape a steep empty lot. Topside are Arthur L. Solomon, Jr., head worker of Neighborhood House, and Tak Kubota, noted landscape contractor who has charge of some 800 trees and shrubs. Below is Dr. T. T. Nakamura, dentist, about to heave a shovelful into the truck. Sign proclaims "Big Lift" in five languages: English, Hebrew, Chinese, Japanese and Filipino. —Elmer Ogawa Photo.

Face-lifting of Seattle's Jackson St. hill starts; volunteers include CLers who pitch in with pick, shovel, hoe and rake

[Seattle] Jackson St. community residents, including Seattle JA CLers, are pitching in on weekends to help lift the ugly face of a hillside and turn it into a beauty spot.

Until the project, dubbed "The Big Lift", is finished, help will be needed on Sundays between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. It involves landscaping a steep tract, 400 by 650 feet.

The hill, for years a slide area and an eyesore, is the earth mass between Jackson and Main Sts. between 9th and 11th Aves. S.

Bulldozers had softened up the visage of the hill. First group of volunteers last Sept. 25 fell to with pick, shovel, hoe and rake.

The tools were furnished by the Seattle Housing Authority.

Charles Gaffney, general chairman of Operation Crossroads, sponsor of Big Lift, described it as the "final grooming" of the land before planting of the 800 trees and shrubs donated by the Seattle Park Department.

Tak Kubota, landscape designer and contractor, who is in charge of tree planting, said the first trees are scheduled to be planted this month.

"A lot of people mistake this spot for the city dump," said Gaffney, surveying the mass of earth held in check by a retaining wall. Billboards are the only structures now on the property.

"This is only one of many projects Operation Crossroads is going to tackle," said Kubota.

Women volunteers set up a "field kitchen" in the Jackson St. Community Council offices, adjoining the project site, and served coffee and hot dogs to the workers.

Treason charges against Provo dropped through Supreme Court decision

[Washington] The Supreme Court last Monday barred the government from prosecuting treason charges against John David Provo, former army sergeant accused of collaborating with the Japanese while a prisoner during World War II.

His victory came on a legal technicality. The Supreme Court upheld a Baltimore Federal judge's decision which ordered dismissal of a new indictment brought after Provo's first conviction was overturned, also on a technical legal point.

The new indictment, thrown out by U.S. District Judge Roszel C. Thomsen, charged Provo with a prisoner after the fall of Corseven acts of treason while he was regidor.

Thomsen said Provo's constitutional rights had been violated when he was held in prison more than five years before the charges against him were first brought to trial.

Deputy attorney general

[Honolulu] Appointment of Mori Omori, 33, law clerk for the Territorial Supreme Court, as deputy attorney general was announced by Attorney General Edward N. Sylva. A 442nd RCT veteran, he received his law degree

Downtown L.A., Perry Post co-sponsor mammoth program for 2,400 Issei citizens

[Los Angeles] Under joint sponsorship of the American Legion Comm. Perry Post and the Downtown Los Angeles chapter, a patriotic program honoring naturalized Issei citizens will be held on Nov. 26, 7:30 p.m., at the Patriotic Hall, 1816 S. Figueroa St. According to Perry Post commander Soichi Fukui and chapter president David Yokozeki, there are some 2,400 newly naturalized of Japanese birth in the city.

With help from the Vandas, a girls service group, invitations have been mailed to all newly naturalized citizens. The program is open to the public.

With the invitations has been inserted an identification card indicating their name, date of naturalization and court, and certificate number. It is signed by Joseph M. Farber, California De-

partment American Legion commander; George Inagaki, national JACL president; Fukui and Yokozeki. On the reverse side is printed the oath of allegiance and with space for the new citizen's signature.

It was felt that for minor functions, the card would suffice, in place of the bulkier and valuable original certificate.

Principal speakers are Farber, Altadenan who was past commander of the 6th Area, 18th District and Pasadena Post 13; and Saburo Kido, past national JACL president, attorney and publisher, who will speak in Japanese.

Citations are to be presented to the naturalization class instructors and to organizations instrumental in promoting the program among the Issei. Serving as co-chairmen of the event are Jim Kawakami, Perry Post; and Kei Uchima, JACL.

NISEI SOLDIER MEMORIAL RITES AT ARLINGTON SET

[Washington] Honoring Nisei veterans' who made the supreme sacrifice that Americans of Japanese ancestry might live in peace and security, memorial services will be held on Sunday, Oct. 30, 11 a.m. at Arlington National Cemetery, it was announced by Ira Shimasaki, chairman of the National JACL Arlington Cemetery Committee.

Services will be held at the gravesites of PFCs Saburo Tanamachi and Fumitake Nagato who were the first Nisei veterans to be interred at Arlington.

At the 1948 National JACL Biennial convention held in Salt Lake City, the national council deemed it most fitting that Oct. 30 be set aside as Nisei Soldier Memorial Day so that Japanese Americans might pause in humble tribute and grateful appreciation for the sacrifices made by the 668 Nisei soldiers in World War II.

With the advent of the Korean War in 1950 and the sacrifices of an additional 200 Nisei veterans, these honored dead have been included in the memorial services.

Oct. 30 was the date selected as Nisei Soldier Memorial Day since it marks the anniversary of the historic rescue of the Lost Battalion of the 36th Division in the Vosges Mountains by the 442nd Regimental Combat Team.

The date also commemorates the liberation of the town nearby, of Bruyeres, France.

Shimasaki invites all persons of Japanese ancestry in the Washington, D.C. area to pay homage to the 20 Nisei veterans of World War II buried at Arlington. Floral tributes will be laid at each of the gravesites.

The Nisei interred at Arlington are PFC Victor K. Hada, Sgt. Haruo Ishida, Cpl. Jimmie T. Kokubu, PFC Tamotsu Thomas Kuge, Pvt. Ben Frank Masaoka, PFC Roy T. Morihiro, PFC Kiyoshi Murakami, Pvt. Hiroshi Nagano, PFC John M. Nakamura, Pvt. Raito Nakashima, Sgt. Wataru Nakashima, PFC Fumitake Nagato, Pvt. Stanley Takeshi Oba, PFC Lloyd Mitsuru Onoye, T.Sgt. Jimmy T. Shimizu, Pvt. Roy R. Shiozawa, PFC John Tanaka, PFC Saburo Tanamachi, PFC Shichizo Toyota, and T-4 George T. Yamaguchi.

[Sacramento] The local JACL chapter will sponsor a memorial service in honor of the war dead at the Buddhist Church on Oct. 30, 1:30 p.m.

Japan duty exemption on relief goods removed

[San Francisco] The Japanese government has removed the order granting organizations receiving large shipments of relief goods from paying customs duty, the Japanese consulate-general announced this week.

The order is aimed at schools, churches and orphanages accused of channeling relief goods into the blackmarket where enormous profits were made on donated items. Welfare organizations in the United States have been sending old clothing and other relief items to Japan in ton lots.

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From the Frying Pan

BY BILL HOSOKAWA

NISEI MANPOWER AT BOEING

Denver

You probably read the other day about the Boeing 707 jet transport plane that flew from Seattle to Washington, D.C., in 8 hours and 58 minutes, making the trip at an average of 592 m.p.h. After gulping down a load of fuel, the plane loafed home, taking 4 hours and 8 minutes for the return leg.

Pan-American Airways, in which I have no material interest, has ordered a fleet of these Boeings, the first ones to be delivered, as I recall, late in 1958. I received a piece of publicity the other day saying that a passenger in one of these jet transports will be able to fly from Seattle to Tokyo in a few minutes more than 8½ hours. This means that if my friend Bill Mambu put his wife aboard a plane in the morning before going down to his office, she would be in Tokyo arguing with the customs officials just about the time he got home that evening. Wow! When my Dad first came to the United States in 1899, the voyage across the Pacific took a good month.

I don't know how many hundred thousand man-hours went into the planning, designing, and finally the production of the 707, but it seems to me there's a good chance that many of those man-hours were contributed by Nisei. The last time I heard there were somewhere between 50 and a hundred Nisei working for Boeing, some as engineers and draftsmen, some as researchers, some as expert craftsmen and others simply as laborers. Matter of fact, Boeing is among the largest employers of Nisei manpower in Seattle.

It wasn't always thus. Back before the war, about the closest a Nisei could get to Boeing was Hisayasu's fruitstand and grocery. One Nisei I knew was studying aeronautical engineering at the University of Washington but he discovered his American citizenship was no good the day his class went to visit Boeing. Everybody got through the gate except this Nisei. They slammed it in his face and he had to get his information second hand from his classmates next day. That experience gave him a crawfull of discrimination and he went to Japan to seek his fortune. Can't recall now whether he was killed during the war or not.

PRE-BOEING ERA

But getting back to the Hisayasu family, their store was a popular place and lots of Boeing employees traded there. After Pearl Harbor, a good many people including FBI agents suddenly became aware of the danger to our national safety posed by the Hisayasu store. Some of them went so far as to suggest that the Hisayasus were a plant to spy on the Boeing factory which then was busy turning out B-17 bombers.

If anyone had asked, the Hisayasus could have explained that they had been farming the rich, black Duwamish delta land south of Seattle a long time before Bill Boeing flew his first airplane. One morning they woke up and found an aircraft plant being started almost in their front yard. Unfortunately, few people were looking for the truth about the Issei and Nisei in those hysteria-filled weeks after Pearl Harbor.

