



**EDITORIALS:**

**Discrimination spanked again**

Segregation was dealt another setback. The United States Supreme Court this week said segregation at public parks and beaches (in Maryland) and public golf courses (in Georgia) was in violation of the 14th Amendment.

While it was earlier agreed by both sides that facilities used by the Negroes and whites were "physically equal", the latest ruling held it denied the "equal protection of the laws" through segregation.

The unanimous decision did not appear as spectacular as the decision of May, 1954, when public school segregation was declared unconstitutional; but, nonetheless, it is expected to bear far-reaching effects.

In brief, segregation must end in any place or facility that is supported by tax money.

Credit must be given to NAACP for spearheading this fight against racial discrimination—first, in restrictive covenants; then public schools; now at public parks and recreational facilities. They are fighting segregation on public carriers and at station waiting rooms and depot restaurants.

The battle against segregation has been laborious, but recent years have produced the most encouraging era for minority groups as a whole.

**PC holiday issue**

Initial target date for greetings and chapter reports to be included in the 1955 Pacific Citizen holiday issue was Nov. 15. The early response thus far has been better than previous years, but the bulk is yet to come. To assure sufficient time to edit and publish the 72-page edition by mid-December, we now advise our JACL chapters that the final deadline will be Nov. 30.

Chapters making the first deadline will be assured key positions for their hustle. Remaining prominent sections go first-come first-serve.

**YAS ABIKO NAMED NEW CHAIRMAN OF NC-WN DISTRICT**

[Sebastopol] The fifth post-war Northern California-Western Nevada JACL District Council biennial convention here Nov. 5-6 was climaxed with a huge banquet celebrating JACL's 25th anniversary. Mike Masaoka as main speaker recounted the highlights of the organization's quarter century.

Masaoka paid tribute also to the Sonoma Issei for their fine Emmanji Memorial Hall all built by volunteer labor in memory of three local Nisei who were killed in action with the 442nd RCT. Over 400 were present at the banquet.

Installed as new officers of the district council was the cabinet headed by Yas Abiko of San Francisco. (Complete list is found on page 4.) Past officers were:

Jack Noda (Cortez), chmn.; Bill Matsumoto (Sacramento), v.-chmn.; Alice Shigezumi (San Francisco), sec.; Wayne Kanemoto (San Jose) and Bill Fukuba (Watsonville), bd. mems.

Dan Nishita, Marysville chapter president, invited the council to have its next quarterly meeting in February at Marysville.

The Sunday afternoon program featured a chapter workshop, the first part of which consisted of a panel discussion ndiscussing ways and means of getting people to carry responsibilities in the local chapters. George Yasukochi of Berkeley acted as moderator with panel discussants Sumi Utsumi, San Francisco; Marvin Uratsu, Richmond-El Cerrito; Kenji Fujii, Eden Township; George Baba, Stockton, and Bob Takahashi, French Camp.

The second half of the workshop consisted of discussion groups on the subject of chapter membership campaigns with Fred Hoshiyama, San Francisco, as discussion coordinator and discussion group leaders were Bob Takahashi, French Camp; Kay Kamimoto, San Benito County; Haruo Ishimaru, San Francisco, and Marvin Uratsu, Richmond-El Cerrito.

The NC-WN District Council passed the following resolutions:

1. To pledge wholehearted support and cooperation to the San Francisco Chapter in sponsoring the 14th National Biennial Convention in 1956.

2. Extend greetings to State Assemblyman Edward E. Elliott who is being honored by the Pacific Southwest District Council on Nov. 12, for his leadership in

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**Six Nisei lads volunteer together at one draft board, month quota filled**

[Ontario, Ore.] Six lads—all of Japanese ancestry—who have been friends for several years were inducted into the armed forces after volunteering Nov. 2 at the Malheur County local draft board.

"This is the first time such a large number of Nisei have volunteered for the draft at one time at the local draft board, and probably the first time at any draft board in the country," Mrs. Ruth Engebritsen, secretary of the local board, said.

The boys "wanted to get it over with." The volunteers, along with one draftee, filled the quota for the local draft board for November.

The six men included James Minoru Kurata, 22, of Vale; Fred



Two U.S. Army officers stationed in Europe participated in Liberation Day ceremonies Oct. 16 at the French town of Bruyeres by laying a wreath at the stone monument in memory of the 442nd RCT Nisei soldiers killed in action. The plaque on the monument was presented by the National JACL.

**IMMIGRATION, NATIONALITY ACT SUBJECT OF SENATE HEARINGS**

BY HELEN MINETA

[Washington] Public hearings will commence Nov. 21 on the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952 by the Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization, Sen. Harley M. Kilgore (D., W. Va.) informed the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League.

Mike Masaoka, Washington representative of the JACL, has requested permission to testify before the subcommittee to give the point of view of the JACL in accordance with its mandate given at the JACL National convention in Los Angeles in 1954.

"The hearings," said Sen. Kilgore, "will be concerned with fundamental national policies expressed in the Immigration and Nationality Act (Walter-McCarran) of 1952, experience under the Act, and a consideration of the several pending Senate bills to amend the Act in whole or in part."

The principal Senate bills to be considered at the hearings to amend the basic Immigration Act are as follows: S. 519, sponsored by Senators Irving M. Ives (R., N.Y.), Leverett Saltonstall (R., Mass.), Clifford P. Case (R., N.J.), relates to certain changes in the

present omnibus bill regarding aliens who are likely to become public charges, standards for determining whether aliens would engage in subversive activities, the authority of officers and employees of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, various definitions particularly as they relate to suspension of deportations, quota provisions as they affect immigration.

S. 1206 is sponsored by Sens. Herbert H. Lehman (D., N.Y.), Theodore Francis Green (D., R.I.), Hubert H. Humphrey (D., Minn.), Estes Kefauver (D., Tenn.), John F. Kennedy (D., Mass.), William Langer (R., N.D.), Warren G. Magnuson (D., Wash.), Pat McNamara (D., Mich.), Wayne Morse (D., Ore.), James E. Murray (D., Mont.), Richard L. Neuberger (D.,

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**VESTED PROPERTY BILLS DUE FOR PUBLIC HEARING**

[Washington] Under consideration at public hearings Nov. 29-30 in the Senate Office Building will be several bills currently before the Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on Trading with the Enemy Act, Sen. Olin D. Johnston informed the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League.

Mike Masaoka, Washington JACL representative, has requested permission to testify before the subcommittee to give the JACL position that the best self-interest of the United States warrants the return of the vested property.

Bills under consideration include S. 854, which was introduced by Sen. William Langer (R., N.D.), whereby section 32 of the Trading with the Enemy Act of 1917, as amended, is amended to permit the return under such section of property which an alien acquired, by gift, devise, bequest, or inheritance, from an American citizen.

S. 995, introduced by Sens. Harley M. Kilgore (D., W. Va.) and Everett Dirksen (R., Ill.) is the identical measure to last year's so-called Dirksen bill which was favorably reported by the Judiciary subcommittee on the Trading with the Enemy Act. This bill provides for the full return of all property to natural as well as juridical persons. No action was taken by the full Senate on this bill during the second session of the 83rd Congress.

S. 1405, introduced by Sen. Earle C. Clements (D., Ky.), deals with section 9(a) of the Trading with the Enemy Act, as amended, and allows the Attorney General to li-

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**Photographic award**

[Berkeley] Dr. Henry Takahashi, optometrist active in camera clubs here, was made an associate of the Photographic Society of America. Award was made recently at the PSA Boston convention because of his "proficiency in color photography as a judge, lecturer and teacher".

**Recall valor, devotion of Nisei GIs of World War II at Arlington memorial**

[Washington] Representing the commander of the Military District of Washington, Maj. Gen. John H. Stokes, Jr., and the Dept. of the Army, Col. John A. Bradley deemed it his privilege to represent them at the memorial services conducted for Nisei veterans of World War II and the Korean War at Arlington National Cemetery last Oct. 31.

He recalled their valor and devotion to country beyond the call of duty. In all humbleness he praised the sacrifices made by the many Nisei who volunteered from behind barbed wire camps to meet unknown hardships and to give their all that those left behind might know that what the Nisei were fighting for was a better America for all.

**Book illustrator**

[Los Angeles] Storybook characters in costume will greet children at the "Children's Book Fair", Nov. 14-19, at the local public library. Taro Yashima, noted illustrator of children's books in Southern California, will be participating.

In the stillness\* of the crisp, autumn morning, the traditional rifle salute by the Ft. Myer squad echoed through the tree-lined Arlington cemetery resplendent in the colorful autumnal hues of varying shades, of green, shimmering yellow, fusing into orange and vivid reds. The lonely taps sounded by the bugler of the 3d Inf. Regt. closed the memorial services.

Presiding was Ira Shimasaki, chairman of the national JACL Arlington cemetery committee. Invocation was given by the Rev. Andrew Kuroda, and tributes were paid to the Nisei veterans by Ruth Kuroishi, president of the Washington, D.C. JACL chapter, and Jessie Shima, president of the Japanese American Society.

Tad Masaoka, formerly with the 442nd RCT, responded on behalf of the Nisei veterans, and the Rev. James Shizuoka gave the benediction.

Floral tributes were placed by JACL members after the services at the grave sites of the 20 Nisei veterans interred at Arlington.

The Washington JACL office reported that pictures taken at each grave site would be sent to next of kin.

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**FROM THE FRYING PAN: by Bill Hosokawa**



**Fabulous New York**

New York

As always, New York is a fabulous, fascinating place peopled by this world's most patient people. New Yorkers have built a wondrous Camelot whose fabled towers rise out of the mists. But they forgot to provide enough exits, and that has led to the most frustrating kind of congestion. To avoid this congestion the well-to-do make their homes in the distant suburbs and spend two to four hours a day just getting to and from their jobs.

One morning we had a quickie breakfast a Schraafts. Orange juice, sweet roll and coffee, 45 cents. You stand behind the counter and wait for someone to get up so you can grab his seat, quick. You're expected to tip, even though the service may be lousy and your check amounts to only 25 cents. You never tip less than a dime, so on a 25-cents check you're tipping 40 per cent.

