



REFUGEE RELIEF ACT FOR JAPAN ORPHANS GROWS

(Washington) Japanese orphans under the Refugee Relief Act of 1953 are now being issued American visas in increasing numbers, officials of the Administration informed the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League.

After considerable delay in the orphan program, the Refugee Relief Act Administration has recently revised some of its rules and regulations to expedite the operation of the program.

Illustrating the recent progress of the orphan program, the American Embassy in Tokyo, Japan, conducted informal ceremonies while issuing the 300th visa under the program in Japan to 20-month-old Linda Sherriel this month.

The presentation of the visa was made by United States Consul General Laurence W. Taylor when Linda Sherriel appeared in his office accompanied by her adoptive parents, Staff Sergeant and Mrs. Roy Lemley.

While the law provides for the admission of 4,000 orphans into the United States on a world-wide basis, more Japanese orphans are now receiving the entry visas than in any other country, the Washington JACL Office reported.

According to the most recent complete statistical report of the RRA Administration for orphans in the Far East, 211 orphans have been adopted in Japan have received American visas under the program. The next largest number of Asian orphan visas were eight issued for Korean orphans. Additional visas issued for orphans were four in Hong Kong, two in Singapore and one in Manila. Many more orphan visas have been issued in Japan since this

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SENATE BILL TO DISMISS 17,500 YEN DEBT CLAIMS RE-INTRODUCED

(Washington) For the second straight year, Sen. Everett M. Dirksen (R., Ill.) has introduced his bill to void and dismiss the so-called Japanese yen debt claims, reported the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League.

Senator Dirksen's current bill is identical to the one he introduced and which was passed by the Senate last year.

This bill is also identical to the legislation requested by the White House and which was introduced in the House by Rep. J. Percy Priest (D., Tenn.), chairman of the House Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee.

Dismissal action in Congress was initiated this year when President Eisenhower formally requested the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate to pass legislation to terminate the Government's liability for the 17,500 yen debt claims filed by Issei and Nisei in the United States and Hawaii. Suggested draft bills were included in the President's requests to Congress.



Linda Sherriel (20 months old) accepts gift shortly after receiving the 300th visa under the Refugee Relief program in Japan. In the picture (left to right) are U.S. Consul General Laurence W. Taylor, Mrs. Roy Lemley, Linda, S/Sgt. Roy Lemley and Lloyd Graham of the American Joint Committee in Japan for Assisting Japanese American Orphans. — State Dept. Photo.

SEN. MAGNUSON OF WASHINGTON TO ADDRESS DELEGATES OF JOINT EASTERN-MIDWEST JACL COUNCIL CONVENTION

(Washington) Sen. Warren G. Magnuson (D., Wash.) will be principal speaker at the joint Eastern District Council-Midwest District Council convention of the Japanese American Citizens League Mar. 26 here at the Hotel Washington.

The senator will address delegates at the banquet, the feature of the Mar. 26-29 convention, Ethel Fukuyama, banquet chairman, announced this week.

"We are very happy that Senator Magnuson has accepted our invitation to be our principal speaker at our Convention Banquet," Miss Fukuyama stated, "not only because he is the senior United States senator in point of service from the west coast but also because, according to Mike Masaoka, JACL Washington representative, of all active members of the Senate he has without doubt contributed more to the welfare of persons of Japanese ancestry in this country than any other senator".

Senator Magnuson, who numbers many Nisei in the Pacific Northwest among his personal

friends, is known as a "liberal" and his 18 years of service in the House and Senate are a record of his concern for the individual.

12 Chapters

Delegates are expected to attend during the cherry blossom season from the following chapters:

Midwest District—Chicago, Minneapolis-St. Paul, Milwaukee, St. Louis, Cleveland, Cincinnati Dayton Detroit, Eastern District—New York Seabrook (N.J.) Philadelphia and host D.C. chapter.

Heading up a delegation of National JACL board members who have already signed up to attend the first biennial convention in which two district councils have joined in an experiment of cooperative effort are National President George Inagaki of Los Angeles and National Director Masao W. Satow of San Francisco.

Commerce Committee Chmn.

Chairman of the Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee, Sen Magnuson is also a ranking member of the powerful Appropriations Committee in the present 84th Congress.

Magnuson came here as a member of the House from Seattle in January, 1937, after serving as prosecuting attorney and Assistant United States Attorney in his home state.

In 1932, he was elected to the Washington state Legislature where he had the unique distinction of authoring the first



Sen. Magnuson (D., Wash.) will be principal speaker at the joint EDC-MDC convention banquet Mar. 26 at the Hotel Washington in the Nation's Capitol.

ONE MILLION DOLLARS SOUGHT FOR '55 EVACUATION CLAIM PAYMENTS

(Washington) Over one million dollars for payment of evacuation claims awarded before July 1, 1955, is included in a Supplemental Appropriation request just referred to the House Appropriations Committee, according to Mike Masaoka, Washington representative of the Japanese American Citizens League.

Masaoka explained that the full sum, \$1,068,267, is to pay evacuation claims awarded but unpaid last year and for those claims which are expected to be awarded before the end of the current fiscal year—June 30, 1955.

Claims awarded through the present compromise procedures as well as those awarded through the regular adjudica-

tive processes are included in the Supplemental Appropriation Bill. The present law allows for the compromising of evacuation claims up to a maximum recovery of \$2500.

According to the figures released through the Washington JACL representative, \$198,267 of the million dollar amount would be used to pay evacuation claims awarded during the last full Federal fiscal year, the Government accounting period which ended June 30, 1954.

From July 1, 1954, to the present time, a total of \$578,379 has been awarded for compromise and adjudicated claims. An equivalent sum will be apportioned for the payment of these awards.

The remainder of \$291,621 will be allocated for claims awarded before the end of the current fiscal year, June 30, 1955.

Thus, the total of \$1,068,267 for payment of evacuation claims in this bill does not include any funds for claims payment after this June 30, Masaoka said.

The proposed million dollars for evacuation claims payments is included in the Administration request for Supplemental Appropriations. The bill has been referred to the House Appropriations Committee, which in turn, will refer the matter to an appropriate subcommittee for first consideration.

Champion of West

His name is recognized as the author of some of the most important statutes on the books, including the General Welfare Act that was finally rewritten and submitted by the Roosevelt Administration as the present Social Security Act; the National Cancer Institute that has now developed into the National Health Institute at Bethesda.

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PROPOSAL TO REVISE M'CARRAN IMMIGRATION LAW TO BE STUDIED

(Washington) As 13 senators and eight members of the House of Representatives introduced legislation that would completely revise and replace the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952, the McCarran-Walter Act, the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League announced that the new proposal would be carefully studied in the light of the organization's interests and concerns.

The principal sponsors of the revision are Senator Herbert H. Lehman and Rep. Emanuel Celler, both New York Democrats. All of the 13 senators except one are Democrats. Most of the House members, too, are Democrats.

Generally, the proposals are similar to those presented in the last Congress by approximately the same group of congressmen. In the last 84th Congress they were not even accorded hearings by either the Senate or the House Judiciary Subcommittees on Immigration and Naturalization.

According to the press release that accompanied the introduction of the Lehman-Celler legislation, the new bill would achieve the following:

1. Eliminate the national origins quota system.
2. Eliminate statutory discriminations and distinctions between native-born and naturalized American citizens.
3. Eliminate present insubstantial grounds for evocation and denial of citizenship.
4. Eliminate fractions and arbitrary grounds for denial of admission to the United States.
5. Make a clear distinction in requirements for entry between (a) aliens seeking permanent residence here, and (b) alien visitors coming here for scholarly or scientific purposes, for pleasure, or for business.
6. Eliminate special immigration barriers against Orientals and Negroes.
7. Establish an annual immigration ceiling of approximately 250,000 per year, but permit immigration up to that limit.
8. Require that all immigration from the Western Hemisphere to be included within the annual quota limits.
9. Establish a unified quota system, based upon national need, individual aptitude, and the requirements of our foreign policy.

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VERY TRULY YOURS:

Juvenile Delinquency

By HARRY K. HONDA

Spring fever time is here. A numb feeling stills the fingers . . . A slight head cold and a Misty Maybe in mind had left me in a quandry as to what to broach this week . . . Then in the wee Wednesday morning hours, an auto-horn tooted next to me at a stop-sign. It suggested the subject-matter for this week. Honking was Officer Stanley Uno of the Los Angeles Police Department (who writes "My Beat—Los Angeles" in the New Japanese American News) to say "hi".

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After my reporting on juvenile delinquency last week, we can bring it closer to home by relating what Officer Uno has compiled in his column on the arrests made in 1952-53 among Chinese and Japanese residents . . . There were 15 Japanese adult arrests in 1952 and 24 the following year, as compared with 15 and 14 for the Chinese . . . The pattern is familiar when you consider what the police note as "yogore" and "yogorettes"—the Japanese juveniles, who have compiled a 21 and 35 mark in the same two years . . . There is every indication the crime toll is on the increase in this urban center. Could it mean the Japanese families here have totally assimilated into potpourri of American life—even to becoming a statistic on the police blotter? . . . Percentagewise, it may not be much when you remember there are over 25,000 Japanese residents in Los Angeles today . . . But now is the time to pinch this bud.

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Officer Uno reveals that for every arrest made, there are some 20 field interrogations made and filed for future reference . . . Had the incident involved an adult, more stringent action would have ensued . . . He cautioned his readers by noting that police have a tendency to question people by appearances. Boisterous appearance and actions invite such questioning . . . It seems wise for parents to exercise more control over their children in the matter of dress and behavior . . . It seems we can continue this lively subject another week and we intend to—by raising the issue of teen-age groups in our midsts and the responsibility of adults to assist the youngster find his place in this hectic urban society.

Sen. Magnuson—

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thesda, Md.; the National Science Foundation; and one of the first school construction bills that established the federal policy of assistance in maintaining the nation's schools.

He is also a champion of conservation, public power, and development of the West.

He authored the bill repealing the Chinese Exclusion Act, which was the first breach in the Oriental Exclusion Laws of the early 1900's and established the precedent for many of the Asian provisions of the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952 that repealed the racial immigration and naturalization statutes directed against the Japanese and other Asian peoples.

As early as 1949, he originated the first proposal to establish a Pacific Mutual Security Pact similar to the Atlantic Pact. Two years later, in 1951, at President Truman's request, he made an intensive inspection tour of the Far East, which included conferences with Gen. Douglas MacArthur in Tokyo, President Syngman Rhee and the United States military authorities in the then war embattled Korea, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek in Formosa, and studies in Hong Kong and Macao.

Friend of JACL

He was among leading Senate architects of the Japanese Peace Treaty and in the summer of 1952 conducted an investigation for the Appropriations Committee of the Far East, including a survey of the conditions in In-

do-China.

According to Mike Masaoka, Senator Magnuson has been associated with almost every JACL legislative effort since the end of the war.