MIGHT LEARN TO FLY MYSELF

I've been a stout champion of air travel ever since my, pardon the expression, maiden trip across the Yellow Sea some 15 years ago. But a couple of trips by light plane from Denver into the wilds of Wyoming last week sold me more solidly than ever on the advantages of flying. On one of the trips I traveled a distance that would have taken two days to drive, did practically a full day's work, and still got home about the time I'd normally get in from the office. On top of that, I saw some tremendous scenery, acquired a new love and respect for this vast western land of ours, and had a thoroughly enjoyable time. If I'm not too old by the time I find enough time and money, I'd like to learn to fly myself.

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Over a quarter-million people visited the recent Fresno District Fair and were impressed by the beautiful Fowler community booth, designed by Kay Hiyama and decorated by other Fowler JACLers. The Chamber of Commerce-JACL sponsored booth had the theme: Food—Steps to Peace. The agricultural display was judged second in the feature division and also claimed for the second consecutive year the L.A. Crow perpetual trophy awarded for the most original booth utilizing an agricultural theme.

—Cut Courtesy: Fowler Ensign

Fowler JACL-decorated booth wins perpetual trophy 2nd time in Fresno District Fair competition for unique food display

[Fowler] While most chapters resort to the lighter side of programming during the hot summer months, Fowler JACL was actively engaged in gathering agricultural displays for its Fresno District Fair booth entry.

Its efforts were witnessed by some 280,000 in the ten-day event in late September and impressed fair goers with its unique display. The booth, designed and planned by Kay Hiyama, won the L.A. Crow perpetual trophy for the second time, and won second prize in the feature booth division.

Heading this grand opportunity of community public relations was Tom Shirakawa, general chairman, assisted by Frank Sakohira, fruit collections; Setsu Kikuta, entries; George Teraoka (W6P-UC), sound; and the following

workers:

Joe Yokomi, Fred Honda, Joe Yoshimura, Kenso Okamura, grapes; Harley Nakamura, Ray Nishina, Tom Mayebo, Tom Nakamura, vegetables; Shizuto Shimoda, Hideo Kikuta, Harley Nakamura, raisin; Tom Nakamura, Dr. George Miyake, field crops; Mas Tsuboi, Yakichi Honda, citrus; Shig Uchiyama, Chuck Ideta, George Nakayama, Harry Hiraoka, peaches; Shig Uchiyama, Frank Kimura, plums; Howard Renge, Kiyoshi Renge, persimmon, nuts; Dr. George Miyake, cotton, and field crops. Kay Taniguchi, Shizuto Shimoda, dried fruits.

Booth Decorations

Setsu Kikuta, Harley Nakamura, Ray Nishina, Ferd Honda, Tom Kamikawa, Dr. George Miyake, Frank Kimura, Richard Iwanoto, George Taniguchi, Kay Hiyama, Tom Shirakawa, Tom Nakamura, Kay Taniguchi, Mas Tsuboi, Ken Hirose, Tak Ideta, Frank Sakohira, Seichi Kageura, Kaz Namba, Tiyo Yoshimura, Roy Yosako, Tom Mayebo, Jitsu Otapi, Frank Kawano, Harry Honda, Carl Morita, Jim Hashimoto, Mas Tokubo, George Shimoda, Tak Masumoto, Larry Ashida, Shig Uchiyama, Haruo Yoshimoto, James Nitta, Joe Yokomi, Howard Hiyama, George Teraoka, Tak Sugimoto.

Howard Renge, Ken Fujii, Dina Nakagawa, Joe Yoshimura, Mrs. Bill Hashimoto, Mrs. Hiyama, Mrs. Yosako, Bernice Kanenaga, Julie H. Frances and Kim Tokubo, Mas Tokubo, Harry Hiraoka, Makoto Mukai, Jinx Jinkawa, Kiyoshi Renge, Sunao Onaka, Norman Taniguchi, Nob Ideta, Y. Honda, K. Okamura, Mrs. J. Yoshimura, John Allred, Mr. Taketa.

City council thanks Fowler CL participation

[Fowler] The Fowler City Council registered a vote of thanks to the local chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League for co-sponsoring the Fowler booth at the Fresno District Fair earlier this month.

The JACL was commended by Mayor H. H. Kasparian for the part it played in bringing to the city the special award and second prize at the fair this year.

Fresno ex-congressman Gearhart dies at 65

[San Francisco] Bertrand W. Gearhart, 65, Republican congressman from Fresno from 1935 to 1949, died at Stanford hospital Oct. 11 after a brief illness.

During his final term in Washington, he testified at a hearing in favor of the original Judd bill which called for the lifting of the immigration ban against Japanese and elimination of the "ineligible to citizenship clause from the naturalization law.

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Tokyo Topics

BY TAMOTSU MURAYAMA (Japan Bureau Chief)

HEADACHES OVER REFUGEE RELIEF ACT

Tokyo
What was hoped to be a blessing from the United States when it passed the Refugee Relief Act in 1953 has born its share of local problems and headaches as some of the benefits of this humanitarian act became noticeable for the first time in Japan last spring.

It appeared to be a problem of interpretation of the Act. The American official in charge at the consulate in Kobe has the honor of permitting the first batch of Japanese under the Refugee Relief Act to embark for California.

Meanwhile, the U.S. consulate in Tokyo had assumed a more serious role in disposing the cases. It appeared no one would get through—but the situation is slowly improving.

Saburo Kido, Nisei attorney and publisher, will be a happy person as a result of the Refugee Relief Act. His sister, her husband and their daughter were finally given consideration to join Saburo.

She was born in Hawaii, had married a Japan-born husband and spent some years in Peiping. They returned to Japan after the war as refugees. Then the Refugee Relief Act was passed. Kido wasted no time. Various documents were assembled and when presented to the U.S. consulate in Tokyo, no one there knew what to do about the case.

The application papers were merely accepted and no action taken. But the impatient lawyer insisted on action. My visits to the Japanese Foreign Office and the U.S. consulate were just in vain. No one knew what to do.

FINGERS CROSSED FOR NOV. 2

When the Foreign Office finally decided to act, it declared that passports would not be issued to refugees unless they were adequately sponsored. So it became necessary for me to inform the Foreign Office what kind of person their sponsor was. With the case favorably disposed, passports were issued to Hanichiro Yanagi and to members of his family.

When they went to the American consulate to get their visae, they were informed that all the necessary documents had not been sent to them from the Japanese government. They were told to wait for a notice which would be sent when everything was complete.

The notice to appear at the Tokyo consulate contained the news that their medical examination taken in March of this year was already too old and therefore, they would have to take a new one. If they passed, they were told that the visae would be issued. November 2 was the appointment date, which meant that they had to wait some more.

It seems that this family of three has to run all sorts of red tape and delay before they will be able to see America. In the meanwhile, large groups are going out through the approval of the Kobe American consulate which seems to be doing a good job.

FURTHER EXTENSION OF ACT

While college graduates were not regarded as "refugees" to qualify under the 1953 Act by some investigating officers, Japanese who have lost agricultural acreage due to U.S. airbase expansion programs might be able to apply if they are not Communists.

A very delicate matter, these displaced Japanese are refugees of a sort and further study is expected in interpreting the Act as well as the Japanese-American Administrative Agreement.

In the same light are those Japanese whose homes were destroyed and some members of their family were killed by jet planes crashes. The Foreign Office is looking into such cases.

From the standpoint of U.S.-Japan relations, the gesture to aid victims of airbase expansion and jet-plane crashes is good. Many of them have waved red flags with the Communists and if they haven't turned communistic, they have joined hands with the agitating Communists and Socialists.

Grateful Okinawa lad, minus two hands and suffering from TB, paints Eisenhower portrait, accepted by summer White House

BY MIN YASUI

[Denver] Chokichi Iraha, the ex-Okinawan lad who suffered double amputation of both hands and wound up in U.S. Army hospitals for four years as a tubercular patient, was invited to the Summer White House at Lowry AFB here on Columbus Day, Oct. 12, to meet Sherman Adams, presidential assistant, and present an oil portrait of the President.

Unfortunately, the President suffered a heart attack and could not personally accept the portrait from Iraha.

Members of the Ex-Patients' Home had hoped the President would have been able to visit the Ex-Patients' Sanatorium at 8000 Montview Blvd. to see the institution that opens its doors and heart to the chronically ill.

At any rate, Iraha's portrait of Eisenhower has been accepted in the President's name, and it is Iraha's hope that perhaps his token of gratitude will someday hang, even if it's in the attic, in the President's home at his Gettysburg farm.

TOKEN OF THANKS

Despite his handicap of amputated hands and still recuperating from the ravages of tuberculosis, "Chucky" (as he is affectionately called) Iraha executed an oil painting of President Eisenhower in gratitude for the privilege of being able to reside permanently in the United States. Private bill S. 891, introduced by Sens. Eugene D. Millikin and Gordon Allott and supported by Rep. Byron D. Rogers of Denver, was signed by the President June 7 permitted it.

He was only 14 years old, when the U.S. Marines and soldiers stormed ashore in his native Okinawa. When he was 17, Iraha worked for the Army Engineers, helping build Army installations. One day, during a rainstorm, he accidentally leaned against an electrical transformer and irreparably burned both arms. Army surgeons at Naha hospital amputated both arms to save his life.

An American general in Okinawa, moved by compassion, ordered Iraha to Letterman Hospital in San Francisco, to be fitted with

artificial arms and hands, as a graphic demonstration of the great heartedness of America towards the natives of Okinawa.

Unfortunately, weakened by his terrible ordeals, Iraha contracted tuberculosis. After two years at Letterman Hospital, he was transferred to Fitzsimons Hospital in Denver where he remained four years, recovering from tuberculosis.

ADVENTISTS HELP

During those four long and lonesome years at Fitzsimons Hospital, Iraha was befriended by members of the Japanese Seventh Day Adventist Church, led by Rev. George Aso.

