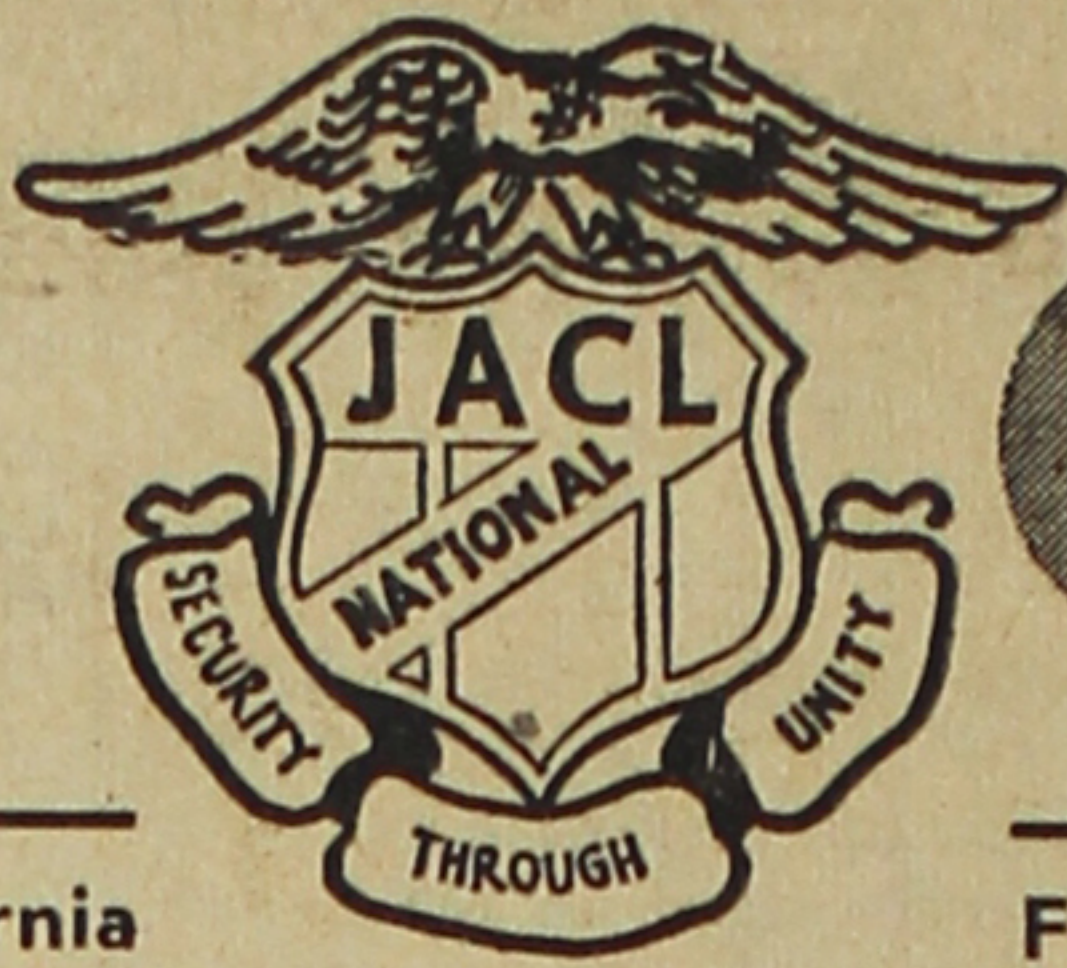


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## EDITORIALS:

### Farmers face tough problem

It is no secret that the farmer is in a tight spot these days, while the rest of the country is booming. The farmer finds his income sagging — not to mention the losses sustained by natural calamities.

That—in a nutshell—is the “farm problem”. Much has been said and more will be said during this presidential election year. Right now, it bids to be the biggest single issue of the 1956 campaign.

It may be well to remember that over half of the chapters of the Japanese American Citizens League are situated in the rural areas where farming is the main livelihood of its members. The so-called “rural” chapters have been a staunch factor in JACL programs since early days.

Politicians have declared open season on the “farm problem”. They have offered their own ready-made answers, but unfortunately no two are the same. It seems the farmers and their various organizations are going to find their own solution and then help elect people they feel can best help them make their solution a reality.

Among various remedies being offered are higher price-support, lower price-support, and no price-support. Some have suggested more controls or less controls. One group has suggested the farmer be paid to take land out of production; another says to open up new lands to feed our growing population.

It is fortunate that the voice of Nisei farmers can be found in the various farm associations throughout the agricultural areas. Some Nisei, who gained organizational experience in JACL chapters, are holding executive positions in their local farm group. They also have a responsibility to study the facts of the problem, agree on a remedy and inform their associates.

## Urge Senate study Mongolian labor bill OK'd by House

WASHINGTON.—Sen. James E. Murray (D., Mont.), chairman of the Senate Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs, was called upon by Washington representative of the Japanese American Citizens League, Mike M. Masaoka, and was urged that his committee give early consideration to the bill which would terminate the prohibition of the use of Mongolian labor in federal reclamation projects.

This bill, HR 1603, which was introduced by Congressman John J. Rhodes (R., Ariz.) along with companion bills introduced by Congresswoman Edith Green (D., Ore.) (HR 6257), and Congressman Thomas M. Pelly (R., Wash.) (HR 6722), was passed by the House in the closing days of the 84th Congress, 1st session, read twice in the Senate and then referred to its committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

It had been the unanimous recommendation of the House committee on Interior and Insular Affairs, as reported out by Chairman Claire Engle (D., Calif.), that the archaic provision, passed in 1902, had no place on the Federal statute books today.

The Department of Interior, in

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### New city voted

FREMONT.—Over 100 Issei and Nisei were among 7,481 registered voters who last Tuesday decided to incorporate the 100 square miles in Southern Alameda County as the new city of Fremont. It embodies the former communities of Niles, Centerville, Irvington, Warm Springs and Mission San Jose.

## Marysville JACL acknowledges contributions to flood victims as \$3,700, ton of clothing, large stock of food items received

MARYSVILLE.—A generous flow of cash, food and clothing was being contributed to the Yuba City flood victims as the Issei and Nisei of the area set up machinery to handle relief work.

About 108 Yuba City families were driven from their homes in the Christmas Eve flood and as of Wednesday last week, it was reported about 30 families were not able to get back to their homes.

A meeting of Marysville Issei and Nisei who were not flood victims was held last week and have appointed a 10-man committee, five from the JACL chapter and the others from the Buddhist

### Clarify \$1000 flood aid from Sacramento JACL

MARYSVILLE.—Dan Nishita, Marysville JACL chapter president in charge of the local flood relief project, and Dean Itano, Sacramento JACL president, clarified the \$1,000 contribution acknowledged here on the Dec. 31 list from Sacramento JACL.

In a letter of explanation to Nishita, it was stated that “a couple dozens of religious and civic organizations” had advanced the contribution in anticipation of proceeds expected to be realized when Sacramento organizations stage their community-wide talent show flood benefit tonight at the YBA hall.

### Search for Yuba City Nisei peach grower

MARYSVILLE.—A county-wide search for a missing Nisei feared lost in the Gilfizer Slough, Oswald and Walton Road, in Yuba City was being conducted last week.

Missing since 2 a.m. Dec. 24 is Mitsuma Yokohari, 33, a Yuba City peach rancher.

More than 40 JACL members were combing the area for the missing man.

## Passage of Hawaii land return bill in Senate sought

WASHINGTON.—Chairman of the Senate Interior and Insular Affairs, Sen. James E. Murray (D., Mont.), was contacted by Mike M. Masaoka, Washington representative of the Japanese American Citizens League upon the convening of the 84th Congress, second session, in order to urge that his committee give early consideration to the bill which would review and determine claims for the return of lands in the Territory of Hawaii which had been conveyed to the Government or its political subdivision during World War II by organizations composed of persons of Japanese ancestry.

The bill, HR 7186, which was introduced by the Republican Delegate from Hawaii, Mrs. Joseph R. Farrington, was passed by the House last July, read twice in the Senate and then referred to its committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

If enacted, the measure would enable only eleemosynary organizations an opportunity to file claims to their former lands in order to resume such activities as they carried on prior to the war. If the

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## LANE ASSURES EARLY CONSIDERATION ON EVACUATION CLAIMS AMENDMENTS

BY HELEN MINETA

WASHINGTON.—Early consideration will be given the proposed Lane-Hillings bill, which would expedite and liberalize the final determination of evacuation claims, stated Mike M. Masaoka, Washington JACL representative of the Committee on Japanese American Evacuation Claims.

He made this statement after conferring with Rep. Thomas J. Lane (D., Mass.), chairman of the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Claims; Walter Lee, staff director; and Cyril Brickfield, staff counsel.

Masaoka received assurances that they would consider this legislation at the first executive session of the subcommittee to be held either Wednesday, Jan. 11 or Jan. 18. It was hoped, but not probable, that they would be able

to consider the rather technical detailed legislation at one meeting, but in any event, early consideration would be given the bill.

Chairman Lane with Rep. Edwin E. Willis (D., La.), William E. Miller (R., N.Y.), and Usher L. Burdick (R., N.D.) were members of the subcommittee which conducted hearings in California last fall regarding the Lane-Hillings bill.

A year earlier in the 83rd Congress, Congressman Lane, Miller and Burdick were also members of the subcommittee which visited the West Coast, and which also included Congressman Peter W. Rodino, Jr., (D., N.J.). The chairman of the 1954 hearings was Edgar Jonas of Chicago (R., Ill.), who was defeated in the 1954 congressional elections.

## Nisei in Japan regaining citizenship under PL 515 not affected by I&N section

WASHINGTON.—Nisei dual citizens living in Japan whose clouded citizenship status is being determined either through administrative or judicial proceedings need not have registered with the American Consul prior to the expired date of Dec. 24, 1955, the State Department informed Mike M. Masaoka, Washington JACL representative.

They are required, however, to register with the American Consul just as soon as their citizenship status is clarified.

For those Nisei dual citizens in Japan who lost their U.S. citizenship by voting in Japanese elections and are now in the process of regaining their citizenship through expeditious naturalization under Public Law 515, it was the opinion of the State Department that from the language of Section

350 concerning loss of U.S. nationality its provisions could not operate on Dec. 24, 1955, against such persons.

The State Department said, however, that no judicial guides are as yet available on the interpretation of Section 350 of the Immigration and Nationality Act.

It suggested, in response to a query made by Masaoka in view of the request made of the Washington JACL office, that the person “be advised to apply, immediately following her (his) resumption of United States citizenship, at the American consular office for a

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### Recover death car of pair feared drowned in swollen Sacramento River

WALNUT GROVE.—The death car of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Kusaba, who were feared drowned in the swollen Sacramento River during the pre-Christmas storm, was finally located last week.

It concluded a two-week search by divers who were working from a small boat. When it was raised Jan. 4, it was found to contain the body of Kusaba only. A rear window was found open and it was believed his wife, Mrs. Yoshino Kusaba, may have made a futile attempt to escape and was carried downstream.

The Kusaba couple were last seen Dec. 22 as they left a party in West Sacramento for home.

### SONOMA COUNTY CLERS AID FLOOD VICTIMS

SEBASTOPOL.—In response for assistance from the Guerneville Grammar School trustees, Sonoma County JACL members traveled to the northern resort area to remove mud from the school floors and furniture.

Those members who assisted in the clean up operation were: Kanemi Ono, Edwin Ohki, Hiro Taniguchi, Tom Ito, Tom Taniguchi, Tosh Shimizu, Joe Furusho and Fred Yokoyama.

The local JACL also made a substantial monetary contribution to feed the flood victims in this area.

As the local JACL spearheaded the drive to assist the stricken area considerable publicity was received by the local JACL from the press and radio of this county.

church, to supervise the relief effort there.

Dan Nishita, Marysville JACL president, who was asked by the JACL national headquarters and Northern California-Western Nevada JACL District Council to set up a temporary JACL relief headquarters in Marysville, was named chairman for this committee.

The National JACL is defraying all expenses for this emergency office.

According to Nishita, close to 70 persons were still being fed at the JACL billets last week.

Nishita said that up to Jan. 4, nearly \$3,700 in monetary donation, almost a ton of clothing, almost 50 sacks of rice and large stores of canned goods and fresh vegetables have been received.

He said sufficient amount of clothing had been donated and asked that future clothing be sent elsewhere or given to general flood relief.

### 80 Japanese evacuated from flooded Stockton

STOCKTON.—Some 80 families had to leave their homes when the Mormon Channel waters overflowed late Christmas week, the Stockton JACL indicated. Over 2,000 were evacuated from the South Stockton area.

About 20 Japanese families suffered large losses as flood waters

almost covered homes in the low Corona Park area.

Meanwhile, National JACL Headquarters in San Francisco last week announced that some of the flood relief funds being solicited would be sent to Stockton.

### Flood relief donations received at JACL Hq.

SAN FRANCISCO.—Donations for the JACL flood relief received this past week at the National JACL Headquarters here include:

Jan. 6 Report  
\$102—San Benito County JACL.  
\$50—San Jose JACL, Southern Alameda County JACL.  
\$25—Tulare County JACL, Pasadena JACL.  
\$20—Wayne Osaki, S.F.  
\$10—N. Morita, S.F.; Yuriko Yamashita, Masuji Fujii, Berkeley.  
\$5—S. Yumae, Oakland; Taijiro Hirashima, S.F.; Frank Y. Tobata, Berkeley.  
Clothing—Locust Cleaners, S.F., 5 boxes; Hatturo Aizawa, S.F. 1 box; William Kawahara, Albany, 1 box.  
Jan. 7 Report  
\$133—Sequoia JACL.  
\$25—Mike Masaoka, Washington; Parlier JACL.  
\$5—Clara Hinze, San Jose; Iwao Kawakami, S.F.

MARYSVILLE.—In response to appeals made two weeks ago, hundreds of individuals and Japanese American organizations sent in cash and commodities to the local Buddhist Church, 115 B St.