We mentioned the matter of tipping to several New Yorkers who agreed it was the universal curse. You tip the grocer boy who delivers your provisions, and the paper boy who collects \$3.50 a month for the *New York Times* that he drops off at your apartment door. If you are wealthy enough to live in an apartment with an elevator operator, you're expected to be generous at Christmas time. He may collect as much as a thousand dollars, and that helps make up for the pittance he is paid in wages. Taxi drivers expect at least 15 per cent tip even though it seems to be against union regulations for them to help a passenger with his suitcase or open a door for them. In fact, someone suggested that all New York cab drivers have holes in their pants which makes it embarrassing for them to leave their seats.

**A CONVENTION OF PENGUINS**

One of the outlanders in our group observed that New York was less like America than it is like Europe where great wealth and poverty rub shoulders. Certainly nowhere else in the U.S. of A. is there such vast contrast between opulence, as in midtown Fifth Avenue, and squalor such as one finds in Harlem and the lower East side. Near quitting time the streets around Rockefeller Plaza are filled with chauffeur-driven, air-conditioned Cadillacs. A few blocks away are the teeming (and in summer, steaming) subway stations.

On Third Avenue the elevated is being torn down, letting the sunshine down to street level for the first time in decades. While gawking into the cluttered windows of antique shops, I heard French, German, and some Slavic language being spoken in addition to New York's peculiar kind of English.

On Madison Avenue, only a few blocks away, the hucksters gather, work and speak a language of their own. I'd always thought those books about the advertising agency account executives caricatured their subjects. Now, I feel that the men in the gray flannel suits are impossible to caricature. I saw them standing seven deep during the cocktail hour at the New Weston bar. They wore charcoal gray flannel suits, short-tubbed shirts and narrow neckties. Silver pins held their collar tabs in place. They wore narrow-brimmed hats, usually green. And most of them had white trench coats thrown over their arms together with a tightly rolled umbrella. It looked like a convention of penguins.

**DELICACIES OF THE SEA**

One thing New York doesn't have to apologize for is its food. You may pay a fancy price, but you go to the right places and the food is unbeatable, especially the seafood. San Francisco boasts of some mighty fine seafood restaurants, but it seems to me they're handicapped by not having the best raw materials to work with. Something about the frigid waters of the Atlantic's coastal shelf adds flavor and piquancy to the vast variety of shellfish and other ocean denizens that find their way to New York's markets. I make it a point of filling up on them each time I get a chance to go east.

Bill Hosokawa was elected president of the American Association of Sunday Feature Editors, which held its annual two-day meeting at New York early last week. Bill is editor of the *Empire* magazine, Sunday gravure section of the *Denver Post*. Congratulations and best wishes.—Editor.

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Pretty Marie Yamamoto, herself a Seattle city employee, acts for the Seattle JACL chapter in presenting a pair of rice bowls and chopsticks for Mayor and Mrs. Allan Pomeroy on their current trip to Japan, and as an added attraction shows how it's done. In the photo (left to right) are Harry S. Kawabe (who at the age of 65 is the senior Nisei JACLer in the Pacific Northwest); William Mimbu, secretary to National JACL Board; Frank Hattori; George Kawaguchi; Mayor Pomeroy; Miss Yamamoto; Don Follett, Seattle Chamber of Commerce vice-pres.-manager; Kunitaro Tanabe, Frank Kinomoto, Takashi Hori; Howard Sakura, Seattle chapter president; and Takeshi Kubota. —Elmer Ogawa Photo.

**Dr. Sammy Lee moves into home**

[Anaheim] Dr. Sammy Lee, former Olympic diving champion whose faith in the American way was almost shaken last July, moved into his new home here last week and opened offices for private medical practice in South Santa Ana.

Last July 4, a realtor refused to sell the Korean American a house in Garden Grove because of his ancestry.

"It all looks different now," Dr. Lee said in his new home at 12011 Cliffwood Ave. "There is less discrimination shown in this wonderful country with every month that passes."

Dr. Lee served 12 years in the Army, including 16 months in Korea, as an ear-nose-throat specialist.

**FRESNO ISSEI COUPLE CONTRIBUTE \$10,000 TO VETERANS HOSPITAL**

[Fresno] Mr. and Mrs. Yoshiaburo Okuda, rancher and owner of two business buildings in West Fresno, marked their 60th wedding anniversary with a \$10,000 donation to the Fresno Veterans Hospital because they "had no sons to give to the armed forces of their adopted country".

The aged couple hoped ex-servicemen would benefit from the contribution to the veterans institution.

They have two daughters, Mrs. Kenzo Okamura of Fowler and Mrs. Jin Ishikawa of Fresno.



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**KIKKOMAN SHOYU**

TOKYO TOPICS: by Tamotsu Murayama

Some sad news



Tokyo  
 ■ Goro Murata for the second time underwent surgery on his face for cancer. Doctors had thought they had completely removed the diseased portions the first time, but cancer was still spreading. He is taking the ordeal philosophically. The doctors have told him he will be all right. He will recover.

Goro was one of the charter members of the Los Angeles JACL when it was reorganized in 1929. He was active during the 1932 national JACL convention in Los Angeles and covered the Olympic games there for the *Kashu Mainichi*.

After the Olympics, he came to Japan and worked for the *Japan Times* as news editor. His journalistic career flourished prominently in Japan. When the old *Japan Times* was purchased by the *Japan Advertiser*, its name was changed under Army orders to the *Nippon Times* over a decade ago.

Goro's career was shining as managing editor and business manager of the *Nippon Times* under George Togasaki. Because of his illness, he was forced to resign. He made an attempt to start his own business enterprise, but his physical condition continued to weaken, until cancer struck.

His friends in Tokyo are praying for his recovery.

YONEYAMA BOKUSON STRICKEN

■ Iwao Tomimoto—whose *nom de plume* is well-known as Yoneyama Bokuson—was prominent in California a half-century ago as a newspaperman. He returned to Japan and engaged actively in politics.

His major postwar campaign was to introduce Mike Masaka and other Nisei leaders and heroes to Japan. He wrote many books, publishing some of them himself. He suffered a stroke recently and must rest quietly in bed. His family has a difficult time keeping him in bed.

As a natural leader, crusader and fighter, who has supported and encouraged many Nisei leaders in the past, we like to see him get well again and be able to continue his crusade.

Big-hearted Tomimoto also presented General MacArthur a most expensive scroll on his departing day from Japan. The picture shows the last moment of Lord Buddha, an event regarded as highly by the Buddhists as the Christians revere Christ's Last Supper. MacArthur received it, but it was never acknowledged. The scroll has been appraised at 10 million yen.

PRIVATE SECRETARY TO YOKOHAMA MAYOR

■ George Nakamoto Mitsushio, former English editor of the *Hafu Shimpō* and radio announcer in Tokyo, is now private secretary to Mayor Ryoichi Hirayama of Yokohama. He is handling the current conference of Pacific Coast mayors and Chamber of Commerce presidents.

He is married to a stage actress who was popular on the prewar Takarazuka stage. Undoubtedly, he is one of the outstanding Nisei journalists in Japan.

300 jam Denver YWCA to attend Mile-Hi dinner-reception for Issei citizens

[Denver] More than 300 people jammed the local YWCA 4th floor Oct. 29, to attend the Mile-Hi JACL Issei dinner-reception and children's Halloween party. True S. Yasui headed the affair as general chairman, with Michi Teraji chairman of the kids' party.

Jack Ishida, Cathay American Legion Post 185 commander, took part in the program to commemorate "Nisei Soldiers' Memorial Services", calling again to mind the sacrifices made by Nisei GIs during World War II and during the Korean conflict. Ronald Sakayama, young son of John and Ruby Sakayama, blew "taps" during the moment of silence in memory of the Nisei war dead.

Of the 140 Issei who were newly naturalized as United States citizens, more than 60 were present to be honored by local and state officials. John T. Horie of Brighton, who conducted several citizenship classes, acted as master of ceremonies.

Official greetings were extended by Hon. Chas. A. Montandon, mayor of Brighton, Colorado, and by Helen M. Burke, director of the Human Relations Commission representing Denver Mayor Will F. Nicholson. Lt. Gov. Steven L. R. McNichols, representing the State of Colorado, dropped in briefly during the evening program to extend personal greetings.

Robert M. Horiuchi, probably the highest ranking Nisei civil service worker in the state administration, spoke on behalf of Earl Blevins, who had been designated by Gov. Ed. C. Johnson as representative.

(Sakata was scheduled to leave St. Anthony's Hospital for his home in Brighton last week. Stricken with a serious illness while vacationing in Japan last winter, he has been suffering most of this summer and was hospitalized the past month. During his illness, Irvin Matsuda has carried on as acting president of the Mile-Hi JACL).

Harry H. Sakata, Mile-Hi JACL president, although having

been hospitalized for several months, got up out of a hospital bed in order to extend his personal greetings to the newly naturalized Issei citizens and to JACLers. Min Yasui represented the regional JACL office and National JACL.

The Rev. George Uyemura of the California St. Methodist Church, who has acted as official interpreter for the U.S. District Court in administering the oath of allegiance to newly naturalized Issei citizens, extended a few words of congratulations.

Responses from the new-citizens were made by George Gunichi Shimoda, Minejiro Nakasugi, both representing the rural areas, Mrs. Takako Wiley representing the Japanese war brides, and the Rev. Y. Tamii generally on behalf of all new citizens.

Henry Suzuki, also an instructor in naturalization classes, read the roll call of new citizens; and Bess Shiyomura assisted in the presentation of American flag lapel pins to the new citizens.

Legionnaires George Goto and Tom Masamori acted as color guard in posting the colors.

Nancy Sogi, accompanied by Sumi Koyano, led in the audience in the National Anthem and the closing "America". The songstress who has made local radio and TV appearances, also sang "China Rantan".

Group photos of the newly-naturalized citizens were taken by Tom Masamori, 2010 Lamar St. Additional prints may be ordered directly from Masamori, or the JACL office, 1225 - 20th St., at \$1 each.

Program chairman for the affair was Bess Shiyomura. Betty Suzuki was head of the food committee that fed more than 300 people, including children. Assisting Mrs. Suzuki were:

Emi Chikuma, Mrs. T. Oka, Dorothy Uchida, Tama Osumi, Bernice Ohashi, Mitsu Matsuda, Ruby Sakayama, Rose Tanabe, Mrs. M. Tashiro, Tami Masunaga, Masako Shiramizu, Mae Kuroki, Bess Shiyomura, and Betty Mikuni.