Following his discharge from Fitzsimons Hospital, the Ex-Patients' Sanatorium, took in Iraha. The Ex-Patients' Home, a Jewish philanthropic organization that takes in those in need, without charge, and without discrimination as to race, color, creed or religion, gave Iraha room and board, now for more than a year and a half, and helped him with rehabilitative training, in English and in art.

It was in the sunny halls of the Ex-Patients' Sanatorium that Iraha conceived and executed the portrait of President Eisenhower, in humble gratitude and thankfulness.

Members of the Japanese Seventh Day Adventist Church took up a collection to have the portrait suitably framed before presenting it to the President.

Accompanying Iraha at the presentation were Mrs. Harry Slack, president of the Women's Auxiliary of the Ex-Patients' Sanatorium; Dr. Ed Silverberg, board chairman of the Sanatorium; James Burdette, president of the Patients' Council; Rev. George Aso of the Seventh Day Adventist Church, and Min Yasui of the Japanese American Citizens League.

JACL ASSISTED

These individuals represented organizations who helped an unfortunate boy, demonstrating the great heartedness of America, in giving a home and a permanent place to Iraha, who is now well on his way to becoming a self-supporting, respectable member of our American society.

Fresno-born medico seeks \$10,000 from U.S. for sale of sequestered property

[Fresno] Dr. Akira Morimoto, 43, Fresno-born medical officer in the Japanese Army, last week sought to recover from the U.S. government money it received from the sale of property in Fresno.

The property consists of two lots and improvements at 825-27 F St., sold by the government in 1950 after it was vested with the Alien Property Custodian under the wartime Trading With the Enemy Act.

A patient in a Long Beach hospital since his return to this country in 1950, Dr. Morimoto claims he still was a legal resident of this country when his property was sold.

The case, being heard in the federal district court presided by Judge Gilbert H. Jertberg, involves \$10,000.

Dr. Morimoto told the court he was born in 1912 and taken to Japan by his parents in 1924. Upon graduation from medical school in 1938 in Tokyo, he asserted he had every intention of returning to this country but his call to service interfered. Taken prisoner by the Russians in 1945 in Manchuria, he was held prisoner until 1948 and added he contracted tuberculosis and diabetes due to malnutrition.

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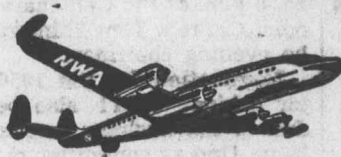
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Chicago Corner

BY SMOKY SAKURADA

INAUGURAL PARTY NOV. 18

Chicago

Tam O'Shanter Country Club, scene of the one of the richest international golf tournaments each year, in suburban Niles (Howard and Caldwell) has been obtained for the 11th annual Chicago JACL Inaugural, Friday, Nov. 18 . . . The affair, billed as the "Inaugural Party", replaces the semi-formal ball of past years. Chairman Max Joichi promises an enjoyable evening, beginning with a buffet supper at 7 p.m., followed by entertainment, a get-acquainted mixer, installation of 1956 officers, *tankobushi* and a lively band to round out the evening social . . . This year's party with emphasis on informality will be a departure from the traditional formal "date" affair.

Lillian Oda (WE 5-0712) is handling reservations at \$5 per person. Why not make up a party and come as a group?

The Chicago chapter will hold its next general meeting, Nov. 11, at the Monroe YWCA, 59 E. Monroe St., 8 p.m., with the Rev. Hugh S. MacKenzie, speaking on Asia. He is board member of the American Association for the United Nations. Dr. Frank Sakamoto, 1st v.p., is in charge of the program . . . At the last chapter meeting, the panel discussion on buying a home drew a capacity audience at the Monroe Y. Members of the panel were Thomas Masuda, relating the legal aspects; Dr. Jitsuo Morikawa, human relations; Bob George, director of the Chicago Council on Discrimination. Bob Okamoto reported on the COOP community-York community center. Abe Hagiwara, public relations committee chairman, moderated.

Christ Congregational Church, 701 Buckingham Pl., holds its annual bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 5, from 3 to 10 p.m. . . . Kenwood-Ellis Community Center held its seventh annual open house last Sunday . . . A club for Hawaiian Nisei is being organized by the Japanese American Service Committee . . .



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Masaoka to address No. Calif.-Western Nevada District Council biennial convention banquet, Nov. 6, at Emmanji Memorial Hall

[Sebastopol] Mike M. Masaoka, Washington JACL representative, will be the main banquet speaker at the NC-WNDC biennial convention to be held here Nov. 5-6, it was announced by Kanemi Ono, Sonoma County

chapter president.

"We feel very honored and regard it most appropriate that Mike has consented to speak at the 25th anniversary observance of the Japanese American Citizens League," Ono commented.

Meanwhile, plans for the dinner are rapidly taking shape with Edwin Ohki and George Hamamoto in charge. The convention banquet will be held at the Emmanji Memorial Hall, Nov. 6, 6 p.m.

Invitations are also being sent to Rep. Hubert R. Scudder (R., Calif.), legislative representative for this area; county and city officials including the mayors of Sebastopol, Santa Rosa and Petaluma. National JACL officers, staff, district council and board mem-

bers will meet with guests from this area at a cocktail hour prior to the convention banquet.

A moment of silent prayer will be observed during the dinner in memory of the Nisei war dead, past national president Dr. Randolph M. Sakada, and past district council chairman George K. Nishita and other deceased JACL leaders.

Installation of new NC-WNDC officers will also take place during the dinner. Other features will remain unannounced, according to co-chairmen Ohno and Hamamoto.

General Chairman Frank Oda has announced that Santa Rosa Chamber of Commerce has joined with the Sebastopol Chamber of Commerce to assist the local chapter in making this convention a success.

A 20-page convention program will be given to registered delegates attending meeting. Mary Hamamoto is in charge of this publication.

James Miyano, fishing derby chairman, has requested all those interested in participating in the contest return their entry blanks as soon as possible in order that necessary arrangements can be made for this event which takes place at Nelson's Resort in Napa.

Registration of local chapter members started last Oct. 7 with Edwin Ohki, James Miyano, Miyo Masaoka, George Hamamoto and Kanemi Ono conducting the drive.

The convention planning committee is holding weekly meetings every Friday until the convention at the local Memorial Hall in order that no details of this two-day affair are overlooked.

NC-WNDC convention schedule announced

[San Francisco] The schedule of the two-day NC-WNDC biennial convention Nov. 5-6 in Sebastopol-Santa Rosa was announced by the No. Calif. JACL Regional Office as follows:
Nov. 5 (Saturday)

12n.-1 p.m.—Registration, Sebastopol C. of C. Bldg.

1-4:30 p.m.—District Council session, Sebastopol C. of C. Bldg.

5-8 p.m.—Welcome Buffet Supper, Emmanji Memorial Hall.

8:30-2 a.m.—25th Anniversary Convention Dance, Emmanji Memorial Hall.

(Time Not Set) Bowling tournament, Santa Rosa Bowl, Santa Rosa.

Nov. 6 (Sunday)

6 a.m.-3:30 p.m.—Bass Fishing Derby, Nelson's Resort, Napa.

10-12n.—District Council session, Sebastopol C. of C. Bldg.

12:30-2 p.m.—1000 Club luncheon (everyone invited), Emmanji Memorial Hall.

2-5:30 p.m.—District Council workshop, Emmanji Memorial Hall.

6 p.m.—25th Anniversary convention dinner, Emmanji Memorial Hall; Mike Masaoka, spkr.

New Year's eve dance orchestra named by S.F.

[San Francisco] Stan Evans' eight-piece orchestra has been signed for the 11th annual San Francisco JACL New Year's Eve dance, it was announced here.

Hatsuro Aizawa of the chapter committee for the coming dance said earlier that this event will again be held in the Gold room of the Sheraton-Palace hotel, scene of the past two successful annual dances.

Your Chapter Should Be Listed Here Promptly

These are the JACL chapters which have, thus far, submitted their list of chapter presidents to be printed in our 1955 Holiday Issue. The year indicates the extent of the record received. Readers having knowledge of earlier records are urged to notify us immediately.
Editor.

Boise Valley	1939*
Coachella Valley	1946
Dayton	1949
Detroit	1940
Fresno	1923
Mile-Hi	1944
Milwaukee	1945
Philadelphia	1947
Pocatello	1941
Salinas Valley	1941*
Salt Lake City	1939
San Luis Valley	1949
Seattle	1921
Sonoma County	1934
Stockton	1940*
Washington, D.C.	1946*

*—Earlier records missing.

Holifield to speak at ELA recognition for Issei citizens

[Los Angeles] Some 400 new Issei citizens living in the east-side are to be publicly honored by the East Los Angeles JACL Sunday, Nov. 6, 7:30 p.m., at the International Institute.

Rep. Chet Holifield (D., Calif.), congressional representative of the district, will congratulate the recently naturalized Issei and present certificates of recognition to the two oldest Issei pioneer citizens: John Buichi Watanabe, 92; and Junjiro Satow, 86.

Other messages and greetings are to be extended by George Inagaki, national JACL president; David Yokozeki, PSWDC chairman; and Masami Sasaki, Japanese chamber of commerce president, who will respond.

Refreshments will be served promptly at 9 p.m. and followed by a lavish entertainment program. Being featured are dances by Hanayagi Rokka and her pupils, koto and shakuhachi selections by Atsuko Yamaguchi and her father, and feats of magic by Dr. T. Murakami.

Chapter president Jim Higashi will be master of ceremonies. Chairman of the special Issei recognitions program is Roy Yamadera, assisted by:

Sam Furuta, Akira Hasegawa, Sakae Ishihara, Mary Mittwer, Fred Takata, gen arr., refr.; Tami Kurose, inv., ent.; Ritsuko Kawakami, reception; Nancy Takamatsu, reg.