Dan Nishita, president of the Marysville JACL, in announcing

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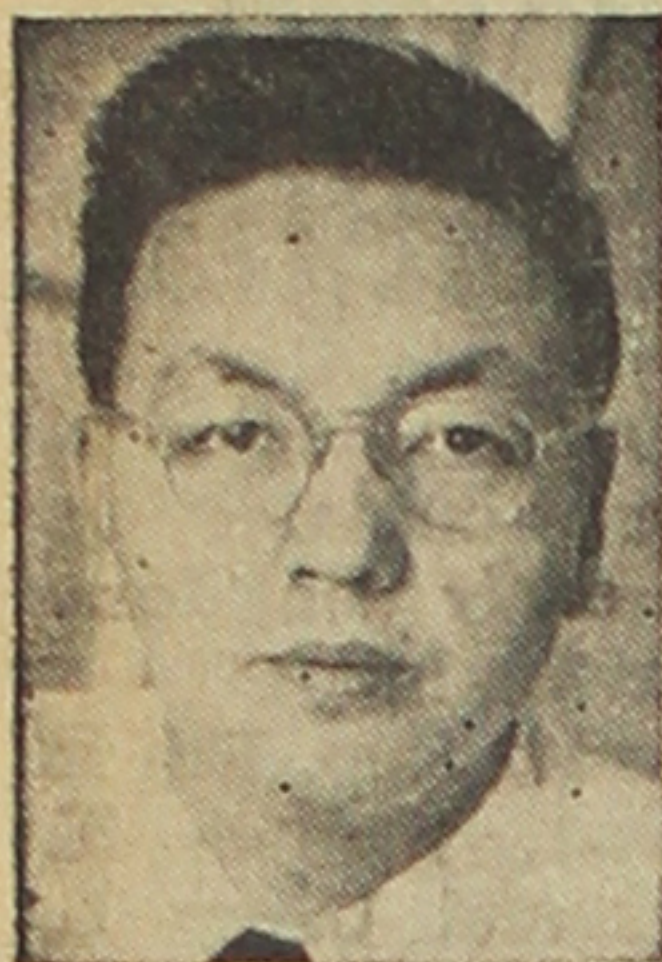
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### FROM THE FRYING PAN: by Bill Hosokawa



## Japanese Among Us

Denver

■ If you've been watching the magazines, you may have noticed a surprising number of articles dealing with Americans of Japanese origin. Certainly the Nisei and Issei were newsworthy during the war, but you'd think they'd let the subject die in the postwar years. Nothing of the kind took place. American magazine editors

are discovering the "Japanese" all over again, the latest story being Albert Q. Maisel's *The Japanese Among Us* in the January *Reader's Digest*.

Maisel is one of the nation's most successful magazine writers and his story is one of a series that the *Digest* has been publishing on Americans of various national origins. This particular piece runs eight *Digest* pages, which is unusually long. The editors have labeled it with a subhead which gives the gist of the article—"The story of the Nisei—tragic prejudice, heroic patriotism, final vindication."

Actually, Maisel doesn't say much that's new. He does, however, wrap up the Issei-Nisei story into a neat package that starts with the earliest immigration, touches on the Yellow Peril era and the so-called Gentlemen's Agreement. He gives credit to Issei pioneers like George Shima, the Sacramento "potato king," and mentions the many Nisei graduate chemists and physicists "doing research" at their fathers' stands when they found the doorway to decent jobs locked by prejudice.

After detailing the evacuation story, and praising the war record of Nisei servicemen, Maisel takes along look at the amazing forward strides the Nisei have made since war's end. "Up to 1942," he writes, "barely a dozen individuals of Japanese descent had achieved prominence in American life. In contrast, hundreds of Nisei have now risen to responsible positions in major industrial firms and educational institutions."

Unfortunately Maisel omits any mention of the role that the JACL played in accelerating the breakdown of prejudice, and in helping the Nisei to win recognition and opportunity. History no doubt will show that that role was not an inconceivable one.

The vast amount of national publicity the Issei and Nisei have received cannot but lead to better understanding. If that understanding had existed back in 1942, the course of Issei-Nisei history might have been changed. But then, from the editorial viewpoint, it could be argued that the Issei and Nisei didn't have a real story to tell back at that time. The narrative was only partly completed then—it took the war years to supply the tragic buildup to the happy ending.

### A PAINFUL MILESTONE

■ Like all small youngsters, our Pete has been going through a dental experience. He noticed some weeks ago that his front teeth were getting loose and he worked on them diligently. Eventually one of them got pretty wobbly, but it just wouldn't drop out. One night last week he asked me to pull it out for him. "Don't want to bother with it any more," he said with great unconcern.

Pete and I went to Mom's sewing basket and requisitioned a length of white thread. He opened his mouth and as carefully as clumsy fingers would let me, I wound the thread around the soon to be dispossessed tooth.

"Ready?" I asked. Pete nodded. I jerked. The thread slipped off and the tooth was still in Pete's head. I tried a second time and failed again. I could see that Pete was growing a little nervous.

The third time I took an extra hitch around the tooth, yanked vigorously. The tooth flew through the air and rattled to the floor. Now that the deed was done, Pete was dumfounded. I steered him over to a mirror and let him see the gap in his smile.

"It's bleeding," he observed in an awe-stricken voice. He rinsed out his mouth. The bleeding stopped, and he had passed another milestone.

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## Dual citizens—

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passport if she (he) desires to re-  
turn to the United States, or for  
registration as an American citi-  
zen if she (he) wishes to continue  
residing in Japan. The consular  
office will then give her (him)  
further assistance and advice con-  
cerning the possible applicability  
of Section 350 to her (his) case  
thereafter."

The State Department has also  
informed the Dept. of Justice that  
it was their opinion that cases of  
those plaintiffs, that is Nisei dual  
citizens living in Japan whose  
clouded citizenship was in the pro-  
cess of litigation prior to Dec. 24,  
1952, "who joined in the Abo and  
Furuya consolidated lawsuits prior  
to Dec. 24, 1952 come within the  
savings clause provisions of Sec-  
tion 405(a) of the Immigration and  
Nationality Act of 1952, as 'rights  
in the process of acquisition'."

It was, therefore, their belief that  
it was not necessary for the Abo  
and Furuya plaintiffs residing in  
Japan to have taken any action  
prior to Dec. 24, 1955, as set forth  
in Section 350 of the Immigration  
and Nationality (Walter-McCarran)  
Act of 1952.

Section 350 of the Act, which  
became operative on Dec. 24, 1952,  
requires that a dual citizen of the  
United States living in the country  
of which he is a dual citizen who  
has sought or received benefits  
from said country must report to  
his American consulate to declare  
his oath of allegiance to the United  
States and to state that the reason  
for residence abroad for three  
years continuously after the age of  
22 years is for one of the reasons  
listed as an exemption under pro-  
visions of Section 353 of the 1952  
Act.

## Mongolian labor—

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charge of federal reclamation pro-  
jects, wholeheartedly endorsed the  
deletion of this provision in view  
of its inconsistency with current  
laws, such as the Immigration and  
Nationality (Walter-McCarran) Act  
of 1952, the Supreme Court deci-  
sions on land ownership and other  
matters, and Executive orders re-  
garding nondiscrimination in Gov-  
ernment employment.

As far as is known to the Wash-  
ington JACL office, this is the last  
federal statute which discriminates  
against Mongolians or Asians by  
name.

## YOSHIOKA TO HEAD STOCKTON JACL CHAPTER

STOCKTON.—Richard S. Yoshi-  
kawa was named 1956 president  
of the Stockton JACL, succeeding  
Henry Kusama. Dr. Ken Fujii, 1st  
vice-president, was announced as  
chairman of the membership  
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## SONOMA COUNTY JACL HONORS 1956 CABINET, OUTSTANDING LEADERS

SEBASTOPOL. — Despite incle-  
ment weather some 250 residents  
of this community gathered at the  
local Memorial Hall last Saturday  
evening for a potluck dinner to  
witness the installation of the 19-  
56 officers of the Sonoma County  
Chapter and the Women's Auxili-  
ary. The new officers were in-  
stalled by Frank Oda, a member  
of the Northern Calif.-Western  
Nevada District Council Board.

Kanemi Ono, outgoing presi-  
dent, was presented with a past  
president's pin by president-elect  
Edwin Ohki. Mrs. Shiz Kawaoka,  
the new Auxiliary leader, present-  
ed a similar award to Anne Ohki,  
retiring president.

The Outstanding Community  
Service Award was presented to  
Pat Shimizu for her activities as  
a member of the Twin Hills  
School PTA executive board. She  
has been associated with the or-  
ganization for the past seven years  
and having held the position of  
vice-president. Mrs. Shimizu has  
been a member of the executive  
board of the Sebastopol Area  
Camp Fire Girls Council for the  
past five years and during 1955  
served as a treasurer of the group.  
Recognition was also given for  
her work with the Sebastopol  
Ground Observer Corp and the  
Analy High School PTA.

The Outstanding JACL Member  
of 1955 was awarded to Anne  
Ohki for her efforts in organizing  
the Women's Auxiliary and for  
the important role she played in  
the NC-WNDC Convention hosted  
by this chapter last November.  
Mrs. Ohki also served as the sec-  
retary of the Sonoma County JA-  
CL Bowling League.

The annual fishing derby awards  
were presented by James Miyano  
and Lloyd Ellis to Frank Yama-  
oka, George Kawaoka, Ed Kawa-  
oka and S. Narahara.

The community service of merit  
awards were presented to George  
Miyano for his work with the  
Cotati American Legion Post No.  
2, where he is the vice-command-  
er, and to Sugar Sueoka for his  
community service as a member  
of the board of trustees of the  
Wagh Grammar School for the

past three years.

The awards were presented by  
Kanemi Ono while Frank Oda was  
in charge of the recognition com-  
mittee.

Following installation ceremon-  
ies, a talent show under the chair-  
manship of Tak Kameoka was  
presented. The entertainment in-  
cluded a skit entitled "New Year's  
Resolutions", the cast composed of  
JACL officers.

Clothing, bedding and monetary  
contributions were also accepted  
during the evening for the flood  
victims.

## Land return—

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organizational conditions have  
changed to the extent that the  
property will not be used for  
eleemosynary purposes, then the  
petitioners must show why they  
want their property back and what  
they intend to do with it.

Said Masaoka: "To the best of  
our knowledge no similar instances,  
where organizations of Japanese  
ancestry gave property to Federal,  
state or municipal governments on  
the mainland, occurred since at  
the time of the House considera-  
tion of the bill last year the Wash-  
ington JACL office invited any or-  
ganization which might be affected  
to inform this office. None did so."

## Yokozeki first Nisei as H'wood movie producer

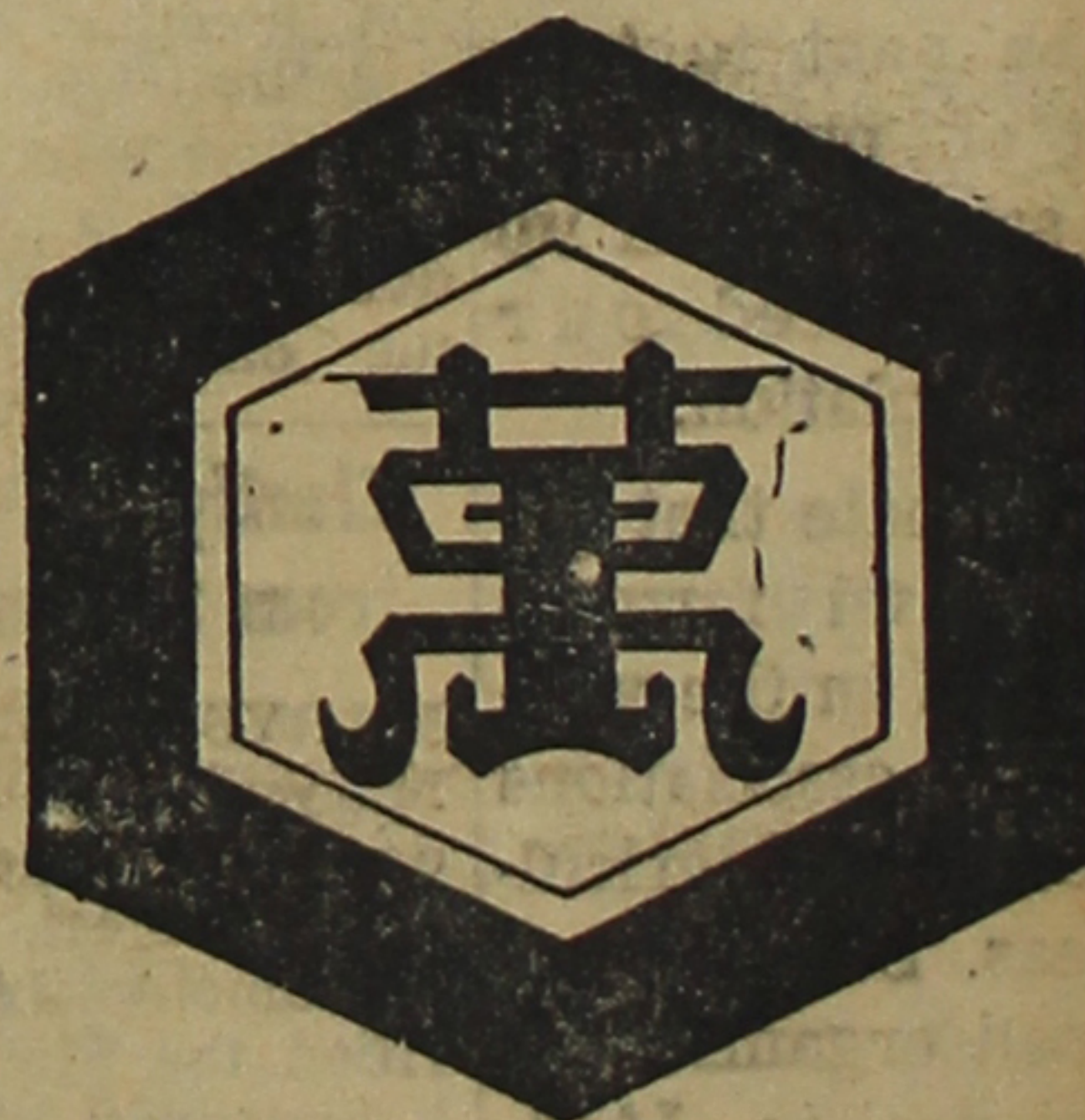
Marking first time a Nisei has  
drawn producerhip of an Ameri-  
can film, David Yokozeki last  
week replaced Marvin Segal, origi-  
nally named, as producer of  
"Count the Dead," a Nacirema  
production toppling Howard  
Duff, Glorio McGhee and Dick  
Foran. Filming began last Monday  
under Lee Sholem's direction  
without a release.

Yokozeki and Segal are both  
JACL 1000ers while the Nisei at-  
torney doubles as chairman of the  
Pacific Southwest District Coun-  
cil and president of the Down-  
town Los Angeles Chapter.

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## TOKYO TOPICS: by Tamotsu Murayama



## Issei &amp; Nisei in Japan

Tokyo

Lt. Norman Mineta, brother-in-law of Mike Masaoka stationed at Zama, called me the other morning that his mother was in Japan. Now, Tokyo and its environs is a ridiculously difficult city in which to meet friends from America, unless he happens to be staying at a prominent hotel in the metropolitan area.

One morning, Mrs. Mineta called me from Shiro Omata's home in Denenchofu—famous residential area here. I made a special effort to meet her as I failed to see her last year during my visit to San Jose. All the pioneers from America appear so energetic and restless. They are full of energy, their pink cheeks glowing, and wanting to go somewhere all the time. They are anxious to learn something of their native land.

They perceive the misery of new Japan and saddened by what they see. Their native land is poor and ruined. The country is vastly over-crowded. With Japan's population at 89 million and prospects of 100-million in another 15 years, they sense the prospects of crowded conditions very keenly.

Issei pioneers naturally are struck with mixed feelings. They are so happy now that they can become naturalized-American citizens, yet, they are sad to realize what Japan is today.

