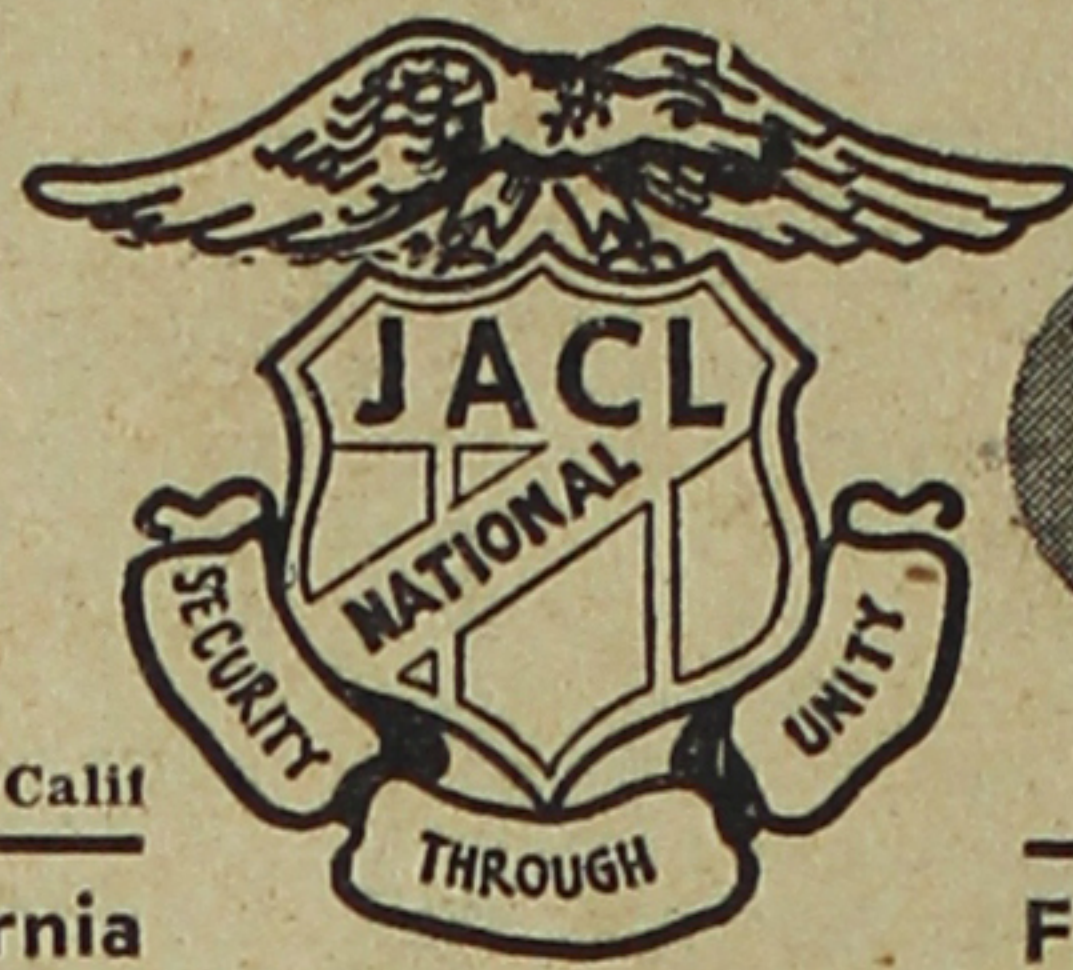


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## EDITORIAL:

### Much needed claims amendment signed

Another legislative milestone was reached by JACL when President Eisenhower attached his signature July 9 to HR 7763, thus making this much needed amendment to the Evacuation Claims Act of 1948 into law.

The many benefits of this law to the remaining larger claimants are too numerous to enumerate here. It is sufficient to say that they placed in the JACL and in Mike Masaoka who formed the Committee on Japanese American Evacuation Claims a faith that has been fully justified.

Much credit for the passage of HR 7763 goes to Mike Masaoka but I am sure that he will be the first to point out that the organizational sponsorship and support of JACL was an all-important factor in attaining a successful conclusion to this program.

In adding another victory to the many already credited to JACL on the very eve of our 1956 national convention, I do feel certain that the chapters and delegates will convene at the 14th Biennial gathering with renewed inspiration.

From it also, I feel that the general membership has again been made aware how an alert and active JACL can protect and look after the interests and welfare of its members and persons of Japanese ancestry.

As we gather in San Francisco to meet the challenge of "Changing Perspectives", let us keep in mind that while perspectives can change, there is no change in the fact that our strength lies in our working together as a coordinated national organization.

—George Inagaki

(Had not the claims bill been signed this week, George was going to talk about his Oregon vacation. — Editor)

# President signs claims amendment

## NC-WNDC RALLY HIGHLIGHTED BY MISS JACL PICK

PALO ALTO. — An enjoyable pre-convention rally, what with Miss National JACL candidates strolling poolside in their swim suits and no banquet speaker, is in prospect Sunday, July 22, at Rickey's for NC-WNDC delegates and boosters.

The serious aspects of NC-WNDC business items and discussion on problems to be aired at the national convention are to be covered at the afternoon session. District chairman Yas Abiko will preside.

Registration opens the day at noon; \$5 for official delegates and \$4.50 for boosters. Business opens at 1 and reconvenes at 3:30 p.m. The 2:30 breathing spell will highlight the various chapter candidates for Miss National JACL at the pool.

After 5 p.m. cocktails, the famous smorgasbord of Rickey's will be ready from 6. Instead of a speaker, the convention board will present an entertaining skit highlighting every phase of the national convention program.

From 9:30 p.m., the dance will be interrupted for presentation and crowning of Miss National JACL.

Sequoia JACL, hosts for the pre-convention rally, advised chapters to inform Hiroshi Honda, 1576 Valota Rd., Redwood City (Emerson 6-5888) of the number expected for dinner.

Kaye Uyeda reminded that chapters with queen candidates to submit glossy 5x7-in. prints of their choices to National JACL Headquarters, 1759 Sutter St., San Francisco, by July 16.

Jerry Enomoto, convention board chairman, hopes whatever stubs for Operation Mercury would be turned in at the pre-convention rally.

## SHARON NISHIMI SELECTED AS MISS SACRAMENTO JACL

SACRAMENTO. — Sharon Nishimi was announced as Miss Sacramento JACL by Mayor Clarence L. Azevedo who headed a panel of judges at a chapter coronation ball June 30. Other entrants were Emma Fujimoto, Toshie Ishii and Jane Sagami.

She will vie for Miss National JACL honors at Redwood City July 22 when the NCWNDC will hold its pre-convention rally and queen contest.

## Ex-WRA director

Dillon Myer, former WRA director and chief of the Indian Bureau, was guest of honor at a Kawafuku luncheon last Wednesday attended by JACLers and friends. He is currently directing a health insurance group in Washington, D.C.

## WEST FRESNO NISEI NAMED TO ROTARY BOARD

FRESNO. — Dr. Robert Yabuno, Fresno JACL chapter president, was named to the West Fresno Rotary Club board of directors recently.

## SAKATA CHOICE FOR 'NISEI OF BIENNIUM'

DENVER. — Robert Sakata of Brighton, has been nominated by the Mile-Hi JACL chapter as its candidate for the "Nisei of the Biennium" award to be presented at the national JACL Convention.

Sakata, a native of Centerville, Calif., achieved great honors early this year when he was selected as one of America's four outstanding young farmers of the year by the U.S. Junior Chamber of Commerce at its convention in Pittsburgh.

## Gov't halts move to deport L.A. Issei couple

Deportation proceedings against Hiroichi Hamasaki and his wife Tsugino have been halted, according to official word received from Gen. Joseph W. Swing, commissioner of immigration and naturalization, in Washington.

The bitter plight of the Hamasakis came to light June 28 when the U.S. court of appeals in Washington ordered the Issei couple to leave the United States because they had not been found to be persons of "good moral character".

Gen. Swing informed Frank F. Chuman, attorney for the Hamasakis, that the entire matter would be re-opened by the immigration service to permit them to file another application for suspension of deportation and to furnish additional evidence of their good moral character as well as serious economic detriment to their American citizen minor children.

Vincent X. Flaherty, Los Angeles Examiner columnist, again devoted his entire column Tuesday to the case, suggesting readers should inform their congressmen to intervene on their behalf. This week he reported things aren't nearly as bleak as they were last week.

He also reported hundreds of readers wrote in after the first column, most of them asking what they might do to help keep the Hamasakis together. "There wasn't a dissenting letter, although one gentleman wrote: 'You can never underestimate the seriousness of lie,' but even he said he wanted the Hamasakis to stay," he commented.

## PC columnist elected head of Sunday magazine editors

DENVER. — Bill Hosokawa, editor of the Sunday Empire Magazine of the Denver Post, recently attended the national conference of Sunday magazine section editors in Portland, Oregon, and was elected president.

Hosokawa has been with the Denver Post for 10 years, after working for the Des Moines Register up to 1946.

## Alien Land meeting

SAN FRANCISCO. — The Alien Land Law Committee, chaired by Jack Noda of Denair, will next meet at the So. Calif. JACL regional office, July 28, 2 p.m.

## Compromise procedure now granted for evacuation claims up to \$100,000

WASHINGTON. — The President last Monday signed the bill to expedite the final determination of evacuation claims while convalescing at the temporary White House in Gettysburg, Pa., Mike Masaoka, Washington representative of the Japanese American Citizens League and Committee on Japanese American Evacuation Claims, was informed.

The signing of this bill (HR 7763) marks the end of a legislative campaign which began at JACL's 13th biennial convention in Los Angeles two years ago to secure compromise settlement procedures for remaining claims.

HR 7763 was passed by the House on March 5 and sent to the Senate where it passed on June 19 with the addition of one amendment limiting the amount to be compromised by the Attorney General to \$100,000. The bill was returned to the House for its approval of the Senate amendment which the House agreed to accept on June 27.

The bill was properly embossed and enrolled and sent to the White House on June 29.

The President signed the bill July 9 at Gettysburg.

The Lane-Hillings measure raises the limit for a compromise offer by the Attorney General from \$2,500 to \$100,000, and provides for judicial review in the Court of Claims should any claimant be dissatisfied with the compromise offered by the attorney general. Any claims in excess of \$100,000 will be under the jurisdiction of the Court of Claims when a compromise cannot be reached.

In addition, HR 7763 validates three types of claimants presently not considered compensable: profit and nonprofit corporations, the majority of whose stock or members on Dec. 7, 1941, were persons of Japanese ancestry; West Coast internees who suffered property losses as a consequence of the evacuation and not of their intern-

ment (both of which types of claims must have been timely filed); and about 75 claims which were postmarked prior to the Jan. 3, 1950, deadline but which were received after that bar date by the Attorney General in Washington, as timely filed.

## Survey underway in discrimination of Nisei home buyers

SAN FRANCISCO. — Discrimination in housing among minorities, including Japanese Americans, is being surveyed in a project being headed by Harry Kitano of Oakland.

The project, financed by a grant from the Fund of the Republic, will interview 300 families in San Francisco and 200 in Berkeley. Kitano said 100 households were interviewed as of last week since the survey started in June.

Directed by Dr. Davis McEntire, U.C. research professor, it was hoped the study would be helpful to Nisei who are looking forward to purchasing homes.