Att'y Loren Miller to address SWLA Clers

[Los Angeles] Attorney Loren Miller, who successfully argued the restrictive covenant case before the U.S. Supreme Court, will address the Southwest Los Angeles JACL on "Problems of Segregation" next Wednesday, Oct. 26, 8 p.m. at the Centenary Methodist Church. Tom Shimazaki will be evening chairman.

Nomination for the 1956 chapter cabinet will also be made during the business meeting with Hana Uno as committee chairman presiding. Refreshments and social period will follow.

Rhode Island's senior senator recalls tale of first Japanese to visit United States

Tokyo

An American senator has related how one of his family's whaling ships brought the first Japanese to American shores some 125 years ago.

Sen. Theodore Green, 88, Democrat from Providence, R.I., said the whaling ship "John Howland" captained by William H. Whitfield, picked up several Japanese sailors stranded on a desert island and took them to Hawaii.

"One of them seemed like such a likeable youngster," Green said, "that the captain made him his cabin boy and took him back to New England with him."

That youngster, who became famous in Japan on his return, was Manjiro Nakahama, the first Japanese to reach America's shores and the first Japanese to return home with tales of wonder about the "new world."

Nakahama studied at the Oxford school in Fairhaven, Mass., (presently the North St. school). He was later called on to act as interpreter for Commodore Perry when he opened Japan.

Green, in Tokyo on the first leg of an around-the-world trip, said he was an old friend of Japan, and related the story of Nakahama to show just how long his family has been associated with the country.

The senator said he had first visited Japan some 30 years ago

and has visited many times since.

At the time the whaler "John Howland" rescued the Japanese sailors from their island, the senator pointed out, Japan was closed to the rest of the world by feudal edict.

The rescue ship was not permitted to touch Japan's shores and, although it could have returned the shipwrecked sailors directly, was forced to sail to Hawaii where they were deposited.

Later, the same ship picked the Japanese up at Hawaii and, together with English-speaking Nakahama, dropped them at a secluded spot in Japan.

Japan at that time, about 1830, was under the rule of a military leader called a Shogun. The Tokugawa Shoguns had cut Japan's contacts with the outside for 300 years except for infrequent contact with some Dutch ships.

The senator said the returned Nakahama was called in for a personal interview with the Shogun and was urged to relate in details his experiences in America.

Green said the former cabin boy became famous and wealthy as a result of his youthful experiences.

A more recent result of this early experience, the senator added, was a visit he received in his office from the great-grandson of Manjiro Nakahama, who is studying at a university in the U.S.

Very Truly Yours

BY HARRY HONDA

FOLLOW-UP ON 'VAGARIES'

As distant as he may be from Hollywood, our colleague Larry Tajiri of the *Denver Post* manages to keep his finger on the pulse of the film capital . . . In recent years, television has joined the colony and the veteran newspaperman keeps an eye on it, too.

Last Monday (which happens to be the deadline for our regular PC columnists), Larry reported a Japanese American youngster was on Art Linkletter's *House Party*. Rather than repeating the story here, flip to the back page, check the first item in his *Vagaries* and when you wonder, like the Summer White House did, "who was the boy?", come back here.

First checking with CBS publicity, then with Television City publicity, which referred us to John Guedel Production, which handles the show, and on final check with a school teacher, we were informed the lad's name was Peter Mukogawa, 7, of 1382 W. 35th Pl., Los Angeles . . . I seldom track

down local stories (as the Nisei daily vernaculars do an exceptional job with it) but this human-interest yarn couldn't be tipped to our local fourth-estaters. I needed something for this column . . . This thoughtful lad attends 37th St. school, alma mater for many prominent Nisei businessmen and professional people of today who frolicked there 25 years ago when they lived in the Seinan area of Los Angeles . . . His father, Ben, hails from Maui; his mother, the former Marian Tomita, from Seattle . . . Peter's brother Lei, 8, goes to the same school; the younger sister Judy, 3, stays home . . . Asked how Peter got on the show, Mrs. Mukogawa indicated that the three brightest pupils in the 2nd grade at school were selected to appear on the show. Yet at home, she confided, he was on the shy, quiet side . . . And before we concluded the chat, she added another son, David, was just home from the Army. He's 21.

Tajiri has always had close touch with Hollywood, radio and the stage. Were he to visit Los Angeles, I'm sure he would be spending hours with Toyo Miyatake—the slight, bespectacled and genial *maestro* with the camera. Toyo's studios are always filled with visiting stage-film-TV personalities from Tokyo or New York. I know if I needed background information on some Nisei or Japanese theater star or musician, I'd see him . . . One more thing about Toyo-san: he saw Li'l Tokio grow up, from those days when he cycled for his dad's confectionary shop in the 1910s.

P.S. to LT:—Thanks for starting my column this week.

Dateline Northwest

BY BUDD FUKUI

NOT IMPRESSED

Seattle

Recently, a Nisei friend of ours found a circular which called for hatred against the Jewish people.

It was entitled "Why Do the Jews Hate America?" with by the rather questionable byline: "Eustace Mullins." On the upper right hand side of the paper was rubber-stamped in capital letters: "PLEASE PASS ON." On the bottom of the sheet: left, "WOMEN'S VOICE"; right, "March, 1955."

The answers which the writer offered in reply to the question are not only disgusting but too ridiculous for publication in a family newspaper. They smack of hatred—and no more.

Needless to state, we don't believe a word of it.

As to "PLEASE PASS ON," the only information we are passing on is that the circular contains a lot of nonsense.

The sun is shining brightly this Saturday afternoon in Seattle as we air our protest to "Eustace Mullins" and the like for attempting—futilely, we'd say—to stir hatred against a group which not long ago was cited in *Readers Digest* for its contribution to our country.

And it was on this kind of day that we first met Mr. _____, an editor of a large Midwestern daily. He was of Jewish faith. And we say Mr. _____ because he is not the kind of man who craves for publicity.

We remember him well because he was a Rhodes scholar who always toyed with his Phi Beta Kappa key, smoked a pipe and twirled his fingers around a few strands of hair on top of his almost balding head as he pounded out his editorials for the day.

But most of all we remember him when, in 1943, when we were faced with a difficult economic situation. After listening to our stumbling words, he approved two weeks' pay in advance. "All right, Budd. Just tell . . ." That was what he said. The man's soft, tender words still ring in our ears. It was simple as all that.

The advanced money felt as if it came by magic from somewhere beyond. It put us firmly back on our feet. Mr. _____'s gesture gave us a spiritual boost which, we believe, only one who has been broke can experience. It was a tremendous lift from the depths of despair.

Of course, there were others of Jewish faith who have made life pleasant and worthwhile for us. But Mr. _____ stands out clearly in our mind.

So, lest some Seattle Nisei and Issei foolishly believe in "Eustace Mullins" and her lot; please turn the pages of history back some 15 years ago when the Japanese themselves were insulted with lies. Every Japanese, from the infant to the aged, was an "enemy" in the eyes of unthinking Americans then.

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NATIONAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT: by MASAO SATOW

JACL to welcome 88th chapter—Clovis—at Dec. 4 Central Cal district council convention; 1956 membership cards prepared

San Francisco

We have a petition for a new chapter signed by 40 potential members from Clovis which is a few miles northeast of Fresno. Although the group is now getting organized into a chapter, this community has been supporting our national program for several years as a part of Fresno area.

This new chapter will be formally welcomed at the Central California DC convention on Dec. 4 as the 10th chapter in that district and our 88th nationally. James Miyamoto is the temporary chairman.

1956 Memberships

New membership cards will be in the hands of the chapter by the beginning of November. All memberships signed up from Nov. 1 will be applicable for 1956. It will be proper for the current chapter president to sign these cards until his successor has been installed.

In the event that some of the chapters do not begin their membership drives until the new officers take over, we trust that the cards will be properly turned over to them instead of mislaid. This will preclude complaints to Headquarters from the new officers that we have failed to provide the new cards.

NC-WN Workshop

And speaking of membership, it is timely that the forthcoming NC-WN convention at Sebastopol will have a workshop to consider the essential ingredients of a successful membership campaign and bring together the best experiences thereof, including the gimmicks used by several chapters to lift this essential part of our program out of the category of unavoidable drudgery.

The first half of the workshop will take the form of a panel discussion on getting members assimilated into the chapter program, and ways and means of getting them to share the responsibilities at the same time, have fun and find satisfaction in the doing.

New Nat'l Board

With election of officers slated in the five District Council conventions coming up, we will be welcoming new members to our National Board, to add to those

Sacramento talent show for youngsters Nov. 26

[Sacramento] Saturday, Nov. 26, has been chosen as the date for Sacramento JACL's annual "Your Stars of Tomorrow" revue. The committee for the show started booking for one of the top shows in the Sacramento Valley.

This year's show will be headed by George Minami Jr., of Hayward, youthful tap dance artist. He has appeared on television as well as many other talent shows in the Bay area.

As in the past the show will feature the younger set, and children who would like to appear on the show are asked to contact either Toko Fujii, 2030 Vallejo Way or Bill Matsumoto, 4131 12th Ave., both in Sacramento.

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named earlier this year: Bill Sasagawa, Eastern; Abe Hagiwara Midwest; and Dave Yokozeki of Pacific Southwest.

Too much cannot be said for the hard work and devotion of the outgoing DC chairmen. Relinquishing office will be Dr. Matthew Masuoka of the Pacific Northwest who has served almost three years, Jack Noda of Northern California-Western Nevada, Hiro Mayeda of Central Cal, Intermountain's Jim Ushio, and Floyd Koshio of Mt. Plains.