On the other hand, the Nisei who came to Japan after the war are not saddened. Shiro Omata, the Hanford-born boy with Remington-Rand's office here, is amazingly successful and lives at one of the most beautiful spots of Tokyo. Mt. Fuji can be viewed from his picture-window and the Tama River flows below. Cappy Harada also lives within this millionaire's district of Tokyo with his beautiful movie actress-wife, Teruko Akatsuki.

Yet, the Nisei are not hitting this high mark, in spite of their ability and experience. Until the end of the war, the Nisei were subjected to abuse and suspicion. After the war, the Nisei were being envied because of their equal status with American soldiers in appearance and English-speaking ability.

The Japanese never respected the Nisei sincerely. They think the Nisei were just lucky—that they were in a position to hit the gold mine.

In order to command greater respect and recognition, the Nisei must become great and important in various fields here. It is unfortunate that a few Nisei bad eggs from America have ruined the reputation of the Nisei. There have been habitual embezzlers, professional criminals and Nisei with some knowledge of law creating a menace here.

The Japanese government has been deporting Americans with bad moral character. But as yet, there have been no Nisei to be deported. For the good of the Nisei, it might be well to deport some of them. While the Japanese newspapers have been quiet on other Americans, they have played up crimes perpetrated by the Nisei—all to the detriment of the Nisei in general.

## THE NORTHWEST PICTURE: by Elmer Ogawa

## Seafair in Nipponmachi

Seattle

Seattle's Nipponmachi of the early 1920s certainly had a quaint existence according to memories of old-time Nisei who still retain from that impressionable age. Ghetto-like in its psychological influence over its inhabitants, its very nature provided a sense of solidarity and security for families, who for the most part lived in hotels, backs of stores, jerry-built apartments and ramshackle bungalows.

Community and social life fitted into a familiar pattern year after year—the *kenjinkai* picnics, baseball games which drew enormous attendances by comparison to turnouts of today, church socials and festivals, an occasional revival week, and a dance or two for the adventurous few.

About the only "outside" attraction of any importance for the Nisei youngster (now pushing 40 or 50) were the movies, where they were directed to the balcony in some theaters. At this point, we can't resist telling the story of a Japanese minister who made an exception to an iron-clad rule against attending sinful cinema. He assembled his family of wife and some half dozen kids and took them to see the torrid Pola Negri opus, "Passion", thinking it was the Oberammergau Passion Play.

There was a judo club, a kendo hall, and numerous cultural studios where one could receive competent instruction on playing the koto, samisen, the dances and singing Kabuki-type narratives which require a tremendous range in a voice with facial contortions. Come to think of it—kendo is the only one that is absent here today.

A lot of the upper crust Nisei mixed socially with the Chinese second-generation who possessed and spent money and who were more sophisticated in their social pursuits.

Business was divided between a couple of Japanese banks, two daily vernaculars, two or three clothiers, a like number of jewelers, photographers, variety stores, furniture stores, druggists, pool halls, *meshiyas*, doctors, dentists and business firms like the import grocer, fish market, confectioner and *tofu* manufacturer.

Tourist trade in Nipponmachi had not grown. In comparison, Chinatown had only a few Occidental visitors then. Seattleites who lived on Mt. Baker, Rainier Valley or Beacon Hill could ride up the Jackson St. trolley and point out to visiting friends: "On this side is 'Japtown'—the other side 'Chinatown' and standing around on the sidewalks in corset coats are the Filipinos". It was a peaceful community, except for a gambler-killing once in a while, which was immediately hushed up.

## NIPPONMACHI AFTER 1946

This reporter went away to live in New York from 1928 to 1948. The changes of the years that saw the evacuation of Japanese and their resettlement are obvious. Some 15,000 Negroes had moved into Seattle in the meantime and adopted half of the Jackson St. area as their habitat, living in buildings formerly occupied by the Japanese here.

In 1946, the Jackson St. Community Council (a Red Feather agency) moved into the neighborhood, its purposes being to coordinate the activities of the various ethnic groups living in the area. Many notable achievements were accomplished by

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## Nisei couple elected officers of Masonic groups in D.C.; Dr. Minami installed Worshipful Master; wife Worthy Matron

WASHINGTON.—Dr. Henry K. Minami, dentist with the local public health department, was elected last Dec. 17 to the post of vice-president of the Association of Worshipful Masters, the Pacific Citizen Bureau here learned this week.

A Master Mason, Dr. Minami was installed as Worshipful Master of Harmony Lodge No. 17, FAAM on Dec. 14, the highest honor which can be conferred on a Master Mason. Each Worshipful Master of the 48 lodges in the District is a member of the Association of Worshipful Masters, whose function is to coordinate with the Grand Master and Grand Lodge of Masons in the various activities of the Grand Lodge.

At his installation as Worshipful Master he was presented with a gavel given him by his wife which was made of four different woods representing the four different states in which he has resided: redwood burl from California; dark iron wood from Arizona; white pine from Michigan; and white oak from D.C.

A life member in each of the Masonic bodies, Dr. Minami is also the Eminent Commander of Brightwood Commander No. 6, Knights Templar; Columbia Chapter No. 1, Royal Arch Masons; Almas Temple of the Shriners; and Circle Club of Master Masons. He is the first Nisei Master and commander in this area.

Dr. Minami stated that Masonry is not a closed or forbidden organization to Nisei; however it never solicits members to join, but each seeks admission by asking a member of the order. According to Dr. Minami, membership is approved by a committee after careful investigation regarding the

applicant's character, his credit, moral behavior, motive for joining, responsibility, dependability, etc. Belief in the Supreme Being is required.

Dr. Minami said that Masonry admonishes the practice of charity, inculcates morality, and teaches the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of man, and in quoting its characterization said: "Masonry is a beautiful system of morality, veiled in allegory, and illustrated by symbols."

Claire Minami, his wife, was installed as Worthy Matron of the Mt. Pleasant Chapter No. 34, Order of the Eastern Star last Dec. 2, the only Nisei in this country, as far as is known, who has been honored as Matron. She was likewise presented with a similar gavel given her by her husband.

Prior to his evacuation to Gila River Relocation Center in Arizona, Dr. Minami practiced dentistry in Berkeley, Calif. From the relocation center he went to Detroit and then to D.C. Born in Decoto, Calif., he attended high school in San Francisco and received his dental degree from the College of Physicians and Surgeons there. Mrs. Minami, born in Sacramento, was a resident of Stockton prior to her marriage to Dr. Minami in 1936 in San Francisco. She was graduated from Wilson Teachers College in Washington, D.C. and has been teaching since 1950, currently teaching at Kramer Junior High School.

Both Dr. and Mrs. Minami are members of the D.C. JACL Chapter. Mrs. Minami is also a 1000 Club member.

They are the parents of two sons, Warren and Wayne, who at-

tend Wilson High School in Bethesda, Md. Warren is also active in the Order of DeMolay, the teen-age Masonry organization, and the Washington Judo Club.

Dr. Minami stated that he would be interested in receiving at his Washington, D.C., address at 51-24 - 44th Street, N.W., names of Master Masons and affiliations for the benefit of Nisei or Sansei Masons in this country.

## 'Home Again' pic seeks Nisei girl

Casting for the movie production of "Home Again," novel by James Edmiston, is contemplated for the near future, according to information received by the JACL regional office here.

An intensive search is underway to find experienced talent to fill the role of the story's feminine lead, Midori, and other important roles calling for Japanese American actors and actresses.

Qualified aspirants for these roles will be interviewed soon by producer Sam Jaffe and screenwriter Michael Blankfort, it was revealed.

Persons interested in being interviewed for a possible role are asked to write to "Home Again Production," 8553 Sunset Blvd., Los Angeles, stating name, age, personal information such as height and weight, dramatic training and experience, and sending one or more photographs.

It was learned also that the characters were altered from the original, making Midori the eldest of the children. The actress who will be fortunate to win the role of Midori will have a "meaty" part, said actor Bob Kinoshita, who has read the shooting script.

## Nisei cartoonist wins \$5,000 in nat'l contest

EL MONTE.—Tom Okamoto, 39, was named winner recently of the \$5,000 first prize in the United Feature Syndicate cartoon contest. He plans to build a new home with the money he has won.

"We have two children, and it certainly was one of the nicest Christmas presents I ever had," said Okamoto, who won in the contest in which some 480 comic strips were entered.

The El Monte artist, a free lance advertising designer and former worker for Disney Studios, also won a contract with the syndicate.

Okamoto, who goes by the name of Tom Oka, is known to Southland Nisei as the creator of "Deems." Named after his eldest son, the "Deems" strip is syndicated by Smith Service.

Bob Kuwahara of Larchmont, N.Y., took the \$500 fourth-place prize. The 53-year-old free lance artist, who does work for Paul Terry, worked with Disney Studios also, serving as one of the top assistants when Mickey Mouse and Donald Duck were first gaining popularity.

He headed the MGM animated color cartoon art staff shortly before evacuation.

## Civil rights act applies to dead as well, Chicago judge says in ruling

CHICAGO.—A precedent-making decision in the field of civil rights was rendered by U.S. Judge John P. Barnes here last week, when he ruled that the Federal Civil Rights Act applied in the case of a man shot to death by a policeman.

The suit for \$100,000 was filed on behalf of Mrs. Sarah B. Davis, 5214½ Drexel Blvd., by Harold R. Gordon, chairman of JACL's National Legislative-Legal Committee.

Her brother, Henry Blackwell was shot to death Feb. 8, 1954, by Lawrence Johnson, a city policeman, who hit Blackwell over the head with the loaded revolver which was accidentally discharged. In her suit Mrs. Davis described her brother as an innocent

## Nisei drowns as skiff overturns in S.F. bay

SAN FRANCISCO.—Yoshio Serizawa, 32, of 2604 McAllister St., drowned Dec. 31 as a skiff he and his younger brother Shigetoshi, 30, were riding in San Francisco bay overturned.

Shigetoshi managed to reach the overturned 12-ft. aluminum metal boat, clinging to it until rescued by the Coast Guards. Yoshio, unable to swim and weighed down by heavy wading boots, disappeared beneath the surface as his brother tried vainly to reach him.

It was their initial outing on the skiff, powered by an outboard motor. They left Aquatic Park at the foot of Van Ness Ave. with the missing man at the helm. They started toward the Golden Gate bridge but about 100 yards off the St. Francis Yacht Club on the Marina, they decided to turn back. The water was smooth, but apparently the turn was made too sharp as the boat upset, tossing the pair into the water. A military policeman at the Presidio, who saw the accident, turned in the alarm to the Coast Guard station.

## Oakland church leader

OAKLAND.—Tad Hirota, noted leader, was elected president of the Oakland Buddhist Church board of directors.

bystander in a saloon brawl at 6001 S. State St.

The Corporation Counsel filed a motion to dismiss the suit on the ground that the Federal Civil Rights Act applied only to "living persons". This issue has never been raised in any previous case.

In overruling the motion to dismiss and ordering that the suit proceed to trial, Judge Barnes said it would be inconsistent with the purposes of civil rights legislation to rule that the laws do not apply where death intervenes.

"Such a holding," the Judge asserted, "would encourage officers not to stop after they had injured, but to be certain to kill."

## Alan Shilin dies

NEW YORK.—Funeral services were held Dec. 26 at Scarsdale for Alan Shilin, 35, producer of documentary films, who died Dec. 23 in the Memorial Center for Cancer and Allied Diseases.

He was the employer of Toge Fujihira, Nisei cameraman. The films produced by Alan Shilin Productions, Inc., most of them dealing with religious work in all parts of the world, had won many prizes, both in the United States and abroad.

## Lindsay 'citizen of year' stresses need of racial groups in battle for minds

HANFORD.—Tom Shimasaki, veteran JACLer and rancher who was selected as Lindsay's citizen of the year, told members of the local Lions that racial minority groups have an important place in the ideological warfare against Communism.

"It is my firm conviction," he said, "the final war against Communism will be fought in Asia. Three quarters of the world's people live in Asiatic countries. The totalitarians are trying hard to win them to Communism. They are the manpower prize of the world and the side which gains their support will win the cold war."

He urged an economic recovery program for Asia similar to the Marshall Plan which helped European recovery after World War II.

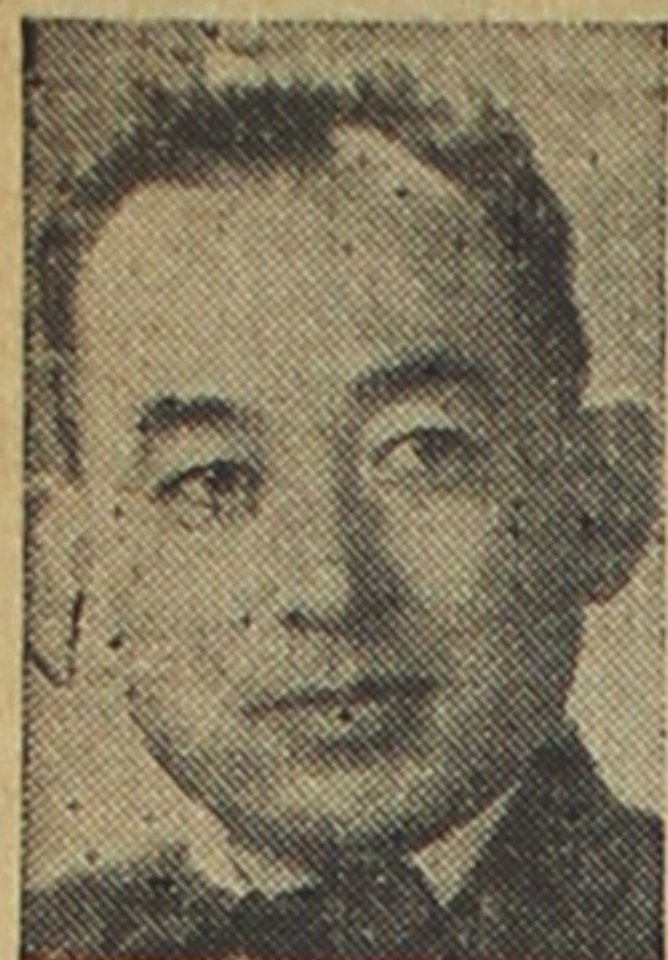
Shimasaki, who served in army intelligence in World War Two, cited the contributions of Japanese American soldiers in the last world conflict as a medium of showing appreciation for the opportunities offered in this country to other parts of the world.

He lauded the Supreme Court's non-segregation decision as an aid in breaking down the Communist argument that minority groups have no chance in this country.

He referred also to the action of several Exchange clubs which about a year ago divorced themselves from the national organization because of a ban against non-white members, and praised the Lions clubs for their part in breaking down racial prejudices.