In 1948, for example, as a member of the Senate Judiciary Committee, he served with the then Sen. John Sherman Cooper, now Ambassador to India, on the special subcommittee that approved the original evacuation claims act. He supported in that key committee such other JACL bills that became law as the Suspension of Deportation Act which extended to the Japanese for the first time discretionary benefits of the Attorney General, the Soldier Brides Act which allowed U.S. servicemen and veterans to bring into this country for payment residence Japanese wives, and legislation authorizing the naturalization as U.S. citizens alien resident Japanese who served in the Armed Forces during World War II.

In 1952, when he was a member of the Appropriations Committee, he led the successful floor fight in the Senate to restore \$12,000,000 to the appropriations bill to pay compromised and settled evacuation claims after the Appropriation Committee had eliminated the sum, following approval of that amount by the House which originates all such legislation.

Senator Magnuson's Office, according to JACL's legislative representative, has always been most kind and cooperative in helping in many private bill matters for the relief of deserving individual Japanese.

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Action for Hawaii



Statehood for Hawaii

Government critics have often charged that one hand doesn't know what the other is doing.

Testimony recently presented to the Senate Interior and Insular Affairs Subcommittee conducting hearings on legislation to extend statehood status to both Hawaii and Alaska seems to be another case in point.

The State Department endorsed the admission of both territories, the Defense Department restricted theirs to only Hawaii, and the Interior Department qualified theirs for Alaska while coming out completely for Hawaii.

Admission of both Hawaii and Alaska, according to the State Department, would "serve to support American foreign policy and strengthen the position of the United States in international relations." The move, so the foreign policy experts said, would further the cause of self-government as called for in the United Nations Charter.

On the other hand, the Secretary of Defense wrote that Alaska should remain a territory for the present "in the interest of national security". He went on to explain that "the great size of the territory, its sparse population and limited communications, as well as its strategic location, create special defense problems". No objection to statehood for Hawaii was expressed because of its "mature stage of development", size and "stable character of defense activities there".

Interior Secretary Douglas McKay, whose Department administers both areas, declaring that while the two remaining territories should be considered separately on their individual merits, he "personally" favored statehood for Alaska as well as Hawaii. He thought that Alaska was qualified in all respects, but urged that its northern and western wilderness areas be reserved for the military.

Refugee relief—

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statistical study was made, the officials said.

The Administration officials reported that there are no recent figures as to the number of Japanese adult refugees who have received American visas for entry into the United States under the 3,000 "refugee" visas available for Asia, including Japan.

Nisei CIC officers promoted to captaincy

By ALICE NISHIDA

(Minneapolis) The promotion of Lt. Charles Tatsuda and Lt. Noboru Yamada to the rank of captain was recently announced by the Minnesota Military District headquarters here.

Capt. Tatsuda, prominent local attorney and active JACLer and 1000 Club member, and Capt. Yamada, who holds a supervisory position with the St. Paul regional office of the Bureau of Internal Revenue, are members of the 75th Counter-Intelligence Army Reserve Corps detachment at Ft. Snelling.

One-way street decision

(San Francisco) The Board of Supervisors voted to make Post and O'Farrell streets one-way for a trial period of 120 days. Traffic through the heart of San Francisco's Nipponmachi (Post St.) will be eastbound.

Now, whose viewpoint officially represents that of the Administration?

The Defense Department's letter was approved by the Budget Bureau, which is considered to be the spokesman for the White House on legislative matters. The State Department's letter was not cleared with the Budget Bureau, while the Secretary of the Interior was speaking only "personally" insofar as Alaska was concerned.

But, the Defense Department's letter was written before the House Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs favorably reported a combined Hawaii-Alaska statehood bill in which the President is authorized to reserve about a third of northern Alaska for military reservations, a suggestion that seems to have the endorsement of the Interior Department.

Sen. Henry M. Jackson (D., Wash.), chairman of the statehood subcommittee, indicated that he would press for quick action on the combined bill which apparently has the support of most of the Democratic leadership.

The Senate approved such a bill last year, combining in a single package deal both Hawaii and Alaska. That legislation died in the House because both the White House and leading Democrats and Republicans opposed it. This, in spite of the fact that on previous occasions the House had passed separate bills for statehood for both territories.

Sen. Jackson is quoted as saying that he would be willing to consider the two territories separately if "we were sure of what the President would do." He expressed the Democratic fear that the "President might sign a Hawaii bill and veto one for Alaska."

Traditionally, Hawaii has been Republican and Alaska Democratic, although such generalizations have been exploded in the case of Alaska three years ago and in Hawaii only last year.

In trying to avoid repetitious testimony, Sen. Jackson noted that in the past two decades, 18 congressional hearings have resulted in 2,000,000 words by witnesses on the statehood question. He did not estimate the number of words used in congressional debate during this same period to prevent statehood for these deserving areas.

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Japanese election laws

With both the Republicans and the Democrats girding themselves for the 1956 presidential sweepstakes, and Congress considering some changes in the election code, it may be of interest to note some of the restrictions in the campaign procedures followed in Japan, especially since many of them were adopted at the suggestion of United States Occupation authorities as correcting some of the abuses of the American system.

Imagine the relief of the American electorate and the frustrations of our candidates if the election laws that governed last Sunday's elections for the House of Representatives in Japan were followed here.

These elections are comparable to our presidential campaigns in the sense that under a parliamentary system the prime minister and his cabinet ministers, or those who form the executive department, are elected by the membership of the House of Representatives.

Some 1,058 candidates, including 23 women, or roughly three times the number of seats in the House of Representatives, competed in last Sunday's elections.

As candidates, they were personally responsible and subject to disqualification for violations committed by members of their campaign staffs.

Campaign posters could not be larger than three feet by ten feet. No candidate could have more than 5,000 posters and once posted they could not be removed and used again or in another spot. These posters could not be put up without the written permission of the owner of the property where the posters were displayed.

Candidates were restricted to two loudspeakers in public halls where they made electioneering speeches. In street speeches, they could use only one loudspeaker. Electioneering was banned between nine at night and six in the morning. And, believe it or not, each candidate was limited to not more than 60 speeches for the whole campaign.

Speeches from moving vehicles were prohibited. Handshaking, too, and bowing, as a means of self-introduction before and after making speeches, were banned.

Gifts could not be given to voters. And, what is more, candidates could not make electioneering calls on their constituents.

No candidate could spend more than \$1,900 on his campaign. And the methods devised by our politicians to circumvent our laws regarding the sums that can be spent on elections, such as special committees, friendly advertising, etc., were taboo.

With such limitations, no wonder a record 500 persons were arrested during the recent campaign and the police are investigating more than 1,500 complaints alleging violations.

Though many candidates made more than the maximum 60 speeches, the largest number of violations were for so-called "bribes" where candidates gave prospective voters such gifts as towels, sugar, soap and pastries. Such "high-class" refreshments as sake or pie, shortcake, or sandwiches were violations of the code, but campaigners could and did serve tea and rice cakes to voters.

As in this country, the more enterprising discover loopholes. One nominee boasted that he became a marriage matchmaker and that each successful match was worth "at least 100 votes."

Four brother and sister teams ran in the elections last Sunday. The two youngest candidates, both soft drink dispensers, just turned 25, the age limit for the nominees. Eighty-two-year-old Kyoichi Hattori was the oldest, followed by two 78-year-olds.

Some 99 communists, or one in each election district, ran for office while the extreme rightists ran 20 candidates.

Japan's 40 million voters were expected to (and did—Ed. note) return Premier Ichiro Hatoyama and his conservative colleagues to power, with some 70 per cent of the 467 seats to be controlled by the combined conservative forces. The Prime Minister's Democratic Party, though expected to make sharp gains over the 128 seats they controlled in the last Diet, was not counted on to gain an absolute majority of 234 seats.

Accordingly, the Democrats are expected to form a working alliance with the other conservative party, the Liberals, which, incidentally, is the party of former Prime Minister Shigeru Yoshida.

HONOLULU NEWSLETTER

Home Buyer Gripes

LAWRENCE NAKATSUKA

Right & wrong of land distribution

I went along with a Nisei friend on a house-hunting tour of the city the other day. He was full of ideas of what he thought was right and wrong about Hawaii's land distribution.

"See those headlines last week about the Legislature wanting to break up the big estates?" he asked. I nodded my head.



"Well, if you ask most people, they would say, 'It's about time somebody did something about sharing the land. Too few people have been holding on to too much land all these years.'"

My friend felt he had a legitimate gripe. "Take a look at my problem. I've been living in Honolulu long before the last war. I've always wanted to buy a piece of land and to build a home for my family. But you know how expensive and scarce real estate has been in the city for a long time.

"Only since after the war has there been any real let-up. Now we are getting more subdivisions, so the housing shortage is not so bad. You can pick up any weekend paper and find a lot of 'For Sale' ads in them. As a matter of fact, there's a wide selection of lots and types of houses to pick from. The prices are more reasonable too. You remember how sky-high they were for a long time after the war.

"But one thing still gripes me. All those lands in Kahala and other places that are under the control of the Bishop Estate. The Estate won't sell the land in fee simple; it just wants to lease them, and you know how the Japanese people feel about leases.

"I want to buy the property and build my own home so I can pass it on to my children. Sure, I know that leases are useful if you have just so much money to spend on a house. The leases for the land are usually reasonable, so you will have more to put into building a better house. But, as I said, you know how the Japanese feel about leases.

Doing something about big estates

"Now I see that the Democrats want to break up the big landholdings. They've got the votes in the Legislature and they have promised to do something about the large estates, so I guess something will come out of this session.

"But I wonder whether they might be over-doing a good thing. Naturally the big estates are going to fight any bill that's going to break up their holdings. After all, the land is their bread and butter.

"There may be some trouble, however, when you consider the problems of the Bishop Estate. You see, the Bishop Estate uses the income from the land to run Kamehameha Schools for Hawaiian children. The Hawaiian people, who were here first, ought to have some protection and some rights, and I don't want to see Kamehameha Schools hurt.

"Lots of people feel Aloha towards the Hawaiians. They're easy-going folks who need all the education they can get to keep up with this modern world. That's why it's only fair that Kamehameha Schools should be continued as efficiently as possible to help educate the Hawaiians.

"There's the other headache, too, that I'm a little worried about. You know how many Nisei there are in this Legislature . . . more than any session before. Twenty-one out of forty-five.

"Some folks are talking behind our backs about this Legislature being a 'diet.' You know what that means—the 'diet' is the nickname for the Legislature because there are so many Nisei in this session—just like the Japanese Parliament, someone made a crack the other day.

"That got my goat, but you'll have to admit that's the

Strong anti-Japanese feeling possible

truth. Almost every other name on the roll call is Japanese, and some people are getting pretty sensitive about the racial makeup of the Legislature. Especially the anti-Japanese element, and this group is getting larger the more the Nisei try to run things their own way.

"That's why I say that if Kamehameha Schools get hurt too much because the Legislature goes after the Bishop Estate and other large landholders, without giving them a chance to hold what really belongs to them, there's going to be a strong anti-Japanese feeling built up. I know that others besides the Nisei are getting behind the move to break up the big landholdings, but mark my word the Nisei are going to be blamed.

"Then we'll have a touchy racial situation. Who knows, it might affect statehood . . . I mean the anti-Japanese feeling, or it might come out in the next election. Anyway, it's going to be interesting to see how this all comes out."