'56 Confab

With the naming of Jerry Enomoto as National Convention Chairman and other key committee chairmen to be selected within the next week, preparations for the 14th National Biennial will really begin to roll.

From the looks of meetings held thus far, a full scale convention is promised, the main difference being that one day has been lopped off to make it a four-day affair.

A new feature will be several special activities for the younger JACLers in view of a number of chapters sponsoring Junior JACL groups and to encourage older JACLers to bring their teen agers along.

Op'n Breakthrough

Hard working National 1000 Club Shig Wakamatsu has announced an ambitious program of attaining two thousand Thousands by the time we meet for the '56 Biennial. We publicly thank Esther Hagiwara, who holds down the Midwest Office, for the extra work in helping Shig keep track of our 1000 Clubbers. We suspect there is a lot of JACL shop talk at home with husband Abe, the Midwest DC chairman.

Since Shig's PC column of last week, we have added our 20th 1000 Club Life member Bessie Shiyomura of Denver. In our book Bessie has always been "mile-hi" in JACL stature.

We would like to clear up the mystery of the 1000 Clubber who recently renewed his or her membership in response to our special letter. Probably in his or her haste to get the check to us the return envelope was mailed unsealed and the check lost as a result. The only clue is the Los Angeles postmark. We hope we will not have to resort to finger prints!

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alized here last week was Mrs. Haruye Masaoka. We are sorry that previous JACL commitments in Los Angeles called for Mike to leave San Francisco the day before. We would have liked to have a picture of the one most responsible for the extension of citizenship to the Issei standing beside his mother on this eventful occasion.

Distinguished Issei

We mourn the untimely passing of Henry and Alice Sakemi. When the Satows first arrived in Milwaukee, the Sakemis insisted on putting us up, and it was Alice who went house-hunting with us. Henry was then chairman of the Milwaukee Nisei Council, which was the forerunner for the JACL chapter established exactly ten years ago. Much of the planning for the young chapter was done in their home. Henry then came back to the west coast to become the first postwar President of the Coachella Valley Chapter and then PSWDC Chairman.

Post Script

Mac Kaneko, the first Milwaukee Chapter president, went home to Seattle to reactivate that chapter and become its first postwar president, and first Milwaukee Chapter v.p. George Isoda this year heads our Venice-Culver Chapter.

Gilroy JACL dance orchestra announced

[Gilroy] The Gilroy JACL has announced the selection of George Porcella and his orchestra for its second annual Thanksgiving dance to be held Nov. 24, 9 p.m.-1 a.m., at the IOOF Temple here on N. Egleberry St. between 5th and 6th Sts. The dance is a stag-stagette affair.

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KEKKON

Los Angeles

● Mari Sabusawa and playwright James A. Michener will tie the knot this weekend. Sez Shig Wakamatsu, nat'l 1000 Club boss, who phoned us from Chicago Tuesday nite during our meeting to plan the forthcoming PSWDC session-dinner-dance of Sat., Nov. 12

Mari, the good JACler that she is, wanted PC to get a scoop but the wire services got a hold of the story the next day. Even Winchell spilled the beans in his b'cast.

Mari's CL record is terrific, dating back to '47 when she was progchair of the Chi chapter and became the first chief of the Midwest District Council we helped org that year. In '48, she became chapter prexy and delegate to the nat'l confab in Salt Lake City. She was elected to the nat'l JACL board as sec'y to serve '48-'50. She's also an orig board mem of the Chicago JACL credit union.

A grad of Antioch College, Mari worked as research analyst for the Foreign Broadcast Intelligence Service in Decece during WW2. From '46 to '50, she headed inquiry services for Amer. Council on Race Relations in Chi and edited its Report. In '50, she conducted a study for the John Howard Assn., a private social service agency. Since 1951, Mari has been with the Amer. Library Assn., serving as editor of the official ALA bulletin.

Formerly of Long Beach, Mari was born in Las Animas, Colo. Her sis, Mrs. K. Kusaka, is in Granada, Colo. with her mom, Mrs. Riki S., while bro Harry's still in Chicago.

The ditty composed, sung and dedicated by Tokuzo Gordon, past nat'l 1000 Club chmn, to Mari at the '50 nat'l convention's 1000 Club whopperoo in Chi proved to be a prophetic one. The words were sung to the tune of George M. Cohan's "Mary":

*For it was Mari, Mari,
Sweet as any girl could be,
She was our first and only woman prez,
Was our Mari.
No other prez worked harder—
She was such a busy bee.
Some day that shining knight
In armor bright
Will come for Mari.*

Michener met Mari last December at a luncheon in Chicago when he was doing a piece for Life mag on war brides. He's probably best known as authoring *Tales of the South Pacific* and other books including *Sayonara*, *The Bridges of Tokori* and *The Floating World*, the latter about wood block prints and kakemono (hanging pic).

They'll be married Sunday at the Hilton Chapel of the U. of Chicago campus, officiated by Rev. Jitsuo Morikawa of the 1st Baptist Church. They'll honeymoon in Australia as guests of the Australian government, then later reside in Hawaii. Michener's home is in Buck County, Pa. CLers everywhere join us in wishing the couple a lifetime of happiness. And thanx Shig.

MIJIKAI-TE EXPERT

● The first Nisei to open her own office as an official court reporter is Yoshiye Yamada, CSR, (which in our book means competent, speedy and reliable) whom we remember as a crackerjack sec'y in Poston. Her office will handle general reporting services such as for gov't hearings, deposition and confabs. A recent feather in Yoshiye's chapeau is her being appointed official reporter for the U.S. District Court here and the same, pro-tem, for the L.A. Superior Court. Her shingle hangs at 132 W. 1st St.

● The San Diego JACL, too modest to toot its own whistle, should be commended for a fine job of community relations and internat'l goodwill this week in promoting the Yokohama city's gift of a stone lantern to San Diego as a token of friendship. Prez George Kodama's chapter is right in there. Credits to veep Sab Muraoka and Geo. Muto, too.

● "Watashi no Kokoro, Sashigemasho-o" is the translated version of *If I Give My Heart to You* as sung by Nancy Umeki, imported vocalist now at Larry Potter's Supper Club out in S.F. Valley. Nancy, predicts author Jim Edmiston of *Home Again*, will arrive in big time soon—at least, to quote him, people who count who've seen and heard her have flipped their wigs. We think she's a bit of all right, too, what with her husky mike voice and unusual singing style. From Tokyo, yet.

Screenwriter Michael Blankfort has opened up his Hollywood office called "Home Again Production". He's remembered for his work in *The Juggler* with Kirk Douglas and *Broken Arrow* with Jas. Stewart, Jeff Chandler and Debra Paget. His latest, still to hit the theaters, is MGM's *Tribute to a Bad Man* starring James Cagney.

While being wine'd at LPSC, we met a couple of producers at U-I studios and their wives—Bill Alland and Frank Coen. Bill's wife is Monique Chantal, who played a role in *Go For Broke* as one of the French waitresses singing "The Eyes of Texas Are Upon You." Remember?

● Easy Fujimoto, easygoing prexy of the Long Beach-Harbor District JACL, who ably chaired this year's nat'l kegfest in Elbee, has been named "Bowler of the Year" by the SoCal NBA, a well-deserved recognition.

● RECENT VISITORS: Kenji Tashiro of Orosi (Central Cal), our 2nd Nat'l veepee, who was a great help to JACL and COJAEC during the House Subcommittee's hearings on the Lane-Hillings amendment to the evaclaims law. And his predecessor as CCDC chairman, Johnson Kebo from Sanger last week.

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[Honolulu] Robert Kumagai, protege of swimming Coach Soichi Sakamoto at the Univ. of Hawaii, was honored last week by the U.S. Navy—not for his swimming but for his diving prowess.

Now serving in the Navy, the veteran swimmer was aboard the LST Crook County on a recent mission to Hapuna Beach on the Big Island to see if Army vehicles and tanks could be landed for maneuvers.

Activity on the bridge proceeded as expected until the LST skipper called to let go the stern anchor.

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An underwater reconnaissance expert, Marine Lt. George Edmundson, volunteered his services. But the water was too deep and he couldn't pull the cumbersome shackle around the anchor cable. Then someone remembered Kumagai had gained fame as a swimmer.

With fins and a face mask, Kumagai plunged into the water as men with rifles stood guard against sharks. When he reappeared with a modest smile to indicate the job was a success, Lt. Edmundson explained that when Kumagai got down there "he decided it was too deep to come down again so he just stayed down and finished the job."

Rear Adm. Edward A. Solomons, commander of Service Forces Pacific, boarded the LST and before officers and crew members presented the Nisei with a letter of commendation "for outstanding devotion to duty and intrepidity which is deserving of commendation".

● Roy Hashitani defeated Bud Hickman, 5 and 4, for the Ontario Golf Club championship last week after shooting one-under-par for 32 holes.

**Gardena shopping center
opening slated Dec. 1**

[Gardena] Grand opening of Town & Country, shopping center under construction at 153rd and Western Ave., by Dec. 1 seems assured barring complications, the Home State Investment Co. announced last week.

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Los Angeles Newsletter BY HENRY MORI

INDIGNATIONS MOUNT

The usual pattern of discrimination in housing against a minority group is the "not welcome" sign hoisted by the residents living in a so-called exclusive district.

It may also develop from casual rejection by the real estate salesman that persons other than the white race are prospective clients in the sales campaign. His reluctance to show a buyer a home of his choice is good indication of what is in store for the customer should he try to push the deal.

But take the case of Amy Motodani whose modest duplex home is situated in San Fernando Valley on a 116x650 lot. She and her family had enough foresight to buy the property back in 1948 when most of the land was used for agricultural purposes.