## CHICAGO CORNER: by Smoky H. Sakurada



## Credit union meeting

Chicago

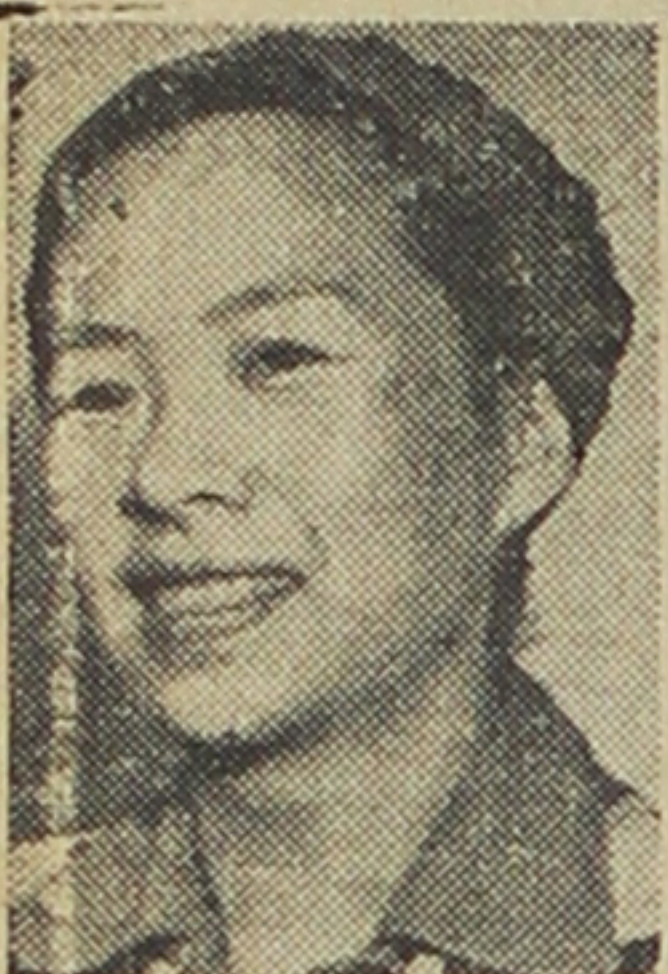
The Chicago JACL Credit Union will conduct its ninth annual dinner meeting at the Como Inn, 546 N. Milwaukee, next Friday, Jan. 20, 7 p.m. Members are urged to be present as a constitutional amendment must be voted upon. . . The Illinois Supreme Court in the recent Montgomery-Ward case (6 Ill. 2d 78) ruled that state-chartered corporations must elect all of their directors at the same annual meeting instead of staggering the terms of office. Credit unions are thus affected and the local unit will vote upon this amendment. Upon adoption, all 15 directors of the JACL credit union here will be selected for one-year terms. . . Reservations for the \$3.25 dinner are being accepted by telephone: Ruth Nakagawa, BUTterfield 8-5752; Rosie Matsura, RAndolph 6-4952 (day only). . . It was understood that the Chicago JACL Credit Union will declare a 3½% dividend.

The Japanese American Council, composed of local Nisei organizations and churches, met last Monday to raise funds for No. Calif. flood victims.

Other New Year Eve parties are being reported to this Corner as late as last week. To wit: the Co-Operative Investors met at Taka Tanaka's with 50 attending; the Lakers had theirs at Catering Service Hall.

Rep. Sidney R. Yates (D., Ill.) was admitted to Michael Reese hospital on Jan. 3 for an upper respiratory virus infection. He should be out by now.

## SMOGLITES: by Mary Oyama



## New Year chaff

Los Angeles

■ And what exciting, glamorous thing did you do on New Year's eve? As for us, we spent the quietest year-end in years, doing nothing more romantic than ironing a pile of shirts—without even radio music to keep us company. However, the peace and solitude was not unpleasant. After all the hectic sleepless days and nights of the holiday season, what with the kids home for vacation and all, we were glad to spend the time at home catching up on piled-up domestic routine.

We were reminded of a similarly quiet but much more sombre year-end eve of 1943-44 in Denver when the family was living in Denver during the so-called "resettlement period". The temporary home on W. 14th St., was old and beat, the night coldly muffled with snow, and everybody was fast asleep. It was just another day, just as it is with most mothers whose children are 2½ and 5. The distant tootling and alien merry-making sounded strangely unreal and faraway. We recall saluting the New Year by peeking sleepily out of the frosted windows then crawling back to bed—

## AND LEST WE FORGET

■ After all the eulogies offered in sincere respect to the memory of the late Jimmie Sakamoto, may we offer our humbles piece—. In 1932, the Olympic year, when the JACL national convention was held in L.A. we first met the dynamic Nisei leader with the warm friendly smile and firm handshake. From the active manner in which he participated in all convention and social activities, one would never know that Jimmie was blind. His interest in people and everything transpiring around him was so alert and keen that he never seemed "handicapped". He liked everybody and everybody liked him.

We consider Jimmie our "discoverer" of a sorts because he was the first editor who was kind, helpful, and encouraging enough to give a green budding, would-be "writer" feature columns and by-lines. He inspired and built up confidence by encouragement, a minimum amount of advice, and giving one a free leeway. When we visited Seattle for the first time in 1933, he was kind enough to gather together a group of JACL leaders and fete us with a Chinese dinner. We thoroughly enjoyed his hospitality and the opportunity of meeting his wife Misao and all the youthful leaders of the Northwest Nisei.

It's a good thing that all our memories of Jimmie are pleasant ones, largely associated with his smile, his kindness, hospitality and high courage. Hasta la vista, Jimmie, we'll see you at every convention and every JACL gathering!

## BOOSTING P.C. READERSHIP

■ Tats Kushida mentions his surprise at the fact that most JACL members are still not ALL *Pacific Citizen* subscribers; and we agree with him that this should not be so. In our opinion, all JACL members should be PC subscribers and a concerted drive should be held to convert members into subscribers. How about a campaign to this effect during the early part of 1956?

It might be a good idea for all chapters all over the U.S. to participate in a special subscription drive. (1) Each chapter could elect a special PC chairman to head this drive, (2) the chairman then appoint his own committee to conduct the campaign, work out plans for a subscription contest between groups within the chapter, (3) the PC (if budget allows) could print extra copies to be distributed gratis to non-subscribing members as samples (followed up of course with sales talk from a good-looking or dashing PC promoter!)

We have also discovered that Nisei who live in various cities and towns all over the U.S., who were scattered by evacuation and lost touch with other Nisei, or who are residing in integrated American communities are quite willing to subscribe. The most effective selling point is: that the PC keeps you in touch with the accomplishments and doings of fellow Nisei and friends all over the U.S. Most have lost the whereabouts of their friends (and even relatives) and are mighty curious to know "what happened to So-and-so?" They are curious enough to enjoy reading the English sections of the vernacular papers on the rare occasions such are encountered but not willing to subscribe the whole price of a Japanese newspaper. They'd settle for a PC though.

If such Nisei received a subscription form to be filled out, many say they would subscribe but "didn't know where to send the money or how much".

## Richmond-El Cerrito to host 1st NC-WN quarterly Feb. 5

RICHMOND.—The Richmond-El Cerrito JACL will be the host chapter for the first quarterly Northern California-Western Nevada JACL District Council session on Sunday, Feb. 5.

It was revealed that the installation dinner of four East Bay chapters, originally planned for Sunday, Jan. 29, has been rescheduled one week later to coincide with the district council's meeting.

The Richmond-El Cerrito chapter was asked last week by Yasuo Abiko, district council chairman, to take over the Feb. 5 meeting as Marysville JACL would be unable to act as hosts due to the recent flood in that area.

"As we already had a committee organized for a large banquet, we asked the Berkeley, Oakland and Alameda chapters to agree to a shift in date so that we could combine the two events," explained James K. Kimoto of the local chapter.

The district council session will be held at the Richmond Civic auditorium's Bermuda room from 1 p.m., while the installation dinner and dance will be at the originally announced locale, the Sands ballroom at 1933 Broadway in Oakland.

## Four East Bay chapters plan joint installation

OAKLAND.—Elaborate plans are being made by four East Bay JACL chapters for their joint installation dinner-dance Sunday, Feb. 5, in Sand Ballroom, Oakland, Tad Hirota, general chairman, announced.

Committeemen announced for the affair are:

Berkeley JACL, hall; Alameda JACL, decorations; Richmond JACL, invitations; Jim Kimoto, publicity; Oakland JACL, orchestra; Meriko Maida, chmn.; Mrs. Kay Okamoto, Mrs. Kay Hattori and Mrs. Kathleen Date, hostesses; Utsumi photo, official photographer; Tosh Nakano, finance; Allan Asakawa, tickets; Hichiro Endo, food; Hirota, program; Dr. Ernest Takahashi, toastmaster; Heizo Oshima, emcee; Marvin Uratsu, Kimoto, Endo, Paul Nomura, Mrs. Maeyama, Yas Koike, Hirota and Tad Nakamura, executive committee.

## Denver JACL leaders recognized at annual chapter dinner; cabinet installed

DENVER.—"Harry Sakata still lives! And his spirit of dedication to the JACL is manifested by your presence here tonight," Seiji Horiuchi was eulogizing the late Harry H. Sakata, past-president of the Mile-Hi JACL, at installation ceremonies held Dec. 31 at the Silver Glade Room in the Cosmopolitan Hotel.

Ruby Sakayama, as an active cabinet officer, presented the pearl-studded past president's pin to Mary Sakata, widow of the deceased chapter president.

More than 60 officers and guests attended the Recognitions Dinner of the Mile-Hi JACL, with Sam Y. Matsumoto acting as toastmaster. Miss Nancy Sogi commenced the evening program, by leading the singing of the National Anthem, accompanied by Mrs. Alice Nishimoto.

Irvin Matsuda, as Acting President of the Mile-Hi JACL, introduced his cabinet officers and commended chapter officers for their contributions to the JACL program.

Betty Suzuki as membership chairman was commended for signing up more than 100 members personally; Seiji Horiuchi was cited for his support of the Mountain-Plains JACL convention; Ruby Sakayama as corresponding secretary frequently took charge of local chapter activities, in the absence of Matsuda and Sakata. Dorothy Uchida functioned as recording secretary.

Bill Kuroki was thanked for having served as chapter treasurer for two consecutive terms. W. H. "Billy" Mattocks as finance chairman took charge of several activities during the year, and Willie Mikuni as athletic chairman directed the Mountain-Plains JACL Bowling Tournament in No-

1956 Cabinets	
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## Omaha JACL party attended by 60

OMAHA.—Under chairmanship of Robert Nakadoi and Manuel Matsunami, the Omaha JACL hosted 60 people at its recent Christmas party at the YWCA. In addition to the carolling and gift-exchanges, the highlight of the evening was the children's talent show as arranged by Mrs. Kay Hirabayashi.

## Pasadena CL hosts for 3rd annual PSW chapter clinic

PASADENA.—The third annual PSWDC Chapter Clinic will be held at the Hotel Green here on Sunday, Feb. 12, it was jointly announced by Harris Ozawa, president of the Pasadena host chapter, and David Yokozeki, PSWDC chairman.

As in previous clinics, the entire day beginning at 10 a.m. will be devoted to discussions on organizational matters especially designed to assist chapters in their programming and activities as well as orienting newly elected officers to organizational techniques.

Over all clinic chairman will be Ken Dyo, past district chairman. Mas Satow, National JACL director, will participate in the clinic as a resource person, Dyo said.

A luncheon program will separate the morning and afternoon sessions. Following the close of the clinic at 5 p.m., a banquet program has been planned by the clinic committee. JACL members attending the clinic for the entire day, including the luncheon, dinner and registration, may obtain a "package" registration of \$5, according to Dyo.

## BERKELEY CHAPTER PICKS YAMAMOTO '56 PRESIDENT

BERKELEY.—Paul Yamamoto, accountant with Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Corp., was announced as 1956 president of the Berkeley JACL. Ben Fukutome is the retiring president.

Shigeru Jio and Tokuya Kako were welcomed by the chapter as the first naturalized Issei citizens to be elected to the board of directors.

## Welcome social

In place of a business meeting, the East Los Angeles JACL will hold a Welcome Social at International Institute Jan. 20 with new social vice-president Kathryn Yoshida and program chairman Mrs. Beti Park in charge. Tats Kushida, JACL regional director, will swear in the 1956 cabinet headed by Fred Takata.

"Insist on the Finest"

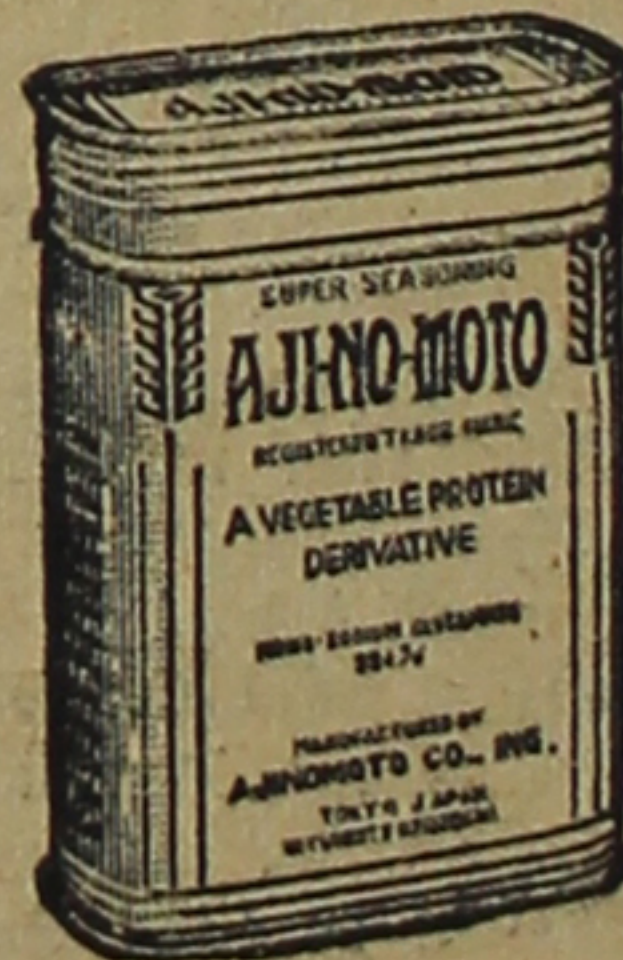


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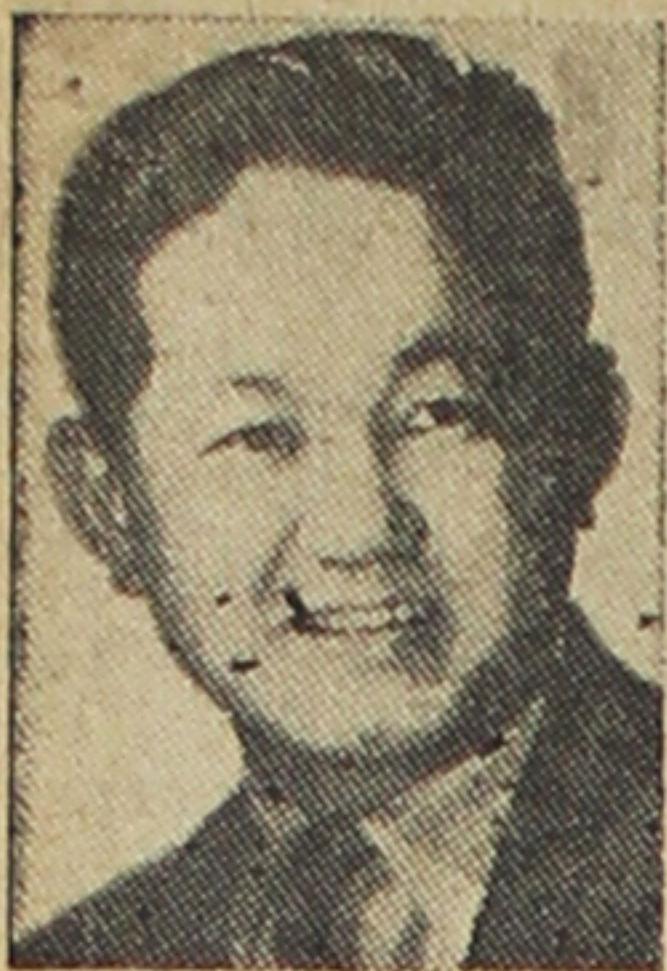
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# VERY TRULY YOURS: by Harry K. Honda



## Calendar column

the East Los Angeles Mimeo Memo tentatively scheduling business meetings and social events for the entire year of 1956. Probably many chapter cabinets work up such a list but it goes unannounced.