Amy Miura headed the hostess and reception committee and was assisted by:

Chiye Horiuchi, Haruko Kobayashi, Rosalie Tokunaga, and Gladys Tanigaki.

Issei reception committee included:

Parents of WYBL head die in highway accident

[Dinuba] A collision with a grain-laden truck took the lives of an aged Issei couple from Orosi Nov. 5 on US Hwy. 99 miles south of Selma.

Mrs. Tokiyo Osaki, 56, was pronounced dead on arrival at the Selma Hospital. Her husband, Gi-ichiro, 72, who was driving the pick-up truck, died of injuries that evening.

Highway patrolmen reported Mrs. Osaki was thrown out and under the corn as it spilled from the other truck. Neither trucks were overturned.

They were parents of Kenji Osaki, 27, who is president of the Western Young Buddhist League.

Mesdames T. Oka, Z. Kanegaye, S. Kosuge and S. Iguchi.

Michi Teraji headed the Children's Halloween party program, assisted by:

Sachi Shibata, Millie Kiyotake, Jennie Kitagawa, Emma Goto, Fusi Pack, and Turno Odow.

General arrangements were handled by Willie Mikuni, Billy Mattocks, John Sakayama, Bob Horiuchi and Tak Terasaki. Japanese invitations were done by K. Takeuchi, and reservations and program arrangements were assisted by:

Michi Ando, Mitchie Terasaki, and Carol Yano.

Boy Scout Troop 169 of the Tri-State Buddhist Church, under the leadership of Tad Yamamoto did an enthusiastic job of assisting in the program. Girls Scout Troop 244 led by Grace Kawakami assisted in serving.

Min Yasui noted regretfully that American flag lapel pins were not available in sufficient quantity to present to all newly-naturalized Issei citizens. As soon as further supply is obtained from the manufacturers, they would be mailed, he added.

Many of the Issei who were honored at the reception expressed their appreciation to the local JACL, and many made contributions to the JACL as a token of their gratitude.

It was noted that a majority of Issei in this area have now become naturalized citizens, and that probably the October dinner-reception will be the last to be held by the local JACL, honoring new Issei citizens, unless a sufficient number of naturalizations occur in the near future.



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### Hyde Park redevelopment

Chicago

With the Hyde Park redevelopment program underway, some of the Nisei-operated shops along East 55th Street have or are being closed to temporarily reduce the scope of Holiday Greetings in this year's Pacific Citizen. . . Acorn Cleaners will be shut by the end of this month. Hyde Park Restaurant, Fujii Market and the Chicago Buddhist Church are scheduled to go.

Our good friend Harry Yamamoto has closed Petite Cleaners. It's situations such as these that reflect the changes of Japanese American business this past year: closing down to urban beautification.

Our mail solicitation, however, has shown grateful results, thanks to response from Dr. Kenji Kushino, Tokuzo Gordon, Noboru Honda, Dr. William Hiura, Shig Kitahara, Fumi Iwatsuki (Chicago JAACL queen in 1950), Album Photographers—to mention a few off the top of the latest batch.

### NISEI SCOUTERS CELEBRATE 11TH

The Chicago Buddhist Church Boy Scouts Troop 515, Cub Scout Pack 3515 and Explorer Troop 2515 will celebrate their 11th anniversary at the church Nov. 12. . . Explorer Allan Yamakawa will be given the Silver Palm award at the Council Eagle court of honor at Lane Tech auditorium Nov. 20 to be the only Nisei to be so honored. Allan is a freshman student at the Univ. of Illinois Navy Pier branch.

### AMERICANIZATION CLASSES

Dr. Neil E. Hansen, general director of the Chicago City Missionary Society of the Congregational Churches, will deliver the commencement address at the seventh Americanization graduation exercises Nov. 15 at Olivet Presbyterian Church. The class was conducted by the Chicago JAACL through Paul Otake and Kenji Nakane, Service Committee director. . . The graduating class of 50 Issei brings the total number of alien Japanese completing the 30-week class to 705. The classes are conducted in both Japanese and English since its start in April, 1953. . . What appears to be last Americanization class specifically for the Issei was started last week, meeting Wednesday nights at the Service Committee building, 1110 N. LaSalle St.

The general election of 1956 Chicago chapter officers takes place Nov. 11 with installation at the Inaugural party next week, Nov. 18, at the Tam O'Shanter country club in suburban Niles. Heading the slate is Dr. Frank Sakamoto for the office of presidency.

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### NC-WN convention—

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helping to eliminate the alien land law from the state's statutes.

3. Appreciation to Congressman Walter H. Judd for the tribute paid to the Japanese American Citizens League in the Congressional Record on the occasion of JAACL's 25th anniversary.

4. Calling upon the Congress of the United States to give equal consideration to the peoples and nations of Free Asia as those granted to the peoples and nations of Free Europe in any consideration of amendments or revisions of the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952.

5. Expressed appreciation to retiring Chairman Jack Noda and members of his Executive Board.

6. Appreciation to the Sonoma County Chapter, Kanemi Ono, president, and Convention Chairman Frank Oda for acting as host to the District Council Convention. Also extending thanks to the mayors and chamber of commerce officials, businessmen and newspapers of the communities of Santa Rosa, Sebastopol and Petaluma for their wholehearted support to make the convention a success.

7. Sent a wire to President Eisenhower expressing gratification that he is well on the road to recovery, and extending best wishes for the Thanksgiving holiday season.

The District Council went on record to hold its annual bowling tournament in connection with the February meeting, but all participants must be fully registered delegates for the quarterly meeting.

The JAACL sapphire pin, National JAACL's honor award for loyalty and service, were awarded to Henry Shimizu and James Miyano, both Sonoma County members. William H. Enomoto of Redwood City, and Haruo Imura of Alameda were also named recipients and will be given pins in the near future.

Shimizu was one of the organizers of the Sonoma County JAACL in 1935 and helped reactivate the chapter after the war. Last year he qualified as adult education instructor and taught Americanization to Issei here.

Miyano has also been active in the chapter and served on the district council cabinet.

Enomoto was treasurer of the JAACL-ADC committee during its operation from 1946-1953.

Imura was the first president of the Alameda JAACL in 1952 and served two terms in 1936 and 1951.

Over 240 delegates were registered for the convention. Attendance awards went to San Francisco and Richmond El Cerrito chapters.

[Tacoma] Highlight of the Pacific Northwest District Council biennial convention will be the JAACL Silver Anniversary banquet at the Tower, 6805 - 6th Ave., Nov. 19, from 6:30 p.m.

Sen. Warren G. Magnuson is scheduled to be the main speaker.

Dr. Kay Toda, president of the host Puyallup Valley chapter, announced the convention business session will be held at the Tacoma Buddhist Church, 1717 Fawcett Ave., with Dr. Matthew Ma-

suoka of Portland, chairman, presiding.

Registration of delegates will start at 10 a.m., with the general assembly meeting from 10:30 a.m.

The afternoon session will include new business, election of new district council officers and presentation of resolutions.

Registration for the convention will be \$5. Separate banquet tickets at \$3.50 have been distributed to the PNWDC chapters.

Dancing will follow the banquet.

## Terasaki named general chairman of 1955 Mountain-Plains CL convention

[Denver] Yutaka "Tak" Terasaki, national JAACL 3rd vice-president, was designated convention chairman for the 1955 Mountain-Plains JAACL Convention to be held here Nov. 26-27.

Terasaki will be assisted by Sam Matsumoto and Dorothy Uchida in organizing the convention. The Ft. Lupton JAACL, under leadership of Tick Matsushima, will co-sponsor.

Mike M. Masaoka, Washington representative, and Dr. Roy M. Nishikawa, national treasurer and chairman of the 1954 Nat'l JAACL Convention, will be special visitors to Denver for the convention. Masaoka will report on latest developments in connection with the evacuation claims program, Refugee Relief Act, and other matters of national interest. Nishikawa will report on national finances, and the COJAEC program. (Committee on Japanese American Evacuation Claims).

In conjunction with the Moun-

tain-Plains JAACL Convention, the third annual Mountain-Plains bowling tournament will be held under the co-chairmanship of John Sakayama and Willie Mikuni.

### Denver convention secretary appointed

[Denver] Mary Hosoda, formerly of Toronto, Canada, has been appointed JAACL office secretary, to assist in the Mountain-Plains JAACL Convention. Office hours at the JAACL office, 1225 - 20th St., Denver 2, will be from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m., daily, except Saturdays and Sundays. Carol Yano, coed at CWC, is also assisting during late afternoons.

### Bridge enthusiasts invited to Mile-Hi duplicate meet

[Denver] Out-of-town delegates are particularly welcome at the Mile-Hi JAACL Bridge Club duplicate tournament Nov. 25 at the Min Yasui residence, 1150 S. Williams St., it was announced by True Yasui, club chairman.

She and Sam Matsumoto, tournament director with Haruko Kobayashi, were winners of the 1954 National JAACL bridge tournament, it was noted by the Mountain-Plains JAACL Office, affording visiting CLers to meet some of Denver's best Nisei players.

### TWIN CITIES CHRISTMAS PARTY SET FOR DEC. 17

[Minneapolis] The annual Christmas party, co-sponsored by the Twin Cities United Citizens League and the Japanese American Community Center board of management, will be held Dec. 17 at the Blaisdell Avenue center.

According to chairman Min Yoshida, it appears to be the biggest get-together for the year. Family pot-luck dinners will be served. Youngsters will have a Santa visit.

Results of the JAACL chapter and JACC board elections will also be made at this time.

### Seattle JAACL honors membership team winners

[Seattle] Merry Mimbu's team of Bill Mimbu and Amy Takano were honored as winners in the 1955 Seattle JAACL membership campaign at the Oct. 11 dinner-meeting at China Lane Cafe.

(The chapter has a total membership of 306 as of Oct. 31, according to National JAACL Headquarters.)

Plans for the Dec. 13 election meeting were also discussed by Dr. Kelly Yamada, nominations committee chairman. A slate will be announced at that meeting to be held at 1414 Weller St. with additional nominations from the floor to be made.