There were no tract homes or neighbors to speak of, let alone anyone so small of mind to bother them, trespass their backyards or stamp their foot on their vegetable patch. But San Fernando has been growing since then. More people are moving into the state, many of them to Southern California.

Peaceful pursuits of farming and sheep-grazing have been superseded by residential boom towns in San Fernando valley. Postwar communities—Panorama City, Sepulveda, Granada Hills, Woodland Hills, Reseda, Northridge—are spanking new. Older communities—San Fernando, Van Nuys, North Hollywood, Pacoima, Roscoe (now Sun Valley), Burbank and Sherman Oaks—have extended and thickened their main drags with plushier shops to attract a postwar increase in residents.

New homes are mushrooming all around Amy's once peaceful abode. Some of the subdividers may be waiting to build more dwellings on her near 2-acres to make it an all-weather neighborhood.

Someone has decided to boot the Motodani family. Mild demonstrations began in July some six months after the first units of a new tract were open to newcomers.

Then some neighbor tossed garbage into their backyard and trampled on the rose patch. A prank, timed to add insult to injury, decided to raid the fruit trees.

The episodes of indignation continued.

Last August, some threw a burning flare into the lot threatening the Motodani's that "we'll burn your house down if you don't leave." In Ku Klux Klan fashion, an anonymous telephone call one night said the stucco duplex would be bombed.

Only last week letters that the postman had delivered to the Motodani home were torn to shreds by some unknown culprit. Amy wasn't going to let this one go: she immediately reported this outrage to her local Post Office. The guilty would be charged with a Federal offense.

After several months of patient endurance of hit-and-run abuses, Amy is hardly on her knees thinking about leaving.

Amy Motodani finds no reason why she and her parents have to move elsewhere. So she plans to build four new spick and span homes right on her own lot, after selling part of the back acreage to another real estate company.

Then she says she and her family will occupy one and rent the other three units. But before she does all this she plans to settle the score with her "neighbor or whoever is in her way."

The constant annoyance has resulted in one suit against her neighbor on a complaint of trespassing. The police and city departments too, have been notified of the peculiar situation.

And along with Amy's combatting a peculiar kind of discrimination in housing where aggression was fomented by outsiders is growing a community's indignation against intolerance. Amy need but to hold on to win.

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ANGUIO—Aug. 28, girl Lisa C. to Joe C. Anguios (Joan Yamashita). IWAKI—Sept. 2, boy Kenneth Kenji to Mamoba M. Iwakis (Grace M. Isomura). KANECHIKA—Sept. 1, boy Eugene Hiro to Yoichi Kanechikas (Yaeko Tomita). KITANI—Aug. 27, girl Debra L. to Susumi Kitani (Tomeko Uyeda). MAR—Aug. 24, girl Carolyn J. to Gilbert S. B. Mars (Katherine M. Horikami). MIYAHARA—Sept. 9, girl to Maki Miyaharas, Altadena. NAKAHARA—Aug. 25, girl Della Yuki to Arthur M. Nakaharas (Chiyoko J. Ogata), San Pedro. SHIOZAKI—Aug. 26, girl Laurey J. to Benjamin Shiozakis (Helen C. Abe). TANAKA—Aug. 30, girl Janice D. to Frank Y. Tanakas (Grace Oda). YAGAMI—Sept. 2, girl Karen Mieko to Masato Yagamis (Ayako Wada), Rosemead.

Engagements

HARUTA-FUJII — Chizuye to Toshio, both Chicago, Sept. 18. KIMURA-NAGATOMI — Mary, Parlier, to Masatoshi, Gardena.

Marriage Licenses Issued

ENDO-HIRANO — Hichiro, 29, Oakland; Helen C., 24, Los Angeles. ENRIQUEZ-IWAMOTO — Louis, 23; Margie, 23, both Phoenix. KAGETA-IMAGAWA — Joe, Loomis; Yasuko, San Francisco. MUTO-MAKINO — Carl, 23, San Francisco; Janice, 21, Oakland. NODA-TOYOFUKU — Tom T., Escalon; Doris S., San Jose. NOMURA-KIDO — John, 33; Nancy, 23, both Berkeley. NORCIA-MINAMI — Charles P. and Fumi, both Berkeley. OKURA-NOCHI — Paul, 31; Helen, 25, both Seattle. OMORI-ASABA — Fred and Mary, both Seattle. SHIMAZEKI-ISHIZAKI — Yoshihiko and Yoko, both Palo Alto. SHINODA-KAWANISHI — Hideo, 35, Stockton; Doris S., 33, Concord. TAKEDA-ISHIGAMI — Tetsuo, 26; Keiko, 22, both Seattle. TSUMURA-NAGAI — Yoshio F. and Tsuneyo J., both Stockton. WATAOKA-KOJIMA — Shoji, 26; Aiko, 22, both Seattle. YASUDA-KAKISHITA — Masayoshi and Toshiko, both Seattle.

Weddings

ASANO-KOISHI — Sept. 25, Sadao and Susie, both Denver. FUJITA-SHIMIZU — Oct. 9, Arnold and Toshi, both Los Angeles. FURUTA-ADACHI — Aug. 21, Shigeru and Teruko, both San Francisco. HAMAMOTO-HOTTA — Aug. 28, Takashi and Eiko, both Stockton. HASHIMA-HIROAKA — Oct. 2, Norobu J. and Teruko, both Los Angeles. ISHIKAWA-KODANI — Sept. 9, Fred T., Denver; Dee, Chicago. KAMIFUJII-BETSUIN — Oct. 2, Tommy Masuo, Culver City; Misako, Los Angeles. KIMURA-SASAI — Oct. 2, William T., Jr., San Francisco; Sally Setsuko, Los Angeles. KUNYUKI-OGAWA — Oct. 8, Richard and Ellen, both Los Angeles. KYOTANI-ICHIHO — Aug. 28, Gen-taro and Chizu, both Sacramento. MATSUMOTO-MATSUMOTO — Sept. 13, David and Lillian Sumiye, both Chicago. MATSUMUI-WEATHERS — Sept. 4, Manuel Y., Omaha; Doris E., Anthon. MINAMI-SAKATANI — Oct. 1, Roy, Los Angeles; Masako, San Fernando. MITSUEDA-MATSUDA — Sept. 25, Tommy J. and Junko, both Los Angeles. NOJIRI-FUJIWARA — Sept. 24, Toe and Jean, both Chicago. OBA-MURA — Oct. 2, Ben and Jean, both Los Angeles. OTSUKA-YOKOMIZO — Aug. 28, Makoto and Kikuto, both Oakland. SUZUKI-UJIFUSA — Oct. 2, Ben Tadashi, Denver; Grace Chizuko, Worland, Wyo. TAKENOUCHI-ONOUE — Oct. 9, Yasuo and Tomoko, both Los Angeles. YOKOYAMA-HONDA — Aug. 21, Toshio, Del Rey; Emiko, Oakland.

Deaths

ARAKAWA, Tome, 83; Reedley, Sept. 30, survived by wife Hatsu. DOIWCHI, Teruji, 70; Los Angeles, Oct. 12, survived by husband Matsu-ki, sons Kiyu, Sho and daughter Mrs. Seiko Ishimaru. ENDO, Mrs. Ishi, 63; Layton, Utah, Sept. 23, survived by husband Yoshigoro, sons Mits, Tak, Junior, daughters Aiko, Shiz, Inez, Mrs. Frances Tsukamoto, and six grandchildren. FUJIOKA, Masu; Los Angeles, Oct. 4, survived by husband Seishiro, son James S., daughters Ayako and Mrs. Yuriko Tsukahira. FUJIWARA, Rinsuke, 74; Los Angeles, Sept. 24, survived by wife Fuku, daughters Mrs. Miyuki Kojo and Mrs. Sakae Kawanami. HORI, Mrs. Suzuno, 63; Los Angeles, Sept. 28, survived by husband Kakutaro, son Tadaichi. INAHARA, Mito, 58; Sanger, Sept. 25, survived by husband Hyakuzo, seven sons Taro, Perry, Masaharu, Shigeo, Yoshimi, George, Mitsuo and daughter Mrs. Fumi Nozumi. INOUE, Richard, 21; Nampa, July 27, survived by mother, brother and sister. ITAMI, Kichijiro, 74; San Diego, Oct. 9, survived by wife Umeno, son Masami, daughters Mmes. Hatsuko Takasugi, Mitsuko Sugioka, and Haruko Iguchi. JOJIMA, Toyokichi, 73; San Francisco, Sept. 24, survived by wife Junko. KITA, Taiji, 64; Los Angeles, Sept. 27,