● We suppose when a cabinet commits itself to specific numbers of business meetings during the year plus social events, it serves as a pledge to the membership. Making public its intentions at this time of the year should answer questions from many prospective members who wonder "what's the chapter going to do" . . . For us, the announcement meant listing them (even though tentative) in our 1956 desk diary . . . We hope other chapters can help us likewise . . . The immediate advantage of our Calendar and its permanent place on the back page are quite evident. It serves as a weekly reminder of chapter activities to the readers, member or non-member . . . It also gives at one glance what the chapters in other parts of the country are doing . . . If all chapter-sponsored events were listed, a full column could be used. And we wouldn't mind . . . Jr. JACL clubs and JACL auxiliaries can also have their meetings and parties listed.

● At times, we have had to limit the calendar items to events within a week or two, but generally we list chapter activities up to a month in advance . . . So, if the next cabinet meeting can produce the year's events, we would appreciate the same for the PC Calendar column.

## THE NORTHWEST PICTURE: by Elmer Ogawa

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the Council under Mrs. Ruth Manca. In 1951, when the now world-known Seafair Festivals were first getting underway, Mayor William Devin proclaimed this area as the "International Community".

Since a week-long International Festival had been planned, many believed that here, at last, the time had come for the Jackson St. area to meet its destiny as a part of greater Seattle Things went along well for a couple of years, but the Chinese residents never did like the use of the word "International" and openly campaigned for the use of the word, "Chinatown", for Seafair activities in the neighborhood. A few Japanese residents argued against it. They would not gain from it, they felt. Public relations-wise, it wasn't wise.

In the three years that followed, there were "Chinatown" nights under the leadership of Ruby Chow, who runs a restaurant—not in Chinatown—but on the top of First Hill at Jefferson and Broadway.

## SEAFAIR PROMOTION

■ But the outstanding success of Greater Seattle, Inc., which runs the Seafair festival, is something to consider seriously. While the Japanese residents have to a large extent moved out of the area, something should be done to promote the local Oriental picture as a tourist attraction. Tourism is big business in Seattle and there is no reason why the Chinese, Japanese and Filipino entrepreneurs couldn't get together for a truly Oriental atmosphere with restaurants, shops, decorators and travel agencies.

What troubles some, of course, is the presence in the same block of sleazy hotels and taverns where knives, bottles and shadow-boxing add to the discomfort of tourists walking on the sidewalk.

## Testimonial to Detroit Issei regarded as most outstanding event

Originally Written for the Holiday Issue

DETROIT.—By far the most outstanding event in several years was the Issei Testimonial Dinner sponsored by the Detroit JACL Chapter on May 15 of this year. Guest speakers were Chief Federal Judge Arthur F. Lederle, Yasuichi Teshima, and Mike Masaoka, Washington Representative of the Japanese American Citizens League.

The dinner, which brought special recognition to 73 new Issei citizens, many of them being tutored at the JACL-sponsored naturalization class, not only brought forth the JACL role in the local Japanese community but also served as excellent public relations with the community-at-large. A number of city officials and public dignitaries were invited as well as the press. The event appeared on a WWJ-TV newscast.

Dignitaries present included: Judge and Mrs. Theodore Bohn; Councilman and Mrs. Eugene Van Antwerp; Mrs. Beulah Whitby, Commission on Community Relations; Miss Florence Cassidy, Council of Social Institute; Mrs. Alice Sickels; Mrs. Fern Gunkel; Dr. Walter Baum and Miss Jeanette Tennant of the International Institute.

The dinner, featuring both Japanese and American foods, attracted a capacity crowd of 250 which packed the Hall of Nations of the International Institute. It was a community-wide effort entailing considerable planning and a host of workers under the capable direction of co-chairmen Kenneth Miyoshi and Ben Ouchi.

Appearing on the program were Charles Yata and a color guard from the Boy Scouts of America; Yoshio Kasai accompanied by Marie Konishi; Mrs. Terry Yamasaki, piano solo; Mrs. Machiko Gracey, Japanese dance. Dr. Ted K. Kokubo acted as MC.

Committee members were Peter Fujioka, Setsu Fujioka, Wally Kagawa, Roy Kaneko, Sud Kimoto, Kiyoshi Mano, Art Matsumura, Miyo O'Neill, Toshi Shijmura and Min Togasaki.

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## Sacramento writer in eye-witness account of No. Calif. flood disaster

(Eugene Okada makes a first-hand report of the recent Marysville-Yuba City flood conditions in his column, *Sifting Sands*, published in the Jan. 5 issue of Hoku-bei Mainichi of San Francisco.—Editor.)

### BY EUGENE OKADA

SACRAMENTO.—It wasn't much of a yuletide around Yuba City and especially around Yuba City and Nicolaus. They were faced with the grim task of clearing up the mud, silt, and debris even as the new year rolled in.

As the flood itself has been well covered in the news, we shall try to give a report on events we heard. First of all this writer would like to report on his visit to flooded Varona with Eddie Nagata of the Army Corps of Engineers.

The Varona and Nicolaus area was hit pretty hard by the raging river with only the roof tops of the two storied homes showing, and some of these homes floating at that. All along the levee road we saw jack rabbits and chickens and several farm equipment. However we were informed there were many more farm equipment that could not be saved. We witnessed

## Flood—

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the names of the donors expressed his heartfelt appreciation for the sympathies shown the flood victims.

### Dec. 29 Report

Sacramento JACL, \$250; Sumio Doi, 4 sacks of rice; Buddhist Churches of America, \$100; Jirokichi Takeuchi, 1 sack rice, 1 barrel tsukemono, old clothes—5 cartons; Yorozu Co. Sac'to, 20 boxes of clothing; N.C. Japanese Welfare Society, 50 blankets, 1 carton clothing; Satoru Kagehiro, S.F., 1 sack rice; Kensaku Kaminaka S.F., 6 lbs. coffee; National YBA, 150 lbs. rice, \$15 worth of Japanese canned goods, 6 doz. diapers; Kinji Hiramoto, 1 carton baby clothes; NC-WNDC, 1 case toykozyuke, 2 ctn. miso, 50 50 lb. rice, 24 ctn. shoyu, 1 box sato-imo, 4 ctn. noodles.

### Dec. 30 Report

Sacramento Omega Phi, 1 box tsukemono, 1 miso, 1 box noodle, 5 lbs. tea, 12 cans kamaboko; Mr. Marubashi, 1 sack rice; G. S. Sato, Freeport, tsukemono, 3 bundles clothing; Senator Lions Club, Sac'to, \$100; Kenneth Kono, Berkeley, 1 box clothing; Kay Tokunaga, San Jose, \$25; JACL Cortez Chapter, 50 boxes clothing, 500 lbs. rice, 450 lbs. potatoes, 2 sacks daikon; JACL Livingston Chapter, 21 bxs. clothing, 9 boxes canned food—200 lbs., 210 lbs. rice; JACL Cortez Chapter, 5 sacks carrots, 7 boxes foods, 2 crates Chinese cabbage, 30 lbs. onion-green; Placer Buddhist Church (Women's Society), \$25; Placer Buddhist Church, \$50; Placer YABA, \$25; Placer YMA, \$15; Loomis Methodist Church, \$50; Placer JACL, \$50; Sac'to JACL, \$1,000; Sac'to Buddhist Church, \$150; Sac'to Buddhist Fujinkai, \$75; San Jose Buddhist Church, \$25; San Jose Buddhist Fujinkai, \$25; Garden a Buddhist Church, \$50; Western Buddhist Church, \$25; Rev. H. Sugimoto, Placer Buddhist Church, 1 gal. shoyu; Hank Kawada, Berkeley, \$25; Rev. C. Terakawa, Sac'to, 1 sack rice.

### Dec. 31 Report

N.B. Dept. Store, S.F., 1 box clothing; P.O. Box 3 (Liberty Farms, California), 1 box clothing; Florin JACL, \$150; M. Yamasaki, Sac'to, 15 boxes mochi, 1 sack rice; Locust Cleaners, S.F., 4 boxes clothing; Mr. Nasu, Sac'to, 1 sack rice to Bukkyo Kai; Risho Sonen Kai, Sac'to, \$50; Shigeru Muraoka, Sac'to, 3 boxes clothes; Yoneo Bepp, San Jose, 1 box clothes; Nichi Bei Bus-san, San Jose, 1 box clothes; Tad Tomita, San Jose, 3 boxes clothes; State or Tower Theater, 25 tickets; Tom Tsutsumi, Lodi, 100 lbs. rice; Fresno Betsuin, \$100 Tri-State Buddhist Church, Denver, Colo., \$100; West San Jose YBA, \$100; Dr. Kikuo Taira, Fresno, \$25; K. Asanuma, San Jose, 1 box clothing; N. Toyoda, Marysville, 1 box clothing.

### Jan. 1 Report

San Benito County YBA, \$25; Kingsburg Buddhist Church, \$50; Enmanji Buddhist Church, \$15; Enmanji Fujinkai, \$15; Alameda Buddhist Church & Affiliates, \$100.

### Jan. 2 Report

Richmond-El Cerrito JACL, 500 lbs. clothing; Joe Oishi, Richmond-El Cerrito JACL, \$15; H. Honda, Richmond-El Cerrito JACL, \$10; Jim Kimoto (Richmond-El Cerrito JACL, \$1; Seichi Morimoto, Sac'to, \$10; Masayo Yamasaki, Sac'to, \$5; Wakamatsu Morimoto, Sac'to, \$5; J. Sakurai, Sac'to, 2 sacks rice, 2 boxes clothing; K. Ichiba, Sac'to, 1 box clothing; Opal Nakao, Berkeley, 2 boxes clothing; Frank Kobayashi, Reichi Yoshioka, Yoshio Sugioaka, Wayne Rodrick, Mr. Harris, Sarro's Surplus & Clothing, Harry Otani (Petaluma), 800 lbs. of clothing; Sallinas Buddhist Church, \$25; Denver Bukkyo Fujinkai, \$50; Coast District YBL, \$25; Hichiro Nishida, Clarksburg, \$100; Elji Hashimoto, Monterey-Seaside, \$5; Okano, Sac'to, 1 box of diapers.

### Jan. 3 Report

Nichiren Buddhist Church, Sac'to, \$50; Nichiren Bukkyo Fujinkai, \$25; Mrs. Nishimi, Sac'to, 1 pkg baby diapers; S. Sugaya, S.F., 1 ctn. clothing; Rev. Sasaki, Sac'to, 1 sack rice; Soichi Nakatani, Sac'to, 1 sack rice; Shizuho Nishijima, Sac'to, 1 sack rice; Kanishige Matsumoto, Lodi, 1 sack rice; Henry Okimoto, Sac'to, \$50; Choji Nakano, Sac'to, \$20; Brighton, Colo., Buddhist Church, \$50; Brighton, Colo., Bukkyo Fujinkai, \$50; Arizona Buddhist Church, \$50; Kingsburg Buddhist Fujinkai, \$20; Florin Buddhist Church, \$45; Florin Bukkyo Fujinkai, \$15; Lodi Buddhist Church, \$30; Lodi Buddhist

refugees living on the levee in makeshift shacks.

One aged Issei couple picked up near Varona was so grief stricken by their loss that they just cried, unable to give any coherent answer to questions. A young Nisei intent on salvaging all that he could realized too late that he couldn't make it to his car. Fortunately for him, one of the whizzing cars of refugees stopped to pick him up.

Then there was a couple of Nisei fellows who nearly got stranded while hunting for ducks. Over in Yuba City there's a Nisei who invested heavily in a bowling alley just recently, and now his investment is literally down the river. We heard of a family who just bought a brand new piano for their young daughter, but it's gone now with all the other household goods. No doubt many valuable Christmas gifts have been lost.

On the humorous, yet pathetic side, an Issei reported to us how "nonki" they were. Seems they went to bed early and had to make a visit to the outhouse about 1 a.m. They noticed many cars going by, but thought it was just panic stricken people trying to salvage as much of their personal belongings as they could. Imagine their surprise when they awoke about 3 a.m. to find their bed surrounded by water! Fortunately for them they were rescued by army boats.

## Marysville JACL issues flood victim list

MARYSVILLE.—The Marysville JACL this week issued a list of persons of Japanese ancestry who were victims of the recent Christmas flood. A total of 105 Issei and Nisei families was included with 27 single men. Of the 105 families, 99 lived in Yuba City, one from Marysville and five from nearby Nicolaus.

Church members, \$50; Florin YABA, \$40; Heichi Tanaka, Denver, \$25; M. Matsumoto, Sunnyvale, \$10; K. Tokunaga, San Jose, 1 box clothing; Aya Nakao, Yuba City, 2 boxes clothing; Lodi Bukkyo Fujinkai, \$15; Osakaya Confectionary, Sac'to, 30 lbs. mochi; Tony Tokuno, Oroville, 1 sack rice; S. Tamamoto, Los Angeles, \$25; T. Maida, Richmond, 1 sack rice; Mrs. G. Burtis, Yuba City, 1 box clothing.

### Jan. 4 Report

Takeo Miyama, S.F., 1 box clothing and \$25; Sac'to YABA, \$100; Sac'to YBA, \$25; Onnard Buddhist Church, \$50; San Luis Obispo Buddhist Church & Bukkyo Fujinkai, \$50; Los Angeles Betsuin Fujinkai, \$25; San Diego Buddhist Church, \$50; Nanka Bukkyo Fujinkai Renmei, Los Angeles, \$30; Guadalupe Buddhist Church & Bukkyo Fujinkai, \$50; Ben Masuda, Los Angeles, \$10; Karl Tanaka, Sac'to, 1 box clothing.

### Jan. 5 Report

Monterey Buddhist Church, 2 boxes clothing; Dr. T. Kuga, Portland, 1 box clothing; George Marumoto, 1 case milk, 120 lbs. sugar; Tom Yasunaga, Lodi, 2 sacks of rice; Senshin Buddhist Church, Los Angeles, \$560; Berkeley Buddhist Church, \$100; Reedley Buddhist Church & Fujinkai, \$50; Parlier Buddhist Church & Fujinkai, \$50; 324 N. Benton Way, Los Angeles, 1 box clothing; Rev. Murakami, Sac'to Methodist Church, 7 boxes baby clothes & towels.