Outfits to be previewed at Yuzen Fashions, Pasadena JACL's benefit this Sunday at the residence of the Arthur Havens, 326 Blythe Rd., Pasadena, include the three-piece pedal pusher, blouse and reversible jacket on Misa Goto (left) the bathing outfit on Mrs. Audria Beadle (seated), and the two-piece outfit on June Aochi Yamashiro. All were designed by Yoko Kuwazawa, one of the foremost designers in Japan. Mrs. Kow Kaneko, who visited Japan last summer, is coordinating the fashion show. — Sat Yoshizato Photo.

MANY LIBERALIZATIONS ADDED TO CLAIMS AMENDMENT DRAFT BILL

(Los Angeles) Many important liberalizations over the present Evacuation Claims Law are included in the draft bill of amendments just completed for the Committee on Japanese American Evacuation Claims, George Inagaki, chairman, revealed last week.

He said that the draft document, as prepared by Counsel Edward J. Ennis, of New York City, and Make Masaoka, Washington representative, is now being studied among executive committee members of COJAEAC and a final decision on the language of the bill to be presented to Congress will be made this week.

Basically, the amendments are along the lines presented in the last Congress by Representative Patrick J. Hillings (R., Calif.), but with modifications and further liberalizations suggested by the Special House Judiciary Subcommittee that conducted public hearings on that bill last fall in California and by evacuation claimants themselves who have organized COJAEAC in their own interest.

Changes Revealed

The draft legislation provides for formal adjudications by the Attorney General under the Administrative Procedure Act (which calls for an independent hearing officer and judicial review), compromise settlements of all claims without regard as

to amount, and determinations by the Court of Claims. The so-called 75 per cent ceiling on compensable items that restricts the compromise settlements of claims under \$2,500 under the 1951 amendment is eliminated.

Losses suffered by alien enemy internees as a direct and reasonable consequence of evacuation, and not of internment, are recognized, as are claims by corporations, partnerships, associations, societies, and other organizations, non-profit and profit, the majority of whose stockholders or members on Dec. 7, 1941, were persons of Japanese ancestry.

Expenses or expenditures that would not have been incurred but for the evacuation are also recognized as compensable items. These include such items as pre-evacuation and post-evacuation expenses, transportation costs, management costs and conservation expenses, loss of fair rental values, and crop losses, including those

Pocatello Grange chapter to accept Nisei membership

By NOVO KATO

(Pocatello) Nisei membership in the National Grange was actively being solicited by the local Portneuf Grange No. 229 in the past week, the Pacific Citizen was informed.

In the past, the National Grange was discriminatory against Japanese Americans but its policies were changed after the war and membership was open to Nisei farmers. At the same time, the Idaho Granges followed the new national policy, but the local chapter did not.

Through many years of effort by Lester Selders, past Grange master, and friends, the Portneuf Grange voted unanimously to open its doors to the Nisei, who are, by and large, engaged in agriculture and thus vitally interested in the Grange program.

Cherry tree project started by SLC Clerks

(Salt Lake City) The Salt Lake JACL will donate 18 Japanese cherry trees to the city and state. Additional trees to help beautify the State Capitol resulted from some old poplars being removed from the grounds.

Other Japanese organizations are being asked to participate in the cherry tree project.

of perennial crops.

In addition, claims postmarked before the Jan. 3, 1950, deadline but received by the Attorney General after that date will be considered to be timely filed under the series of proposed amendments.

Invitation

Hailing the draft bill as worthy of the unanimous support of all the remaining claimants because it will give them considerably more than those who have accepted awards have received, and in many cases make their claims valuable which under present interpretations are almost worthless, chairman Inagaki invited all evacuation claimants who have not yet joined the Committee on Japanese American Evacuation Claims to do so immediately.

"The more who join, the stronger will be our representations in Washington and the better our chances for the liberalizations we seek," he declared.

Hearings on two bills scheduled in Sacramento Assembly next Tuesday

(Sacramento) Two committee hearings on bills of concern to persons of Japanese ancestry will be held by the State Assembly next Tuesday, Haruo Ishimaru, who is representing the JACL at the state capitol, reported to the Pacific Citizen this week.

The Assembly Social Welfare Committee will hold a hearing at 3 p.m. to consider legislation granting old age pension privileges to Issei who cannot qualify for naturalization, namely A.B. 2255, jointly introduced by nine assemblymen.

The Assembly Judiciary Committee will meet at 8 p.m. to consider a bill removing the Alien Land Law from the California statutes, namely A.B. 841 and A.B. 842, introduced by Assemblyman Edward E. Elliott of Los Angeles.

Members of the Assembly Social Welfare Committee are: Bruce F. Allen (San Jose), chairman; Wanda Sankary (San Diego), vice-chairman; Dorothy M. Donahoe (Bakersfield); Edward E. Elliott (Los Angeles); Samuel R. Geddes (Napa); Herbert R. Klöckseim (Long Beach); Frank Lanterman (La Canada); Leroy Lyon, Jr. (Fullerton); S. C. Materson (El Cerrito).

Members of the Assembly Judiciary Committee are: Gordon A. Fleury (Sacramento), chairman; H. Allen Smith (Los Angeles), vice-chairman; Bruce F. Allen (San Jose); Clark L. Bradley

(San Jose); Bernard R. Brady (San Francisco); Ralph M. Brown (Modesto); Thomas W. Caldecott (Berkeley); Randal F. Dickey (Alameda); Richard J. Dolwig (Redwood City); Leroy Lyon, Jr. (Fullerton); John J. McFall (Manteca); Patrick D. McGee (Van Nuys); Lester A. McMillan (Los Angeles); Allen Miller (San Fernando); John A. O'Connell (San Francisco); Wanda Sankary (San Diego); and Casper W. Weinberger (San Francisco).

Ishimaru called upon JACL chapters, community leaders, and citizens to write to their respective assemblymen urging support for the bills being considered.

He pointed to one bill under consideration by the Social Welfare Committee which would provide that County Public Assistance shall be granted only to United States citizens or to those who had taken out first papers and who completes the naturalization proceedings within reasonable dispatch. This provision, Ishimaru explained, would deprive Issei from receiving county aid unless they become naturalized, and it would place an unfair burden on many Issei who, for various reasons, are unable to attain their citizenship. He said that the JACL would attempt to either eliminate or modify this provision so that indigent Issei would not be subjected to this deprivation of subsistence support.



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● It was "Unbrotherhood Day" on the famous campus of Roosevelt University last week. Since the college is known for its traditional brotherhood practices throughout the year, they did something different to emphasize the meaning of Brotherhood Day. . . . Blonds were denied use of the library. Students needed passes to get to classes on the first floor. Coeds under 5 ft. 2 in., and men with moustaches needed passes to ride the elevators. Students with freckles were not allowed on the third, fifth or seventh floor. . . . All these arbitrary decisions were enforced to show how silly discrimination can be, the students all declared.

Around Windy City . . .

● Dr. Toraji Makino of Doshisha will be welcomed as the new Issei minister at the Christ Congregational Church this Sunday.

● The Chinese American Civic Council here paid honor to Miss Helen Jerry of the legal staff of the Immigrants Protective League at its annual dinner. "Many Chinese nationals have been given new hope and new life in the United States" because of Miss Jerry's aid.

● Racial bias was traced to the fear of inferiority, Manchurian-born scholar Dr. Francis L. K. Hsu of Northwestern University pointed out in the Brotherhood Week article published in the Chicago Daily News last week. The same factor causes male-female, butter-oiled, natural gas-manufactured gas, Army-Navy competition. The most militant type of prejudice is that of enhancing your own position by holding others down, explained Dr. Hsu. Saner family living can help to thwart prejudices, he believes.

● The basic Chicago real estate tax has been increased 4.2 per cent or \$3.768 per \$100 evaluation for collection after Apr. 1. . . . Chicago residential customers will be paying from 25-30 cents more for gas from this month.

● Only half of the registered voters turned out for the Feb. 22 city primaries. It appears election officials will be asked to change the method whereby a voter must publicly announce whether he is Republican or Democrat before he gets his ballot. Many preferred to forfeit the right to vote than break the American tradition of keeping political beliefs secret and sacred.

About People . . .

● Mrs. Ann Brinton, associated with American Friends Service Committee in Tokyo, visited here last week on her way home to Philadelphia.

● John Y. Yoshino, past chapter 1st v.p. and active community leader, was reelected to the Bradley Honore Neighborhood Ass'n board for three years.

● Former residents of Oregon held a reunion last Saturday at the Midwest Buddhist Church.

Chicago JACL supports two civic organizations

(Chicago) Executive board action of the Chicago JACL approved contributions of \$50 to the Council Against Discrimination and \$25 to the Illinois Committee for Equal Job Opportunities.

Mari Sabusawa is chapter representative to the Council Against Discrimination; while Harold Gordon is official chapter representative to the state FEPC group.

'IMPORTANCE OF JACL TO DEMOCRACY' REVEALED IN MONOGRAPH PREPARED BY AUTHOR OF 'HOME AGAIN'

(Palo Alto) James A. Edmiston, author of "Home Again" and former official of the War Relocation Authority of this area, this week told the Pacific Citizen of his views on the Japanese American Citizens League in a monograph entitled "The Importance of the JACL to Democracy," it was revealed by Masao W. Satow, National JACL Director.

The Edmiston statement follows:

"Holding a beach-head is more important than taking it. There are two very good reasons for this. First, in no other way can we justify or pay for the

wounds our friends suffered along the way. Second, to preserve our gains means that whatever our own hardships we are securing the future of our children and of democracy. Both are more important, obviously, than some small labors we undertake or some small dues we pay.

"During the past few years the JACL, led by some able people who almost daily amazed me by their sincerity and ability, has made many enormous gains. But do not let anyone lull you into any false sense of security. Gains can be lost swiftly if the battle surges back and forth. The very fact that these gains have been attained is exactly the reason why the JACL must become stronger. If the beach-heads in Italy had not been held by the 442nd, then those who died would have died in vain.

"The thing they said can't happen here, did happen here. And the security of my family isn't one iota firmer than yours. Intolerance could just as readily, and for perhaps sounder reasons, turn against the Scotch and Irish, which I have reason to believe I am. I feel personally that the JACL had helped strengthen my position in America . . . and I hope the JACL holds onto the gains it has made for us all.

"The importance of the JACL to people of other minority groups is certainly obvious, because once again Americans of Japanese ancestry have become the "shock troops" that have broken through the lines of the enemies of democracy, ignorance and bigotry.

"At radio and television interviews, at press conferences and at autograph parties, I am constantly asked why did this victory of democracy come about? Why have our Nisei and Issei made such strides? If the up-beat ending of the

book, HOME AGAIN, is true, then how do you account for it happening to this particular minority group first?

"I have an answer that I give to these questions, and it is very simple and crystal clear: this victory of democracy was created by the people and earned by them through their organization, the Japanese American Citizens League.

"It's as simple as that. "And yet it is not so simple at all, unless you grow, unless your membership increases . . . and unless you hold onto that beach-head, which all the United States is grateful that you took. If you lost it now we might all go down. We don't want to live where there are racial suspicions, where there exists the injustice of discriminatory laws and the stupidity of bigotry. Please hold on to what you have gained for us all."