survived by wife Haru, daughter Mrs. Toki Kataoka, three grandchildren. KOBAYASHI, Momojiro, 82; Salt Lake City, Sept. 25, survived by wife Yone, daughter Mrs. Michi Mitani and two grandchildren. KUSABA, Suekichi, 85; Walnut Grove, Aug. 7, survived by wife Natsu, two sons and two daughters. MIYAMOTO, Mrs. Yoshiye, 63; Chicago, Sept. 21, survived by two sons and daughter. MURAKAMI, Harry Y., 47; Los Angeles, Oct. 6, survived by wife Mutsue, daughters Janice R., Ann, brother Jim Minoru. NAKAMURA, Magosuke, 73; Stockton, Oct. 5, survived by wife Hide, son Dr. James. NISHIMORI, Randy, 1; Stockton, Aug. 7, survived by parents Mr. and Mrs. Motoi, brother Ken. NOZAKI, Shingl, 82; San Francisco, Sept. 8, survived by wife Uto. OKANO, Mrs. Aiko, 39; Nyssa, Ore., Oct. 3, survived by husband Hiroto, sons Paul, Bobbie, daughter Cherie, parents Mr. and Mrs. Zenkichi Kikuchi (Wapato), brother Arthur and sister Mrs. Sono Arai. OKURA, Sojiro, 78; Oakland, Aug. 7. OSHIYAMA, Lily, 9; Pasadena, Oct. 3, survived by parents Mr. and Mrs. Hideo, brother Takao and sister Setsuko. REYES, Steve, 49; Los Angeles, Sept. 23, survived by wife Miyoko, sons Fred, Rex, daughters Mariko, Ruriko and Rita. SASAKI, Koji, 76; Monterey (formerly of Salt Lake City), Sept. 23, survived by wife Shio, son Frank, daughters Mary, Mrs. Jennie Y. Matsuo and nine grandchildren. SEIJI, Hidemi; Albany, Calif., Oct. 4, survived by wife Shizuko, four sons Hideo, Hayami, Toshio, Shinya, four daughters Mmes. Satsuko Furukawa, Tomiko Yokoyama, Hiroko Neishi, Masaye Matsui. SHINOZAKI, Mrs. Haru, 68; Milwaukee, Aug. 4, survived by husband Toshichi, sons Harry, Sam, daughters Sumi, Mrs. Addie Kuge, Mrs. Elva Matsumoto and Mrs. Betty Iwata. TAMURA, Shizuka, 37; Los Angeles, Oct. 8, survived by husband Kanichi, daughter Taeko D., sister Mrs. Yukie Nakanishi. TAKESHITA, Haruji, 77; Seattle, Sept. 30, survived by wife Kuma, sons Hiroshi, Tsuyoshi, four daughters Mmes. Mitsuko Hashiguchi, Masako Kobayashi, Chiyo Kamihara, Haruko Yamada and 10 grandchildren. TANAKA, Mitsuo, 61; San Fernando, Sept. 27, survived by husband Seiichi, sons Henry, Frank and daughter Mrs. Masako Tanaka. TANIMURA, Shinzo, 68; Sun Valley, Oct. 7. TOGAWA, Sadakichi, 67; Ontario, Ore., Sept. 16, survived by wife and son. TORII, Mrs. Eleanor; Chicago, Sept. 22, survived by husband Nakaji. YAMAMOTO, Kanji, 79; Venice, Oct. 1, survived by wife Fujiye, son Francis S., daughters Mrs. Miyoko Some-tani, Mrs. Alice Taniyama. YAMAMOTO, Kyumatsu, 57; Chicago, Sept. 8, survived by wife Haruko, two sons and four daughters. YAMAMOTO, Wataro, 73; San Francisco, Sept. 8, survived by wife Shigeno, sons Ryukai Akihara (in Japan), daughters Mmes. Fujiko Murata, Toshiko Miyamura and Masako Kobashigawa. YANASE, Tadajiro, 73; Arvada, Colo., Oct. 3.

\$222 received by Christmas Cheer

[Los Angeles] The eighth annual Christmas Cheer drive got off to a running start with contributions pouring into Christmas Cheer headquarters, care of the JACL regional office, 258 E. 1st St., last week.

Total donations of \$222 were announced for Oct. 15 by Jim Higgashi, chairman, who also revealed that \$88.87 received after the 1954 drive had ended is being added to make the first sub-total read \$310.87. A \$2,000 goal is being sought.

The 1955 drive ends Dec. 15. Donations of cash, canned goods, candy, cigarettes, toys, etc., will be accepted at the JACL office. Sumitomo Bank is again contributing banking services for the Yuletide project. The donors as announced are:

- \$30—Dr. W. S. O'Hira. \$25—Dr. H. James Hara. \$15—Takai Realty, Fukui Mortuary, Chairman-McKibbin & Yokozeki. \$10—Roy Yanai (Gardena), Tatsuo Yata, Hisashi Horita, Dr. Y. Yoshimura, the Lewis S. G. Millers, George Toguhachi Inouye, Orient Inc., Dr. Kohei Niya, Pacific California Fish Co. \$5—Tats Kushida, (Costa Mesa), H. Fujino. \$3—Mrs. Sachiko Amano, Mabel Lee. \$2—Isamu Kawasaki, S. Ishitani, Shoji Nakadate.

Dr. Baba in Palo Alto, to quit L.A. practice

[Palo Alto] Dr. George R. Baba, who before the war started practice in San Francisco, is now practicing in Palo Alto in association with his wife Dr. Masako Akimoto Baba at 409 California Ave.

Dr. Baba is a Fellow of American College of Surgeons, and a Diplomate, American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

At present he is also handling his Los Angeles office but in 1956, he expects to move completely to a new building in Menlo Park.

Hollywood JACL: Tets Bescho's combo will play at the chapter Hallowe'en dance Oct. 29, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., at the Hollywood Japanese Community Center. The harvest-barn motif will prevail.

Old custom revived as Issei in mid-60s, naturalized, returns with Japanese bride

[San Francisco] Going to Japan to get a bride was popular thing for the Issei 30 to 40 years ago, before the 1924 Japanese Exclusion Act went into effect.

Now that this law was repealed by the 1952 Walter-McCarran immigration and nationality law, some Issei men are reviving the old custom.

Even under the new U.S. immigration law aliens must bring in their wives and family here under the quota. With thousands seeking quota numbers, it is almost impossible for any alien Japanese to bring in their families by this method.

However, the Issei are now coming back with brides. They can do this because these men have become U.S. citizens under

the same Walter-McCarran law.

This law also provides that citizens may bring in their wives quota-free.

Latest case is Mr. and Mrs. Charles Shigezo Umemura of Salt Lake City.

Umemura, in his mid-60s, went to Japan this past spring as a member of the tour party led by Yoshio Katayama, Salt Lake City Nisei attorney.

There he met and married pretty, 44-year-old Tomiye Taniguchi, a noted Japanese artist, daughter of a former Asahi Shimbun photo editor.

As passport and visa arrangement had to be made, Umemura who is employed at a Salt Lake City hospital, returned alone about a month ago.

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BY LARRY TAJIRI

KLEIG LIGHTS—TELEVISION AND MOVIES

Denver

A feature of Art Linkletter's *House Party* program, shown weekdays over CBS-TV, is his talk with small fry. The other afternoon Linkletter asked a youngster of Japanese ancestry what the boy wished for more than anything in the world. The boy answered: "For President Eisenhower to get well."



Someone in the President's official family must have been watching and listening. The phone rang at CBS-TV in Hollywood shortly after the program ended. The Summer White House at Denver's Lowry Field was on the phone.

"They wanted the lad's name so they could thank him for his thoughtfulness."

Television's first full-fledged tribute to an Issei is in the making in Hollywood.

Four Star, producers of the Dupont-sponsored *Cavalcade of America* program which is seen weekly over ABC-TV, is preparing a 30-minute feature on the life of Kotaro Suto. The Japanese gardener gave 40 years of his life toward beautifying the city parks of Miami Beach, Fla., as a gesture to his adopted country.

Kotaro Suto is being written by Jo Pagano in collaboration with Frank Katzentine, former mayor of Miami Beach, and Carl Fischer, real estate man who was a close friend of Suto's. The teleplay is scheduled for showing later this season.

The TV film will be shot in actual locales in Miami Beach, and many of the gardens which Suto cared for during four decades will provide backgrounds.

The prize role of the orphan, Tommy, in MGM's *Go for Broke!* launched young Henry Nakamura of Honolulu on a movie career. With time out for a hitch in the army (he was too young to serve in the Go for Broke 442nd Combat Team), Nakamura has been keeping busy in Hollywood. In one of his most recent appearances, he plays Tack, the captain of a ferryboat on the China coast, in Warners' *Blood Alley*, a picture which stars John Wayne and concerns the determination of all of the residents of a small village inside Red China to escape to Hong Kong. To do this, they must run the gauntlet of Communist guns along "Blood Alley," the Formosa straits. Nakamura's performance contributes both heart and humor to the picture.

Nakamura also may be seen currently in 20th's *Left Hand of God*, another film with a Chinese background in which Humphrey Bogart is an American flier downed inside China who masquerades as a priest.

Aside from his portrayal of Tommy in the 442nd film, Nakamura's best role to date was that of Ito, a pioneer Issei who helps Robert Taylor take a hundred women through Indian country to California in *Westward the Women* for MGM. Nakamura also was in the recent Warners release, *Unchained*, a prison story.

Henry Nakamura is not the only one of the Nisei who made their cinematic debuts in *Go for Broke!* to continue an acting career. Several others, including Akira Fukunaga, who was in Warners' *Big Jim McClain*, have appeared in pictures made in Hawaii such as last season's *Beachhead*. Nakamura, however, is the only one to come to Hollywood to keep up with his movie chores.

One of TV's interesting new programs, new nationally, that is, is Paul Coates' *Confidential File*. The initial subjects tackled by this documentary program include narcotics addiction, horror comics and quick-cure pseudo-medical rackets. A forthcoming film in the Coates series was inspired by the Major Sammy Lee housing case in Garden Grove, Calif., and discusses racial bans in housing.

The Coates film has been seen by Nisei and other interested groups in California in advance of its TV release.

Having returned more than \$1 million profit from its Broadway and road runs, *Teahouse of the August Moon* is one of the great financial successes of recent years on the legitimate stage. Mariko Niki, a young Japanese actress who had married an American officer and had come to live in New York, has played the leading distaff role since the John Patrick play first opened more than two years ago. A dozen performers of Japanese ancestry were in the original cast, portraying Okirawan villagers, and many are still with the troupe.

There are Japanese Americans in the road company, headed by Burgess Meredith and Scott McKay. A second road company, topped by Larry Parks, took to the boards two weeks ago.