The interviewers are: Joy Kurotori, U.C. graduate in social welfare and day camp counsellor at the Buchanan St. YM-YWCA last summer.

Irene Otamura, U.C. graduate and Oakland school teacher.

George Araki, S.F. State college student who did similar work here.

Mrs. Teiko Kuroiwa, former National JACL regional director in New York and San Francisco.

## SLAYING CAB DRIVER ENDS IN LIFE IMPRISONMENT

Nisei gardener Roy Shingu, 26, was sentenced to life imprisonment at San Quentin yesterday for the slaying of a Los Angeles cab driver during a \$20 holdup.

## Dream comes true for Denver Nisei with entrance to U.S. Air Force Academy

DENVER. — Entrance Monday into the second class of the U.S. Air Force Academy was the fruition of a dream for Ben Furuta Jr., 17, now the second Nisei at the Academy and the only Denver boy in the new air cadet class.

Furuta, because of his high scholastic ranking and all-around record as a Manual high school student, was successful in winning appointment from Rep. Byron Rogers to both the air force academy and the U.S. military academy at West Point.

Determined to go to one of the service academies, Furuta would have accepted either appointment although he preferred the air force. It was the air force appointment that came through first and by May 15 Furuta knew he had been selected to be an air cadet.

His father, a cook at the Rocky Mountain Pharmacy, 2300 Champa St., is proud of his son and the fact that the boy won a chance for

an air force career, since he himself has been interested in aircraft since he was a boy.

Young Furuta never had flown until July, when he used money he had earned as a janitor for a neighborhood church and as a gardener to take an airline flight to California.

Not only does Furuta have one of the highest scholastic records of any recent Manual graduate, he has been busy with many school activities.

For one thing, he has been a battalion commander of the ROTC at Manual and helped the school win its top trophy at the recent ROTC cadet competitions.

He has been on the football and the wrestling teams, was senior class president and was a member of the Hi-Y and M clubs and of the school's dance band.

Wilfred M. Motokane, Jr., of Honolulu is the first Nisei to join the Air Academy.

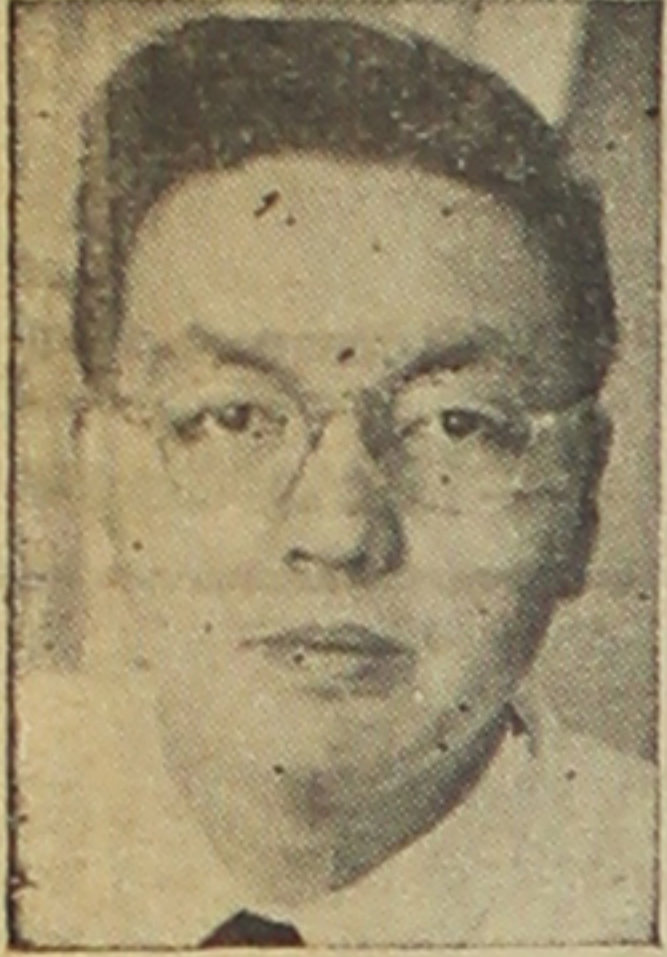
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**FROM THE FRYING PAN: by Bill Hosokawa**



**John Mung-Manjiro**

Denver, Colo.

The first Japanese in recorded history to visit the United States was Manjiro, a 16-year-old fisherman. On May 7, 1843, the whaling ship John Howland returned to port of New Bedford, Mass., and among those aboard was the Japanese. He had been named John Mung by the skipper, Capt. William H.

Whitfield.

Like all poor Japanese of that time, Manjiro had no last name. It was many years later, when he became a man of prominence, that he was honored with the surname, Nakahama. The story of Manjiro's incredible experiences is told warmly and skilfully in a book, *Manjiro, The Man Who Discovered America*, by Hisakazu Kaneko, published this month by Houghton Mifflin (\$2.75).

Manjiro and four companions set out in January, 1841 from the village of Usaura, Tosa province, in search of bass. A storm overtook them, cast them on a small, uninhabited island somewhere off the coast of Japan. The five managed somehow to keep alive on the flesh of sea birds and rainwater. But they were ill and emaciated when, late in June, the John Howland hove into sight and took them off the island.

Japan at that time was closed to foreigners. Captain Whitfield could not have returned the castaways to their homeland even if he wanted to. The John Howland prowled the Pacific in search of whales, made port eventually in the Hawaiian Islands where all the castaways but Manjiro decided to go ashore to stay with the family of Kaukahawa, a retainer of Queen Kakaluhi. Manjiro, the youngest and most adventurous of the Japanese, agreed to go on to America. Captain Whitfield was delighted, for he had become quite fond of Manjiro for his cheerfulness, politeness and willingness to learn.

**ENCOUNTERED PREJUDICE IN CHURCH**

Captain Whitfield treated Manjiro as a son, sent him to school, left him with Mrs. Whitfield when the captain went off of another whaling expedition. It's interesting to note that the first Japanese in America was also the first to encounter prejudice. When the Whitfields took Manjiro to church with him, the deacons were horrified that the Japanese sat in the captain's pew. They insisted Manjiro would have to sit in the pew for Negroes. Captain Whitfield left the church and joined the Unitarians who were quite happy to accept Manjiro as an equal. One of the Unitarian church's principal supporters was Warren Delano, great-grandfather of Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

Years later, in 1933, Franklin Roosevelt had occasion to write to Dr. Toichiro Nakahama, Manjiro's son, as follows: "... You may not know that I am the grandson of Mr. Warren Delano of Fairhaven, who was part owner of the ship of Captain Whitfield which brought your father to Fairhaven. Your father lived, as I remembered it, at the house of Mr. Trippe, which was directly across the street from my grandfather's house, and when I was a boy, I well remember my grandfather telling me all about the little Japanese boy who went to school in Fairhaven and who went to church from time to time with the Delano family ..."

Manjiro studied English, history, navigation, and from all accounts was a good and intelligent student. He went on another whaling voyage, joined the California gold rush and found enough gold to pay his way home. Reunited with two of his shipwrecked companions, he sailed to the Ryukyu islands and made his way to shore in a small boat.

**CONSIDERED PRO-AMERICAN**

Suspected at first, Manjiro was finally accepted as a Japanese, met his mother, was summoned by the Tokugawa government and given a high post. However, he was considered so strongly pro-American that Manjiro was not permitted to interpret when Commodore Perry visited Japan to negotiate an end to the closed-door policy. Later, Manjiro accompanied several Japanese delegations visiting America and Europe.

All in all, the story of Manjiro is a fascinating one and should prove of special interest to all Nisei.

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



**In place of vacation**

• Here it is summer and friends are taking off here & there on vacation. . . It's an infectious idea and the best this department can enjoy are an evening concert and theater or at best—a weekend trip. . . Tuesday night was one in which the woes of PC deadlines were set aside for a couple of hours—it was opening night at the Hollywood Bowl,

resplendent in verdent hues and greenery. The program was all Tschalkowsky with the great musician Eugene Ormandy conducting the Los Angeles Philharmonic, which only came home from a Far East tour last month. . . The three selections (Symphony No. 4, Romeo and Juliet Overture-Fantasia, and Violin Concerto in D with Zino Francescatti as soloist) are pleasant and popular in the long-hair category; maybe, played too much, but the all-around brilliance colored the well-known music with a new dress that found wide appeal

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**Expatriate cases favorably decided**

CHICAGO. — Two Nisei expatriate cases were favorably decided in Chicago this week.

Federal Judge Walter J. La Buy ruled that Hideo George Tanaka did not lose his citizenship when he was drafted into the Japanese Army during World War Two.

Tanaka went to Japan with his family for what was to be a short visit early in 1941. Due to the unsettled conditions in July of that year the family was unable to book passage home. In 1944 when George became of age he was conscripted into the Japanese Army.

Judge La Buy held that conscription of a dual citizen in these circumstances amounted to duress and therefore the citizenship was not given up voluntarily.

A similar decision was rendered in favor of Hajime Fujioka by Federal Judge Michael Igoe. Fujioka came to Japan with his mother and family in 1933 and also found himself unable to return in mid-1941. He became of age and was conscripted in September, 1943.

After the war he received several letters of commendation for his outstanding work with the U.S. Army of Occupation.

His brother Akira who was too young for conscription while in Japan returned to the United States after the war, served in the Korean campaign and received the Purple Heart.

Tanaka and Fujioka were both represented by Harold Tokuzo Gordon, Chairman of JACL's National Legislative Legal Committee.

**Denver community picnic at Newton Park July 22**

DENVER. — The Japanese community picnic (reported erroneously as July 12 in last week's PC) will be held on Sunday, July 22, at Newton Park, located near Conifer on U.S. Hwy. 285 about 30 miles southwest of here.

A committee of 12 JACLers with John Noguchi and Tom Masamori as co-chairmen have planned games and athletic events. The Japanese Association and Kibei Yuko-kai are also sponsors.

**Ballet artist**

TORONTO. — Nisei ballet artist David Toguri, 22, is appearing professionally this summer for the Niagara (N.Y.) Melody Fair. He was a student of Boris Volkoff, pioneer ballet teacher of Canada.

**NEW MINISTER ADDED TO CHICAGO BUDDHIST CHURCH**  
 CHICAGO. — The Rev. Gyoko T. Saito, native of Kumamoto, was recently named assistant minister at the Chicago Buddhist Church.

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**TOKYO TOPICS: by Tamotsu Murayama**

**The Nisei in Japan**



Tokyo

By comparison with their brothers back in the States, the Nisei in Japan are unable to prosper in spite of their talent and ability, according to Stanford graduate Tom Yamate, who recently returned from a four-months trip in the United States. Nisei businessmen in America are really doing well.

Yamate found many Nisei businessmen in the States in the \$500-a-month category, some in the \$10,000-a-year class. In Japan, Nisei get somewhere between \$1,000 and \$1,500—in terms of the yen, the figure would be high. But we in Japan are barely eeking a hand-to-mouth livelihood.

A Nisei in Japan would have to work at least 10 years to earn what a well-to-do Nisei in America would earn in a year. On top of that, living expenses in Japan are high. The purchasing power of Japanese money is low, too.

Yamate explains that Nisei businessmen in Japan need a big boost plus cooperation from the other side of the Pacific. They get very little support here. A Nisei can go up so far and that's all. Consequently, the Nisei here nurses a strange complex in the Japanese business world.