Jack rabbit hunt Sunday at Livingston area

(Livingston) Some 500 hunters are expected to converge this Sunday on the numerous jackrabbits infesting the area north and east of Livingston, which includes many farms owned by JACLers. The Mar. 6 rabbit drive is being coordinated by representatives of the Livingston-Merced JACL, the local farm bureau, American Legion and chamber of commerce.

Assembly point will be the SP depot, 7:30 a.m. A bean feed will close the day at Pentecostal Hall. George Yagi and Fred Kishi represented the JACL.

BOISE VALLEY CHAPTER NAMES ARIMA PRESIDENT

(Caldwell, Idaho) The Boise Valley JACL installed its 1955 cabinet at a dinner dance here Feb. 26. Tom Arima of Homedale is the new president, assisted by:

Kay Watanabe, 1st v.p.; Warren Tamura, 2nd v.p.; Mas Yamashita, treas.; Lois Itano, rec. sec.; Mary Arima, cor. sec.; Mary Inouye, hist.; Seichi Hayashida, del.; George Koyama, alt. del.; Roy Kubosimi, memb.

Southwest leads in L.A. drive

(Los Angeles) The 1955 membership drive is going great guns, according to Pomeroy Ajima, membership vice-president of the Southwest Los Angeles JACL. Thus far, between 250 and 300 have been signed to lead local chapters.

To encourage Issei participation, a program exclusively devoted to their interests is being planned by Tut Yata, assisted by:

Matsunosuke Oi, Dr. Roy Nishikawa, Dr. Tom Watanabe, Hana Uno, Mack Hamaguchi, Dick Fujioka.

(Denver) Pledged to hit 1,000 members in 1955, the Mile-Hi chapter reached the 246 mark as of Feb. 15, membership chairman Betty Suzuki reported. At the Mar. 8 membership report meeting to be held at the home of Bill Kuroki, 3434 E. 35th Ave., the halfway mark is being anticipated.

(San Francisco) The chapter newsletter of the San Francisco JACL revealed 148 members were signed as of Feb. 14. Sumi Honnani is membership chairman.

Richmond-El Cerrito chapter hears Judge Masterson at installation rites

(San Francisco) Judge S. C. Masterson, state assemblyman from Richmond who is author of the old age assistance bill to aid California Issei, congratulated the Japanese American community for its long record of loyalty and good citizenship at the recent Richmond-El Cerrito JACL installation dinner at the Tokyo Sukiyaki.

He declared that "California, as one of the leading states in the United States, must demonstrate to the rest of America and to the world that a vigilant responsibility of a free society is the preservation of rights of all individuals."

"Some of the unfinished business of our state is to remove every vestige of discrimination," the judge declared.

Marvin Uratsu and his cabinet officers were installed by Haruo Ishimaru, regional director. Bill Akagi was toastmaster. Serving on the banquet committee were:

Meriko Maida, Heizo Oshima, Geo. Sugihara, Grace Hata, James Kimoto, Dr. Yoshiye Togasaki and Sei Kami.

Other guests included: Consul T. Kambara; Kenji Kasai, Tokuya Kako, Sadae Hamada, pres. v.p. and exec. sec. (resp.), Japanese C. of C.; Jerry Enomoto, San Francisco JACL pres.; Mr and Mrs. T. Howell, Richmond city mgr.

LIVINGSTON-MERCED C.L. INSTALLS NEW CABINET

(Merced) Livingston-Merced JACL installed its 1955 officers at its annual dinner recently at Club Joaquin here in the presence of 70 persons. National JACL Director Mas Satow was guest speaker and Jack Noda, NC-WNDC chairman, was installing officer.

George Yagi of Livingston is president, assisted by: Lester Yoshida (Merced) v.p.; Gilbert Tanji (Cressy) treas.; Joyce Kashiwase (Livingston), rec. sec.; Mrs. John Konno (Livingston), cor. sec.; Sherman Kishi (Livingston), pub.; Mrs. Asaka Miyake (Livingston), hist.; dist. reps.—Yo Kuniyoshi, Merced; Koichi Kimura, Cressy; Saburo Minabe, Livingston.

James Kirihara, retiring president, was chairman and was also presented his past-president's pin from Satow. The chapter male quartet composed of Fred Kishi, Sherman Kishi, James Masuda and Asaka Miyake entertained. Surrealistic table decorations were made by Mmes. Nori Tashima and Walter Morimoto.

Dayton chapter moots membership, calendar

(Dayton) Membership plans and activities for the year were discussed at the first general meeting of the Dayton JACL at the home of chapter president Dr. Ruby Hirose. Lt. Thomas Hikido with the U.S. Air Force Field, was a guest.

The 1955 cabinet includes: Mas Yamasaki, 1st v.p.; Yoichi Sato, 2nd v.p.; William Yukawa, 3rd v.p.; Hideo Okubo, treas.; Yuriko Yoshihara, sec.

IN HONOR OF

David Sano, 18, son of Rev. and Mrs. Sankin Sano of Kansas City, has marked Apr. 7 on his calendar as the day he will serve as student mayor of his city. The California-born lad is a senior at Northeast High and was elected to the post in an election involving 7,000 students of the city high schools. Rev. Sano, circuit Baptist preacher, formerly lived in Sacramento and San Francisco.

Kazu Konokawa, 14, son of Mr. and Mrs. Seiichi Konokawa, 109 E. 91st St., New York, was chosen among 36 Greater New York delegates to the Eighth International Boy Scouts Jamboree to be held Aug. 18-28 at Niagara Lake, Canada.

SCENE FROM THE GOLDEN GATE

Nisei Adoptions

HARUO ISHIMARU

One of the differences between the Issei and the Nisei seems to be the size of their families. It was not unusual for our parents to have large families. In fact, one of the criticisms of the racists who incited discrimination against Japanese aliens was the statement that "they breed like rats."

They ignored the data which showed that large families were typical of all immigrant groups. On the other hand, the Nisei certainly tend to have much smaller families. Probably some ambitious sociology student is writing a thesis on the subject.

Although not necessarily typical, the combined families of my wife and mine are illustrative. Yoshiko's family's four siblings and our family of eight gives an average of six. However, among the nine living and married children, there are only thirteen offspring, which averages less than one-and-a-half children each. My parents actually had more children themselves than they had grandchildren in America.

Although the age of the Nisei could be taken into some consideration, in our family all of my brothers and sisters have been married for fourteen years or more, so age is not too important a factor here.

Even beyond the fact of smaller families among the Nisei, I have become increasingly aware of the great number of childless Nisei couples. We, too, after six years have adopted a beautiful baby who is now fourteen months old and is the pride and joy of her proud pappy. It was the happiest decision in our life to add this noisy, drooling, ever-wet and unpredictable angel.

This devious introduction brings me to the subject of my column. Many childless Nisei friends have asked me for information concerning adoptions for themselves. Because I would like to share the happiness we have had from our Jackie (formerly Harumi Jaclyn), I have made a number of inquiries and have found the prospects very discouraging. For example, one Nisei couple, applying at a regular welfare agency in Northern California, was told quite frankly and honestly that they should count on waiting up to five years before their turn would come up.

Following the recent arrival of children from Japan, new interest and hope have been revived and I have received a number of inquiries concerning the adoption of orphans from Japan. Upon checking with the Japanese Consulate, the International Institute, and my good attorney friend, Victor S. Abe, I discovered that there was very little information on either procedure for adoption or concerning availability of children.

It was mutually agreed that a conference would be useful to pool the various bits of information that all of us had and, consequently, an informal meeting was recently held at the International Institute. Participating in the initial meeting were Shoichi Ban and Yukio Kumamoto of the Japanese Consulate, Annie Clo Watson, Rose Chew and Morgan Yamana of the International Institute, Sachi Kawaoka of Pan American World Airways who escorted the first group of five children to America, Victor Abe and your truly.

It was decided that an organization to be called the Committee for the Adoption of Japanese Children would be created in order to pool and dispense information to interested couples. It is not the function of the committee to encourage or to arrange for specific cases of adoption, although general assistance may be rendered.

One of the plans for the committee will be to cooperate with the already existing American Joint Committee for Assisting Japanese-American Orphans in Tokyo, Japan, which is headed by Chairman H. B. Gallop, Secretary Lloyd B. Graham, with Dr. Gordon T. Bowles of the International House of Japan as adviser. This committee represents appointees from the following agencies: American Chamber of Commerce in Japan; American Legion, Tokyo Post No. 1; Veterans of Foreign Wars, Tokyo Post 9450; Tokyo Union Church; Interboard Committee for Christian Work in Japan - Missionary Field Committee; National Catholic Committee of Japan; Christian Children's Fund Inc., Richmond, Va.; Jewish Community of Japan; Tokyo Council of Church Women; College Women's Club of Tokyo; Mount Holyoke College Club of Japan; Wellesley College Club of Tokyo; Council of Catholic Men in Tokyo; Community Nursery Association; International Union of Gospel Mission, Inc.; in association with the American Friends Service Committee.

In April I am going on a short trip to Japan through the courtesy of the Aki Travel Bureau of San Francisco. At that time I will represent our committee in conferring with other committees and agencies in Japan. Inquiries about this particular type of adoption should be sent to any member of the Committee for the Adoption of Japanese Children or to any of the following offices in San Francisco: International Institute, the Japanese Consulate, and the Japanese Division of Pan America World Airways.

CHAPTER MEMOS

Albuquerque JACL: Hiro Tamura, Tacoma-born Nisei artist who trained in Paris after serving with the 442nd, will speak and show his works at the general meeting Mar. 5, 8 p.m., at the Yonemoto Recreation Hall. Chapter president Mike Yoenmoto will show films taken during the past two years of various chapter functions. John Glynn will continue his square-dance instructions. . . . The chapter donated \$25 to the Heart Fund raised at the Feb. 12 social. Pledges in the amount of \$75 were also solicited from members during the March of Dimes telethon here by Mrs. Evelyn Togami and Ruth Hashimoto.

Southwest L.A. JACL: "Guys and Dolls" mixer will feature a jitterbug contest, according to Roy Iketani, chairman of the Mar. 12 party at Park Manor Hall. Assisting are: Don Yamada, Janet Yamada, Karen Minato, Mas Kataoka, Hiroko Kawanami, Pul Ono Don and Kimi Matsuda.

Salt Lake JACL: In connection with the citizenship school conducted Wednesday evenings, members will help Issei fill out petitions for naturalization Mar. 9 at the Buddhist Church.

Newsletters Received: San Diego, Fowler, Omaha, San Francisco, Southwest Los Angeles.

San Francisco JACL: The women's auxiliary spring luncheon, Mar. 13, will be held at the Booker T. Washington social hall from 1 p.m., it was announced by Mrs. Fumi Hoshiyama and Mrs. Yo Hironaka, co-chairmen. A mixer follows. Reservations are being handled by Daisy Uyeda, West 1-6644.