MGM is preparing the motion picture version of *Teahouse* and Marlon Brando already has been named for the role of the Army officer who falls in love with Lotus Blossom, the geisha. MGM has been interested in obtaining Machiko Kyo, star of *Gate of Hell*, *Rashomon* and *Ugetsu*, to portray the geisha. When Miss Kyo was in Hollywood recently, she tested for the part, while Masaichi Nagata, head of the Daiei studio in Tokyo to which Miss Kyo is under contract, discussed the feasibility of the Japanese actress' appearance. No announcements regarding Miss Kyo and *Teahouse* have come from either MGM or Mr. Nagata.

Minority Week

The Texas Supreme Court on Oct. 12 knocked out the state's school segregation laws and a state constitutional provision requiring separate schools for Whites and Negroes.

The decision upheld a lower court ruling by Judge Charlie Sullivan of Big Spring. He had denied an injunction against the local school board which would have prohibited the spending of state money because the district had abolished segregation.

The high court rejected Attorney General John Benschperd's contention that segregation in the Texas schools was not before the U.S. Supreme Court when it handed down its 1954 ruling against school segregation. In this decision, Associate Justice Few Brewster wrote: "That proposition is so utterly without merit that we overrule it without further discussion."

Four objections to 'liberalizing' features of Lane-Hillings bill expediting claims program by Justice Dep't attorneys cited

Los Angeles

Generally speaking, from the complaints raised by the attorneys in charge of the San Francisco and Los Angeles field offices and questions asked by members of the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Claims during their recent public hearings in California, there are four main objections to the Lane-Hillings Bill to expedite and liberalize the final determination of the remaining evacuation claims.

None of the objections, by the way, were directed to the so-called "expediting" provisions, but all were against the so-called "liberalizing" features of the Lane-Hillings Bill.

The objections were:

(1) Evacuee-claimants will be treated more generously than World War II servicemen-veterans,

(2) Claimants are not entitled to more than the strictest interpretation of the law allows because the United States Supreme Court declared the military evacuation of 1942 constitutional,

(3) More liberal consideration of the remaining claims unfairly discriminates against the overwhelming majority of claimants who have already settled their "smaller" claims, and

(4) The proposed liberalization actually represent "anticipated profits" which the Congress specifically prohibited as compensable items in the basic 1948 Act.

The first two are simple appeals to prejudice, but the latter two involve fundamental policy decisions on the part of the next Congress.

Better Treated than GIs

Comparisons with the treatment given to GIs in the last war are unfair, for such references infer that qualified Nisei failed to serve their country in World War II. As a matter of fact, as the 1947 Report of the House Judiciary Committee on the basic bill points out, "statistics were produced (by the Army) to indicate that the percentage of enlistments in the Armed Forces of this country by those of Japanese ancestry of eligible age exceeded the nationwide percentage. The valiant exploits of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, composed entirely of Japanese American (volunteers from relocation centers and the free zones) and the most decorated combat team in the war, are well known."

Moreover, it should be mentioned that GIs were the beneficiaries of special legislation prior to and during their period of service and of the GI Bill of Rights after their honorable discharge.

The lawmakers themselves in considering the original legislation in the 80th Congress recognized the unique situation of the evacuation when it unanimously approved this Report, which said in part: "The Committee considered the argument that the victims of the relocation were no more casualties of the war than were millions of other Americans who lost their lives or their homes or occupations during the war. However, this argument was not considered tenable, since in the instant case the loss was inflicted upon a special group by a voluntary act of the Government without precedent in the history of this country. Not to redress these loyal Americans in some measure for the wrongs inflicted upon them would provide ample material for attacks by the followers of foreign ideologies on the American way of life, and to redress them would be simple justice."

Arguments of this type tend to confuse the real issues and to prejudice the case unfairly and emotionally.

DECADE AGO

Oct. 20, 1945

Washington.—U.S. Army reveals work of Nisei in Pacific; Japanese Americans in Allied Translator and Interpreter Service (ATIS) provided U.S. with human "secret weapon" during war.

Evacuation Constitutional

While it is true that the United States Supreme Court in 1945 declared that the evacuation was a constitutional exercise of the President's war powers, the justices did not say that the evacuation was justified or even necessary.



Indeed, the Congress itself recognized the limitations of the high tribunal's decision by enacting this statute as a matter of grace. As such, it should be administered magnanimously liberally, generously, as befits the greatest nation on earth.

This type of appeal, as with those relating to GIs, is prejudicial to the impartial and objective consideration of legislation and should be discouraged as contrary to public interest and in bad taste.

Against Claimants

While it is to be recognized charges that more generous treatment of the relatively few remaining "larger" claimants in an effort to arouse the 92 per cent of the claimants whose claims have been settled to oppose the Lane-Hillings Bill, it is an established principle and practice of the Congress and the legislative process to review legislation after it has had an opportunity to function and then to amend such statutes if necessary to correct abuses, inequities, and injustices which have cropped up.

If law must remain static because a great many people have been affected in a certain way thereby, or life itself for that matter, there would be no progress. Amendments to law, based upon experience, are fundamental to the democratic progress. If the Magna Charta were not adopted simply because so many millions before that time had enjoyed no basic freedoms and rights, there would be no Constitution of the United States today with its Bill of Rights.

To argue that because 92 per cent were mistreated, the remaining eight per cent should be treated equally poorly for the sake of consistency is not the way to progress and a better life. Indeed, as Congressman Doyle himself testified, if the Congress can do justice to even one more evacuee that is reason enough to amend the law.

In this connection, it should be mentioned that had the Dept. of Justice, in the first place, administered the law liberally, there would be no need for the proposed changes today. Furthermore, an investigating Subcommittee of the House Judiciary Committee a year ago, after extensive hearings in which over a hundred witnesses were heard, found that justice and equity required certain amendments to the 1948 Act. The Lane-Hillings Bill incorporates the specific recommendations of that Subcommittee.

Those who compromised and settled or adjudicated their "smaller" claims and accepted awards did so voluntarily, and under no compulsion, except perhaps the implied one of the alternative of waiting years for possible payment. They elected to accept the proffered award; they were not forced to do so. They preferred payment then, rather than taking the chance that some years later Congress might amend the law and make it more liberal.

The remaining claimants have waited for years, 13 years after evacuation and seven after passage of the original law. These remaining claimants are not entitled to any interest on their claims or on the awards they may finally receive. They are not allowed to adjust the purchasing power of their dollars in terms of the extra years they have been forced, through no fault of their own, to wait. Thus, it might be argued most cogently that the

"larger" claimants were unfairly discriminated against by the Dept. of Justice that preferred to set aside their claims and to process the "smaller" ones.

Had last year's Subcommittee found that the Department had been overly generous in carrying out congressional intent and had recommended restrictions instead of liberalizations, we doubt very much that the Dept. of Justice would argue against such restrictions on the basis that it would be unfair to the 92 per cent of the "smaller" claimants, whose claims had been settled, that the "larger claimants" would be given a "worse break" than the smaller ones.

The larger, remaining claimants took this chance through no choice of their own.

Now that the Subcommittee has determined that justice and equity requires liberalizations, not restrictions, certainly they should not be penalized simply because their claims are larger and have not been processed by the Government before this time.

Anticipated Profits

The Dept. of Justice has construed so-called pre- and post-evacuation expenses, "fair rental values", management costs & conservation expenses, and fair crop values, including those for perennials, to be noncompensable items, barred by the statute as "anticipated profits".

The Department has issued lengthy detailed precedent-setting adjudications setting forth their reasons for their holdings.

The JACL and the interested attorneys have submitted their briefs in opposition. But, since under the current Act there is no appeal beyond the Attorney General, no court of law has had an opportunity to judge between the two positions.

The question of "anticipated profits" is a highly technical, legalistic concept over which even distinguished lawyers may differ.

Last fall, the Judiciary Subcommittee on Claims, after hearing arguments both pro and con on the adverse adjudications, declared in its Report that, since the Government had found that these restrictive interpretations were possible under the 1948 Act, the basic statute should be amended to specifically provide compensation for these "barred" items.

In other words, though attorneys may argue the compensability or noncompensability of certain claimed losses, the congressional Subcommittee that investigated the situation on the west coast last fall recommended that the legal controversy be abandoned and that the Congress enact amendatory legislation that would clearly stipulate that certain, designated items or categories of claims are compensable and should be paid.

The fact that a congressional subcommittee found it necessary to recommend the changes incorporated into the Lane-Hillings Bill would seem to indicate that, in their opinion at least, the Dept. of Justice has construed too harshly and too conservatively the congressional intent in enacting this measure of grace.

It remains to be seen whether the full Congress and the Chief Executive will go along with the Subcommittee recommendations.

CALENDAR

- Oct. 22 (Saturday) Venice-Culver—Pre-Hallowe'en potluck dinner, Braddock St. Comm. Center, 7 p.m.
- East L.A.—Jac' Lantern dinner-dance, Swally's Restaurant, 6:30 p.m.
- Oct. 22-23 Chicago—JACL Carnival, Olivet Institute, 1441 N. Cleveland.
- Orange County—Fall picnic, Irvine Park, 11 a.m.
- Oct. 25 (Tuesday) Downtown L.A.—Luncheon, San Kwo Low, 12 noon. "Japan Today", Consul General Shigeru Nakamura, spkr.
- Oct. 26 (Wednesday) Southwest L.A.—Meeting, Centenary Methodist Church, 8 p.m.; "Problems of Segregation," Atty. Loren Miller, spkr.
- Oct. 29 (Saturday) Hollywood—Hallowe'en dance, Hollywood Community Center, 9 p.m.
- Tetsu Bessho's combo.
- Cincinnati — Hallowe'en Social, First United Church.
- West Los Angeles—Hallowe'en Dance, 2566 Overland Ave., 9 p.m.