### Immigration—

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Ore.), John O. Pastore (D., R.I.), and Dennis Chavez (D., N.M.). This bill is a complete rewriting of the present Walter-McCarran Act.

S. 1315 is sponsored by Sens. Hubert Humphrey (D., Minn.), Paul H. Douglas (D., Ill.), John F. Kennedy (D., Mass.), and Pat McNamara (D., Mich.). This bill liberalizes the definitions under the Walter-McCarran Act, changes the allocation of immigrant visas within quotas, amends the reasons for suspension of deportation and voluntary departure, and establishes a Visa Review Board to review action taken by a consular officer in denying an immigrant visa to any alien on pertinent grounds.

Public hearings will be held on Monday and Tuesday, Nov. 21 and 22; the week of Nov. 28, Monday through Friday; and possibly the week beginning Monday, Dec. 5.

Serving on the subcommittee in addition to Chairman Kilgore are Sens. James O. Eastland (D., Miss.), Thomas C. Hennings (D., Mo.), Olin D. Johnston (D., S.C.), John Marshall Butler (R., Md.), Everett M. Dirksen (R., Ill.), and Arthur V. Watkins (R., Utah).

### CHAPTER MEMOS

Richmond-El Cerrito JAACL: Haruo Ishimaru, former NCWN regional director, spoke on the advantages of the JAACL credit union before executive board members recently at the home of Sei Kami.

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**DATELINE NORTHWEST: by Budd & Arlene Fukei**



**From E. 52nd St.**

Seattle

Here's looking at the outside world from E. 52nd St.:

Things are improving for the Republicans with the report that President Eisenhower has been given the doctors' approval to leave Fitzsimons Army Hospital in Denver. (The Kelly Yamadas like Seattle.)

The Democrats are slowly rallying their forces to name a suitable candidate for the 1956 national election. And Adlai Stevenson, at this writing, appears to be their logical choice. (The William Mimbus have a new home.)

But fares in Seattle will be boosted November 13. (More and more Japanese Americans are seriously thinking of either learning how to walk farther or entering a car pool.)

**PURELY PERSONAL PIFFLES:** Loyal Seattle Japanese Americans have abandoned the idea that the University of Washington Huskies are going to the Rose Bowl—as players; their feelings, however, have been somewhat soothed by the glittering fact that UW has a topnotch yo-yo unit and a first-class band . . . last week, the family hustled down to the County-City building to register for the next municipal election; the one who earned the plaudits—you guess—was our non-voting, non-registering Sumi Jo, almost seven weeks old today . . . another down-to-earth report: a salesman says that the Nisei farmers in Ontario, Ore., were given a severe jolt (\$-wise) the past season . . . before the floor was put this query—what is the average age of Nisei bowlers in Seattle? Well, it ranges from teenagers to men in their late 40's; in our estimation, the average is hidden in the late 20's since the late 40 men are in the minority and rather scarce still . . . of course, we're not going to be catty about the girls; . . . a few old-timers in the Japanese American community are awed by the beauty of some of the Nisei and Sansei lasses; "Girls weren't that good-looking in our days," they ruefully recall . . . the most popular Little League football team in town is the International Fighting Irish club backed by the Nisei Veterans Committee . . . Mayor Allan Pomeroy and his wife left for Japan to attend a mayors' conference in Tokyo; the Seattle Post-Intelligencer this week appropriately carried an excellent editorial on the parley . . . Suzie Fukuyama, well known dress designer, also left for Nippon; hers was a business trip.

**VERY TRULY YOURS: by Harry K. Honda**



**Christmas planning**

With so much mention made of the Pacific Citizen holiday issue in the past weeks in this column, it almost seems sacrilegious for me to omit something on the traditional meaning of Christmas.

In addition to the religious aspect to honor the birthday of the Infant Jesus, there is the spirit of groups and individuals who want to do something for somebody at Christmas time . . . The JACL Club Service Bureau over the past years has been conducting "Christmas Cheer" to assist the Japanese sick and needy and its story has been retold. But if there are other groups interested in making "Christmas Is For Everybody", here are some useful points.

Plan your Christmas giving early. Half the fun is in the planning. Don't wait until a week before Christmas . . . Plan to fit the family or group whom you are helping. Check with the agency, hospital, institution or community center through which you want to give before making specific plans . . . Recognize the right of each individual to be shielded from unnecessary publicity concerning his financial needs . . . Give cash or gift orders to families in preference to baskets. It gives the family the pleasure of selecting its own gifts . . . If giving to an institution, consider their needs. They can always use athletic equipment, tools, books, magazines for the library, candy and refreshment for parties, summer or winter camper-ships and scholarships.

Remember the shut-ins, the handicapped, the aged. They enjoy carolling, parties, gifts of personal things, magazine subscriptions, tickets to theaters, concerts or a restaurant dinner. The elderly folks are often completely forgotten at Christmas in deference to the youngsters . . . Give new or reconditioned toys. A broken or dirty Christmas gift is a bitter disappointment . . . And plan for children in their own homes or familiar environment on Christmas Day. A child is likely to fill ill-at-ease if in a strange home at Christmas away from his family and playmates.

Yes, Christmas is for everybody.



Salt Lake JACL conducted a triple installation ceremony for its 1956 officers of the chapter, auxiliary and Jr. division at El Gaucho Nov. 5. Repeating the oath of office administered by IDC Chairman Jim Ushio (back to camera) are (left to right) George Tamura, Jr. pres.; Kuni Kanegae, Jr. v.p.; Frank Ujifusa, Jr. treas.; Kimi Kasai, Jr. soc. chmn.; Mrs. Tomoko Yano, Aux. chmn.; Mrs. Midori Watanuki, Aux. v.-chmn.; Susie Kaneko, Aux. sec.-treas.; Rupert Hachiya, third-term chapter pres.; Howell Ujifusa, third-term 1st v.p.; Sam Kawakami, 2nd v.p.; Edna Masuda, rec. sec.; Mrs. Rose Kanzaki, treas.; and Mrs. Shiz Sakai, hist. —Terashima Photo.

**Hachiya installed SLC JACL prexy for 3rd straight year**

[Salt Lake City] Rupert Hachiya became the first Salt Lake JACL chapter president to be installed into office for the third consecutive term. A virtual newcomer to JACL circles at the time he was first elected in 1954, he gained admiration of the membership in succeeding years to be voted into office for the third year in a row.

Howell Ujifusa is also a third-term 1st vice-president for the chapter.

In the chapter's 20 year history, Dr. Jun Kurumada was the only other three-term president, having served two terms in 1942-43 and one year in 1948.

Installation ceremonies were held Nov. 5 at El Gaucho with Intermountain District Council Chairman Jim Ushio administering the oath of office to 1956 cabinet members of the Salt Lake chapter, the women's auxiliary and Jr. JACL.

(The complete listing of cabinet officers will be found elsewhere in this issue.—Editor.)

Elmer Smith, the chapter's godfather from the days he championed the JACL cause during the grim war years, reviewed the chapter's 20-year history. He highlighted the support of staunch oldtimers as Lyle Kurisaki, Sr., Chippy Umemoto and James Nagata.

Dr. Jun Kurumada, just returned from military duty in Japan, attended his first social function last week and was introduced. Other past presidents attending were Shigeki Ushio (now with Mt. Olympus chapter), Kay Terashima, Mas Yano and Mrs. Alice Kasai.

The Rev. George Hirose, chairman of the special awards committee, presented JACL pins to Edna Masuda and Alice Kasai in recognition of their outstanding contributions to the Jr. and Sr. JACL organizations, respectively. Chairmen of the 1956 nomination committee announcing their election reports were Edna Masuda, Jr. JACL; Mrs. Josie Hachiya, auxiliary; and George Yoshimoto, Sr. JACL.

**Pot-luck supper feature for Detroit elections**

[Detroit] A family-style pot-luck supper will be featured at the Detroit JACL election meeting slated for Nov. 26 at International Institute.

While balloting for officers, the children present will be shown movies. Dancing and games will follow, according to Al Hatate, Art Matsumura and Betty Mimura, in charge of program.

Rose Leong, nomination chairman, will be assisted by: Peter Fujioka, Roy Kaneko, Sud Kimoto, Mae Miyagawa, Kenneth Miyoshi and Minoru Togasaki.

**Southwest L.A., VFW Nisei Memorial Post, Dorsey adult school to honor Issei**

[Los Angeles] Over 800 naturalized Issei citizens in the Southwest and Wilshire-Olympic districts of Los Angeles will be honored Nov. 18 jointly by the Southwest L.A. JACL, Nisei Memorial Post 9938, VFW, and Dorsey High adult education department.

The program will start at 8 p.m. at the Dorsey High school auditorium, 3537 Farmdale Ave.

**Los Angeles FEPC**

[Los Angeles] Saburo Kido, past national JACL president, was recently announced as among honorary chairmen of the Los Angeles Committee for Equal Employment Opportunity.

**Interest high for 3rd Mtn.-Plains bowling tournament**

[Denver] John Sakayama and Willie Mikumi, co-chairmen of the third annual Mountain-Plains JACL Bowling Tournament to be held at the Bowl-Mor Lanes 1441 Court Place, Nov. 26-27, announced that interest in the 1955 regional bowling classic is mounting to a high pitch. More than 20 teams are expected to participate. The tournament is open to all Nisei, and to JACL members.

Responses in 1954 from Omaha, Alliance, (Neb.), and from the San Luis valley and Arkansas valley areas indicated again this year strong competition can be expected from outlying areas.

Competition is on the basis of handicap, and both Class AA and Class A bowling will be rolled.

Deadline for entries is Nov. 22, and should be mailed, with checks, to Hootch Okumura, 1441 Court Place, Denver 2.

It was noted that in the 1954 tournament in the Class AA division, Don Miyake won the singles with 655, with Willie Hasegawa and Ken Matsuda rolling 1274 to take the doubles. Denargo Box with 2955 won the team event. Shun Nakayama won all-events with 1824.

In Class A competition, Kay Nakadoi of Omaha took the singles with 689, with the Omaha Merchants taking the team event with 2870. Bob Mayeda won the All-Events in Class A with 1928. Jim Ota and Frank Sebara copped rag-time doubles with 1298, with

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**IN HONOR OF**

Harry Hiraoka, president of the Board of Trustees of the Fowler Union Elementary School District, was appointed a member of the Board of Directors of the Fresno County School Board Association. He will serve on the salary and athletic committees.