### Jan. 6 Report

Mrs. Alice Williams, Marysville, 1 box clothing; Mrs. Toki Watanabe, Sac'to, 5 sacks rice; South San Jose YBA, 3 boxes clothing; San Jose Buddhist Church, 1 box clothing; K. Kataoka, Sac'to, 3 sacks rice, 60 lbs. sugar; Oakland Bukkyo Fujinkai, \$50; Oakland Jr. Women's Buddhist Ass'n, \$25; Oakland YABA, \$25; Oakland YBA, \$25; Gijo Tsumura, San Jose, \$3; North San Jose YBA, 2 boxes clothing.

### Jan. 7 Report

Mrs. Alicia Brandon, Marysville, 7 boxes shoes, 3 boxes clothing; Watsonville YBA, \$20; Ogden Bukkyo Fujinkai, \$20; Ogden YABA, \$15; Fresno Betsuin Byokudokai, \$50; S.F. Buddhist Church, \$100; S.F. Fujinkai, Jr. Fujinkai, Seinenkai, Soko Gakuen, Sunday School, \$100; Mrs. Kyo Kyogoku, Fresno, \$5; S. Nakano, Yuba City, \$10; Toshio Nakamura, San Jose, \$25; Keijiro Kawahara, Biggs \$5; Mrs. Masshiko Robbs, Camp Beale, \$5; Mrs. Yokiko Sicaard Camp Beale, 5; Mrs. Toshie Ditty, Yuba City, \$5; Mrs. Clyd D. Underwood, Yuba City, \$5; Mrs. Kimiko Richardson, Linda, \$2; Moses Uchida, Palermo, 10 gals. olives.

### Jan. 8 Report

So. Sac'to Shinwakai, \$50; Sac'to Wakayama Kenjinkai, \$100; Sonoma County JACL, \$100; people of Sonoma County, 21 boxes clothing; J. R. Tomita, Wheatland, \$10; Paul Ohtani, Petaluma, 50 doz. eggs; Mrs. Joe E. Yasuda, Sac'to, 9 crts vegetables; Bob Nakamoto, Gridley, \$10; Harold Nakamoto, Gridley, \$10; Tom Chikaraishi, Acampo, \$3. Colusa—Kenichi Okikawa \$10, Tomiso Sankai \$20, Gonichi Hashioka \$20, Sono Hamahashi \$10, Midori Kageshiro \$15, Goro Minemura \$10 Shizu Yoshimura \$10, Fusakichi Matsunaka \$10, Kitaro Murata \$5, Miyako Hinoki \$10, Tashiro Yoshimura \$10, Yoshio Kakita \$15, Shichisaburo Yamachi \$10, Iwakichi Okada \$20, Tom Yamamoto \$10, Shig Omaya \$5, Tad Okikawa \$10, Akiji Yoshimura \$30, Ryo Harada \$35, Chiyozo Kanagaki \$10, Kiroku Tatami \$5.



## '1000' CLUB NOTES

(Shig Wakamatsu barely made the deadline with his 1000 Club Notes this week, but we had to cut it short this week. The second section will be published next week.—Editor)

### BY SHIG WAKAMATSU

Chicago

■ About mid-December we sent to all chapters an illustrated flyer for distribution to every member. We managed to get our 1000 Club knight on a horse with his bow tie flapping in the wind, going hell bent with his lance of gold—or was it purple, set to pick up all JACLers on the loose into the 1000 Club fold. We have Thousander HARRY MIZUNO of Disney Color-Ad to be thankful for in putting out 15,000 copies for us at cost.



In the meantime, we nudged former National Chairman T. O-KUZO GORDON out of day-dreaming about Acapulco and next season's golfing to ask if he wouldn't give us a hand in putting out a brochure in the true 1000 Club manner. He took the bait like a hungry bass.

The big wheels—CALLAHAN INAGAKI, DEACON SATOW, MIKE MASAOKA—got their fingers into it with some good suggestions on Tokuzo's original script.

We also obtained some first-class help from MRS. LUCY OZONE HAWKINS, former South Pasadena who is making quite a reputation for herself as an author and artist of children's books. Her "All in One Day" was going like hot cakes at Marshall Field's book department during Christmas. Watch for her line drawings in the brochure. As of this writing, we are about ready to put it to press with HARRY MIZUNO supplying the technical skill.

## Membership Contest

■ Just before Christmas, 1000 Club Chairman ROY INOUE of San Luis Valley Chapter wrote his chapter would challenge any other chapter in National for the highest percentage of 1000 Club members. He says, "We feel that only through the 1000 Club will the JACL raise enough money to operate in the black . . . Because of our small membership we cannot compete with larger chapters on the basis of number, but will challenge all chapters on a percentage-wise basis. As an added incentive for competition, the San Luis Valley JACL will send to all chapter presidents and their 1000 Club chairmen who top us a new topper. How does that sound?"

When we wrote asking him whether his chapter is willing to buck the Downtown Los Angeles Chapter, which boasts about 65% in 1000 Club members, he wrote right back and said, "We are willing to go through with the challenge, as we feel that if the Downtown L.A. Chapter were to issue the same challenge, no chapter will try to equal such a record. I feel certain that Albuquerque and many other chapters will match us if they try."

To Roy I would like to express publicly that his was one of the most welcomed letters I have had the pleasure to receive on this deal. That is the kind of spirit that I know exists in all our chapters, and here's a chance for the rest to express it by accepting the San Luis Valley Chapter's challenge. The winner of this contest will be announced during the National Convention in San Francisco.

## MUTT YAMAMOTO NAMED ARIZONA C.L. PRESIDENT

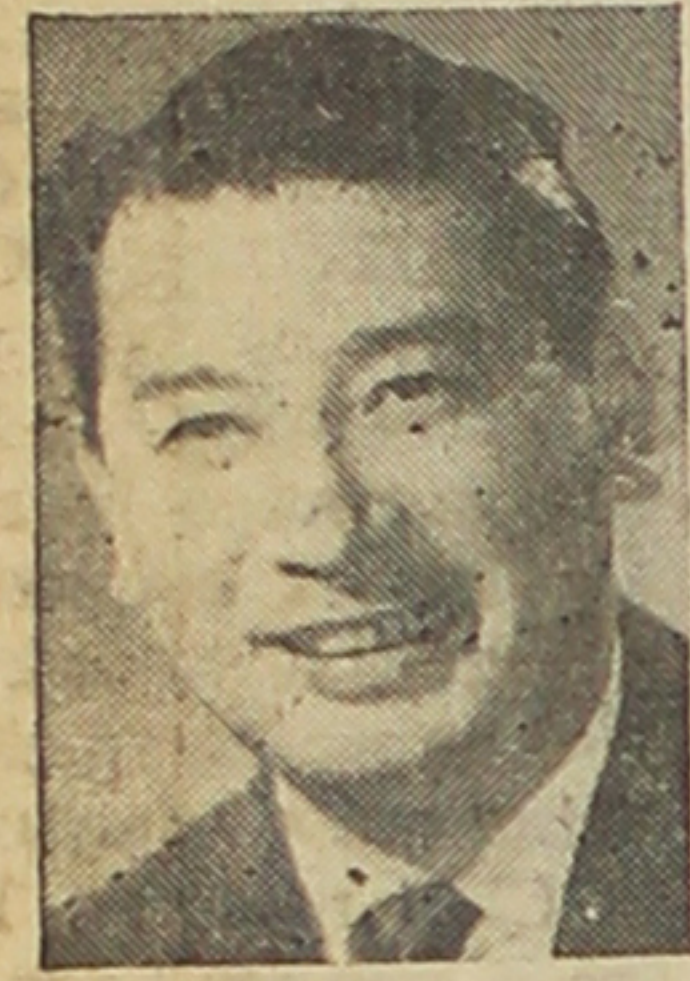
GLENDAL, Ariz.—Mutt Yamamoto will be installed as 1956 president of the Arizona JACL at a January function, it was reported by Min Takiguchi, retiring president. The election took place recently at the local JACL hall.





Nacirema investors celebrate with two principals on first day of shooting "Count the Dead", first of three productions. January 9 is birthday for both Gloria McGhee, feminine lead, and David Yokozeki, president of production co. Left to right: Ronald Shiozaki of Chicago's Enterprisers, Inc.; Salem Yagawa, commander of local VFW post; insurance man Luis Alhara; actor Howard Duff, male lead; McGhee; Yokozeki; Koroku Hashimoto, Proprietor of Mikawaya confectionery. Yokozeki is also chairman of PSW District Council.

## SOU'WESTER: by Tats Kushida



### Count the Dead

Los Angeles

Location shooting at a ranch near Chatsworth on Monday and Tuesday got "Count the Dead", first of three low-budget films to be produced by Dave Yokozeki's Nacirema Productions, off on schedule. The balance of the filming will be done at sound stage sets at California Studios where, incidentally, Frank Sinatra recently completed "Johnny Concho", also a western.

The score of Nisei-Issei investors backing C-T-D are more than pleased with the high caliber talent—actors, screenwriter, director, cameraman, producing team, etc., as well as their guarantees on principle investment by the producers.

Marvin Segal, veepee and braintrust of Nacirema, is a law school classmate of president Yokozeki. Marv's been a member of the Downtown LA chapter the past few years as well as a 1000 Clubber. While he was still a student, the odious Calif. alien land law was being challenged in the state courts. Before the decision invalidating it was handed down by the Cal Supreme Court, Marv had a piece published in the USC Law Review in which he pointed to the unconstitutionality of the a-1-1 on the basis of the 14th Amendment, which argument paralleled the subsequent decision by the tribunal. He did service overseas in Japan after the war. He's married to a pretty schoolmarm, Shirley.

The production outfit is well-nomered since the phonetic translation in pig-Yabo gives us *na* (name), *ki* (narrative), *ri* (profit) and *ma* (equine), which assures that Nacirema is a good handle auguring rich rewards on its horse opera.

### APL OGOCHISO

Luxury dining aboard APL's President Wilson was our fortunate fate and fare Monday night as guests of Hitoshige (H) Okabe who's with the passenger department. We've known H since Poston days when we worked at the Census office and learned the finer points of hana. He operated a fleet of prewar produce hauling trucks.

The APL doesn't know it yet but they took a culinary beating at our hands what with our double orders of appetizers, desserts and other goodies selected *sans-enryo* from the elaborate menu, half of which was in French. Our less uninhibited spouse didn't double up, nor did the other guests which included the staff of the Miyako Travel Service which recently moved to its new quarters on Weller Street.

Third class accommodations on the Prez Wilson surprised us with its spacious, clean, well-lit, comfortable, air-conditioned quarters, dining room and lounges. We'd say they were near-luxury compared to the triple-deck steerage bunks we used to get on our summerly trips to Alaska salmon canneries during the 30s. And the APL *san-to* cuisine is super, too.

### H-A PROGRESS

As per story on *Home Again* in this issue, the producers are looking for a good-looking Nisei girl with dramatic training and/or experience, to be interviewed for the big role of Midori. Seems just looks and desire aren't enuf. Other Nisei-Issei interested in supporting roles are also invited to send in their personal info and pix as per story elsewhere.

**VISITORS THIS WEEK:** Hiram Akita of Seattle 1000 Clubber, formerly of Chicago and now with the Prudential Life Ins. Co., visiting Ellay for his hometown church attending a Methodist Church conference . . . Hisakichi Maeda, boss of the Sankei-Jiji newspaper and news agency in Japan with whom ex-nat'l prex Sab Kido's associated through his Shin Nichi Bei bi-lingual . . . assoc. ed. Hidesaburo Yokoyama who used to be in SanFran and Salt Lake City . . . our *dorobo* ransacking nemesis who this time got by our new lock and made off with our sec Blanche's desk pen and raided the ELA chapter cash-box.

Two 1000 Clubbers of the Nisei Trading Co. here, Henry and Herb Murayama, didn't include their names in the company ad for the Holiday Issue so in case you're looking for good buys in appliances, teevee, furniture, etc., see either of the H. Murayamas, SE corner of 2nd and San Pedro sts.

## Thirty teams compete in annual Boise Valley JACL keg tournament

BOISE.—Over 150 bowlers competed in the annual Christmas handicap bowling tournament conducted by the Boise Valley JACL at the Twentieth Century Lanes here. Trophies were awarded at the dance on the final evening, Dec. 29, at the Hotel Boise Crystal ballroom.

In bowling results Dec. 29, Les Hendrix, Boise, won the All-Events title with a 1967 handicap score. He had a scratch score of 1835. Second place went to Doc Faylor, Nampa, 1937 in the handicap, while John Gibbs, 1908, took third. Other scores included Harry Kaneshige, Caldwell, 1899, Seichi Hayashida, 1894; Doc Kurumada, Salt Lake City, 1884; Shig Nishimoto, Caldwell, 1879.

Handicap winners in the open doubles event were Kay Inouye and Takeo Yamaguchi, Caldwell, who turned in a 1312 tally. Other scores included Takeo Yamaguchi and Paul Takeuchi, Caldwell, 1284; Fred Abe and Sam Tominaga, Pocatello, 1283; Dan Mio and Ted Shoda, Ontario, 1267, and Kay Yasuda and Tom Hironaka, Ontario, 1257.

A team of Rene Godfrey and Bill Nishioka, Caldwell won the mixed doubles with a 1240 final. Other scores included Mary Ariama and Roy Kubosumi, Caldwell, 1215; Jim Kawano and Lois Itano, Caldwell, 1198; Lois Itano and Frank Tanikuni, Caldwell, 1188, and Lois Itano, Caldwell, and Ace Mori, Pocatello, 1180.

A Homedale duo of Steve Hirai and Tommy Takatori won the doubles handicap title with a 1337 score. Other top keggers in the event were Bobby Ishibashi, Caldwell, and Seichi Hayashida, Nampa, 1286; Ted Shoda and Junior Yasuda, Ontario, 1283; Ken Take-no and Doc Kurumada, 1270 and Harry Fukiage and Sandy Mio, Ontario, 1268.

Scratch doubles winners were Steve Hirai, Homedale, and Tommy Takatori, Parma, with a 1219.

Singles handicap winner was Doc Faylor with a 708. Other top singles bowlers were Kay Yasuda,

702; J. Watanabe, 700; Les Hendrix, 690; Arden Yundt, 682; Frank Tominaga, 660; Doc Kurumada, 651; Hank Kondo, 650; Elbert Hatch, 645 and George Fukukai, 643. Les Hendrix won the scratch honors with a 646.

In late Dec. 28 events, the Lewis Yoder team of Nampa walked off with the top score among some 30 entries in the team events division. The Yoder team turned in a 3053 total to cop the trophy. Members of the team include Harry Kaneshige, Marsing, 682; Seichi Hayashida, Nampa, 629; Jim Yoder, Nampa, 538; John Henry Nampa, 572, and John Gibbs, Nampa, 632.

Other top teams included Scholman Tractor, Boise, 3007, and Boise Bowling Center, 2992.

The tournament was conducted over a three-night period at the Boise lanes.