**Morale Booster**

During the period when Issei returned to Japan 30 or 40 years ago to become successes in business, finance and politics, they had support from their Issei brothers in America. Times in Japan then were also good, which always help. But as Issei pioneers return today, there are receptions and parties held for them here that go widely publicized.

**'Shangri-La' folds after 2½ weeks on Broadway**

NEW YORK. — Though Shirley Yamaguchi's first appearance in a Broadway show was regarded by critics as outstanding, the reviews of "Shangri-La" were lukewarm toward the entire production and the show shuttered after 2½ weeks at the Winter Garden theater.

The musical had been well received in Boston and Philadelphia, but tour plans are not likely.

**Utah Nisei minister expects Navy chaplaincy**

SALT LAKE CITY.—The Rev. Peter Iwao Ota, ordained June 27, expects to enter the U.S. Navy Chaplain Service in the fall. He is the first member of the Japanese Church of Christ to be ordained.

His father the Rev. Tosuke Ota, is pastor for Issei members of the church. The new minister was formerly a Hanford (Calif.) resident and came here in 1940. After graduating from West High in 1949, he finished Westminster College in 1953.

**Jazz pianist in kimono**

NEWPORT, R.I. — Jazz pianist Toshiko Akiyoshi of Japan, attired in a kimono, was among artists who played on the opening night of the three-day American Jazz Festival at Freebody Park here July 5. The outdoor session was marred by rain, wind and mud.

**OBON FESTIVAL SITE CHANGED FOR NEW YORKERS**

NEW YORK. — Site for the annual Obon festival July 28 by the local Buddhist Church has been changed from the block in front of the church to the dance mall in Riverside Park.

It may sound silly to Nisei, but these functions do serve as morale boosters. Receptions were held Mike Masaoka and Saburo Kido when they came here, but because they were on a small scale, its effectiveness upon the Japanese public was poor.

Lately, there had been talk among Nisei businessmen and newspapermen to organize. Nothing has happened since. It is pretty interesting to note here that no Nisei activity has ever made first base. Some well-to-do Nisei here don't want to be known they are Nisei.

**Nisei Figures**

Most outstanding and successful Nisei is movie star Katsuhiko Hailta, who is proud of the fact that he was born in Honolulu. Yet, he is too busy to think about the Nisei.

Wesley Oyama is a rising businessman — yet, his enterprise can never match big business in Japan. He and other Nisei businessmen will probably never wield any influence in business circles here.

George Togasaki and Kimpei Sheba are the outstanding Nisei journalists in Japan, but they cannot be compared with Issei pioneers who were able to mold Japanese public opinion. There were also authors in those early years, but an influential Nisei writer is yet to come.

As examples of Issei pioneers who have become successful are Ryoosuke Tachibana who introduced movies and airplanes to Japan, journalist and cameraman Reisen Narusawa, and movie actor Sesshu Hayakawa. Hayakawa is still active in his field, not making as much money as Hailta, but outstanding because of his past.

The Nisei in Japan must strive onward.

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VAGARIES: by Larry S. Tajiri



## Courageous Legionnaires

Denver

■ In the 37-year history of the American Legion the Japanese Americans have been the only racial group singled out for restrictive activity. For nearly three decades the Legion—on national and state levels, in its auxiliaries, its 40-and-8's—waged an incessant campaign of racist abuse against persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States.

But in Fresno, Calif. on July 1 the California department of the Legion formally repudiated its racebaiting history. By a vote the California Legion agreed to support the referendum measure to repeal the 1920 Alien Land Act. The law, made inoperative and invalid and rendered useless by the 1952 Immigration Act which wiped out the class of "aliens ineligible to citizenship", remains on the California statute books. Adopted by an initiative vote of the people to prohibit ownership or occupancy of real property by "aliens ineligible to citizenship" it can be repealed only at the polls. The California legislature at its last session voted to give the people an opportunity to sweep away this piece of statutory deadwood. It will appear as Proposition 13 on the Nov. 6 ballot.

The California department of the American Legion is to be congratulated on its action. It takes no little courage to rectify an error, for the Legion had a major role in the Alien Land Act.

### EARLY ANTI-JAPANESE ACTIVITY

■ The California Legion has been associated with the Japanese issue ever since its founding. Anti-Japanese activity featured the first state convention in 1919. The veterans came home from war to find the Yellow Peril fever raging in California. The war was over and the enemies vanquished. If a scapegoat was needed, the Japanese were handy.

In their first state gathering the California Legion passed resolutions favoring the exclusion of Japanese and other Orientals, the prohibition of land rentals and a ban on Japanese "picture brides."

The next year the state Legion jumped with both feet into the political campaign for the passage of an initiative measure which rewrote and tightened the Alien Land Act of 1913. One of the Legion's propaganda activities was the showing of a film called *Shadows of the West*, which purported to show the Legion's activity in exposing a fictional Japanese plot to control California agriculture. "All the charges ever made against the Japanese were enacted in this film," an observer has commented. California Japanese were pictured as spies, and shown destroying food to control prices. The climactic scene showed the rescue by Legionnaires of two white girls who had been kidnaped by a gang of Japanese. The movie was one of a variety of devices used to sway the electorate. The Alien Land Act of 1920 was passed by a vote of 668,438 to 22,086.

The Anti-Japanese movement antedated the Legion, but veterans took charge. In *Prejudice, War and the Constitution*, authors tenBroek, Barnhart and Matson noted that "effective control of anti-Japanese agitation passed after 1920 from the hands of organized labor into those of a group more often in conflict than in alliance with labor, whose anti-Japanese objective was the same. This was the American Legion."

"We were the first to agitate the question and circulate anti-Japanese-Asiatic petitions and we feel we were more or less responsible for the movement in California," the commander of the Legion's Stockton, Calif., post boasted in 1920.

### NAT'L COMMITTEE ON ORIENTAL AFFAIRS

■ The California department carried its anti-Japanese mission to the Legion's national level. In order to coordinate anti-Japanese activity in the various western states, a National Committee on Oriental Affairs was formed within the Legion in 1922. This committee was charged with fostering passage of alien land laws in other states and the removal of Japanese competitive commercial activity. The following year this committee was able to report that 11 states had enacted alien laws and claimed that "in practically every instance" these bills were introduced and passed through Legion influence.

The anti-Japanese issue became the major concern of the California Legion, and until the depression in the 1930s the Californians were able to obtain full-scale attention from the national organization for their misguided crusade.

In 1919 the fledgling Legion helped revive the Japanese Exclusion League and, in 1922, it helped transform the latter into the California Joint Immigration Committee (together with the State Grange, Native Sons and the State Federation of Labor).

Although the Joint Immigration Committee functioned through the 1930s, most anti-Japanese groups remained dormant until Pearl Harbor. Reawakened by war, the Legion became the most active of the patriotic organizations in demanding the wholesale evacuation of persons of Japanese ancestry. Legion spokesmen buttonholed public officials and scores of Legion groups send resolutions to Washington demanding mass evacuation. National Commander Lynn Stambaugh set the note when he called for "immediate removal" of west coast Japanese.

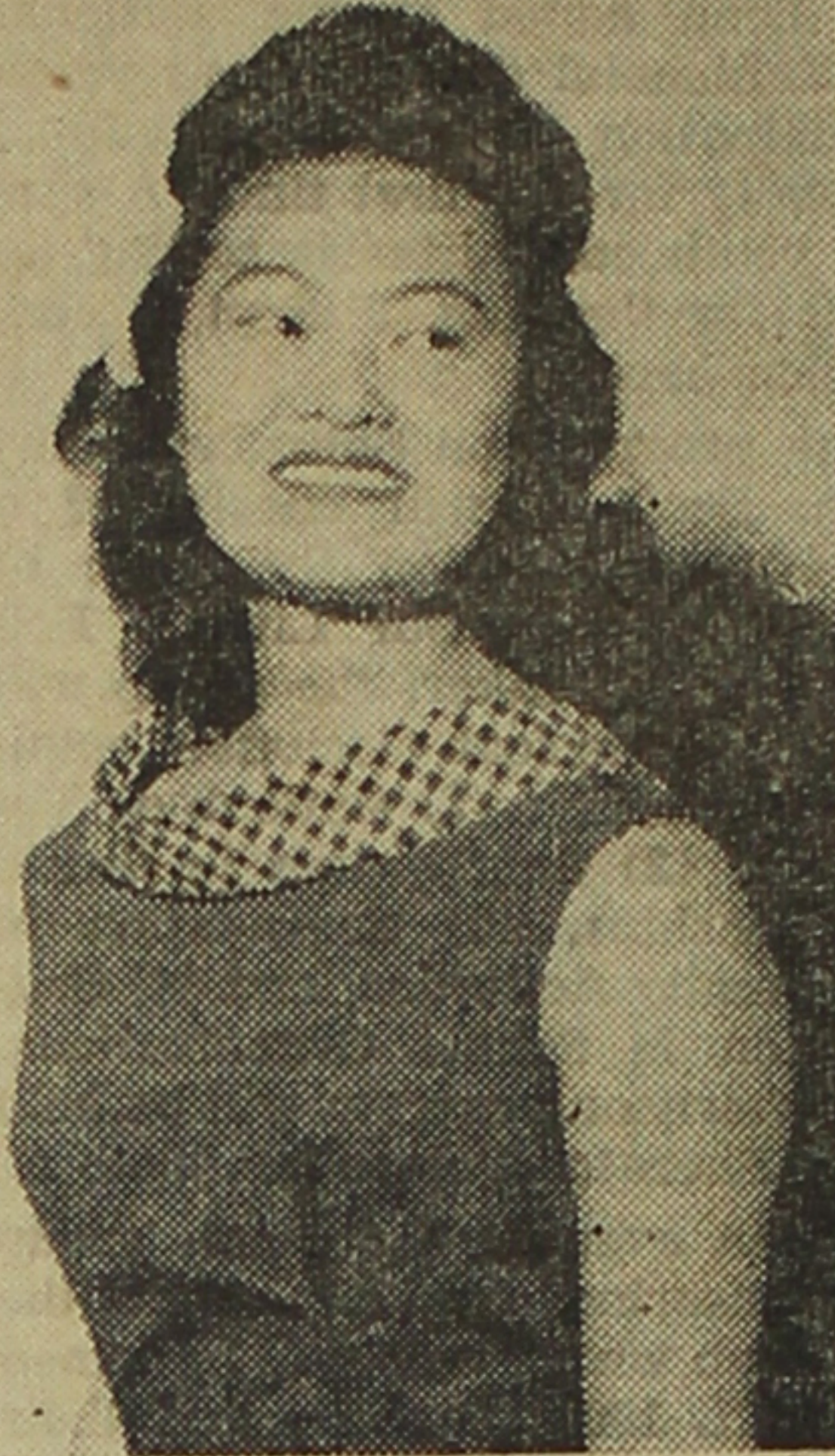
### NISEI GIs BREAK DOWN OPPOSITION

■ In the early war years the Legion remained implacably devoted to restrictive measures against Japanese Americans, including opposition to the War Relocation Authority's resettlement program. It was not until news started arriving from the European and Pacific fronts about Nisei GIs that the Legion opposition began to break down.