**DETROIT CHAPTER IN NOV. 17-20 FESTIVAL**

[Detroit] The Detroit JACL will again participate in the annual Old World Market and Folk Festival, sponsored by the International Institute, Nov. 17-20.

The chapter will man a Japanese booth, with portion of the proceeds reverting to the chapter. James Shimoura, chairman, is being assisted by:

Art Matsumura, fin.; Setsu Fujioka, Yoshiko Inouye, purchase; Rose Leong, W. R. O'Neill, booth; Mary Seriguchi, attendants; Loyd Joichi, Sud Kimoto, dec. & clean-up; Chiyoko Togasaki, sec.

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**SOU'WESTER: by Tats Kushida**



**Ankle angle**

Gardena

● Never stick your foot in a rut while lugging a sack of manure, is the painful lesson we absorbed Sunday while putting in a new lawn. Recalling an old football adage that used to work, we hobbled around on our taped-up ankle to keep it from swelling or freezing, even making the ELA chapter's shukugakai for newcit

Issei that night.

Since we'd asked Congressman Chet Holifield to be the guest speaker, we kinda had to be there. And we were well rewarded with a double plateful of leftover sushi which we've found easy to consume while horizontal, a position we assumed Mon when said ankle swelled up and froze.

Now this ELA deal was quite a show. Some 200 naturalized Issei topped off by Buichi Watanabe, nonagenarian, were given nice spiels in nice Nihongo by chapter prez Jim Higashi and PSW chairman Dave Yokozeki while legal counsel Frank Chuman orated in English as did Chet. Then came refreshments including the sushi hereinabove referred to and some tasty stuff we'd always called *ohagi* but known to others as *botamochi*.

**CATCHING UP: BEV, CLEO, HOBBY**

● This sedentary interlude isn't quite as lonesome as it could have been, even with the spouse having taken on a job. We had a good opp to get real acquainted with the young 'un of the family, Bev, 7, who's home from school nursing a lingering cold, and her kitten Cleo, a calico of four months.

It's also given us a chance to get caught up on our favorite hobby, stamps—and we've received quite a bit from friends of late who've learned of our yen for those little squares of saliva-sticker paper, our current interest in addition to the U.S. and Japan being Israel and Manchuria, oddly the newest and deadead nations.

Fact is, we recently wrote our good friend in Berkeley, Tad Fujita, who's sec'y of the JAPS, uneuphemistic initials of the Japanese American Philatelic Society of the S.F. Bay area, asking to join its membership. Most of its members are Hakujiin but all share a common interest in Japanese postage stamps, and its monthly bulletin, the Postal Bell, is a newsy and informative rag.

Some of the L.A. Li'l Tokio philatelists include Henry Mori, Eiji Tanabe, Dr. Arthur Sugino, camera merchant Iwata, dry goods Kobayakawa and, of course PC editor Harry Honda, enuf to start a little club here. We always did like the game of post office.

Soon's we discard our crutches, relic of our Poston trick-knee memento, we hope to catch up on our local PC Holiday Issue bizzads, competish being what it is with similar year-end editions being published by the Rafu Shimpo, the Shin Nichi Bei, Crossroads and the Kashu Mainichi.

**FISHY REUNION**

● How and why the Anchovies, a pre-war Ellay Y club, one of many whose activities were coordinated by Mas Satow, JACL nat'l director who was then the Y sec'y were thus dubbed we've never been able to fathom. This social-athletic club used to hang around Rev. Unoura's Christian Church on 20th St., now the All People's Community Center.

Our first deduction was that an anchovy, being a sort of baby sardine, would be called a *ko-iwashi*. But the reverse translation gives us "I am a carp", *koi* meaning carp and *washi* being the first person singular in certain rural prefecture of Japan. And a carp ain't no anchovy.

On the other hand, the translation "Love (*koi*) is (*wa*) poetry (*shi*)" seems overly sedate for this assemblage of earthy males.

How we happened on this subject is that the last of the single Anchovies has grabbed the hook, namely SWLA CLer Geo. Takuji Tada, known by various other names to Spanish-speaking friends, and for whom an old-fashioned stag was held 1-b.s. (day before sprain) by a quorum of Anchovies now back in L.A. including the S'W'er.

Papa Anchovy is Sam Furuta, prominent East L.A. CLer, winner of the coveted JACL Sapphire Pin award. Patriarch Sam's the club's first marital casualty ('38) while we rank third ('40), the second being Hank Kodama at whose home the rooster session was held. Others on hand were Dr. Kats Uba, a bridge technician just out of the army, architect Kazumi Adachi, Hollywood chapter treasurer Geo. Saito, Mits Aiso, Paul Izumida, Henry Hayashi and Jim Masuda.

Appropriately, the wedding's being held at Rev. Unoura's West Adams Christian Church on the 19th. Oh yes, the better-half-to-be: Dorothy Takechi, a winsome lass of S.F. and L.A., and more recently of New York.

● VISITORS LAST WEEK: Aki Endo, past prez of the Santa Barbara chapter who did a bang-up job in naturalizing the Issei of his community which, incid, honored them this past weekend at a chapter testimonial. Past nat'l prez Saburo Kido, also Shin Nichi Bei president, was the main speaker.

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An enthusiastic turnout of some 50 residents planted some 300 shrubs recently in another phase of Operation Big Lift to landscape an empty lot near downtown Seattle. Some of the Seattle JACLers include the Howard Sakuras, the Bill Mimbus, Ute Hirano, Fred Takagi, Takeshi Kubota, Tom Kubota, Phil Hayasaka, Andy Shiga, Dr. T. T. Nakamura. —Elmer Ogawa Photo.

**SMOGLITES: by MARY OYAMA**

**If you fail to have a good time in Hawaii, you're hopeless**

Los Angeles

● Recently Chouinard art student Miki Fujimoto returned from the Islands after a five-week visit raving about her trip to the Pacific Paradise. She agreed with us in every respect about the natural beauties of the Islands, the aloha spirit of its wonderful people, and the carefree exotic mode of living. And anyone who has known the unforgettable Islands will agree with James Michener who wrote in *Holiday*: "If you go to Hawaii and fail to have a good time—you're hopeless."

You can bet that we were more than pleased to learn that Mr. Michener and his bride Mari Sabusawa are planning to make their home in what Mark Twain aptly described as "the loveliest fleet of Islands anchored in any ocean."

**'Song of the Islands'**

● Now that we've seen and known the Hawaiian Islands we can understand how nostalgically haunting the song is—enough to draw tears to the eyes, even at the mere recollection of such scenes as the palisades at Nuuanu Pali, the turquoise magnificence of ocean from above the Makapu lighthouse, the strangely fantastic mountains of Kauai at twilight, and the eerie silence of the fairy woods isolated above Kalalau lookout even at midday.

We often think with an aching pang of how many 100th and 442nd boys must have wept in silent homesickness on the bloody fields of France and Italy, or died with dream of Aloha land shuttering their eyes.

On the Islands you will often encounter "expatriates" who have become so enchanted that they have made the Islands their permanent home, if not their favorite base of operation for their other wanderings. Poet Don Blanding told us that no matter where he goes in his travels he always "gets homesick for Hawaii."



We met the official poet laureate of the Islands one evening when Mary (nee Endo, of Los Angeles) Muranaka asked us if we cared to "visit Katonk club meeting —?" Sure, we said, and went to a meeting of young Nisei matrons from the Mainland who were now making their home on the Islands. Mary, vivacious and capable as ever as in the old days of our youth at the Japanese Methodist Church (now the Centenary in L.A.), had secured Mr. Blanding as speaker of the evening.

Along with the Nisei katonks were native kamaainas with the most fascinating faces representing all racial types and strains, some of the women wearing colorful mumus (flowing long gowns of the wildest and most charming prints imaginable) and all wearing blossoms in their hair, even the older "obachan" ladies. On the tables were laid as decorations the most beautiful and largest hibiscus blooms ever seen—scattered here and there all over the table like rose-petals on a bridal path.

We gaped at the flowers with unbelieving eyes as we listened to Mr. Blanding lecture about his poetry and his favorite subject: his love for Paradise. He was a large, florid, healthy man who looked like a retired British colonel, and who lectured with obvious relish and experienced aplomb. After he concluded his remarks and readings of his poems which the ladies heartily and sincerely applauded, we cornered him for a comment or two.

It was something of a surprise to learn that he originally came from Oklahoma of all places

(please don't take offense, Oklahomans, but he made a wry face as he whispered the fact in our ear). Then we asked him what he thought of that seaweed smell along the beaches which some unappreciative people described as a "stink". Did Mr. Blanding consider that fragrance as something unpleasant? (We personally enjoyed it as a pleasing apple-cider aroma.) "Oh Lord no!" he exclaimed, "that seaweed breeze is a wonderful smell—I love it." After that we felt him a kindred soul.

**Little Girl from Colorado**

● It was on the Garden Isle of Kauai that we met a young haole girl painting the magnificent ocean view from Jack London's favorite haunt, Kalalau Lookout. She was absorbed in her painting while we were picnicking with our Higuchi family hosts and friends. We found ourselves in a dream-like setting of slender white-barked little trees which was so much like Debussy's *Afternoon of a Faun* that any moment one could expect a faun or satyr to come prancing out from the Woody depths.

With typical Hawaiian hospitality, hostess Hisako (nee Watanabe of Hollywood) who married the Rev. Hiro Higuchi (wartime chaplain for the 442nd), invited the visiting artist to share our dessert with us—some fresh bananas. The young girl ceased her painting, looked up from her easel and happily accepted the aloha gesture.

Hisako asked where she came from, how she liked the view, her opinion of the Islands.

"Oh, I came from Colorado" confessed the little artist, "but I love the Islands so much that I don't care if I never return to the Mainland. These Islands are just Heaven! I'm supposed to be living at the YWCA in Honolulu but I spend most of my time just traveling from island to island (Kauai, Maui, Hawaii, etc.), just painting along as I go. It's a wonderful life—"

She sighed as she resumed her painting, "I hate to think of ever leaving."

So we said goodbye to the little expatriate, leaving her to her own private dream of Heaven on earth.