## Tom Yasuhiro of Chicago bowls 756

CHICAGO.—Tom Yasuhiro blazed to an all time high in the local Great East Side Traveling Classic league (blue division) last month with a 756 series.

He started with a 267, a new league high mark, and added 224 and 245.

Yasuhiro and his teammates rolled a 3107 series for another current season record. This included a 1059 game.

The team, Rainbow Recreation, has two other Nisei on its roster and is now in fourth place in the 10-team league. The other Nisei are Tom Fukuda and Eiji Shibuta.

## Los Angeles JACL chapters set Jan. 28 for joint installation

Plans have been made for the annual joint installation dance sponsored by the Los Angeles JACL coordinating council to be held on Saturday, Jan. 28, at the Institute of Aeronautical Sciences, 7660 Beverly Blvd., Jim Higashi, council chairman, announced last week.

The council is composed of representatives from seven chapters: Venice-Culver, West Los Angeles, Hollywood, Southwest Los Angeles, Downtown Los Angeles, East Los Angeles and Pasadena.

The Elliott Brothers orchestra has been engaged for the dance. Tickets at \$3.50 per couple for the sports formal affair are being distributed to chapters.

"As it will be the first time for everyone to meet the new chapter presidents and cabinet members, all JACL members and their friends are urged to attend," Higashi added.

## SOUTHWEST L.A. VOTES ROY IKETANI AS PREXY

Roy Iketani, who is a liaison for the engineering and production divisions at North American Aircraft, was elected as 1956 president of the Southwest Los Angeles JACL Chapter to succeed Dr. Toru Iura.

The results of the 1956 election were announced last week by Dr. Iura, who added that Iketani and his cabinet will be officially installed Jan. 28 when the Los Angeles JACL Coordinating Council sponsors its annual dance at the Aeronautical Institute.

The chapter also voted to raise its annual dues to \$3.50 per person and \$6 per couple.

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## Comm. women for nat'l JACL bowling tournament named

SALT LAKE CITY.—Announcement was made by Lylienne Gray, chairman of the Women's Events for the 10th Annual National JACL Bowling Tournament, that preparations had been completed and entry blanks mailed to various leagues throughout the States and Hawaii. The 10th Annual National Bowling Tournament is being co-sponsored by the Salt Lake JACL, Mt. Olympus JACL, Salt Lake Men's Bowling Association and the Salt Lake Nisei Women's Bowling League.

Assisting Chairman Gray to make this tournament a memorable homecoming to its originating city are:

Chic Terashima, sec.; Lucille Nakamura, treas.; Grayce Sato, Mary Imamura, Jane Ozawa, Alice Watanabe, souvenir program, advertising and awards; Yuri Shiba, regis. & reception; Yukus Kasai, reserv.; Barbara Nakamura, hostess; Edna Masuda, transp.; Chick Terashima, Koko Matsuda, social; Aiko Nishida, pub.; May Nodzu, Fusa Nakayu, Lylienne Gray, schedule; Mary Umamoto, Kiyo Oshiro, tab.; Johnny Keysor, adv.

The Women's Events will be held at the Ritz Bowling Palace and entry deadline is set for Jan. 29. Events scheduled are: Team, Singles, Doubles, Mixed Doubles and 4-across Sweeper. Entry fee for Team, Singles and Doubles \$5 per event; Sweeper \$5.50; Mixed Doubles \$6 per couple.

A pre-Tournament Mixer will be held Wednesday evening, Feb. 29, at Olie's Terrace Room, a block away from the Pal-D-Mar Lanes where the men's events are being held. The Awards Dinner Dance will be held at Olie's on the final day of the tournament, Mar. 4.

## Newcastle Nisei on UC rifle championship team

SAN FRANCISCO.—For the second consecutive year and the seventh time in 20 years, University of California's Naval ROTC team has captured the national championship in the naval classification of the 35th annual William Randolph Hearst rifle matches.

Gordon B. Nakagawa of Newcastle, a veteran of last year's team, scored 190 out of possible 200 to be third in team ranking.

In competition with 72 teams, the sharp shooting Cal quintet compiled a sparkling score of 946 points out of a possible 1,000 to beat out second place Oregon State by an eight point margin. Stanford was third and USC took fourth as the West Coast dominated the competition.

## Rolls 265

STOCKTON. — Ed Yoshikawa, lowest average bowler on the Save-Mart team participating in the annual city bowling tournament at El Dorado, racked up the highest single game so far in the tourney Jan. 7 with his 265.

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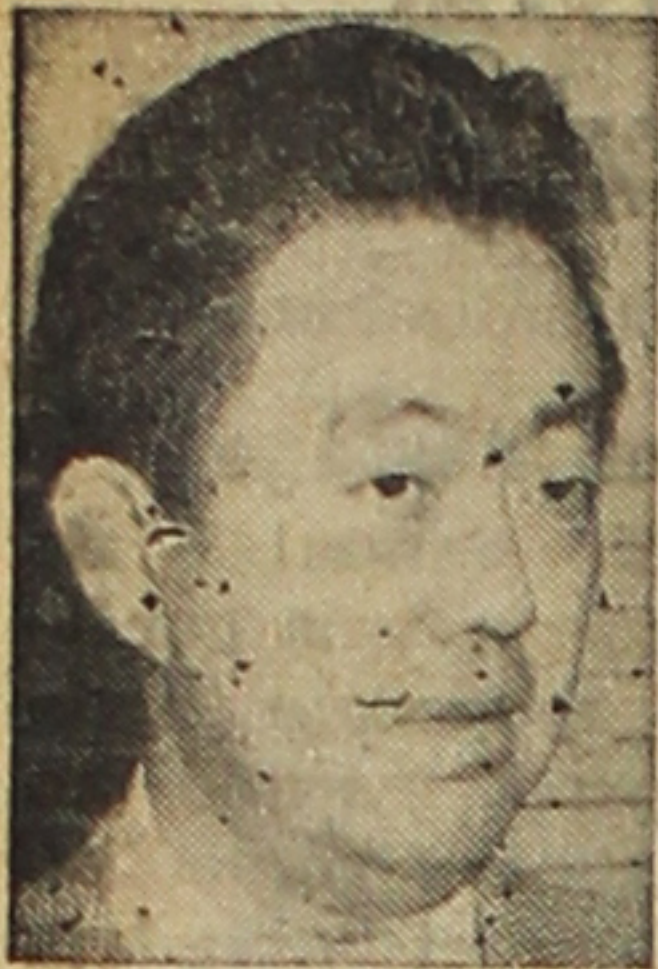
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## LOS ANGELES NEWSLETTER: by Henry Mori



## CINO—Social crutch?

Los Angeles

• Dr. S. I. Hayakawa, renowned authority on semantics, raised a lot of fur recently when his controversial letter regarding integration and eventual need for the extinction of so-called Nisei social groups was read before the first sectional conclave of the California Intercollegiate Nisei Organization (CINO) in San Jose.

The latest rebuttal comes from Long Beach State College where assistant professor in education and psychology Dr. Gordon Warner, stresses the definite value of such a group like the CINO.

In reference to Dr. Hayakawa's opinion that Japanese American clubs should cease to exist since they are "social crutches that are not needed any more," Dr. Warner reminds his friends that it was these very organizations which met the ethnic-group problems, face to face, and exerted efforts to solve them.

## EDUCATOR VS. SEMANTICIST

Our thinking is that while views of Drs. Warner and Hayakawa may be a world apart at the onset, the conclusion is the same: both feel that integration can only come when actual practice is followed.

We certainly wouldn't dismiss Dr. Hayakawa's view without closer examination, if what he had in mind was done in all sincerity. We doubt if a man in his status can afford to do otherwise.

From where we sit, Dr. Hayakawa may be slightly early in his advice on disbanding of Nisei clubs, be they for social or civic purpose.

An "underprivileged" minority group—and we do not say this in the sense of economic blessings or ability—unfortunately has a tendency to congregate in small clusters.

It'll take time for them to integrate with other racial groups, although now is a good time as any.

Dr. Warner pointed out that one of the major purposes of the CINO, founded in 1951, was to afford the integration of Nisei and Sansei into the complex American life at the collegiate level.

If that is the sole aim of the CINO—and not an ultimate end to soothe the frustration of not being able to intermingle with other non-Nisei fraternity or sorority—then the purpose of the state's all-campus group is well founded.

There is said to be more than 150 students who take an active part in running their annual and sectional meetings. CINO officers believe that such gatherings will stimulate interest and assist individuals in solving their personal problems.

The only handicap in organizations such as CINO is that it may lose over-all perspective by being overzealous of its own problems. A more matured age group may be in a better position to digest them and weed out the more important ones.

## EVERYONE NOT SIMILARLY BLESSED

It may be difficult for one to be dispassionate when a bomb discouraging a social outlet through all-Nisei clubs is dropped by a man who, no doubt, has very few contacts with persons of Japanese descent.

Dr. Hayakawa was born in Canada. From what we've read of him he appears to have attained everything he's wanted in the way of complete integration. He has followed his own "passions and enthusiasm"—and not someone's notions... so to speak.

We are afraid that his high social level has made him, maybe, forget that there are many, many others who occasionally cannot feel but a bit disillusioned because of their somewhat ethnic peculiarities.

On the other hand, Dr. Warner has been closely associated with Issei and Nisei problems. His enthusiasm for things Japanese has even sent him to Tokyo for further study of their culture.

His interest in kendo led him to train under famous Japanese tutors. Even today, he acts as adviser to the Long Beach Kendo Club, which was formed recently under Torao Mori, internationally known fencer.

Dr. Warner's defense on the feasibility of keeping with Nisei organizations is gratifying. But one should not lose sight altogether of the true value of assimilation and integration.

To this end, we should strive to understand their well-calculated opinions.

## VITAL STATISTICS

## Births

**LOS ANGELES**  
HEYEDA, Mitsuo (Grace T. Takai)—girl Jill Michiye, Oct. 20.  
HIRATA, Raymond N. (Harumi Tanaka)—girl Sharon M., Oct. 17.  
KAMADA, James K. (Tsurumi Yoshihara)—girl Erin J., Oct. 2.  
KASHIWAGI, Masaji (Hideko R. Urushibata)—girl Joyce N., Sept. 26.  
KOHAMA, Masao (June Sumiko Ogu-chi)—boy Michael P., Oct. 10.  
MEYER, Robert C. (Toshiko Tsujii)—boy Howard A., Oct. 11.  
MIZUO, Frank I. (Hide H. Maeyama)—boy Derrick J., Oct. 6.  
MORITA, Ray (Chizuko Donao)—girl Elaine J., Oct. 8.  
WAKI, Harry F. (Flora S. Togami)—girl Florine, Oct. 9.  
YOSHIDA, Clarence T. (Sylvia I. Iwanaka)—boy Robert C., Oct. 11.  
YOSHIDA, Kay (Chiyo Furumura)—girl Kazumi L., Oct. 1.

## Weddings

FUJITSUBO-NISHI — Nov. 27, Haruo and Matsuye, Los Angeles.  
HAMAGUCHI-UEMOTO — Nov. 27, Harry T., Pasadena; Helen K., Baldwin Park.

## Yule party for Detroit children attended by 150

DETROIT.—Over 150 children and adults attended the annual children's Christmas Party sponsored by the Detroit JACL Chapter recently at the International Institute.

The children were entertained by group singing of carols led by Yo Kasai accompanied by Marie Konishi. Lynn Omura played the Christmas Fairy. Nativity Scene was presented by Ellen Fujioka, Loraine and George Fujiwara, Glen Kaneko, John Matsumoto, Agnes and Chuck Nakamura and Bruce Takei. A Christmas Story was told by Carol Hemingway of the Detroit Public Libraries, followed by the children's choir composed of Joanne Fujioka, Cathy Kagawa, Gail Kaneko, John Matsumoto, Agnes and Chuck Nakamura, and Geraldine Ouchi and a solo by Yo Kasai. MC Peter Fujioka then introduced Santa Claus effectively played by George Otsuji. He led the children downstairs for refreshments. Movies followed the refreshments.

The afternoon's activities closed with the handing out of Christmas stockings by Santa Claus. Toy autos were donated by Shig Kizuka, bells for the stockings by Yoshiko Inouye and ice cream by George Otsuji.

Co-chairmen of the event were Setsu Fujioka and Toshi Shimoura who were assisted by Helen Fujiwara and Betty Mimura, program; Am Omura, public address system; Sue Matsuhira and Kay Miyaya, refreshments; Nancy Hinatsu, name tags.

KANASHIRO-HORIUCHI — Nov. 26, Isamu P. and Meri, Los Angeles.  
MARTINEZ-TANAKA — Nov. 19, Leo and Teiko, Los Angeles.  
MORIZUMI-KIMURA — Nov. 20, Shigenori and Hiroko, Los Angeles.  
OSATO-KIRA — Nov. 27, Thomas, Reedley; Nobuko, Selma.  
OZAKI-KAWARATANI—Nov. 26, Fumio and Fumi, Culver City.  
TADA-TAKECHI — Nov. 19, George T., Los Angeles; Dorothy, New York.

## Idaho Falls JACL plans gala Winter Carnival

IDAHO FALLS.—The local JACL chapter is preparing for its annual Winter Carnival at the local Armory Building, Jan. 21, a day of fun and frolic for young and old. Shoji Nukaya, president, will be general chairman.

Assisting Nukaya on arrangements are:

Doyle Bingham, Eli Kobayashi, George Tokita, Kay Tokita, Deto Harada, Charles Hirai, Sam Yamasaki, Misao Haga, Elden Martin, Shelton Lee, Dan Mikami, Frank Yamasaki, Lee Date, Tom Ogawa and Speed Nukaya.

Box lunches containing Japanese & American food, hot chicken noodle will be available from 11 a.m., while concessions and movies will be in operation throughout the afternoon and evening.

The chapter in the past several weeks conducted its installation of 1956 officers at Jack's Chicken Inn, where Robert Kidwell was the installing officer. A Christmas party followed on Dec. 18 at the Knights of Columbus hall with Charley Hirai and Sam Yamasaki as chairmen.

The JACL Hall was overcrowded on New Year's Eve party. A farewell party was given Jan. 7 for Takashi Hirai, who has enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps.

—By Kay Tokita.

## Parlier 1000 Clubbers name new chairman

PARLIER.—The first annual dinner Dec. 30 for members and wives of the Parlier JACL 1000 Club at Desert Inn in Fresno commemorated a successful membership for 1955, according to Kaz Komoto, chairman.

N. J. Doi, Harry Iseki, Ted Katsura, Kaz Komoto, James Kozuki, Harry Kubo, Byrd Kumataka, Dick Nigaki, Clark Miyakawa, Norman Miyakawa, Gerald Ogata, Bob Okamura, Kengo Osumi, Ronald Ota, Kay Sunamoto, Sho Tsuboi and Bill Tsuji.

Ronald Ota was elected chairman for the group during 1956.

## Mile-Hi JACL—

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munity activities; Henry Suzuki, Rev. George Uyemura and Mrs. Mitsu Matsuda were honored for helping naturalization of Issei; Haruko Kobayashi and True Yasui were thanked for taking care of the March of Dimes program; Bess Shiyomura, George Ohashi, John Sakayama and others for their participation in the Denver Mayor's Inventory of Human Relations; Tami Masunaga for her heading the "Citizenship Day" activities at East High School.