A symbol of that Legion opposition was the action of the Legion post in Hood River, Ore., in removing the names of 16 Nisei from a county honor roll on Nov. 29, 1944. The uproar from GIs on the fighting fronts, and from the folks at home, may have helped convince the Legion that public opinion no longer was with them in their anti-Japanese campaign. The Hood River post later painted in the missing Japanese American names, although Post Commander Jess Eddington muttered he never would have restored them had it not been for a direct order from the national commander.

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## Issei Couple killed in head-on accident; driver charged with negligent homicide



Amy Ishii, 19, vies for Nisei Week queen honors, being supported by East Los Angeles JACL chapter. —Shin Nichi Bei.

## Nisei Week plans beginning to roll

The 15th annual Nisei Week coronation ball will be held Aug. 12 at the Hollywood Palladium with Ray Anthony's orchestra on the bandstand, it was announced last week by Commodore Perry Post of the American Legion, this year's sponsors.

Nix Nagata was named chairman of the Festival opener, assisted by George Omatsu, Mike Kawaguchi, Doc Saito, Tad Kiyomura Toshio Nakajima, Soichi Fukui, Ted Asato, Frank Kumamoto and the Post Auxiliary.

Nisei Week is scheduled for Aug. 11-19.

Meantime, East Los Angeles JACL selected May Ishii, 19, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kunio Ishii, formerly of Ely, Nev., as queen candidate, the second girl named since nominations were first open in late May. Marilyn Ito of Sun Valley was named in early June to represent the San Fernando Japanese American Club.

Public voting of candidates as in previous years has been dropped by the Festival board. Selection will be a panel of judges with aspirants being chosen by various Southland Japanese communities.

### Nisei Week art show planned at Tenrikyo hall

Nisei Week Festival art show will be held in mid-August at the Tenrikyo Hall, corner of East First and Saratoga streets, it was announced this week.

While exhibitor details are to be publicized soon, the committee has disclosed that the show is not a high art movement but rather a united effort by professionals, students and amateurs who have artistic passion using Nisei Week as their one chance in the year.

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ONTARIO, Ore.—A coroner's jury last week charged Joseph R. Farley, 21, of Salem with negligent homicide in the death of two Issei, Mitsutaro Kawamoto, 64, and his wife Sakuyo, 56, of Ontario June 29 following a head-on auto collision on US Hwy. 30 near Payette Junction.

Both were going to work on a farm north of Ontario.

At the inquest, Farley told the coroner's jury that he couldn't remember anything that happened.

State patrolman Raymond Brown said it was "close to head-on" in describing the accident. The investigation indicated Farley's car swung onto the lane of oncoming traffic and then started back to the proper lane. Brown said that the investigation showed Farley apparently fell asleep at the wheel of his car.

The jury's verdict was unanimous. Members of the panel included Joe Saito, Shig Hironaka and Tom Ogura. Justice of Peace Tom Jones set bail at \$1,000, which was posted by Farley. The case is scheduled to be heard by the Malheur county grand jury.

### Japanese may be taught on Saturdays in Seattle

SEATTLE.—A Japanese language school will be conducted starting this September at 1414 Weller St. on Saturdays, according to tentative plans announced last week by Dr. S. Fukuda, chairman of the Gakuen Survey.

Operation of the school will be managed by the Japanese Community Service Committee, which is also on record to have the language taught at Franklin and Garfield high schools as a regular public school curriculum.

A committee is expected to meet with local school officials on this possibility soon.

### Bussei queen crowned

FRESNO.—Mary Wada, 20, of Fresno, was crowned Miss Central California YBA at the organization's 11th annual ball here June 30. She is 5 ft. tall and weighs 98 lbs., graduate of Fowler High and Fresno State College.

**NISEI GIRL SELECTED HIGH SCHOOL CHEERLEADER**  
ALBUQUERQUE.—Jennie Kikkawa, daughter of George Kikkawa, 5105 Williams S.E., was among five chosen to be cheerleader for the 1956 fall semester at Albuquerque High School.

## 13 STUDENTS VIE FOR MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

SAN FRANCISCO.—Thirteen candidates have been nominated for the 1956 Pvt. Ben Frank Masaoka Memorial Scholarship, it was disclosed this week by National JACL Headquarters, administrators of the award.

The scholarship is an annual award given by Mrs. Haruye Masaoka in memory of her son. A panel of judges will meet shortly to determine the winner.

The following have been nominated by the JACL chapters:

Adrienne Akahoshi, San Jose; Kenji George Ando, Chicago; Lucille Inami, Fresno; Una Kasai, Salt Lake City; June Sachiko Matsuda, Denver; Gordon Nagai, Livingston-Merced; Donald M. Okada, Pasadena; Ted Sakano, Snake River Valley; Richard Takaki, Sequoia; Susumu Takeda, Sacramento; Roy Kiyoshi Tanabe, Downtown Los Angeles; Nancy Kumiko Tanaka, Fort Lupton; and Iris Ueki, Gilroy.

Last year's winner was Seiji Itahara sponsored by the Chicago chapter.

### S.F. Nisei Optimists considering Auxiliary

SAN FRANCISCO.—The Japanese American Optimists Club here is considering a women's auxiliary after wives of members were introduced at a Ladies Night meeting at Kan's Restaurant last week. Also present as guests were members of the Chinatown Opti-Mrs., auxiliary to the Chinatown Optimists.

Optimist president Clem Oyama appointed chairmen of the following standing committees: Tosh Nakano, attendance; Yoshio Toriumi, boy's work; Victor Abe, bulletin; Dr. Tokuji Hedani, interclub activities; Dr. Carl Hirota, life membership; Dr. Wilfred Hiura, membership; Sei Kami, new club sponsoring; Tosh Kubokawa, program; Frank Dobashi, reception; Haruo Ishimaru, publicity.

### Takagi back in Seattle

SEATTLE.—Active JACLer Harry I. Takagi, attorney with the Veterans Administration at the Minneapolis office, has returned to Seattle recently, the local JACL bulletin reports. The former Seattle chapter president was Midwest District Council chairman during his stay in the Twin Cities.

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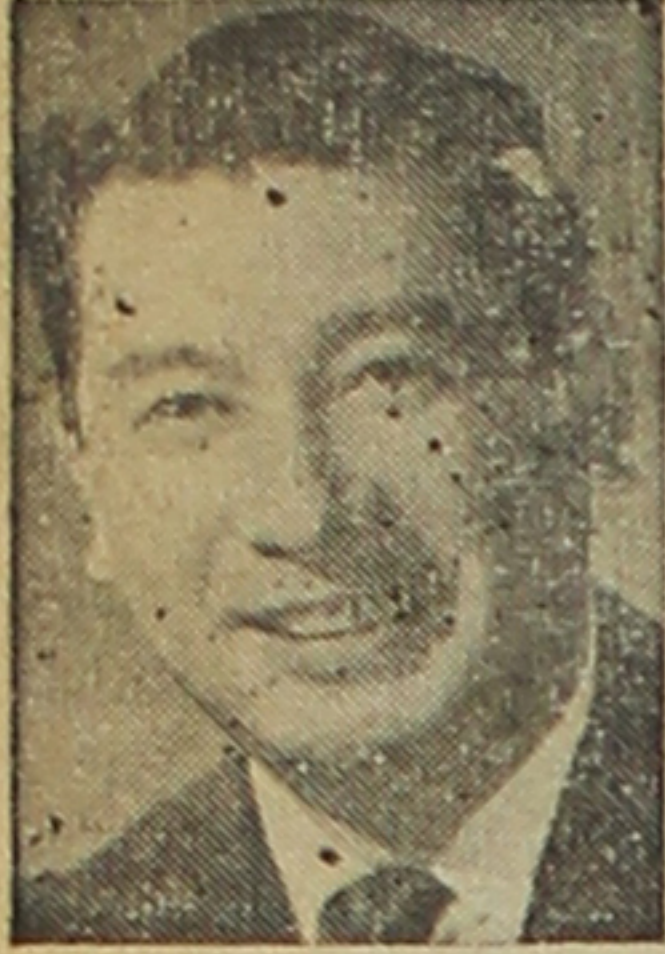
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**Profile a la Mac**

● It isn't often that a non-Nisei will aggressively carry the ball to help resolve the problems of the Japanese American community. There are countless thousand of Americans of good will who readily rally to the defense and support of the Nisei, witness the many JACL supporters throughout the nation.

But it is rare to find such a person as Rollins MacFadyen who's probably given more time and effort to Nisei-related matters in the past few months than you'd uncover in a decade!

Proud of his associations, he has converted much of his contacts and influence into benefit for local Nisei and Issei. His two loves are (1) the American Legion, of which he is Vets housing director for California, and (2) the Republican Party, being a member of its state central committee and the exec. comm. of the L.A. county central committee.

His encouragement and help have given the Nisei here an opportunity for participation and recognition in both organizations. He brought local and statewide stature and recognition to the Commodore Perry Post of the American Legion, and to its past commander, Soichi Fukui, an able, respected Nisei leader, and incid., a 1000 Clubber.

Mac helped organize the L.A. county's Japanese American Republican Assembly of which attorney Hank Tsurutani is prez. Thru Mac's backing, Soichi was elected to the county Republican central committee from the 40th Assembly District.

● When we brought the problem to Mac's attention, it was in his role as the A.L.'s vets housing chairman that he went to bat for Nisei vet Jerry Ushijima who was being given the run round in a Las Vegas GI housing tract. Mac's persistent and persuasive contacts with government housing agencies and private mortgaging companies assured Jerry's purchase of a new home into which he'll move this month.

Mac directed his influence to enable the 73-year old Issei, Mrs. Kishino Wada, mother of two Nisei vets, to join her sons in this country, obtaining the intervention of Sen. Thomas H. Kuchel (R. Calif.) for whose campaign for re election, incid., Mac is a manager of a veteran's committee. In a case of a student from Japan, Hisakazu Hozaki, whose two Nisei GI brothers gave their lives in World War II, Mac prevailed upon Sen. William Knowland (R. Calif.) to introduce a private bill which was signed into law last month, to enable the student to obtain permanent residence here with his family.

Both the Wada and Hozaki cases were referred to Mac by the Perry Post's Soichi Fukui, and to whom Mac gave credit and recognition in their successful conclusion.

● At the departmental (state) convention of the American Legion in Fresno, Mac engineered the adoption of a resolution placing the A.L. on record to endorse Proposition 13 to repeal the alien land law on the November ballot (a complete reversal of this organization's policy from a quarter-century ago.) Going beyond that, he has formed a veterans committee for Prop. 13 which includes several past national and department commanders of the American Legion.

Perhaps because Japanese American aren't too accustomed to seeing a non-JA go to bat for them, at least at the efficient pace and extent Mac has, or perhaps because some simply haven't outgrown their provincial thinking, a few might question Mac's motives.

To dispel any doubts, we'll state flatly what impresses us most about Mac is his sincerity of purpose in wanting to lend a helping hand to Nisei and Issei in their personal and community problems, looking for no reward other than the satisfaction that comes from a mission accomplished.

What impresses us next about Mac is his tremendous circle of intimate friends in that level of society where people carry weight and influence. And he has converted many of that circle into friends and supporters of Japanese Americans.

A retired mining engineer, Mac was attending the U of Mich during World War I. He enlisted in the Marines and finished out with the then air force of the signal corps. After the war, he attended the U. of Nevada. He's now an officer with the Aviator's Post of the American Legion.