**Bowling—**

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John Sakayama and Amy Konishi with 1237 won the mixed doubles. In 1953, the San Luis Valley team rolled a 3027 to win the team event, with Mas Omoto getting a 667 to win the singles. Competition for the 1955 tournament was expected to be hot, with new bowlers coming from the outlying areas to challenge top Nisei bowlers of Denver for prizes.

**'Tokyo Today' TV series slated**

[New York] A 15-minute series of color-films on Japan will make its debut on American television this fall.

The series has been in production more than a year. Each film was shot on location with professional Japanese actors. Each film is a complete story in itself.

The introductory film, "Tokyo Today," deals with the office and home lives of a secretary and her boss. "Pearl Girl" will take American viewers down to the sea and show a young diver scooping up the riches of the ocean while remaining poor herself.

"The Story of a Geisha" was shot in the Shimbashi district in the very same houses where the geisha live, practice their arts and entertain in the evenings.

To be completed this summer is

"Old Man of Mt. Fuji," the story of a mountain guide. It will project the holy mountain as it is known to a wizened man of endurance.

Miss Chiyoko Kawamata, previously seen in other American TV films, plays the office girl in "Tokyo Today" and the central geisha in the Shimbashi district.

**Mile-Hi golf club**

[Denver] The annual Mile-Hi Golf Club award dinner-dance will be held Nov. 19 at the Wolhurst Saddle Club, south of Littleton on S. Santa Fe Rd. George Fujimoto, Sam Kumagai, Shig Teraji and Kody Kodama are on the co-ordinating committee. Dinner will commence at 8:30, cocktail hour preceding.

LOS ANGELES NEWSLETTER: by Henry Mori



Mission of mercy

Los Angeles
Although his parents are pioneer residents of California, a Nisei veteran was deemed ineligible to receive care at Camarillo State Hospital because of insufficient residency in California.

The transfer was to have taken place last Sunday were it not for the mission of mercy accomplished by the American Legion Commodore Perry Post.

The move would have meant undue hardship on his parents, 69 and 62, now retired on Social Security, when visiting their son.

At the last report, the transfer order may be cancelled on the grounds that the family had lived in California for more than 25 years and that their recent period of residence in Illinois was involuntary because of the military exclusion order of 1942.

To this one particular household, the effects of World War II still linger. But this past week's gesture seems to lighten the burden.

FLOOD VICTIM ADMITTED INTO U.S.

A former Tokushima (Shikoku) factory worker, who lost his job when the plant was bombed by U.S. bombers in the last war, has been admitted into the United States for permanent residency.

Kitsusuke Noguchi was forced to return to his Kagoshima home with his wife and three children after the industrial plant was destroyed. In 1951 they were caught in the disastrous flood, a misfortune which led to his presence in Los Angeles today.

Noguchi will call his family as soon as he earns enough money for their transportation. It took Noguchi two years to unangle the government red tape.

MOTODANI CASE STILL PENDING

In recent weeks several inquiries have been made to this column regarding the outcome of the housing squabble between Amy Motodani and her newly arrived neighbors.

The right to live in an area of one's choice comes the hard way for all minority groups. The Motodanis are showing another way by sticking to property they had purchased in 1948 before tract homes ever existed in that part of San Fernando valley.

Attorney Frank Chuman, who is on the National JACL Housing Committee to Combat Race Discrimination, declares there are many cases where persons of Japanese ancestry have attempted to buy new homes in better suburban areas but were returned their deposits after real estate salesmen learned of their racial background.

And, unfortunately, very few of them would try to make it a legal case. Chuman said sadly that too often than not a straight litigation against tract owners falls by the way-side simply because prospective buyers step back with one unwelcome hint: "We think you'll be much happier elsewhere."

VITAL STATISTICS

Births

LOS ANGELES
ASANO—Sept. 6, girl Shirley J. Masako to Katsunobu Asanos (Ada Shizuye Sakata).
EMBREY—Oct. 8, boy Garry Kinya to Garland M. Embreys (Sue Kunitomi).
ETO—Sept. 11, girl to Keiji Etos, Harbor City.
FUJIMOTO—Girl Elaine A. to Harumi Fujimotos (Hisako Tomoike).
HAMAOKA—Girl Bridget Kimi to Kenji Hamaokas (Frances N. Iwai).
HORITO—Sept. 13, twin boy Raymond and Tadao and girl Irene Emiko to Isamu Horitos (Mary Kikuchi).
HOSHIKO—Sept. 20, boy Brian C. to Katsumi Hoshikos (Yasue Kishiya-ma).
IIDA—Girl Janice Masako to I. Sam Iidas (Mary Yabumoto), Lawndale.
ITO—Sept. 16, girl Amy Yuriko to Minoru Ito (Fumiko Sekiguchi), Venice.
ITO—Sept. 5, girl Jayne Mitsuko to Thomas M. Ito (Mary H. Masumira).
IWASAKA—Sept. 4, girl Gaye Masako to George T. Iwasakas (Irene T. Amamoto).
KOTO—Sept. 17, girl Sharon to Richard Kotos (Betty Y. Yasuda).
KUDO—Sept. 5, boy Gary Shozo to Takashi Kudos (Kazuyo Tosa), Pasadena.
MASON—Sept. 8, girl Kathryn A. to Jack C. A. Masons (Sachiko Oku).
MIYASAKO—Oct. 7, boy to George S. Miyasakas, Pasadena.
NAKASHIMA—Oct. 6, son to Albert Nakashimas, Long Beach.
MURAKAMI—Sept. 10, girl to E. M. Murakamis, Long Beach.
NAKANISHI—Sept. 25, girl to J. J. Nakanishis, Long Beach.
NAKASHIMA—Sept. 30, boy to R. N. Nakashimas, Long Beach.
SHOJI—Oct. 2, girl to M. S. Shojis, Long Beach.
SUGASAWARA—Sept. 9, boy Tod W. to George H. Sugasawaras (Irene K. Ohnoki).
TAKATA—Sept. 3, girl Naomi to Atsushi Takatas (asuko Nishida), Whittier.
UYESUGI—Sept. 8, girl Eileen to Takatoshi Uyesugis (Nobuko Okuma).
YAMADA—Sept. 29, boy F. T. Yamadas, Long Beach.
YAMAGUCHI—Sept. 8, girl Susan Sachiko to uichi G. Yamaguchis (Kikuyo amaguchi), West Los Angeles.
YAMAMOTO—Sept. 2, girl Joyce Keiko to Shiroshi Yamamotos (Mitsuko amashita).
YOKOTAKE—Sept. 5, girl June Y to Ben H. Yokotakes (Misao Takasugi).
YONAMINE—Sept. 10, girl Diane Sanae to Kiyoshi onamines (Nancy Nomura).
YOUNG—Sept. 6, girl Nancy D. to George Youngs (Elen F. Motonaga).

Deaths

HARADA, Carol A., 1 mon.; Sacramento, Oct. 18, survived by parents Mr. and Mrs. Yoneo.
INOUE, Masaru, 45; San Jose, Oct. 22, survived by wife Chiyeko, son Masashi and daughter Maureen.
KASAHARA, Kumataro, 91; Pasadena, Oct. 25.
KAWAGUCHI, Ginjiro; Chicago, Oct. 27, survived by wife Nao, daughters Misae, Mrs. Yoshie Nishida.
KONO, Benzo, 72; San Francisco, Sept. 30, survived by wife and two sons.
KUMASHIRO, Otojiro, 70; Ontario, Ore., Oct. 17, survived by wife Takeno, niece Mrs. Katsuko Ogami.
MATSUO, Miyako, 32; San Francisco, Oct. 24, survived by parents Mr. and Mrs. Nobukichi, brother Robert H. MINAKATA, Yoshitaro; Stockton, Oct. 22, survived by daughters Mmes. Yoshiko Shiga, Hildeyo Nakagaki and Mitsuru Honda.
MIYAKE, Tomiko; San Francisco, Oct. 17, survived by son Yasushi, daughters Hiroko, Akiko, brother Seiichi Nakamura.
NITTA, Saichiro, 72; Stockton, Oct. 11, survived by wife Masayo, sons Harold, Frank, daughter Mrs. Masako Egawa (Chicago) seven grandchildren.
OKIMOTO, Kumakichi, 82; Los Angeles, Oct. 31, survived by five sons Kaname, Iwao, Takeo, Yutaka, Yukimori, daughters Mrs. Saburo Tanaka, Mrs. Haruko Yamato.
OKUNO, Heiji, 73; Denver, Oct. 18, survived by wife Tsuru, son Iwao and daughters Mrs. D. Okuno, and Mrs. T. Matsuura.
OTANI, Suketaro; San Jose, Oct. 23, survived by wife Koyato, sons Minoru, Shigeru, daughters Mrs. Fumiko Nagao, and Mrs. Kimiyo Koiso.
YAMAMOTO, Mrs. Koharu, 70; Alexandria, Va., Oct. 17 (formerly of Boise, Idaho), survived by sons Jun (San Antonio), Joe S., daughter Mrs. Sumi Takechi (Japan).

Engagements

MATSUOKA-HASHIMOTO — Barbara, Greeley, Colo., to Haruo, Honolulu.
MIZOKAMI-HAYASHI — Mary, Blanca, Colo., to Mike, North Platte, Neb., Oct. 16.
MORIWAKI-OKADA — Tokiko, San Mateo, to Ben, San Francisco.
MURAMATSU-NIINO — Lily to Steve, both San Francisco.
SHIMADA-KIRIHARA — Joe Anne, Los Angeles, to Herbert, Honolulu.
YOSHIMURA-ARITA — Itsuko to Arthur, both Denver, Aug. 3.

Marriage Licenses Issued

FUJITANI-FUJII — Takeo and Jeanne Kimiko, both Sacramento.
HATANAKA-SAMESHIMA — Iwao and Takako, both Denver.