John Sakayama (1956 chapter president) was particularly cited for aiding in the District Convention, the local community drives, and for heading the Denver bowlers to the National JACL Bowling Tournament in Long Beach, Calif.; Chiye Horiuchi for heading the Brotherhood Week observance; Bill Hosokawa, Bob Sakata, Ruby Sakayama, and others for assisting in the Mountain-Plains JACL Convention;

Haruko Kobayashi for heading the PC holiday issue; Sam Matsumoto for assisting in the Bulletin, Chest Drive, Red Cross drive and bridge tournaments and classes; True Yasui for the Issei Citizens dinner in October; Tom Hikida for chairing the Memorial Day Services; Cathay Post No. 185 and Commander Jack Ishida for assisting in patriotic services; Toshio Ando for heading the nominations and the election committees; and Tak Terasaki for the "Jigokumon" benefit and the Mountain-Plains District Convention.

Toshio Ando announced the 1956 Election results and retiring Regional JACL Representative Min Yasui installed the new '56 Mile-Hi JACL cabinet officers.

Sakayama, as the new president of the local chapter, expressed the determination the JACL activities would go forward in the Denver area, for the benefit of all persons of Japanese ancestry.

The New Year's Eve dance, under the chairmanship of W. H. "Billy" Mattocks was crowded with about 500 people. Sam Kumagai won the color TV set giving away in the Mile-Hi JACL benefit chaired by Willie Mikuni.

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## Tokyo Rose

Denver

Two weeks from today a door will open at the federal women's penitentiary at Alderson, W. Va., for Iva Toguri d'Aquino, 39, the seventh person in United States history to be convicted of treason. Mrs. d'Aquino—her husband is Felipe d'Aquino, a Portuguese national who lives in Japan—has served her 10-year term, with time off for good behavior.

Iva Toguri will live out her life—in her native United States, if she chooses—with the brand of treason upon her. The events of the past decade are irrevocable. Yet the nagging doubts which were aroused at the time of her trial in San Francisco in the summer of 1949 still remain.

Was she really guilty? Reporters who covered the 12 weeks of the longest treason trial in American history voted 9 to 1 for acquittal in an informal poll while awaiting the jury's verdict. The jury's first vote was rumored to have been 10 to 2 for acquittal. The jury later came in, announcing it was unable to reach a verdict and were urged to go out and try again by Federal Judge Michael J. Roche who stressed that the trial had been long and "expensive". The jury came in once again for clarification of a judicial point before returning the guilty verdict. Did Judge Roche's act in stressing the trial's cost tend to intimidate?

Was Iva Toguri the victim of a hangover of the racist hysteria against persons of Japanese ancestry which infected the west coast during the war? Except for two instances, which might be interpreted as prejudicial, there was no hint of racial bias at the trial. The jury, picked from panel which was representative of cosmopolitan San Francisco, was all-white. It was selected in record time and government challenges were directed only against persons of minority racial ancestry. Four Negroes and one person each of Chinese and Filipino descent were the only members of the panel challenged by Prosecutor Tom De Wolfe. And in his summation, whether deliberately or out of ignorance, De Wolfe misinformed the jury about the mass evacuation of persons of Japanese ancestry from the coast in 1942. He said "some Japanese born in the United States" were sent to "enemy alien internment camps . . . when our nation was in deepest peril . . . and they holler about civil rights!!" Nisei were sent to assembly and relocation centers, but not to "enemy alien internment camps."

## 'TOKYO ROSE' NEVER EXISTED AS SUCH

Throughout the long case of Iva Toguri d'Aquino, it was not the woman herself but a legend that was on trial. The legend was "Tokyo Rose", a name born in a foxhole on some steaming jungle island or on a newspaperman's typewriter, to describe the soprano voices which broadcast Japanese propaganda from Japan's Radio Tokyo.

Yet "Tokyo Rose" as such never existed. Radio Tokyo, in all the long war, had no female broadcaster known as "Tokyo Rose." Mrs. d'Aquino, whose voice was identified as one of the women who spoke over Radio Tokyo, signed off as "Orphan Ann" on a disc jockey show.

But "Tokyo Rose", born of the need to personalize the usually anonymous voices on the Japanese programs which were beamed to GIs in the Pacific, became real enough. Immediately after U.S. forces landed after the Japanese surrender, two Hearstmen, Clark Lee and Harry Brundige hurried to Tokyo. They wanted to be the first to interview "Tokyo Rose". A Japanese newspaperman gave them the name of Mrs. d'Aquino, although she was only one of some six women who had given English-language broadcasts over the station.

## REFUSED TO RENOUNCE CITIZENSHIP

Iva Toguri was born in Los Angeles on July 4, 1917. She attended schools in southern California and graduated from UCLA. In July, 1941 she went to Japan for the first time to be with an ailing aunt. She had a six-month permit and a card of identity in lieu of a passport. Before her six-months visit was up, there was serious talk of war in the Pacific. Iva Toguri tried in November, 1941 to return to the United States. But boats were booked full. On Dec. 7, Japan launched her war of aggression at Pearl Harbor. Iva Toguri, along with several thousand other Nisei, was stranded in Japan.

Unable to speak but little Japanese, Iva Toguri got a job as an English typist and monitor at Domei, the Japanese government news agency. Later she worked for the Danish legation before going to Radio Tokyo as a typist. It was a period in which many other stranded Nisei, in similar circumstances, were renouncing their United States citizenship. Testimony at the trial revealed that Iva Toguri stubbornly refused to give up her American nationality despite official pressure. This refusal was to result in her indictment as a traitor to America. Had she renounced her citizenship, she could not have been brought to trial. This was one of the ironies of the d'Aquino case, for it was the testimony of two turncoat Nisei—men who had renounced U.S. citizenship—which helped bring about her conviction on the one count, out of eight on which she was indicted, on which the jury found her guilty. One said he had asked her to make the broadcast, and the other had been there when she had made it. The charge on which she was convicted was that she had commented on American ship losses after the battle of Leyte gulf in a broadcast to GIs in the Philippines: "Hello, orphans of the Pacific. How are you going to get home, now that all your ships are sunk?"

## ONLY STRANDEE TO BE TRIED

The anomaly of the d'Aquino case is that she was the only one brought to trial of a score or more war-stranded Nisei who were involved in the Japanese government's propaganda apparatus during World War II. Most of the others renounced their citizenship and made no attempt to return to the United States. Mrs. d'Aquino, not only accepted the appellation of "Tokyo Rose" but apparently gloried in the spotlight. She was arrested by the U.S. Army in 1946 in Tokyo and held in Sugamo prison for a year then released on grounds of "insufficient evidence". Her case was not revived until 1948 when she applied for an American passport to return home.

News of her application aroused a storm of protest, including demands for her prosecution from such national broadcasters as Walter Winchell and Kate Smith. She was rearrested and brought to California for trial, and started on the long journey to a place called Alderson, W. Va.

## President's 1956 State of Union message mentions several legislative matters of JACL interest, contained no surprises

Washington

The President's State of the Union message, read on Jan. 5 to the members of the House and Senate respectively, contained no surprises, although it did mention several legislative matters in which JACL has expressed a special concern on behalf of its constituency of Americans of Japanese ancestry in the United States.

Examined against JACL's legislative program for 1956, the President's message included calls for changes in the immigration and refugee laws, for greater social security coverage, for a commission to study civil rights, and for statehood for the Territory of Hawaii.

And, because of the recent floods in Southern Oregon, Northern California, and Western Nevada, the President's plea for disaster assistance legislation strikes particularly close to home to many JACLers in those devastated areas.

## Immigration Act

The President announced that he would later submit detailed recommendation for the revision of the Immigration and Nationality (Walter-McCarran) Act of 1952; while specifically mentioning such needed amendments, as he viewed them, of changing the base for determining the number of immigrants to be admitted into this country from the 1920 census to the 1950 census, and to make available to others the unused quotas of the various nations.

Not until after the President's detailed proposals are submitted to Congress and have been studied in terms of JACL's special concern for equality of consideration for the Japanese in particular and for Asians in general can an official statement regarding the suggested amendments be forthcoming.

On the basis of the two specific recommendations made, however, several general observations can be drawn.

Testifying before the Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization early last December, JACL's spokesman suggested that the shifting of the census year from 1920 to 1950 for purposes of determining immigration quotas might result in fewer quotas for the Japanese since immigration from Japan has been prohibited since 1924 by the Exclusion Act and since 1907 by the Gentlemen's Agreement.

Since that time, an examination of the census records shows that in 1920 there were 111,000 persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States proper and 109,274 in the Territory of Hawaii, in a total population of 105,710,620. The 1950 census shows 141,768 persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States mainland and 184,611 in Hawaii, in a total population of 150,697,361.

If only alien or immigrant Japanese are counted, under the proposed revision, Japan's already small quota of 185 annually would be reduced drastically, for the years have taken their toll of the pioneer generation.

On the other hand, if "national origins" is used, in 1950 under the same one-sixth of one per cent of the total population formula, Japan's annual quota would be increased to about 236.

Moreover, if the so-called Japanese population in this country had increased in the same ratio as the national total, Japan's quota based on the 1950 "national origins" census would be approximately 263 since 1920.

But, as stated at the Subcommittee hearings, more important to JACL is the inclusion of the population of all the territories in any computation of the total United States population for immigration purposes, for if Hawaii were included in the revised 1950 base it would perhaps double the Japanese quota.

"Our territories are integral parts of the Federal Union, all contribute to the national life, and all should be recognized in determining the flow of immigration

not only to these territories and possessions but also to the continental mainland.

"The present prohibition against counting these outlying populations is another manifestation of the past blind prejudice against Orientals and should be repealed in our national self-interest of demonstrating to the peoples of the Far East our concern and regard for those of their ancestry as equal partners in our democracy," JACL testified last December on this subject.

As for the President's other proposal, the "pooling of unused quotas", JACL suggested to the Senate Judiciary Subcommittee that a specific formula be provided to assure some minimum consideration for the peoples of the Far East, lest for political and other considerations the "unused" quotas of certain European countries be allocated for the use, either by designation or by classification, to other European nations and Japan and Asia be deprived of their "fair share".

## Refugee Relief

In this message, the President urged the enactment of the specific amendments he submitted to Congress last session to revise the Refugee Relief Act of 1953, with special mention of the suggestion that the unused visas of Germany and Austria be distributed to Greece and Italy and to escapees from Iron Curtain countries.

At the time the President submitted his recommendations last year, JACL urged the respective House and Senate Subcommittees on Immigration and Naturalization to make available these unused visas to Japan and other Far East nations as well as to European countries.

Nothing has happened in the interim to make the need for additional nonquota visas for refugees in Japan and the Far East any less urgent than last spring, so JACL will probably renew its request for greater consideration for Asia.

## Hawaiian Statehood

The President urgently requested Congress to extend Statehood status to the deserving Territory of Hawaii and expressed the hope also that progress might be made toward similar recognition for Alaska.

In view of the Democratic party in the Congress that the two territories had to be voted on in a single package combination or not at all last session, it seems unlikely that they will reverse themselves this year unless the President agrees to make some compromise accepting Alaska as a state, even though large areas may be reserved for military purposes.

## Social Security

The President promised to send the Congress recommendations for expanded social security coverage but made no comment on the House-approved last session proposal to lower the retirement age for women from 65 to 62 and to permit those covered to retire for disability reasons.

## Civil Rights

While taking pride in the accomplishments of his Administration in expanding the civil rights of all of our citizens, especially in the field of race discrimination where the Federal Government was concerned, the President took note of the alleged prejudice against Negroes and recommended the creation of a bipartisan commission to investigate allegations of economic pressures against Negroes in certain localities and of instances where they were deprived of the right to vote.

## Disaster Relief

The President suggested an experimental program of flood-damage "indemnities" but left the

details for later submission.

## Summary of Message

The President's annual State of the Union message was confident in tone and moderate in its approach to the problems and the requests for legislative remedies. It was not a belligerent "give 'em hell" electioneering type of message, but its contents represented what he believes to be the record on which perhaps he and his Administration and certainly the Republicans must run for election this coming November.

The Democrats will likely allege that his proposals generally follow the New and Fair Deal line, especially in regard to social legislation, which they initiated more than a quarter century ago under President Roosevelt and continued under President Truman.

Generally, the legislative requests made in the message are also pretty much what the Democrats had in mind; therefore, the work of this Congress may be to establish differences not so much in objectives but in methods.

Actually, the President's message is a kind of general appraisal of the situation and its needs; the real program and its details will be spelled out in the promised recommendations to be submitted later to the Congress. Then, the battle between the Democrats and the Republicans may be joined, with victory in November as the prize to be won.

## 442nd Club president

HONOLULU.—Stanley Watanabe, insurance underwriter and formerly with Co. L, 442nd RCT, was elected 1956 president of the 442 Club here. He is married to the former Asako Sawamura of Houston, Tex., and has a daughter, Patricia, 3.

## CALENDAR

## Jan. 15 (Sunday)

St. Louis—General meeting.  
Alameda—Installation Banquet.  
San Luis Valley—Installation Banquet, Mt. Blanca Supper Club;  
Mas Satow, speaker.

## Jan. 17 (Tuesday)

Parlier—Auxiliary Meeting.

## Jan. 20 (Friday)

East Los Angeles—Welcome Social, International Institute.  
Chicago—Annual Credit Union meeting, Como Inn, 546 N. Milwaukee, 7 p.m.  
Seattle—Installation Dinner, Roosevelt Hotel; Mayor Allen Pomeroy, spkr.  
San Francisco—Chapter-Auxiliary Installation Banquet, William & Mary's Restaurant, 2328 Clement St.

## Jan. 21 (Sunday)

Idaho Falls—Winter Carnival, Armory Bldg., 11 a.m.  
Twin Cities—Credit Union annual meeting, JACC, 5:30 p.m.  
St. Louis—Inaugural Dinner, De Soto Hotel, Locust & 10th Sts., 6:30 p.m.

## Jan. 25 (Wednesday)

San Francisco—Nat'l Convention Board meeting.

## Jan. 28 (Saturday)

Livingston-Merced—Installation.  
Los Angeles—JACL Coordinating Council Installation dance, Institute of Aeronautical Sciences, 7660 Beverly Blvd.

## Jan. 29 (Sunday)

Nat'l JACL Bowling Entry Deadline: Hito Okada, tournament exec. sec., 205 Beason Bldg., Salt Lake City, Utah.  
Calif. Tri-District Councils—Joint meeting, Fresno.

## Feb. 5 (Sunday)

NC-WNDC—Quarterly meeting, Richmond-El Cerrito JACL hosts; Richmond Civic Auditorium, Bermuda Room, 1 p.m.  
Richmond-El Cerrito, Berkeley, Oakland, Alameda—Joint installation dinner-dance, Sands Ballroom, 1933 Broadway, Oakland.

## Feb. 8 (Wednesday)

East Los Angeles—General meeting.

## Feb. 12 (Sunday)

PSWDC—Chapter clinic, Hotel Green, Pasadena.