A man of action as well as of words, he keeps 'em, that is, Mac possesses a booming voice that carries authority, the kind that makes you sit down quick in your bleacher seat when a voice behind you roars "down in front!"

● He'll be attending the Republican nat'l confab at Frisco's Cow Palace next month. As a 1000 Club member, Mac says he wants to stay for the 14th Biennial, at least for a couple of days and take in the 1000 Club wingding on the 1st before returning to Ellay for the nat'l convention of the American Legion.

So be prepared to meet a conventioner who's an ardent supporter of the cause Nisei—rough & tough when he wants to be, but amiable and congenial with those with whom he works. A good guy to have on your side.

**CHICAGO CORNER: by Smoky H. Sakurada**



**International fete**

Chicago

● Members of the local Japanese community will be among 5,000 singers, dancers, musicians, gymnast and athletes who will participate in a gigantic International Folk Festival at Soldier Field Aug. 25. It is being staged by Mayor Daley's All-Chicago Committee for the U.S. Olympic fund . . . Twenty-eight

nationality groups are on the festival committee with Thomas Masuda representing the Japanese Americans. . . "Miracle of America" was selected as the theme of the festival to demonstrate to the world that freedom-loving peoples from everywhere have found peace, happiness and prosperity in America.

**CHICAGO NISEI LEGIONNAIRES**

● The Chicago Nisei American Legion Post 1183 will be commanded by Thomas M. Tajiri (Larry's brother) for the 1956-57 term. He will also serve as Poppy chairman and Boys

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**YOUTH TO PARTICIPATE IN NAT'L JACL CONVENTION FOR 1ST TIME OFFICIALLY**

SAN FRANCISCO.—Something new has been added to the national JACL biennial convention as youth participation has been scheduled officially for the first time. A special youth committee is setting up plans for the Aug. 31-Sept. 3 convention here.

The program on Saturday afternoon, Sept. 1, will consist of a keynote speaker on the topic of "Segregation in Our Lives." Following the speaker, the group will break up into four discussion seminars exploring: (1) Outlook on Vocations, (2) Segregation in Social Relationships, (3) Segregation in Community Activities, and (4) Segregation in School Organizations. The afternoon program will be held at the Sheraton-Palace hotel.

In the evening the youth group is sponsoring the dance at the Surf Club where they will be joined by JACL 1000 Clubbers and their friends.

Named as co-chairmen of the Youth Project are Yaeko Yuki of Sequoia and Takashi Watanabe of San Francisco. Serving on the steering committee from the Sequoia Jr. JACL are Midori Kanazawa, Mary Kawakami, June Kawano, Jane Oyama, Ann Takamoto, Taz Kuwano and James Mori. Representing San Francisco are John Doami, Barney Hata, Joyce Imazeki, Nancy Moriguchi and Akira Watanabe.

The youth are being advised by Yori Wada and Toshi Koba, both long associated with supervising youth activities in San Francisco.

The project was originally conceived by the convention board for the benefit of teen-age and college-age sons and daughters of JACLers accompanying their parents to the convention, recognizing as well as stimulating interest among Jr.

**Venice-Culver frolics at box-lunch auction**

The Venice Culver JACL sponsored a gaily successful box lunch social and square dance June 23 at the Japanese Community Center, 12448 Braddock Dr. George Inagaki, national JACL president, was auctioneer.

There were over 60 attending, food was aplenty and the attractive decor was the handiwork of Frank Hayashida and George Isoda.

Chapter president Dr. Tak Shishino introduced guests after the dinner. Mrs. Midori Watanabe spoke on the urgency of promoting friends for Proposition 13 to repeal the Alien Land Law in the November elections. Also present were new members W. D. McGlaughlin, editor of the Culver City Evening Star News, and his Mar Vista correspondent, Mrs. Edna Chadwick, who was accompanied by her husband.

The square dance was in full swing after men, led by Steve Nakaji and Kiyoshi Kagawa, cleared away the tables and plates. Tex Duty, a cowboy from West Los Angeles, did a cotton pickin' good job calling the dances and entertaining with song and guitar. It was Duty's first appearance for a JACL function (which, by the way, was for free). He says the next time he's called on he'll have more acts worked up—like rope tricks and bull whip art. Tex is a telephone man who likes to entertain as a hobby. In case anyone is interested, he can be reached at GR 8-7361.

Helping to make the party successful were Miyo Nishi, Mrs. Betty Yumori, Mrs. Lilly Anne Inouye, Miki, Martha and Gladys Chikasawa, and Mrs. Margie Furuya, who arranged for entertainment.

**Eden Township community picnic at Oakland park**

HAYWARD. — Preparations are completed for the annual community-wide picnic sponsored by the Eden Township JACL this Sunday, July 15, beginning at 11 a.m. at the Roberts Recreational Area I in Oakland Regional Park.

General chairman Min Shinoda is being assisted by Tets Sakai, Toichi Domoto, Jerry Shibata and Sho Yoshida.

JACL groups being sponsored by a number of JACL chapters. However, the program has been expanded to include all youth who are interested in such a program and meeting young people from other areas.

It is reported that inquiries about the youth program have been received from Placer County, Salt Lake City, Orange County and Pasadena.

**Cortez JACL presented boy scout troop charter**

BALLICO. — The Cortez JACL received its charter as a sponsoring organization from the Boy Scouts of America on June 29 at a meeting chaired by Ernest Yoshida, institutional representative.

Albert Morimoto, chapter president, accepted the troop charter from Dallas Bache, district chairman. CLer Jack Noda, who is District Advancement chairman, presented the Advancement Award.

CLers on the committee are Dick Kawasaki and Kaname Miyamoto. Refreshments were served by Mr. and Mrs. Yeichi Sakaguchi, Harry Kajioka, Yoshi Kubo and Mrs. Narita.

**Richmond-El Cerrito community picnic July 29**

RICHMOND. — Richmond-El Cerrito JACL will hold its fourth annual community picnic July 29, 11 a.m., at Camp Laurel at Berkeley's Tilden Regional Park, according to Sei Kami, chapter president.

Under the chairmanship of Jim Kimoto, picnic committeemen are busy planning for a day of fun for young and old. They include Tosh Adachi, Jun Honda, gen. arr.; Mrs. Nellie Sakai, Mrs. Vi Kimoto, races; Tosh Nabeta, refr.; George Sugihara, ticket sales; George Sugihara, Mrs. Hannah Yasuda, Jiggs Fujii, Grace Hata, Jim Kimoto, gate prizes; Shig Yoshimine, sports; Marvin Uratsu, pub.

Program for the day has been tentatively scheduled as follows: 11 a.m.—lunch; 1:30 p.m.—races; 3 p.m.—sports; 5 p.m.—gate prizes.

The chapter was picked as 1955 NCWNDC chapter of the year.

**Bridge tournament**

DENVER. — Doris and Sam Matsumoto won the summer masterpoint JACL bridge tournament at the T. K. Kobayashi residence June 29 with Haruko and Dr. T. K. Kobayashi second.

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Miss Shige Yano, Japanese soprano who has completed training at the Santa Barbara Music Academy of the West, is singing July 22 at the Downtown L.A. benefit recital at Koyasan Hall. —Toyo Miyatake Photo

**Noted koto artist guest at JACL benefit concert**

Kimio Eto, Japanese koto master, will appear as guest artist at the Downtown L.A. JACL benefit concert recital of soprano Shige Yano on July 22 at Koyasan Hall, it was announced by Katsuma Mukaeda and Frank Suzukida, program co-chairmen.

Acclaimed for his artistry since arriving in Los Angeles two years, the blind koto player will present an original program following intermission.

Charlotte Martin of New York, currently studying in Santa Barbara, was also announced as accompanist for Miss Yano in place of Nobuko Fujimoto, who is unavailable because of illness.

**CLERS JOIN BLOOD BANK GALLON CLUB**

SALINAS. — Three Salinas Valley JACL chapter members are now members of the local blood bank's gallon club.

The local chapter has been sponsoring a blood reserve fund for its members for some time and those who have given their blood eight times join the gallon club.

First to qualify was Rev. Shinpachi Kanow, pastor of the Lincoln Ave. Presbyterian Church. Newest members are Robert Yamamoto and Kiyo Hirano.

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In order to save wear and tear on individual JACLers, as well as chapters, we've been easing up the throttle on the "Operation Mercury" drive, while accelerating on Booklet ads. Now we are seconding Chairman Joe Kubokawa's motion to get the "Mercury" drive into high gear once again. The chapter should take advantage of this chance to earn a one third commission on each book sold and, at the same time, insure the financial health of the Convention. Remember the host chapter's generous offer to turn over profits, if any, toward a building fund for National Headquarters. San Francisco's heart is in the right place; we're sure that your hearts are, too.

#### MISS NATIONAL JACL

■ Competition for the throne of the fair lady who will reign over "Changing Perspectives" is becoming hotter and hotter. Lovely lassies, Elaine Harada, Barbara Arimoto, and Sharon Nishimi representing San Francisco, Sequoia, and Sacramento, respectively, have lined up their sights on the Queen's crown. San Jose and Stockton are aligning their coronation hopes shortly, and our grapevine tells us that Placer, Marysville, Sonoma, among others, are getting in on the act. We think that this interest and enthusiasm in the Queen Contest is a healthy omen for the Biennial, since it apparently reflects a general attitude of ready anticipation on the part of our northern California JACLers for the coming parley.

#### NC-WNDC PRE-CONVENTION

■ This corner is looking forward to the Pre-Convention Rally slated for the NCWN District Council on July 22. The swank Rickey's Studio Club in Palo Alto will be the locale of this affair, and it promises to be quite a show.

On tap is a Beauty Parade, featuring all the gals vieing for the National Queen's crown. They will be on display (look, boys, but don't touch) in swim suits around the swimming pool during a break in the DC business sessions.

The traditional banquet format will be replaced by a pep rally for "Changing Perspectives" in the form of a skit presented by the Convention Board. A planning group, consisting of Mas and Chiz Satow, Sumi Utsumi, Kei Hori, Kaye Uyeda, June Uyeda and Yas Abiko have been pooling their genius in an effort to come up with just the right formula to stimulate interest in the Biennial.

A coronation ball in the evening will afford a fitting finale for this day of fun, and will be climaxed by the long awaited word on which one of our lovelies will reign over "Changing Perspectives".

#### 'JUBILATE FOR THE GOLDEN GATE'

■ We've just received word from our compadres from Smogland, Tats Kushida and PSWDC Chairman Dave Yokozeki, that the rally in their neck of the woods will answer to the fancy name given above. The Southwest L.A. Chapter, a collection of real live wires, promises everybody a rip-roaring time. Games for the kiddies, swimming, volleyball, surf fishing, a "sumptuous" dinner, and dancing are in store for lucky attendants.

Our right hand gal, Lucy, is now busily rounding up some fun-loving localites to make up a caravan for a pilgrimage down for "Jubilate".

#### MESSAGE FROM FILMLAND

■ Our L.A. courier Tats has advised us that outstanding personality from the land of dark glasses and grinding cameras will be with us on opening night of "Changing Perspectives". This yet unnamed celebrity will not only be a star, but a person active in the field of human relations.

Incidentally, the behind-the-scenes planning for this gala opening night program is under the direction of Fred Hoshiyama. Fred will be backed up by Frank Ono (Choir Director), Michi Kajiwara, Tom Hoshiyama, Roy Ashiziwa, Ella Nakabe, Gladys Nakabe and Kaz Maruoka. A top notch crew for a high priority operation.