KAIDA-NAKATANI — Tadao, 22; Yoka, 20, both Concord.
KANEMOTO-IMADA — Richard and Lily, both Sacramento, at Reno.
MASUDA-OSUGI — Jiro and Asayo, both San Francisco.
MIYAOKA-MORI — Ben, Niles; Mary Jane, Los Gatos.
NAKAO-HIGASHI — Saichi, 37, Richmond; Yoshiko Nancy, 29, Berkeley.
NOONAN-HORI — Pat L. and Ruth Hisako, both San Jose.
OW-TESHIMA — Alexander and Fumiko, both Fresno.
SHIMIZU-HIKIDA — Jim D., 23, Pu-yallup; Mary A., 20, Seattle.
TOYAMA-ENDOW — Edwin Morio, 30, Sacramento; Makiko, 29, Berkeley.
TSUGAWA-NAKASHIMA — Wataru and Shizue, both Sacramento, at Reno.
YAMADA-TANIGUCHI — Terumi and Yoshi, both Kingsburg.

Weddings

DOI-SUIGUCHI — Sept. 11, Jim and Jane, both Cleveland.
FUKUSHIMA-YADA — Oct. 16, Takashi, Stockton; Kinuyo, Mandeville.
HANANOUCHE-KAI — Oct. 30, Mike and Keiko, both San Mateo.
HAYASHI-MOTOOKA — Oct. 9, Tony and Lee, both Los Angeles, at Las Vegas.
IKUTA-KAJITA — Sept. 24, Frank and oshiko, both Cleveland.
KIMURA-SASAI — Oct. 2, William, San Francisco; Sally, Los Angeles.
KITAHARA-OSUMI — Oct. 30, Toru and Toshi, both Reedley.
MASATANI-ENDO — Oct. 8, Benny, Seabrook, N.J.; Kaye, San Jose.
MATSUMURA-TAKEHARA — Oct. 30, Bill S., Los Angeles; Yeiko, Gardena.
MIYOSHI-OMURA — Sept. 16, Tom and Kuni, both Cleveland.
NAKAGAWA-ISHIKAWA — William S. and Mildred M., both Kansas City, Mo.
NAKATOGAWA-KATSUMATA — Oct. 15, Kinjiro and Junko, both Sacramento.
OSUGA-SASHIHARA — Aug. 13, James, Columbus; Maureen, Cleveland.
SASAKI-LOUIE — Aug. 6, Saburo and Anna M., both Cleveland.
SHIMIZU-INADA — Oct. 23, Ben T. Los Altos; June Itoko, Campbell.
TAKASAKI-MASUMOTO — Oct. 29, Mas and Kathleen, both Reedley.
UCHIDA-TAJIMA — Nov. 6, Hiroshi J., San Mateo; Sumiko, Oakland.
WATANABE-OKIMOTO — Oct. 30, John and Janet, both Los Angeles.
WATANABE-SUZUKI — Oct. 9, Aiko, Dinuba; Emma C., Menlo Park.
YAMADA-TANIGUCHI — Oct. 22, Terumi, Kingsburg; Yoshiko, Seattle.
YASUDA-MAYEMURA — Oct. 30, John E. and Aiko, both Los Angeles.
YOKUYAMA-KOBAYASHI — Oct. 16, Teruo and Ayako, both San Mateo.
YOSHIMURA-FUJITA — Toshi and Jayne, both Denver.
YOSHIWARA-HASHIMOTO — Oct. 16, Eiichi and Tomiyo, both Alameda.

Christmas Cheer in appeal for staples

[Los Angeles] The 1955 Christmas Cheer drive is inching closer toward its \$2,000 goal by Dec. 15 with contributions last reported at \$680.37.

This week, an appeal is being made for canned goods and staples. Japanese magazines and periodicals are also being sought for six shut-in aged.

Organizations offering to distribute Christmas Cheer include:

- Westminster (Long Beach Grace Presbyterian Church), Gleaners (Japanese Union Church), Nisei Veterans Association, East Los Angeles JACL, Long Beach-Harbor District JACL.

Donors this past week were: \$10—Gardena Buddhist Jr. Matrons, \$5—Toyoji Yoshii, Dr. Shokichi Kato, Japanese Baptist Church Fujinkai, J. T. and Yoshii Sata, C. Kitabayashi, Nizo Okano. \$3—T. Shintaku. \$1—T. Fujita.

Vested property

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liquidate all vested property even if the proceedings are now in court should such liquidation be deemed in the national interest.

S. 2227, introduced by Sen. Kilgore, is the administration-sponsored bill which returns a sum up to \$10,000, and only to natural persons.

Members of the subcommittee assisting chairman Johnston are Sens. John McClellan, (D., Ark.), Price Daniels (D., Tex.), Everett M. Dirksen (R., Ill.), and William Langer (R., N.D.).

Tri-State Bussei parley slated Dec. 15-18

[Denver] Hundreds of Bussei from Wyoming, Nebraska and outlying areas of Colorado will throng in Denver Dec. 15-18 for the annual Tri-State YBL conference at the local Buddhist church, 1945 Lawrence St. John Miyazaki, Tri-State YBL president, and Harry Matsushima, Ft. Lupton YBA president, are co-chairmen.

The banquet and Sayonara Ball will be held at the Cosmopolitan Hotel. Other events include queen contest, talent show, oratoricals, basketball and bowling tournaments in addition to religious and business sessions.

San Francisco Nisei Optimists chartered

[San Francisco] The Japanese American Optimist Club was presented its charter Nov. 3 by A. J. Primeaux, Optimist International field representative, to George Clem Oyama, president. Other officers instituted were:

Haruo Ishimaru, Victor Abe, Yoshio Toriumi, v.p.; Tom Kobuchi, secretary; Sam Seiki, sgt.-at-arms; Frank Dobashi, Dr. Tokuji Hedani, Dr. Carl T. Hirota, Joseph T. Kubokawa, Seichi Kami, Tosh Nakano, bd. of dir.

CINO regional confab

[San Jose] Bob Fuchigami will chair the No. Calif. regional CINO conference here Dec. 3 on the San Jose State College campus. Dave Tatsuno, main speaker, will talk on "Challenging the Nisei".

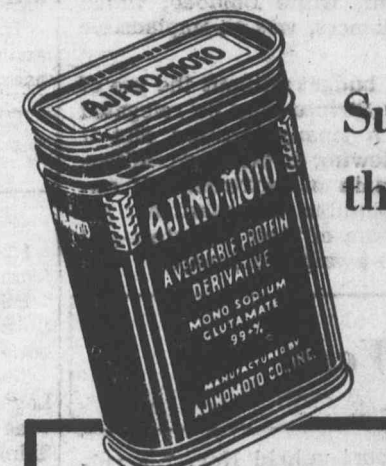
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VAGARIES: by Larry S. Tajiri

'3 Stripes in the Sun'



Denver

Mitsuko Kimura and her husband, Ken Fukunaga, have a dream. When Ken works out his two-year contract as a U.S. interpreter in Japan, he wants to go home to Salt Lake City, Utah, where he will open a drug store and a Japanese gift shop. Ken, who was an Army pharmacist in Japan when he first met his wife four

years ago, will be the druggist while Mitsuko operates the gift shop. But this week it appeared that Hollywood, in the corporate person of Columbia Pictures, might have something to say about the Fukunagas and their dream.

Young Mitsuko comes from a family of very modest circumstances in Tokyo. When her father died several years ago, Mitsuko found work as a model. In the late fall of 1952 *Life* magazine was preparing a special issue on Asia and a photographer was assigned to take a picture of a Japanese girl for the cover. Her face would be a symbol of the new, awakened Orient. The *Life* man looked around Tokyo and chose Mitsuko as his model.

The *Life* cover made Mitsuko famous. She was flooded with offers from movie producers, and finally gave up modeling for the films. She has made 20 movies in Japan in the past three years. Meanwhile, she met and married Ken Fukunaga, a Nisei from Utah. Mitsuko already had made plans to retire from the cinema and to go to the United States with her husband. Early this year, however, a role came along which was too good to turn down. It was the true-life story of Master Sergeant Hugh O'Reilly, who came to Japan hating the Japanese, and of the girl he met and married, Yuko Saito. She played Yuko, announcing it would be her last film.

ACTING AT 'OSCAR' LEVEL

Recently the picture was previewed and critics who have seen it are praising Mitsuko's performance highly. The man from *Variety*, for example, wrote that "Miss Kimura's performance . . . is a sparkling piece of thesping on a level with Oscar stature." She received similar praise from others who have seen trade showings of the picture, now called *Three Stripes in the Sun*, but formerly titled *The Gentle Wolfhound* (Sgt. O'Reilly was a member of the 27th Wolfhound Regiment) and *The Gentle Sergeant*.

The story of Sgt. O'Reilly originally was written for *The New Yorker* by E. J. Kahn Jr. and told of a battle-hardened non-com who lands in Japan still filled with his combat hatred of the Japanese enemy. O'Reilly's dislike of the Japanese begins to break down when he sees the plight of children in a Catholic orphanage in Osaka. With the aid of some other Wolfhounds O'Reilly rustles Army food to feed the hungry orphans, spends his own pay on them and finally raises funds among the regiment's GIs to put up a new building for the children. His hatred of the Japanese diminishes and he falls in love with the young girl who is assigned as his interpreter.

Because he so recently hated the Japanese as a race, Sgt. O'Reilly does not find it easy to ask Yuko to marry him. But the happy ending isn't mere Hollywood habit in *Three Stripes in the Sun*. In real life as in the picture, Yuko and the Wolfhound are married and sail off to his home in America.

The picture achieves a documentary atmosphere. It was photographed by Burnett Guffey and directed by Richard Murphy in the actual settings, including the Catholic orphanage in Osaka which Sgt. O'Reilly helped save.

Aldo Ray plays Sgt. O'Reilly to Mitsuko Kimura's Yuko. Others featured in the cast are Phil Carey, the colonel; Dick York, Cpl. Muhlendorf; Chuck Connors, Idaho; Camille Janclore, Sister Genevieve; Henry Okawa, Father Yoshida; Tatsuo Saito, Chiyaiki; I. Tamaki, Mr. Ohta; Takeshi Kamikubo, Kanno; Tamao Nakamura, Satsumi; and Teruko Omi and Kamiko Tachibana, Yuko's mother and sister.

BEST POSTWAR U.S. FILM OF JAPAN

Henry Okawa, who portrays the Japanese priest, is one of the leading character actors in Japanese films. He once lived in Hollywood and started his film career in America. He was in such pictures of a quarter-century ago as *Wings*, one of the first of the big aviation films which brought Buddy Rogers and Richard Arlen to prominence.