San Jose JACL: The multitude of questions from the 175 attending the recent talk by Olin Kimbrel of the Social Security Administration was certainly a strong criterion of interest shown on the subject, commented Eiichi Sakauye, chairman. Tad Tomita assigned the speaker by acting as interpreter for the many Issei who attended.

Detroit JACL: Mrs. Mitzi Kinoshita and Marlene Sato represented the chapter at the International Institute Folk Ball Feb. 12, which drew representatives from Detroit's 50 nationality groups. Representing the Japanese community were Mmes. Kimiko Campbell and Teruko Milican. . . . Chiyo Togatani and Kay Takata announced a "get acquainted" afternoon general meeting Mar. 6, 4-7 p.m., at International Institute. It was hoped this potluck affair with emphasis on informality (nursery care to be provided for children) would draw greater attendance.

Detroit JACL: Due to ill health, Helen Kubota resigned as corresponding secretary and Mae Miyagawa accepted the post. The cabinet, which meets on the first Tuesday of each month at the International Institute, is open to all members. . . . Paul Nakamura and Hiroshi Yoshida were named chairmen of the membership drive.

Mile-Hi JACL: Despite adverse weather following the worst Colorado blizzard with



Although Mlle. Chiyoko Kawanami is not scheduled for another demonstration of her famous line of cosmetics for men, using Mons. Arnold Hagiwara as a model, the "Guys and Dolls" mixer-social scheduled Mar. 12 at the Park Manor by the Southwest Los Angeles JACL will surely be as "eye-brow" lifting as this photograph.

Nat'l JACL Endowment fund passes \$80,000; dividends for operation

(San Francisco) A total of \$3,366.93 has been earned to date as dividend from the National JACL endowment fund since it was established in the latter part of 1952, it was reported by National JACL Director Masao Satow.

This earning has been used for current JACL operations, Satow said.

This brings the fund total to \$81,652.01, of which \$80,000 is in trust. For the final quarter of 1954, \$800.36 in dividend was received from the endowment trust.

It was also announced at the JACL headquarters that \$1,569.40 has been received during the past few months in voluntary contributions to the endowment fund.

zero temperatures, over 100 turned out for the Family Fun night benefit at Potenza Hall, Feb. 19, under chairmanship of Billy Mattocks to raise approximately \$200 for the local chapter. A box lunch social in mid-April was announced by Mattocks. Assisting were:

John Sakayama, Irvin Matsuda, John Noguchi, Hootch Okumura, Bill Kuroki, Roy Shibata, True Yasui, refreshments: Ruby Sakayama, Betty Suzuki, Sachi Shibata, Mae Kumagai, Mary Funakoshi, Hattie Arita, Bernice Ohashi, Gladys Tanikawa, Rose Nishiyama, Marge Ota, Grace Noguchi, tickets.

Satow also indicated that memorial contributions by individuals, unless otherwise earmarked, were being placed in the endowment fund so that the donors will know that their contributions in memory of their loved ones are permanent contributions to the national organization.

Most recent of such contributions was \$50 from Mrs. Tatsu-yo Fujii in memory of her late husband, Sei Fujii, newspaper publisher of Los Angeles.

Other recent contributors were:

- CALIFORNIA**
 Richmond—Risuke Sabara \$50.
 San Mateo—Isaku Tanaka \$50.
 Stockton—Mrs. Masuye Tabuchi \$85.
 Turlock—Ben Kumimoto \$100. Dilliam M. Noda \$12.50. Keichi Yamaguchi \$111.65.
 Orosi—Kuratato Koike \$10, George Yada \$10.
 Visalia—Hisao BflI Yebisu \$80.35. Delano—Masaru Takaki \$60.
 West Los Angeles—Dr. Kiyoshi Sonoda \$100.

- OREGON**
 Portland—Seijiro Fujita \$50. Masuo Kuribayashi \$25, Seimi Kuribayashi \$25.

- WASHINGTON**
 Seattle—Shigeo Masunaga \$15, Y. Miyauchi \$25, Mr. and Mrs. K. Naito \$20, Raisuke Tamura \$15, Juro Yoshioka \$50.

- ILLINOIS**
 Chicago—Frank T. Abe \$300, Frank Z. Sawa \$100.

- MICHIGAN**
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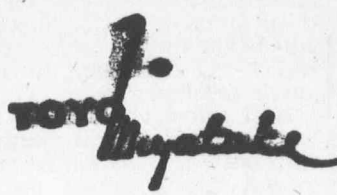
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20 hostesses to greet keggers at Long Beach award dinner-dance

(Long Beach) More than 20 hostesses will welcome participants in the ninth annual National JACL Bowling Tournament to be held here Mar. 3-6, according to Kay Matsumoto, chairman of the hostess committee.

Extending hospitality to visiting keggers will be queen Marlene Hada, who will reign over the tournament with the assistance of princesses Sachi Sumi and Kiyomi Mukai.

Hostesses include: Mitzi Sakamoto, Masako Ryono, Aiko Butsumyo, Sachi Sumi, Michi Kawano, Emi Butsumyo, Meriko Toma, Peggy Tanaka, Eiko Morikawa, Marlene Hada, Jane Kim, Tak Urugami, Janet Yomogida, Yoyoi Kawashima, Shizuko Masuda, Eiko Kusaba, Kiyomi Mukai, Frances Okura, Frances Ishii, Terry Nakashima, Terry Ida, Iku Matsumoto, Helen Kobata, Virgie Iwata, Kimiyo Toma, Rurie Hamashina, Fumi Mayeda, Mitsi Hori and Mutuko Dohara.

The climactic social event of the tournament will be the traditional awards dinner dance to be held this Sunday in the Pagent Room of the Wilton Hotel, tournament headquarters, from 6:45 p.m., it was announced by co-chairmen Sue Joe and S. Nak-

ey Iwasaki. Dr. Toru Iura, Southwest Los Angeles JACL president, will serve as toastmaster for the banquet, followed by the dance featuring Tak Shindo and his orchestra with vocalist Karie Shindo.

Tickets for the dinner-dance at \$5 per person, tax included, are available from tournament committee members or at the tournament office, 2050 Santa Fe Ave., Long Beach, and at the JACL Regional Office in Los Angeles. The public is invited to attend this sports formal event.

Utah fish & game bill approved

By ALICE KASAI

(Salt Lake City) The Utah state legislature has sent to the Governor for signature a bill permitting Japanese aliens who have been residents of the state for 15 years to purchase resident fish and game licenses.

The bill was signed by the Governor on Feb. 25.

It passed the Senate 16 to 2 with 3 absent on Feb. 15, and two days later the House 54 to 0 with 6 absent. Bill, sponsored by the Utah Wildlife Federation and the JACL chapters in Utah, was introduced by Sen. J. Francis Fowles (D) and Sen. Elias Day (R).

Little League sign-up

(West Los Angeles) The first three Saturdays in March have been designated as Little League registration days at Bringham Field, corner Sepulveda and Ohio. Sansei youngsters from 9-12 were being urged to sign up by James H. Corcoran, Little League president here.

JACL program—

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10. Establish statutory review and appeals procedure in all cases of deportation and exclusion, and for denial of visas. Mike Masaoka, Washington representative, declared that while his organization continues to maintain that the McCarran-Walter Act of 1952, particularly those provisions relating to Asians, represents real improvement over the old laws on the subject, JACL as always is interested in an even better law, if such is politically possible.

"While there are inadequacies in the 1952 law, as there are in almost any law, we must be careful that these new proposals will actually accomplish what they purport to do and, at the same time, are in both our national interest and of our own interests as persons of Asian ancestry," Masaoka said.

"Accordingly, this office and the National JACL Study Commission on Immigration and Naturalization will give careful study to this proposal in order to determine whether it is actually in the interests of our nations and of our special concerns as persons of Japanese ancestry," Masaoka stated.

San Francisco wholesale market to be moved

(San Francisco) The local wholesale flower market at Howard and Fifth Streets including the Issei-Nisei owned California Flower Market will move sometime this year to a new location four blocks south of Brannan between Fifth and Sixth Streets, according to Sam Sakai of Richmond, president of the California Flower Market.

The present edifice, to be cleared for a parking lot, has been in use since 1922 and recently condemned by the city. Warehouses on the new lot will be torn down for a new \$300,000 building.

Nat'l JACL bowling meet trophy donors named

(Long Beach) The list of trophies to be awarded during the Mar. 3-6 National JACL Bowling Tournament was announced by Easy Fujimoto, tournament chairman. These are in addition to the perpetual trophies.

Donors include:

MEN'S EVENTS

Team—Koby's Appliance; Team Individuals—Long Beach JACL; Doubles—L.A. Bowling & Billiard Supply, Three Star Market, Singles—Pioneer Market; All-Events—Yamasaki Market; Sweeper—Gardena Sporting Goods.

WOMEN'S EVENTS

Team—Rio Hondo Nursery; Team Individuals—Long Beach Nisei Bowling Association; Doubles—Keystone Nursery, Gardena Pharmacy; Singles—J & J Nursery; All-Events—B. Yamada Co.; Sweeper—A-I Florist; Special—Tokiwa Cafe.

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QUEEN'S

Fred Ikeguchi, Long Beach JACL and L. B. Nisei Bowling Ass'n.

Eastbay keggers monopolize Sac'to JACL-NBA tourney

(Sacramento) Eastbay bowlers grabbed most of the honors at the seventh annual Sacramento JACL-NBA handicap bowling tournament Feb. 12-13 with low average performers winning all titles in sensational fashion.

In the team event, Mary & Joe's, a 786 average team bowling in the Eastbay Minors, won with a 3081 total on their 2677 scratch. Capital Meat Market of Sacramento took high scratch team honors with 2738.

Sus Onishi of Lodi was the tournament sensation with a net 717 series to win the singles. A 154-average bowler, he made his first appearance in a bowling tournament to blast a 621 series and was entered with a 96 handicap.

A pair of 150-average bowlers, Mo Minemoto and Hisashi Saiki of San Francisco, won the doubles with a combined total of 1295. Joe Uyeminami, a '152 bowler in the Sacramento handicap league, captured the all-events title with 1953 (t-606, d-533, s-538—1677-276).

George Gee of Oakland, who recently bowled a 300 game, rolled the tournament's high scratch series with 654 and the high scratch all-events at 1805 to nab special awards. Yulene Takai's 268 was the high scratch game of the two-day event.

A total of 42 teams and 210 individuals were entered.

Midwest golf tourney schedules announced

(Chicago) Monthly tournament schedules of the Midwest Golf Assn were announced by Fred Fujita, MGA publicity chairman, with all flights going Apr. 17 at Silver Lake. Other dates and courses include:

May 15—Big Run, Oak Hills, Woodridge; June 12—Bunker Hills, Glendale, Oak Hills; July 10—Woodridge, Silver Lake, Glendale; Aug. 14—Glendale, White Pine, Navajo Fields; Sept. 11—Silver Lake, Woodridge, White Pine. October—to be announced.

Tournament directors are Ken Itoku, Richard Suyama and George Morimoto for championship, Aye and Bee flights, respectively.

Jr. Olympics

(San Francisco) The San Francisco JACL plans for the third annual JACL Olympics will begin shortly, according to Kei Hori, chairman of last year's meet.