#### LUNCHEON PLUS FASHION SHOW

■ All is in readiness for a pleasant and relaxing noon lunch for delegates and friends in the Gold Room of the Sheraton-Palace, according to schoolmarm Alice Shigezumi. Alice tells us that the traditional awards for outstanding service to our national organization will be presented at that time. The highlight of the afternoon will be the colossal fashion show to be staged by the San Francisco Women's Auxiliary, under the able guidance of its original chief, Haru Hedani. Alice will be aided and abetted on this project by Kathy Reyes, Tomi Fukuda, Masa Nakamura, Janet Yokota, Jean Hironaka, sis Margie, and Terrie Ishimaru.

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### San Francisco Clers prepare Aug. 3 round-up

SAN FRANCISCO. — Folk and social dancing with a gingham & jean dress order for the day promises a festive evening at the San Francisco JACL Pre-Convention Round Up at Gyosei Hall Aug. 3, according to Yone Satoda, v.p. and program chairman.

The hall will be transformed with western atmosphere. Round Up begins at 8 p.m. Community singing, talent show and a surprise door prize have been included.

Hatsuro Aizawa, chapter president, and Jerry Enomoto, convention chairman, will highlight the pep rally.

Planning the strictly casual wear affair program with Satoda are Morgan Yamanaka, Sumi Utsumi, Marshall Sumida, Viola Nakano, Jerry Enomoto, Hatsuro Aizawa and Yas Abiko.

### Gardena Valley CL plans reactivation

GARDENA.—A reactivation-election meeting is scheduled for tomorrow, July 14, by the Gardena Valley JACL at the Community Center, 2000 Market St.

At a recent meeting of interested persons wanting to support an active chapter here, a nominations committee has prepared a slate of candidates to serve the balance of the year. Following elections, for which nominations may be made from the floor, a social get-acquainted program and refreshments will follow with Mrs. Sally Sato, chairman.

On the nominations committee are Tom Miyawaki, VFW Nisei Memorial Post commander, Mrs. Norman Kobayashi; Paul Koga, Gardena Gardeners Ass'n pres.; George Kobayashi; and Frank Kuida, past chapter pres.

### Mountain-Plains District nominates Tak Terasaki to be nat'l CL president

DENVER. — Yutaka Terasaki, presently serving as 3rd national JACL vice-president and longtime Nisei leader here, has been nominated as candidate by the Mountain-Plains JACL District for the office of national JACL president, it was revealed by Mtn.-Plains DC chairman Robert M. Horiuchi.

Terasaki has been a past president of the Denver JACL, as well as leading and participating in many community activities. He is the well known manager of T. K. Pharmacy.

Roy Inouye of Blanca, Colo., representing the San Luis Valley JACL, has been nominated as 1st nat'l vice-president to head planning and activities. He is a farmer in southern Colorado, and has long been a strong community leader, as well as chapter president.

Larry Tajiri of Denver, now employed at The Denver Post, was nominated as 2nd nat'l vice-president for public relations and publicity. He is well-known for his ten year tenure as editor of the Pacific Citizen from 1942 to 1952.

Hiroshi Miyamura of Gallup, N.M., was nominated 3rd nat'l vice-president in charge of membership. Ex-Sgt. Miyamura, Medal of Honor winner, was named "Nisei of the Biennium" at the 1954 Los Angeles national JACL

convention. Lily Okura of Omaha, wife of K. Patrick Okura of Boys Town, was nominated as secretary to the national board. Mrs. Okura has served on executive positions with the YWCA, as well as having been active in JACL affairs.

Tom Ujifusa of Worland, Wyo., was nominated for nat'l treasurer. He is a prominent farmer in the northern Wyoming area, and has been local chapter president.

Assisting Horiuchi in making nominations were Tosh Ando, Bess Shiyomura, Roy Mayeda, George Ohashi and Min Yasui, making up the Mtn.-Plains nominations committee.

### Boise Valley chapter honors six graduates

NAMPA. — Six high school and college graduates here were honored at the annual Boise Valley JACL graduation dinner - dance June 8 at the Caldwell IOOF hall.

Honored were Joe Kakahawai, Calvin Yasumichi (College of Idaho), Mike Abe (Nampa High), Walter Arima (Caldwell High), Elaine Matsumoto and Paul Okamura (Middleton High).

Cy Radcliffe of Homedale, guest speaker, told of his experiences behind the Iron Curtain and showed some interesting color slides he took there.

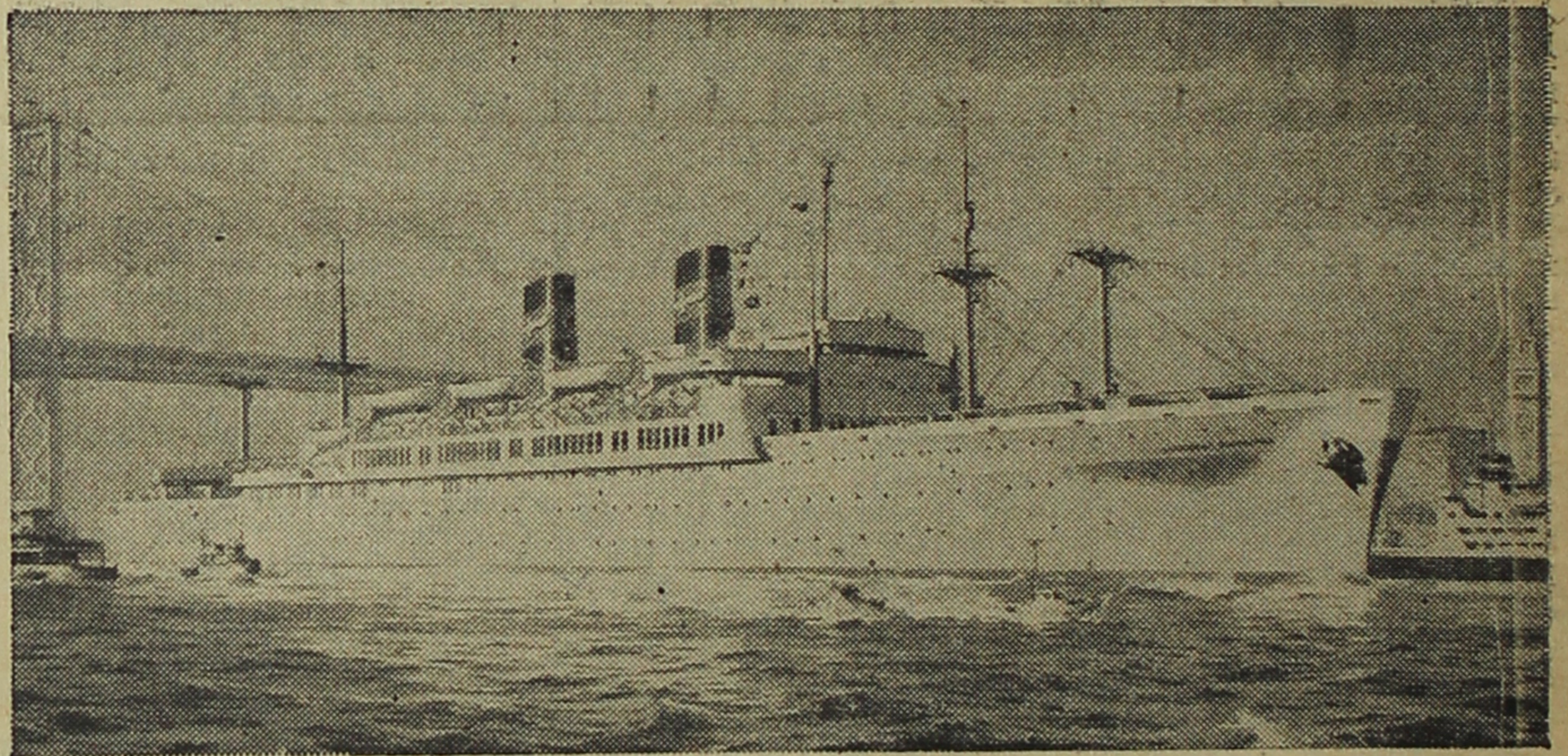
Kay Watanabe was master of ceremonies. Welcome messages were extended by Mayor Jason Smith of Caldwell and Steve Hirai, chapter president. Arima responded for the graduates. Rev. I. L. Shaver gave the invocation.

Entertainers included pianist Yasu Shimura, violinist Dean Haya-shida and accordionist Ray Mansador.

### Berkeley chapter movie benefit clears \$380

BERKELEY. — The Berkeley JACL cleared \$384.61 by sponsoring a benefit movie night last month at the Berkeley Little Theatre, it was announced by Akira Nakamura, program chairman.

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**Music in the park**

Seattle

Although it really started at an earlier date, this summer Seattle is celebrating its 60th anniversary of Music in the Park. On July 1, in a preliminary "Old Timers' Concert" at Volunteer Park, the Musicians' Association Band played the "S.S. Miike Maru March", the most popular band tune in 1896, 60 years ago.

We remember seeing pictures of Miike Maru as it docked at Seattle's waterfront in 1896, a square propped tub of a freighter which must have shoved half the ocean in front of it as it plowed along at a record breaking 10 or 12 knots. It was built along lines accepted as the best in marine architecture at the time. The Miike Maru was the first of a new line of Japanese steamships, the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, which was to herald a new era in the development of Seattle the nearest port and gateway to Alaska and the Orient.

The frontier fishing and lumbering town of Seattle was still suffering from the effects of the depression of '93. Things did not look so good for a town relying on the two mainstay industries. True, there were rumors of scattered gold strikes in a region called "The Klondyke", but all this did not make its impact felt 'til '97 or '98.

Farsighted citizens were impressed with the news from the newly built Great Northern Railway, that an equally great new Japanese steamship company would link with the railroad's service at dockside, thus fulfilling the dreams of centuries for a quick route to the Orient.

**MARCH TUNE DEDICATED TO 'MARU' SHIP**

The adventuresome, farsighted and hopeful dreams for the future were reflected in the cultural achievements of the frontier town. A Seattle composer, Sol Asher, got busy with the first news of the proposed steamship line. One can only guess that perhaps Mr. Asher was inspired by the birth of a great musical classic Funiculi, Funicula when a railroad was built up the slopes of Mount Vesuvius. His creation was the "S.S. Miike Maru March" and it was ready when the first ship steamed into Seattle harbor late in August.

The march was in immediate hit and was played at every gathering, at dockside, in the parks, on the streets, in the theaters and in a little triangular mid-city green called Pioneer Place.

These were the years when the opulent of Europe were going a little daffy over "things Japanese" and on the rebound, the spirit was reflected in the display of paper lanterns and Rising Sun flags from every lamp post in the Northwest frontier town of Seattle. There were few Issei pioneers around to witness this great buildup for the Land of the Rising Sun.

But the spirit of the "S.S. Miike Maru March" fitted in with the spirit of the times when the sawmill town was apprehensively perched on the brink of a new era in its history. Music in the parks became a tradition, and this popular feature by Dad Wagner's First Regimental band was later supplemented by Cavanaugh's Band, the two of them playing as many as 62 concerts in Seattle parks during the summer season.