In *Three Stripes in the Sun* Mitsuko Kimura achieves stardom in her very first Hollywood film. She is co-starred with Ray and Carey.

*Three Stripes* is the best of the postwar films made in Japan by American producers. A modest production, filmed in black-and-white, it lacks the pictorial value of the color and CinemaScope *House of Bamboo*. But *Three Stripes* has genuineness and tenderness of sentiment, while *Bamboo*, which seems to have angered Japanese audiences, was an implausible cops-and-robbers story.

Because it was made on a small budget without the use of any of Hollywood's top stars, *Three Stripes* may be relegated to the bottom half of double bills by many theaters. But if audiences react as some of the previewing critics have, Mitsuko Kimura may not be able to remain in retirement. If another suitable story is available, Columbia will want her for another film and the Fukunagas' dream of their drugstore-gift shop in Salt Lake City will have to await fulfillment.

Minority Week

[Washington] The Supreme Court upheld Nov. 7 a ruling which declared unconstitutional racial segregation in city or state-owned parks and beaches.

At the same time, the high tribunal ordered the city of Atlanta to open to Negroes its public golf courses which are restricted to white persons. The unanimous decisions were announced by the court without written opinions.

It was the second major action on racial segregation by the high tribunal in the past two years. The court unanimously held on May 17, 1954 that segregation of white and Negro students in the nation's public schools violates the constitution.

In this week's decision, the tribunal upheld a Lower Court ruling that Negroes must be admitted to the Sandy Point State Park and beach and Fort Smallwood Park in Maryland.

Presentation of Asian American viewpoint on Walter-McCarran immigration act anticipated by Sen. Kilgore subcommittee

Washington

The Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization of the Senate Committee on the Judiciary has announced public hearings to begin Nov. 21 on a number of proposed amendments to the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1942, the so-called Walter-McCarran Act.

Chairman of the Subcommittee, and of the full Judiciary Committee as well, is Sen. Harley M. Kilgore, West Virginia Democrat. Other Subcommittee members are Senators Thomas C. Hennings of Missouri, Olin D. Johnston of South Carolina, and James O. Eastland of Mississippi, all Democrats, and Arthur V. Watkins of Utah, Everett M. Dirksen of Illinois, and John Marshall Butler of Maryland.

Recalling that the Walter-McCarran Act was passed over President Harry S. Truman's veto, it may be interesting to note that, of the present Subcommittee, only Senator Kilgore and Hennings voted to sustain the President's veto. All of the other members voted to override the veto.

Three years have passed since the enactment of this Immigration and Nationality Act. But the public controversy over its provisions has not died down. And, since 1956 is a presidential and congressional election year, it is expected that this legislation will, once again, be a campaign issue.

Issue Very Personal

Unfortunately, immigration matters particularly are so personal, emotional, and subject to philosophical and ideological differences that it is almost like arguing "religion or politics" to discuss this subject. And especially in several of the larger metropolitan areas, where there are substantial populations of alien or foreign-born, this topic is politically explosive.

Some commentators have charged that these forthcoming hearings were inspired by the politics of the day, pointing out that the announcement of these hearings by the Chairman was accompanied by a lengthy statement deploring the failure of the Republican Administration to outline its legislative policy on immigration and nationality matters, except for requesting certain amendments to the Refugee Relief Act of 1953.

On the other hand, there are those who say that, with the experience gained from more than two years of actual operation, the time has come when a review of the statute is justified to ascertain whether amendments to the Act are warranted in the light of the present world situation and our leadership of the free nations.

JACL to Testify

As one of the major national organizations that supported the Walter-McCarran Act during congressional debate, the JACL is expected to testify on its current views on this legislation.

Inasmuch as the JACL broke away from most of its previous associates in national legislative

campaigns on this issue, JACL's testimony may be of special interest to the many nationality, minority, and "liberal" organizations which opposed, and still reject, the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952.

Following enactment of the Walter-McCarran Act, the JACL organized a special Study Commission on Immigration and Naturalization whose task it was to give careful study to the actual operation of the law as it affected persons of Japanese ancestry and to make recommendations for amendments in the light of those practices.

In order to more systematically carry out its mandate, the Study Commission set up three independent committees. One was to observe the operations of immigration and naturalization statute both in this country and in Japan, another was to establish JACL policy on those items called to its attention by the operations committee, and the third was to provide the technical assistance necessary in drafting any amendments to the law or regulations that the policy group considered necessary.

As with most volunteer commissions, this particular group was not as active as many would have liked. But, at least its recommendations have been presented to those preparing JACL's testimony and are currently being given serious consideration.

At the same time, all JACL members who have suggestions or recommendations to submit on specific changes that are needed in current law to improve the immigration and nationality law are invited to send them to the Washington Office, Japanese American Citizens League, Suite 1217 Hurley-Wright Building, 18th and Pennsylvania Avenue, Northwest, Washington 6, D.C., immediately.

These suggestions and recommendations should not deal with basic JACL policy on immigration and naturalization, or on national legislative policy, for these have been determined at the 13th Biennial National JACL Convention that was held in Los Angeles last year.

The suggestions and recommendations should be documented with as many cases or illustrations as possible and should relate only to persons of Japanese ancestry in particular and Asians in general.

Representing Asians

As the only national organization representing Asians in this country, and this is actually what JACL does, JACL feels that, due to the pressures of time and the lack of general research facilities, it can render the greatest public service by devoting its testimony to presenting the views of persons of Japanese ancestry specifically and that of Asians generally.

It is anticipated that many organizations will request the privilege of testifying on these vital issues before the Subcommittee later this month. Practically all of them are "Europe-oriented" and will, therefore, discuss the problems from that point of view which is so predominant in this country because of understandable motives which go back to origins in that continent.

Few, if any other than the JACL, will concentrate their discussion on the peoples of Asia and those of Far East ancestry in this country. Therefore, JACL must utilize its time in advocating consideration for Asia and the Oriental peoples before the Subcommittee members who will be saturated with arguments and pressures from those most interested in Europe and her peoples. As a matter of fact, several of the Subcommittee members have suggested that they would like particularly to hear some presentation of the Asian American point of view and have expressed their

concern that JACL develop this often-neglected aspect.

Comment on Operations

In general, it is expected that the JACL will maintain its position of 1952, that while the Walter-McCarran Act is by no means perfect, it represents, especially for those of Japanese ancestry, substantial improvements over the statutes it superseded.

JACL should have no difficulty in reciting the great numbers of resident alien Issei who have become naturalized citizens of their adopted country as a result of the 1952 Act and the thousands of Japanese immigrants who have been admitted into the United States in spite of Japan's token quota of only 185 per year.

In addition to these major developments under the Walter-McCarran Act for persons of Japanese ancestry, there have been a number of other real benefits for them under this statute.

A few of these include the privilege of registry, of pre-examination, of non-quota entry for certain classes of immigrants, etc.

All this does not mean that JACL will refrain from recommending specific changes in existing law. Just what these will be cannot be divulged at present, because most of them are still under consideration. But, they will not be directed at personalities or at general principles, except possibly for some comment on the "national origins" formula for computing immigration quotas.

It is anticipated that JACL's presentation will concern itself with certain amendments to the Walter-McCarran Act which will not be controversial and will have some possibility for enactment by the Congress.

JACL certainly is not going to urge complete revision or rejection of the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952 and a return to earlier laws that discriminated so obviously against the Japanese and other Asian races.

JACL is not interested in using these hearings or this statute for political or organizational purposes, but rather as an opportunity to point up the good and the bad features of the Walter-McCarran Act as it has seen them in actual operation during the past two and a half years and as they relate to those of Asian ancestry.

CALENDAR

- Nov. 12 (Saturday)
  - Southwest L.A.—Cooking class, Centenary Methodist Church, 1 p.m. "Sukiyaki" by Mrs. Yoshiko Sakurai.
  - Cincinnati—Chapter elections, 1st United Church.
  - PSWDC—Quarterly session, Clark Hotel, 428 S. Hill St., Los Angeles; banquet, dance.
- Nov. 13 (Sunday)
  - Richmond-El Cerrito—Fishing derby, Frank's Tract; 5 p.m. weigh-in.
- Nov. 18 (Friday)
  - Marysville—Pot-luck supper (tentative).
  - Southwest L.A.—Issei Recognition, Dorsey High School Auditorium (Co-sponsor: Nisei VFW Post 9938).
  - Chicago—Inaugural Party, Tam O'Shanter CC, 7 p.m.
- Nov. 19 (Saturday)
  - PNWDC—District convention Puyallup Valley JACL hosts; meeting, Tacoma Buddhist Church; banquet, Tower, 6805-6th Ave., Tacoma.
  - East Los Angeles—Box lunch auction, International Institute, 8 p.m.
- Nov. 20 (Sunday)
  - Mt. Olympus—Turkey shoot, Salt Lake Police Range; 12:30 p.m.
- Nov. 21 (Monday)
  - Placer County—15th annual Goodwill Dinner, Roseville Memorial Hall; Rep. Claire Engle spkr.
- Nov. 24 (Thursday)
  - Gilroy—Thanksgiving Dance, 100F Temple, N. Egleberry St., 9 p.m.
- Nov. 25-27
  - IDC—8th biennial convention, Ontario, Ore. (Snake River chapter hosts); Mt.-P DC—Convention, Denver.
- Nov. 26 (Saturday)
  - Downtown L.A.—Naturalized Issei Recognition, Patriotic Hall, 1816 S. Figueroa St., 7:30 p.m. (Perry Post, co-sponsor).
  - Sacramento—Annual Talent Show, Detroit—Election pot-luck supper, International Institute.
- Nov. 30 (Wednesday)
  - Southwest L.A.—Meeting, Centenary Methodist Church, 8 p.m. Mike Masaoka, spkr.
- Dec. 4 (Sunday)
  - CCDC—District convention, Hacienda Motel, Fresno.
- Dec. 6 (Tuesday)
  - East Los Angeles—Election meeting, International Institute.
- Dec. 10 (Saturday)
  - Southwest L.A.—Lunch-box Social, Washington, D.C.—Installation dinner, dance, The Occidental (semi-formal).
  - Marysville—Pre-Christmas party.