Hori asked chapters to start urging their local youths to turn out for high school teams to get into condition for this year's Olympics.

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An unusual social experiment took place Feb. 19 at the Eastside's Soto-Michigan Jewish Community Center, where a melting-pot group of young adults joined in a social get-together significantly during Brotherhood Week.

A steering committee, believing that one of the best and most direct ways of attaining understanding among groups of varying races, colors and creeds is to get acquainted on an equal social basis, was formed to conduct what it hopes to be the first of a series of regularly held social programs.

JIM HIGASHI, East L. A. JACL president, is a member of the committee, which includes Irene Paniagua of the Eastside YWCA, Ruth Forer of Eastside Young Democrats, Evelyn Garcia of Y-Debs, Margie Katz of the Young Mothers' EJCC, and Dave Boubin of the Eastside CYO.

Jim, who emceed the affair, led the well-mixing crowd to the Hokey Pokey, Bunny Hop and various games. He reported the 80 persons of Caucasian, Mexican, Negro, Jewish and Japanese backgrounds enjoyed an "I'm accepted" at-home atmosphere of brotherhood. Prominent in the group were members of Jim's ELA chapter.

He credits Miss Garcia and her Y-Debs for taking care of the detail work to assure a successful evening, and the Eastside merchants who donated refreshments.

The Eastside Young Adult Organizations steering committee hopes to make this a permanent year-around project and invites more organizations to join in on their next Brotherhood Night, bringing to fruition a true melting pot in the Eastside community. Orchids to Jim and his chapter for a fine job promoting brotherhood.

The Santa Barbara chapter cabinet, which we recently stalled following an excellent dinner at El Cielito hash house headed by nurseryman TOM HIRASHIMA, on whose shoulders fall the weight of chairing the PSWDC Convention on May 14. His officers include FRANK MORI, veep; FUMI INO, treasurer; HANNAH KATAYAMA, recsec; MIKE HIDE, treasurer; LILLIAN NAKAJI and JOHN SUZUKI, co-social chairmen and five members-at-large: IKEY KAKIMOTO, KEN OTSU, TAD KANETOMO, TOM FUKUMURA and HARUMI YAMAMOTO. We repeat, Tad and Tom are still eligible, girls, and we mean for naturalization.

Our friend, Stanley Slotkin, who owns a fabulous enterprise here called "Abbey Rents," calls our attention to a preview article called "You Name It, They Have it" in the Feb. 22 issue. Stanley, who owns chair factories in Japan, is at chopsticks.

Fox Studios buzzed us a couple of weeks ago. They want a dozen good-looking Nisei girls to dance in Kimonos for a scene in their Japan production, "House of Bamboo." Among the people we called was Gene Parker whose ballroom dance classes have been sponsored by several local chapters. What Gene? 'Cause Fox wanted jitterbugs!

There are almost as many Nisei teachers as residents in Whittier, we learned when we sat on a panel to discuss recent developments in inter-group understanding in a brotherhood program of the Whittier Coordinating College on the college campus. It was a sort of Poston reunion, for chairing the meeting was Mrs. Ed Nosoff, and Ataloo moderated the panel. We were roasting and toasting in Poston with both Ed and Ataloo the latter now with the National Congress of American Indians. Oh, yes, the teachers. Seems there are some half-dumb Oriental instructors in the local school payroll, including a Chinese girl. Probably less than that many Nisei families in the Quaker community. Since it's a short haul out of Ellay, many Nisei will move out thataway if the new housing tracts in the area would stop discriminating against them.

Sorry to hear RUTH HASHIMOTO, pillar of the Albuquerque chapter, is laid up with a broken ankle. Her daughter, ALICE JANE, who also took in the Statler convention last September, made the honor roll at the college of arts and sciences at U.N.M., as well as having won a scholarship. This pretty lass misses the companionship of Nansei her age, of which you can't hardly get no more, there being none there.

Sure nice to be a millionaire. That's what HARRY FUJITA is. He's past prexy of the Downtown Ellay chapter. At least he belongs to a Millionaire's Club, which doesn't mean he has that many shekels, but he has that amount of insurance in force, which still ain't hay. We recently plugged him as having been promoted as assistant manager of the Pasadena agency for Calif. Western States Life Insurance Co. Based in Chicago, circa 1946, Harry was a photographer whose studio somehow could never latch on to Marilyn Monroe. If space permitted, we could tell more about the many insurance achievement awards he's won lately with CWSLIC. He's seen shooting pictures but only of wife HANNA and youngsters CARY and GINGER, when he's not out fishing. Wotta life!

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Home Owners

By HENRY MORI

Home ownership among persons of Japanese ancestry is no longer an uncommon thing. Most of the Issei and Nisei — grown up in a stable economically since the war — have a share in their own homes.

Unless we miss our guess, most of them are making payments on them. Statistically speaking, more than 53 per cent of the Anenos are home-owners. That's for the whole population of the city.

The renters are in a rather ticklish situation. Among them, however, they seem to be in the minority. They pay high rents, live through a month-to-month fear of being ousted, and families with kids know, especially, the difficulty of finding another place to rent if they are asked to move.

Before the war, home-owning was considered a luxury, limited only to those who were financially able to buy. Today that matter has become more a necessity.

That decision is being made every day by those who otherwise, under normal conditions, wouldn't think of embarking on buying a stiff down payment and continuing with a high monthly balance of \$100 or more, to settle into a not-too-new home.

On this point of home-ownership, Boyle Heights, the pre-war hub of Japanese American residents, is no longer concentrated with Issei and Nisei. They have transplanted themselves to other spots in the county and no one locale can assume to have a greater concentration of Japanese.

Let us take West Los Angeles, for example. And let us borrow the findings of Robert S. Iwamoto, president of the Japanese Community Council, whose telephone directory survey showed 1250 Japanese American families living in the neighborhood.

We can safely say they are all home-owners. In the words of Elmer Uchida, past president of the West Los Angeles JAACL, the area is strategically situated for the many landscape artists who have routes in the plush Hollywood and Beverly Hills districts.

West Los Angeles is near the beaches, schools, colleges and universities. And smog there isn't as bad as in downtown Los Angeles.

"Some of the growing Japanese families are moving into the Santa Monica area," commented one real estate broker, who said the foresight of many of the postwar newcomers is paying off. He estimated 6,000 persons of Japanese descent are living in West Los Angeles. The prewar figure was only a ripple.

The community has its own shopping center, Japanese language school, churches, and recreational center.

Issei-Nisei unity is well shown in the fact that when community-wide functions are held, they become a whole family affair.

There is also marked increase in the number of Japanese residents in Pasadena, with some 3,000 today; and in Long Beach and in Culver-Venice areas with several thousand more.

And we can hardly dismiss the Southwest Los Angeles district where quite frequently we witness new Nisei-operated homes rising in the neighborhood.

Further east from Boyle Heights are the tract homes of La Vista, although all of them were not built at the same time. Strangely enough, when the first Nisei families attempted to purchase homes there, they met with discriminatory financing practices. Today, more than 100 homes are owned by Japanese.

There are enough Nisei leaders there to start a new JAACL chapter.

What with the ever-increasing number of out-of-staters coming to Los Angeles to make their home, the dilemma of where to live or how much to pay for a place continues among the renters.

He sees the "squeeze" is now on him.

VITAL STATISTICS

Births

LOS ANGELES

ABE—Jan. 9, a girl Gale Ann to the Hiroshi Abes (Miyo Yamashita).
 ARAI—Jan. 10, a boy Michael Tadao to the Geoffrey A. Arais (Sachiko Akiyama).
 ASAKURA—Feb. 15, a girl Lynn Asako to the Junichi Asakuras (Shige Sakabe).
 AZUMA—Dec. 31, a girl Hildegard Mina to the Yukimasa Azumas (Hildegard Braun).
 BURZINSKY—Dec. 31, a girl Linda Diane to the Gordon Burzinskys (Marjorie Tomiko Sakata).
 CISNEROS—Dec. 29, a girl Esperanza Yoshie to the Henry Cisneros (Mary Sumiko Nakaza).
 HAGIHARA—Dec. 28, a boy David Kazutaka to the Jack Hagiharas (Mary Tazuko Hirota).
 HAMAGUCHI—Jan. 7, a girl Linda Keiko to the Frank M. Hamaguchis (Michiko Sera).
 HONDA—Dec. 26, a girl Jonni to the Mitsuru H. Hondas (Fusaye Yoshimura).
 IGUCHI—Jan. 4, a girl Gale Sachiko to the Shinobu Iguchis (Chiye Murase).
 IKE—Dec. 31, a girl Marcia Lynn to the Toshio Ikes (Fumiko Ariyasu).
 ISOMOTO—Jan. 10, a boy William S. to the Seiji J. Isomotots (Dorothy S. Hokoyama).
 ITO—Dec. 30, a boy Bradford Kent to the Kenji Ito (Fumiye Bettye Sakaguchi). Alhambra.
 ITO—Dec. 31, a girl Roberta Jean to the Isamu Ito (Setsuko Okumura).
 IWASAKI—Jan. 6, a girl Chris Miyo to the John Iwasakis (Teruko Nakasone).
 KARATSU—Jan. 10, a boy Robert Dean to the George Y. Karatsus (Mary Tamaki).
 KITAGAWA—Dec. 26, a boy Robert Dean to the George H. Kitagawas (Lillian Igarashi).
 MASATANI—Jan. 7, a boy Steven Kiyoshi to the Harry Yoshio Matatanis (Kimiko Seki).
 MASUDA—Jan. 13, a boy Donald Kiyoshi to the Kiyoshi Masudas (Alice Tsugiko Nakamura).
 MIYAKE—Jan. 9, a boy Rickie Ken to the Kazuo Miyakes (Sumiye Kawamura).
 MURASE—Dec. 31, a girl Phyllis Sachiko to the Tadashi Murases (Hiroko Hasegawa).
 MURATA—Jan. 6, a girl Rena K. to the Tom Muratas (Akiko J. Kobayashi).
 NAKAMOTO—Jan. 8, a boy Donald Jiro to the Nobuo Nakamotos (Matsuye Takeuchi).
 NISHIMURA—Jan. 2, a boy Christopher Tamotsu to the Tamotsu Nishimuras (Evelyn Hisako Shigekuni).
 NISHITSUJI—Dec. 24, a girl Linda Susan to the James M. Nishitsujis (Misako Agnes Minamide).
 OGAWA—Dec. 29, a girl Cathy Midori to the Kanpo J. Ogawas (Fusaye Kurana).
 OKUDA—Jan. 8, a boy Ronald David to the B. Takashi Okudas (Haru Kusudo), Pasadena.
 SAKAMOTO—Dec. 26, a girl Pamela Susan to the John Sakamotos (Mae Akasaka).
 SHINTO—Jan. 5, a boy S. Michael Manabu to the Stephen Takaaki Shintos (Mary Ann Barbara Cauldillo).
 STARKEY—Dec. 25, a boy Lee Charles to the Leland deL Starkeys (Dee Hideko Nagatomi).
 TAKABAYASHI—Jan. 3, a boy Ronald Kiyoshi to the Kiyoto Takabayashis (Haruko Morikawa).
 TAKAGAKI—Jan. 1, a girl Marie Toshiyo to the George Takagakis (Mine Kusunoki).
 TSUCHIYOSE—Jan. 6, a boy Mark Makoto to the Tadao Tsuchiyoses (Miyoko Uyemoto), Pasadena.
 UCHIMURA—Jan. 6, a girl Karen Leigh to the Yoshitake Uchimuras (Sadako Imai).
 UCHIMURA—Dec. 30, a boy Rex Aisuo to the Daido Uchimuras (Noriko Suyenaga).
 WAKAYAMA—Dec. 26, a girl Susan Haruye to the Kengo Wakayamas (Haruko Sadamune).