After many years of intense popularity, attendance at old-fashioned band concerts fell off. But now, on this 60th anniversary, a great revival is seen with ten concerts utilizing park facilities, and co-sponsored financially by the Park Department and the Seattle Musicians Association (AF of L).

In keeping with the times, special arrangements have been made for the parking of thousands of cars, and the concerts will be real "productions" with orchestra, chorus, and dancers, as well as the traditional brass, all under the direction of Gustave Stern. Just as the handful of pioneers were proud of the "S.S. Miike Maru March" so may we all be proud of the origin of Seattle's praiseworthy program of music in the parks.

**VAGARIES: by Larry S. Tajiri**

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The Legion no longer is a willing participant in Yellow Perilism. The veterans of World War II and the Korean Conflict, who fought alongside thousands of Nisei, now dominate its policies and its thinking. The change is most evident in California, which once dictated the organization's anti-Japanese ideology.

The California Legion is today on record against the very law which was a focus of Legion support 36 years ago.

**CHICAGO CORNER: by Smoky H. Sakurada**

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State officer for the 97-member post. . . Other officers include George Nakamura, sr. v.c.; Harry M. Yamamoto, jr. v.c.; Hiro Mayeda, adj. and public relations; Henry H. Fujisui, fin.; Rev. George Aki, chaplain and ritual chmn.; Jerry J. Okazaki, sgt.-at-arms; Yachi Kato, hist.; Richard Hirakawa, Americanization officer; Joe Sagami, serv.; Harry Kato, child welfare; Frank Seto, employment; James Shimashita, graves regis.; Thomas Kaihara, Boys Scouts chmn.; John Shimashita, SAL; Michael Hagiwara, judge adv.

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**As Nisei vets paraded by reviewing stand, Gen. Mark Clark remained standing till last one passed in Seattle parade**

BY ELMER OGAWA

SEATTLE. — Swinging down the avenue in rhythmic cadence and covering in file like a platoon of West Pointers, the local Vets made one of their rare parade appearances here last week, and everyone is right proud and happy about the whole thing.

Some hereabouts look with a jaundiced eye on such "ostentatious display" as parading, so it was not since May 30, 1949 when Lt. Col. James M. Hanley, former battalion commander of the 442nd was here to dedicate a monument, that the local outfit once more banded together to pass in review.

The '49 event featuring Colonel Hanley's visit was an occasion to be remembered. A reunion banquet was held and at the same time a send-off was given to Takeshi Yoshihara, who was leaving to become an ensign at Annapolis, the first Nisei to be so honored.

Almost the entire community turned out to see the new Vets monument unveiled, with its 55 names inscribed thereon with FDR's famous words on the occasion of the forming of the 442nd: "Americanism is a matter of the mind and the heart. Americanism is not or never was a matter of race or ancestry."

The parade that morning was attended in the Go for Broke tradition. A good round 300 vets turned out to march and although they constituted the rear-most unit in the line of march, drew a big hand from the spectators. "Largest and lustiest," said one paper; "A full battalion" said another Seattle daily.

Things have changed considerably during the intervening seven years. Now the organization has a clubhouse, and the individual members have made progress and become settled in the pursuit of careers and livelihood. In 1956 the great majority claimed they couldn't get into their uniforms anymore, so white shirts and maroon tie became the uniform of the day to go with the matching hat.

Nearly 100 turned out making up a contingent of five cars, color guard, and the marching unit. From the looks of things it appeared that the fellows who had the real complaints about tight uniforms didn't turn out anyhow.

Observers near the reviewing stand remarked on the commendable performance by the Nisei Vets. Especially on this facet. It was noted that as the Regular Army and other units went by, General Mark Clark, the reviewing officer, and Brigadier George Cook, parade marshall would stand and return the salute as the national colors and band went by. Then they would review the main body of each marching unit while seated. The rest, reviewing stand

**Chiro Tashima rolls 642 pairing with Ned Day**

Chiyo Tashima toppled 642 pins in the \$10,000 Match the Champ bowling program before a Southern California TV audience Tuesday night.

She paired with Ned Day, who rolled a 617, to beat Hope Myers and Joe De Michele 1259 to 1112.

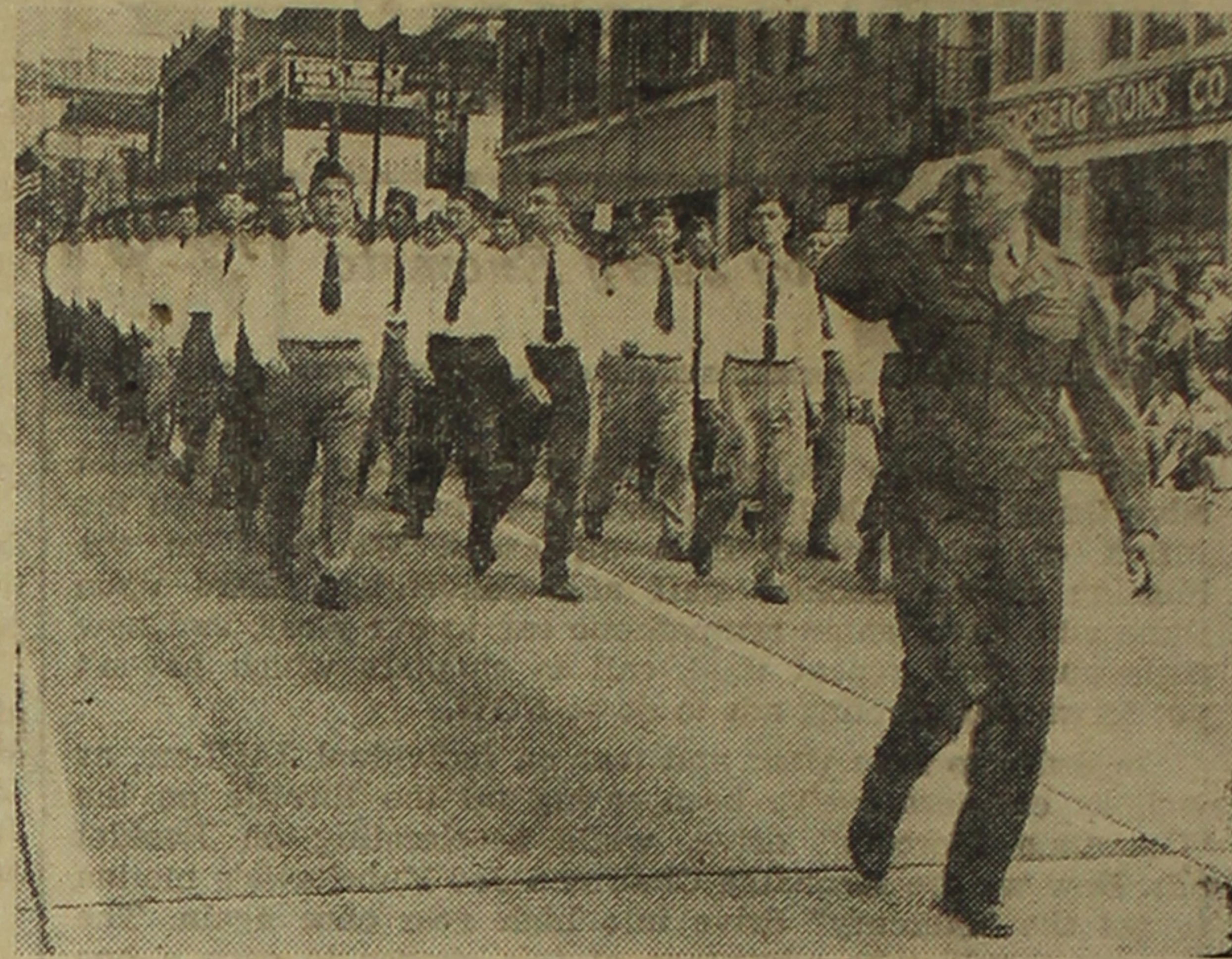
Mrs. Tashima rolled games of 237-185-220. Show commentator Tom Duggan dubbed her as the Mickey Mantle in bowling, recalling that she reigned for 11 weeks on the Western Challenge Bowling championships, another TV show, back in 1952.

**Nisei lass voted queen of Boise Valley li'l league**

NAMPA, Idaho. — Four pairs of Little League baseball teams hustled through games at Rodeo Park here last week before 100 adult spectators in the first annual Midget Jamboree.

Midway in the program, they paused to crown Carol Yamashita, 13, who was elected queen of the Midget League jamboree. She was sponsored by the Boise Valley JACL team.

Petite Carol was voted Miss Midget League of 1956 by fans' ballots distributed at the gate and won over five others.



Sgt. Pat Hagiwara leads a marching unit of nearly 100 Seattle Nisei veterans who turned out for the 4th of July parade in tribute to Gen. Mark W. Clark, who as commanding general of the Fifth Army had the 442nd RCT under his wing in the WW2 Italian campaign. The Nisei contingent consisted of five cars, color guard and marching unit.

Elmer Ogawa Photo

guests, followed suit.

As the Vets went by, Commander Bill Nishimura stood in the lead car, and gave a snappy salute, as did Pat Hagiwara who was leading the marching group. General Mark Clark, former commanding general of the Fifth Army in Italy to which the 442nd was attached, remained standing till the last Nisei Vet marched by. The guests soon caught on and got back on their feet to follow the example of the two generals.

Biggest news of the mid-week activities was the fact that General Clark agreed "tentatively" to attend the '58 reunion of all Nisei Vets here in Seattle. The General stated that two years is a long time, and the time element

alone prevents him from making an absolute commitment.

These things, Commander Bill Nishimura and '53 Reunion steering committee chairman Dick Settsuda learned in a special interview at the General's suite. He goes all out for salmon fishing, and for years has owned a place on Camano Island on upper Puget Sound. He has a son and daughter, both with families living on the Pacific Coast who deserve occasional visits although his present job is at The Citadel in South Carolina.