WASHINGTON—Dec. 18, a girl Antonia Megumi to the Robert H. Washington (Hisako Seto).

SAN DIEGO

OSHIMA—Jan. 18, a girl to the Shigeru Oshimas.
 TERUSAKI—Jan. 12, a boy to the George H. Terusakis.

FRESNO

HATA—Jan. 13, a girl to the Makoto Hatas.
 OTANI—Jan. 19, a girl to the Hideo Otanis, Reedley.

SAN JOSE

FUJISHIN—Jan. 27, a girl to the Tom T. Fujishins, Cupertino.
 IWANAGA—Jan. 27, a girl Carolyn to the Roy T. Iwanagas.

KATASHIMA—Jan. 21, a girl Judy Yuriko to the Sawoto Katashimas, Gilroy.

MASUDA—Jan. 10, a boy Harvey Tim to the Tom T. Masudas, Gilroy.

MINAMI—Jan. 6, a girl Linda Yoko to the Masuo Minamis, Morgan Hill.

TOYOSHIMA—Jan. 22, a girl Janice Mitsuye to the Takezo Toyoshimas.

YAMAGUCHI—Jan. 29, a boy to the Hajime Yamaguchis.

SANTA CRUZ

MINE—Feb. 2, a boy to the William Mines (Sayoko Kobara).

REDWOOD CITY

YOSHIMOTO—Feb. 6, a boy to the Edward Yoshimotoss, San Mateo.

SAN FRANCISCO

HONMA—Feb. 8, a boy Danny George to the George Honmas.

NAO—Jan. 17, a boy to the Isamu Naos.

NUNOTANIS—Jan. 16, a boy to the Wallace K. Nunotanis.

SAKAGUCHI—Feb. 3, a girl Nancy Toshie to the Toshiyuki Sakaguchis.

TAKEUCHI—Jan. 29, a girl to the Shoichi Takeuchi.

TAKATSUNO—Jan. 29, a boy to the Joseph T. Takatsunos.

YAMAMOTO—Feb. 9, a boy David to the Minoru Yamamotos.

YOKOI—Jan. 16, a boy to Morio Yokois.

BERKELEY

NAKANO—Feb. 8, a boy to the Sam Nakanos.

SACRAMENTO

KUNIEDA—Jan. 26, a girl to the Roy K. Kuniedas.

MATSUI—Jan. 23, a girl to the Noboru Matsuis.

MURAKI—Feb. 2, a girl to the Sam M. Murakis.

NAGAI—Jan. 23, a girl to the Hisashi Nagais.

SHINTAKU—Jan. 20, a boy to the Kiyoharu Shintakus.

YUBA CITY

MATSUMOTO—Feb. 9, a girl to the Shirui Matsumotos.

AUBURN

MAKIMOTO—Jan. 12, a girl to the James S. Makimotos, Loomis.

SEATTLE

ITO—Feb. 7, a girl to the Takuji Ito.

KOMURA—Feb. 3, a girl to the James Komuras.

MAEBORI—Jan. 26, a girl Marcia Sue to the Willie Maeboris, Auburn.

SHIBAYAMA—Feb. 5, a boy to the Kenji Shibayamas.

YANAGAWA—Jan. 13, a girl Carol to the Kay Yanagawas, Kent.

Engagements

DOMOTO-MARUYA — Sumiye to George, both of Los Angeles, Feb. 13.

MATSUI-SEI — Betty Midori, Wapato, Wash., to Hideo, Los Angeles.

OSADA-NAKANISHI — Betty, Tacoma, to Jun, Chicago.

TAKAYAMA-SHISHIDO — Mae, Reedley, to Toru, Los Angeles.

Weddings

KISHIMOTO-ITO — Feb. 12, Sammy and Chieko, both of Los Angeles.

NARIKE-HASUIKE — Feb. 13, Donald Tokinori and Anne Reiko, both of Los Angeles.

NOGAMI-SHIROMA — Feb. 12, Robert Teruo and Haruno, both of Los Angeles.

OKINO-HAMADA — Feb. 5, Makoto, Whittier, and Sayeko, Compton.

OMORI-IRIYE — Feb. 12, Elmer, Vista, and Grace Uraye, Los Angeles.

ONDO-TANINO — Feb. 5, James Minoru, Worland, Wyo., and Tsukiyu, Seattle.

TOYOSHIMA-TAKATSUKI — Jan. 29, Tokio and Miyeko, both of Kent, Wash.

YAMASHIRO-AOCHI — Feb. 13, Cpl Fred and June Y., both of Los Angeles.

MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED
 HAMAMURA-OSHIRO — Douglas (USA) and Sue, San Francisco.
 NOMURA-KOBAYASHI — Kazuo, Loomis, and Lillian J., Sacramento.

OHYE-TAHARA — Gentaro, 58, Seattle, and Mikie, 53, Vancouver, B.C.
 TAKAHASHI-KONDO — Michio, Berkeley, and Fumi, San Francisco.

YAMAUCHI-YAMAUCHI — Roy S. and Helen S., both of Irvington.

Deaths

KAJIYA, Sgt Toshiyasu, 30: Los Angeles, Feb. 4 (accident in French Morocco), survived by wife Haruye, two children and father Norio (Buena Park).

KATAYAMA, Mrs. Takeno, 67: Orosi, Feb. 21, survived by husband Tomoji, sons Yo Sho Mikio and daughter Mrs. Tomiko Niino.

KOBATA, Tetsuyo, 64: Los Angeles, Feb. 20, survived by husband Kensuke, son Kenichi, daughters Kayoko and Mrs. Miyoko Mitsuhiro.

KOIKE, Mantaro, 74: Los Angeles, Feb. 16.

NAKABA, Manzo, 79: Sun Valley, Calif., Feb. 10, survived by wife Mutsu, sons George S. and Frank S. and Frank T., daughter Mrs. Fusaye Ichinose.

YAHIRO, Jaques: Watsonville, Feb. 8, survived by wife Yukiye.

YASUTAKE, Kumataro, 75: Gardena, Feb. 11, survived by five sons Shigeo, Yasushi, George Hiroki, Jimmie, three daughters Mrs. Shigeri Shirotaki Mrs. Sumiye Yoshida and Mrs. Hiroko Yamano.

Form new group to aid families adopt orphans

(San Francisco) A committee to cooperate with the American Joint Committee for Assisting Japanese-American Orphans was organized Feb. 12 at the International Institute with Annie Clo Watson as acting chairman.

"Many families have expressed great interest in the adoption of Japanese children following the widely-read story of the five who were recently adopted by American families," said the executive director of International Institute.

The committee will compile information regarding the prospects and procedures for adopting children from Japan under the Refugee Relief Act.

It will also maintain liaison with the governmental agencies in Japan and America as well as various children's homes in Japan.

Participating at the initial committee meeting were: Shoichi Ban, Yukio Kumamoto, Japanese Consul-General; Rose Chew, Morgan Yamanaka, International Institute; Sachi Kawaoka, Pan American World Airways; Victor S. Abe and Haruo Ishimaru.

Vice-Consul Ban of Japan indicated many American families want to adopt Japanese children and that there are a number available. "The problem will be to bring the parties involved together and to complete the process by working under the immigration and adoption laws," he stated.

Further information may be obtained from the International Institute, Japanese Consul-General, or Pan-Am World Airways (Japanese Division).

Emmett Jr. C. of C. votes only Nisei member as president

(Emmett, Idaho) Ruy Hosoda, local produce grower, was elected president of the Emmett Jr. Chamber of Commerce for 1955. Only Nisei in the organization, he served as first vice-president last year.

Hosoda, born and raised here, attended Idaho State College and College of Idaho, where he earned varsity letters in basketball. He is also a member of the JAACL, Idaho Farm Bureau Federation and Lions International.

R. H. Young, House speaker of the Idaho state legislature, praised the Nisei and the work of the Jaycees for their community projects during the installation banquet held here recently.

'Jigokumon' in Chicago

(Chicago) The Chicago JAACL public relations committee was invited last week to the "Gate of Hell" preview at Carnegie Theater. The picture opens here Mar. 4.

NEW CITIZENS

SACRAMENTO: Kintaro Takeda, Minoru Yamasaki (Feb. 7, U.S. Judge Sherrill Halbert).

(Denver) Eleven more Issei were naturalized Feb. 11 in the U.S. District Court before Judge Jean S. Breitenstein, according to Cyril I. Shraiberg, chief naturalization examiner here. They are:

Kazu Komuro, Shigeji Arai, Naru Arai, Frank Z. Miyazawa, Yaye Eguichi, Denji Eto, Yoshitaro Matsuno, Mura Nakamura, Kazu Yonehiro, Tsurukichi Hamamura and Kenichi Suzuki.

The Rev. George Uyemura assisted the court in administering the Oath of Allegiance in Japanese.

Eight Issei in Granada are to be called during the second week of March.

Illustrator dies

(New York) Hashime Murayama, 76, Issei artist who has done illustrative work for the National Geographic Society, died Feb. 7 at his New York home. He came to this country in 1905 after graduating Kyoto Technical School.

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EDITORIALS

Higher salaries

Congress voted itself a 50 per cent pay raise this week. After working out a compromise measure with the Senate, the House approved to boost congressional salaries from \$15,000 to \$22,500 a year. It went to the White House, where it was approved.

It was equally gratifying to note action on the 10 per cent salary increase for millions of government employees and postal workers has received favorable backing in the Senate committee.

In due time, other civil servants in state, county and municipal governments will merit commensurate gains as would other salaried employees in private industries. Pay raises always make good news.

Welcome to bowlers

Long Beach-Harbor District JACL is to be commended for its excellence in preparing for the ninth annual JACL National Bowling Tournament this weekend. Because of the record entry of teams, two bowling houses are being used to accommodate the 100 teams plus.

The grand thing about sports is that competition and friendship mix well. The wonder of bowling is that the size of the man is no handicap. The beauty of a national tournament, such as JACL's, is that it sharpens the individual game in rare fashion.

The Southland Nisei community is fortunate to be hosting the JACL bowling tournament. It has another opportunity to lavish its hospitality on our visitors. Many still recall the festive JACL convention last September at the Los Angeles Statler. This week's national tournament figures to repeat camaraderie-wise.

Hatoyama's victory

Premier Hatoyama's victory in the Japanese elections Sunday should be of particular interest to Japanese Americans. We are anxiously waiting the comments of our Tokyo correspondent Tamotsu Murayama on the outcome of Diet members with pro-American background and outlook.

It also saw the election of two Communists to the 467-seat Diet. While it appears they would have negligible political influence, it can produce noise and trouble all out of proportion to its actual numbers—a characteristic of Communist parties everywhere.

How well Japan can guide her ship of state in these times will be felt by many who rely on continued co-operation of Japan with the West.

FROM THE FRYING PAN

By Bill Hosokawa

Kindness Repaid

Denver

If you read James Michener's report, *Pursuit of Happiness by a GI and a Japanese* in the Feb. 21 issue of *Life* magazine, you may recall that Warbride Sachiko Pfeiffer felt a deep compulsion to repay favors that were done for her without thought of return. She fell into "debt" when all her neighbors gave her a shower the day she came home from the hospital with her second baby.

To reciprocate, Sachiko scrubbed one neighbor's floors when she was ill. At night, she sewed a dress for every little girl on the block and delivered them door to door, bowing low and saying: "I present to you." Sachiko's determination to reciprocate was, in neighbor Carmella Mohlman's words, an "embarrassing aftermath."

To me, Sachiko Pfeiffer's charming demonstration of gratitude was a typically Japanese act. It seems that the need to return a favor, promptly and properly, is part of an inviolable Japanese code of ethics. This is accepted etiquette in Japan, so it causes comment only when the code is violated.

In our more casual American society, however, any such formalized show of appreciation is not only strange, but as in the case of Mrs. Mohlman, causes embarrassment. In our society, if someone does us a nice turn, we say our thanks and mean it. But there is no compulsion to reciprocate in kind at once. If we feel indebted, we look for an occasion like Christmas, for instance, to give material expression to our gratitude.

The Nisei, like many other second generation Americans, find themselves subject to some of their ancestral customs as well as those of their native land. I know, and you probably do too, a number of Nisei women who are as punctilious about returning favors as Sachiko Pfeiffer. Matters of fact, if they are recipients of a good turn, they cannot rest easy until they have reciprocated in some



fashion.

Somewhere between the extremes—slavish adherence to custom on one side, and the overly casual attitude on the other—there would seem to be a happy medium for the American scene. We're all inclined to take favors too much for granted and certainly we need to cultivate a sense of gratitude. At the same time a custom when it becomes a code, as it has in Japan, loses the warmth of spontaneity and much of its meaning.

As for Michener's Sachiko Pfeiffer, she is rapidly becoming Americanized. Perhaps as her Japanese background becomes more remote, she'll be able to find that happy medium for all of us.

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I see by the papers that the Mizokami brothers—Mike, Tom and Sam—have been getting recognition in Colorado's rich San Luis Valley as leading potato and vegetable growers and shippers. This season, in addition to shipping some 380 cars of lettuce, carrots, spinach, cabbage and cauliflower, they're expecting to pack and ship between 400 and 500 cars of potatoes. That is an operation large enough to cut a wide economic swath through the table-flat valley which lies just to the west of the craggy Sangre de Cristo mountains.

Across those same mountains, in the Arkansas valley where the Mizokami brothers were born, the Harada family has gained fame for its canteloupes. Rocky Ford, Colo., is synonymous with succulent melons and the last we heard Mitsu and Uji Harada were growing more of them than anybody in the area.

There's no need to talk about Nisei integration to these fellows. In their home communities they're demonstrating the meaning of the word instead of just talking about it.

VAGARIES

By Larry Tajiri

'Home Again' Sequel

Denver

We had a note from James Edmiston, author of *Home Again* (Doubleday, \$4), the novelized documentary of the Japanese American mass evacuation of 1942, in which he explains why the Japanese American Citizens League didn't play a major role in the book. Originally, the story of the JACL was a part of *Home Again* but when the original manuscript was cut from 1,000 pages to 300, Edmiston decided to save the JACL story for a second book.

"I planned another book, based largely on Mike Masaoka and his adventures, and the building and history of the JACL," says Edmiston. "That would be a terrific story, as you know. Whether I write it or someone else writes it remains to be decided, since I am a firm believer in JACL that I do not want to make any move without their cooperation and agreement."

In more than a score of public appearances since *Home Again* was published, Author Edmiston—a former Hollywood script writer—has plugged the JACL's role during the past decade in the fight against racial bigotry, political opportunism and military expediency. Edmiston has been limned on TV and has spoken over the radio in both Northern and Southern California and has made a number of bookstore appearances.

Edmiston believes a second book will be a natural followup to *Home Again* which lays the groundwork, states the case for the Nisei but does not answer why the Japanese American minority achieved their victory over anti-democratic forces. It paves the way, says Edmiston, for the JACL story to follow.

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The national bowling tournament which is being sponsored by the JACL this weekend is the ninth in the organization's history and, with 107 teams entered, the biggest. Teams are entered from as far east as Chicago and five are coming across the Pacific from Hawaii.

The significance of this sporting event is the role which the JACL played in winning for the Nisei the right to join the American Bowling Congress and to participate in ABC-sanctioned tourneys. Nine short years ago, when the JACL held its first national tourney in Salt Lake City, Nisei and other non-Caucasians were pariahs on the alleys, unable to compete in tourneys other than their own.

Although Jackie Robinson's entry into organized baseball in the same period drew bigger headlines, the democratization of the American Bowling Congress was more important from participant's standpoint. For every player in organized ball, there are a thousand bowlers—for bowling, with some 20 million devotees, is the nation's biggest sport. The JACL can be proud of its role in opening organized bowling to all Americans, a fight in which it joined with the CIO's United Auto Workers, the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith and similar organizations.

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Sono Osato, accomplished as dancer and actress, is returning to the New York stage on March 15 in an off-Broadway intimate revue called *Watch the Birdie* in which she co-starred with Zero Mostel and Jack Gifford. More than a decade ago Miss Osato left a successful career as soloist with the Ballet Russe de Monte Carlo for New York musical revues, appearing in *One Touch of Venus* with Mary Martin and as Ivy Smith in *On the Town*. Later she was the star of *Ballet Ballads* and made a movie at MGM, the *Singing Bandit*, with Kathryn Grayson and Frank Sinatra. Among her TV credits is the leading role in *Pagoda*, a Studio One melodrama with an Indo-China setting. . . . Since he left Hollywood in the 1920s to tour the Orpheum circuit in playlet titled *The Bandit Prince*, Sessue Hayakawa—once one of the brightest stars in American films—has made several "comebacks." He returned from France in 1932 to co-star with Anna May Wong in an early talkie, *Daughter of the Dragon*, for Paramount. He reappeared briefly with Shirley Yamaguchi in Anson Bond's *Japanese War Bride* in 1952. Now, he is to be seen again in *House of Bamboo*, a 20th Century Fox production which is now being filmed in Japan and, in which, Miss Yamaguchi, Robert Stack and Robert Ryan will have the leading roles. Hayakawa is one of the few remaining pioneers of early Hollywood. His career has spanned more than four decades, his first picture being made back in 1913. Young Nisei won't remember but Hayakawa, at one time, was one of the shining luminaries of a young industry. As it was to John Gilbert, the talking picture was unkind to Hayakawa and his career dimmed—although he made several films in France like *Le Battle* and *Yoshiwara*—after the advent of sound.



MINORITY

The American Jewish Year Book puts the world Jewish population at 11,867,000. It also reports 5,000,000 Jews in the United States; 2,000,000 in Russia; 1,466,470 in Israel. Germany, which once had 900,000 Jews, now has only 23,000.

DECADE AGO

Mar. 3, 1945

Presidential Distinguished Unit Citation awarded to 442nd Central Postal Directory for smashing main line of resistance of Germans in Alsace sector, routed three Nazi battalions, 56 Germans taken prisoner in action.

Survivors of Texas Lost Battalion present silver plaque to Japanese American rescuers.

No evidence of incendiary found in burning of Moristig home in Selma. . . . Four men to face trial for attack on DeLoach ranch in Auburn. . . . Shots fired into farm home of John Shiokari near Lancaster. None hurt in latest violence against Nisei on coast. . . . Visalia sheriff reports three shots fired into farm house of Sam Uyeno.

Federal court asked to rule on validity of army orders banning individuals from coast.

Camp Shelby training unit for Nisei (171st Infantry, Sep.) deactivated.

Issei mother (Mrs. Matsu Miodokoro) in Poston WRA camp receives DSC won by son (Harry) killed in action in Italy, presentation made by Gen. Wilson, chief of staff, 9th Service Command.

Joe E. Brown asks fair play for Japanese Americans, tells of Nisei troops he saw in Italy.

Land grab seen as basis for Hood River's discrimination. Oregon group wants land owned by Nisei, says New York paper PM.

Idaho rules Nisei children eligible for free schooling; reverses early ruling evacuees must pay tuition.

Sacramento Council for Civic Unity raps anti-Nisei proposal of California Preservation Association (formerly known as Placer County Anti-Japanese League).

CALENDAR

- Mar. 3-6 Long Beach—Natl JACL Bowling Tournament; men's events—Virginia Bowl; women's events—Mar. 3.
- Mar. 4 (Friday) Detroit—Get Acquainted Meeting International Institute, 4-7 p.m.
- Mar. 5 (Saturday) Albuquerque—General meeting, Yonemoto Recreation Hall, 8 p.m. Artist Hiro Tamura, spkr.
- Mar. 6 (Sunday) Pasadena—Yuzen Fashions benefit, Arthur A. Havens residence, 38 Blythe Rd., 2-4 p.m. Livingston—Merced—Rabbit drive, P. depot, 7:30 a.m. Downtown L.A.—Golf Open tournament, Rio Hondo, C.C. Long Beach—Bowling Tournament dinner—dance, Wilton Hotel.
- Mar. 7 (Friday) Chicago—General meeting, Woodrow Wilson Room, 116 S. Michigan St., 8 p.m. Harry Shigeta, spkr.
- Mar. 8 (Tuesday) Mile-Hi—Membership Report meeting, Bill Kuroki's res., 3434 E. 55th.
- Mar. 11 (Friday) Chicago—Meeting, 116 S. Michigan Ave., 8 p.m. Photographer Harry Shigeta, spkr. San Francisco—Meeting, Author J. Edmiston, spkr.
- Mar. 12 (Saturday) Southwest L.A.—"Guys and Dolls" mixer, Park Manor Hall, 607 S. Western, 8:30 p.m. Coachella Valley—Installation, Bowling Awards dinner.
- Mar. 13 (Sunday) San Francisco—Auxiliary Spring Luncheon, Booker T. Washington Center, 1 p.m. Stockton—Installation banquet, Bruno & Lena's, 6 p.m.
- Mar. 16 (Wednesday) Chicago—City election issues, Residents Bldg., 8 p.m.
- Mar. 25 (Friday) D.C.—Pre-EDC MDC convention reception, Japanese Embassy, Washington.
- Mar. 26-29 EDC-MDC—Joint convention, Hotel Washington, Washington, D.C.
- Mar. 26 (Saturday) Southwest L.A.—Japanese Cooking class, Centenary Methodist Church, 1:30 p.m. Mrs. Yoshiko Sakuma, instr.