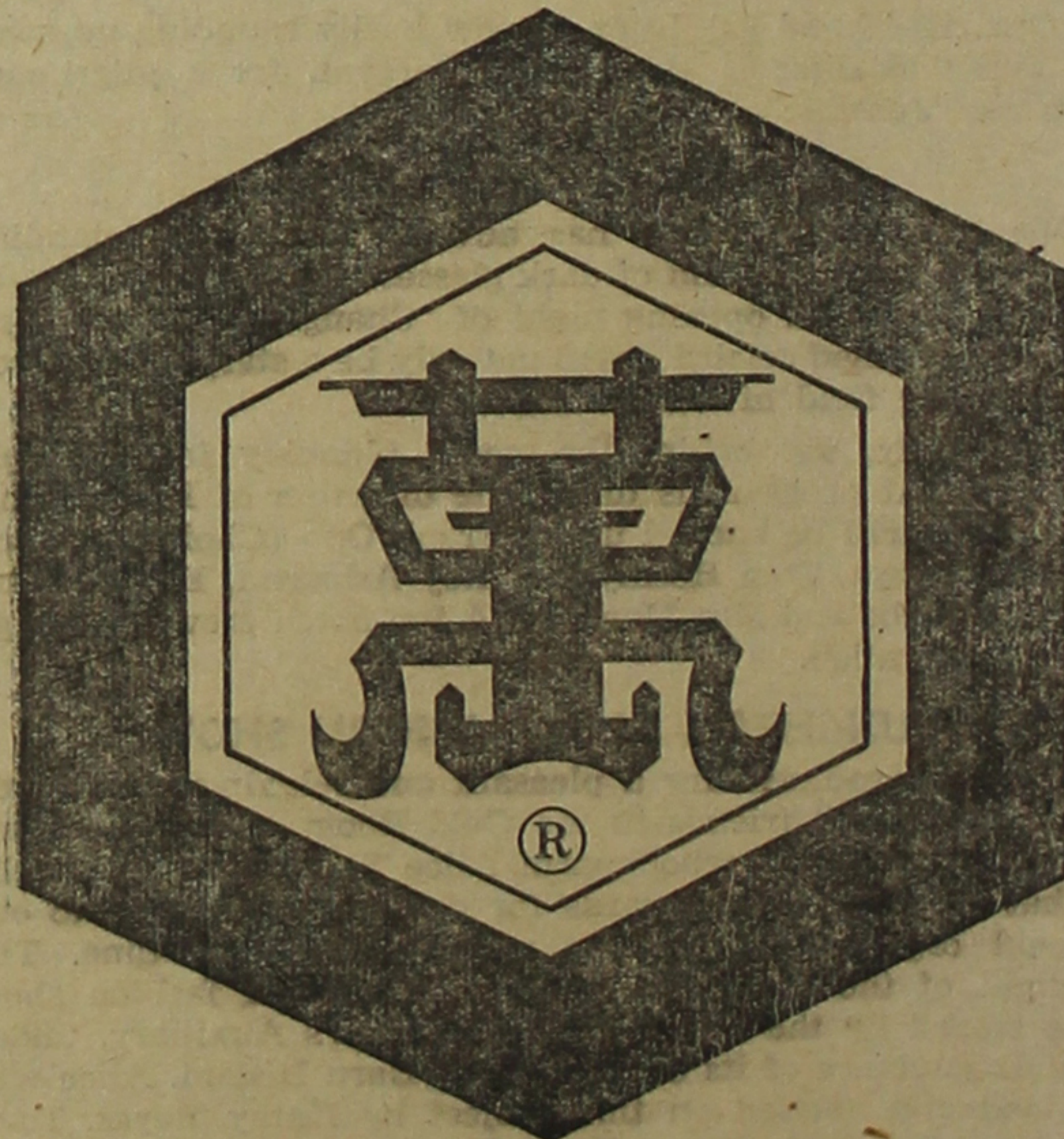
And he and Mrs. Clark have a high regard for the Nisei Vets, collectively and individually. A lot of us who figure odds think it will really take something BIG to keep the General away.

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**LOS ANGELES NEWSLETTER: by Henry Mori**



**Quiet 'Fourth'**

■ "It used to be that Fourth of July meant a new dress, a picnic at a park in the afternoon and fireworks in the evening," commented the wife, forlornly, on our so-called July 4 holiday.

"Don't think I don't miss some of that gaiety, myself," I countered. And so it was that our Independence Day last week was watching the two youngsters

take turns sleeping.

Of course, we could have gone to that beach party, but more often than not, our family budget turns for the worse every-time some holiday comes around. It seems that's the way of life nowadays.

Most of our morning was consumed in weeding the garden of crabgrass, dandelions and devil grass. They come up faster than you can say: green thumb. Then came the raking; then the watering.

Bennett decided to have a late lunch, and Mary prepared it. Wonderful hotdogs, soda pop, ice cream and potato salad. Dana, the seven-month old son had his usual buck-a-day menu of two eggs, several bottles of milk, prepared food, dessert and orange juice. We have a feeling he's going to "eat us to the ground" before he'll do his first bit to augment our shaky financial structure.

But as any parent would understand, children are priceless even though they seem almost a luxury to rear these days. By early evening we decided no Fourth is complete without at least "giving the family a ride around the block," so off we went to the nearest nursery to buy some plants and knick-knacks for the garden, and breathe the fresh air of suburban life. That night we discovered that if we're to ever keep up with the neighborhood Joneses we'd have to equip ourselves with several packets of fireworks next July. Because lo and behold, there it was: our neighbors were shooting off the best of fireworks. We had our best seats in the boys' bedroom to celebrate our Fourth quietly, watching the colorful sparks of fire at other people's expense, through our window. . . .Talk about losing your "independence", we agreed that we just had it.

**SOUTHLAND GARDENERS CHARTERED**

■ The So. Calif. Gardeners Federation is now a corporation, according to attorney Robert Y. Iwasaki, who is handling the affairs of the federation in its program to expand its activities under a state charter. Incorporators and the initial board of directors consist of Kiyoshi Kawanami of Uptown district; George Nakao, West Los Angeles; Paul Koga, Gardena; and Sueji Nishimura of Pasadena. Election of officers is to take place sometime this month. The articles of incorporation were approved by Frank M. Jordan, secretary of the state.

Kawanami said membership potentially is over 5,000 alone in the Southland area. A gardeners monthly, the first one published last month, will be continued. Authorities on landscaping will be introduced during meetings as part of the Federation's educational program.

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

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and charm. . . I was fascinated by the cymbals that brandished the air behind the violins. Listening to the orchestra from the right-side of the bowl, one couldn't help notice the percussion section at work. . . The night air must worry violinists with strings going flat or off-key, but Mr. Francescatti's rendition was as warm and confident as we shall ever hear. . . There must have been 15,000 sitting comfortably in the open-air and I tried to compare 15,000 jammed in an Osaka hall to hear the same orchestra when it was on its tour. Southlanders are certainly fortunate on this count for accommodations—although driving to and from the bowl has its drawback. . . There will be concerts on Tuesday and Thursday nights every week until Labor Day with pop concerts on Saturdays. If you're planning to drive there, get there an hour before concert-time (8:30) for advantageous parking. Vacationers to Los Angeles should attempt to include a Hollywood Bowl night. . . For me, it was as nice a way to spend what few hours I could afford away from the desk inside the week.

● In reading some of the editorials anent Independence Day in the newspaper last week, the theme of not forgetting that eternal vigilance is the price we must pay to maintain our freedom rings ever so true with persons of Japanese ancestry, who in recent years have taken their place in American society for granted. . . It is not hard to recall that it was not always so. . . Like the colonists who banded together in 1776 and won independence with blood and suffering, Japanese Americans can still remember the glorious chapter of our own history in World War II of the men in the 442nd and MIS.

● Well, it's still "qwertyuiop" for the time being as the government project to rejigger the typewriter keyboard according to Dr. August Dvorak's plan has been concluded with "thumbs down". . . Our emotion is one of relief as the new arrangement would have thrown this newspaperman off. After a brief course in summer school many winters ago when we managed to learn the "touch system" for the letters and hunt & peck for numbers and figures, we'd miss many deadlines (as would other newspapermen) before latching on to the new keyboard. . . The General Service Administration in Washington felt it would be too costly to retrain its clerical staff—so we're sticking with the old system whether it's good or not. . . It's precisely the same reasoning that keeps the United States from using the efficient metric system in weights and measures.

**WASHINGTON NEWSLETTER: by Mike Masaoka**

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projects written into a 1902 statute.

Elimination of this racial discrimination marks the end of an epoch when anti-Orientalism ran rampant and means that nowhere in federal law is there any statute specifically discriminating against those of Asian ancestry.

The ten years since 1946, when the ADC was organized, have been successful ones for the JACL and persons of Japanese ancestry. May the next decade be equally satisfying and gratifying.

**Vital Statistics**

**Births**

**LOS ANGELES**  
SHIMIZU, Yasuo (Jean A. Yamagata) — girl Janice Keiko, May 11.  
SUGIMOTO, Takeo (Ruth Takanabe) — boy Randall S., May 15.  
SUGIMOTO, Larry T. (Ruth E. Umaki) — girl JoAnn Kimiko, May 8.  
SUZUKI, Richard K. (Elsie S. Yamaguchi) — girl Lorraine G., May 17.  
TAHARA, Masayoshi (Sumiko Kanimoto) — girl Patricia Midori, May 24.  
TAKII, John (Aileen L. Moskus) — boy John D., May 16.  
TANAKA, Sumio (Sumiko Kato) — boy Gerald Kenji, May 19.  
TAMARU, Takuji (Teruko Hokoda) — boy Ronald D., May 26.  
TANABE, Tetsuro (Marian K. Umeda) — girl Tomi L., May 6, Torrance.  
TANIZAWA, June (Dorothy T. Umekubo) — girl Donna Marie, May 8.  
YAMASHITA, Kiyoshi (Suzue Usami) — girl Jane Junko, May 9, Venice.

**CHICAGO**  
KITAHARA, Shig (Kay Kikugawa) — boy Corn Norman, June 15.

**Engagements**

HOSOZAWA-YOSHITAKE — Haruko to James, both Los Angeles.  
ISHIDA-GEE — June, Seattle, to Bill San Francisco.  
SAKATA-TAKEUCHI — June, Parlier, to Leo, North Fresno.  
TANAKA-HIKIDO — Alice to Katsumi, both San Jose.

**Marriage Licenses Issued**

FUJII-MURANO — Atsushi, 29; June W., 25, both Stockton.  
KURAHARA-VAN HORN — John Tatsuo and Kathryn E., both Loomis.  
MIYAUCHI-SHITAMAE — Etsura and Yoshiko, both Seattle.  
NAKAMURA-UMINO — Ben T., 22 (USN); Hideko, 21, Seattle.  
NISHIHARA-SUYEHIRO — Baron, San Jose; Alice, San Francisco.  
YAMAMOTO-MAOKI — Richard and L. Hideko, both Berkeley.

**Weddings**

FUJIMOTO-MATSUDA — June 17, William K. and Reiko, both Fowler.  
HORI-KIMURA — June 3, Dr. Frank, Los Angeles; June, Seattle.  
KAMIYA-DAITA — Akira, Berkeley; Grace K., San Jose.  
KANAYA-IWANAGA — June 17, Kim and Marian, San Jose.  
KAWACHI-MURAKAMI — May 26, Mitsuo and Kazuko, Seattle.  
KONDO-KONDO — June 17, Bill T. and Ayako, both Fowler.  
MATSUURA-HASE — June 24, Richard, Minneapolis; Dr. Ruth S., Hanford.  
NISHIOKA-OKAHATA — June 21, William and Norma C., both Fresno.  
NOGUCHI-SUGIOKA — June 3, Mickey, Torrance; Sally, Sebastopol.  
ONISHI-MORITA — June 17, Hiroshi and Elsie M., both Portland, Ore.  
OUCHIDA-FUJIMOTO — June 9, Thomas S., Minneapolis; Ruth H., North Platte, Neb.  
SHIKAMI-KASEGUMA — June 17, James, Lake Forest, Ill.; Lois, Lake Lawn, Ill.  
UBA-NODA — July 1, Dr. Makoto and Lillian, both Denver.  
URASHIMA-YAMAMOTO — June 17, Ray and Mary, both Fresno.

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Capping the final details of the Southwest L.A. JACL sponsored PSWDC pre-convention rally to be held on Sunday, July 29, at the Hollywood Riviera Club are Mas Hamasu (left) and Roy Sugimoto. The details will include swimming, dancing, dinner, children's events and girls. Being capped in the foyer of the swank Redondo Beach club are Nancy Sogi (left) and Grace Oba. Activities for this rally will begin at 1 p.m. Reservations are strongly urged and can be made with chapter presidents or the So. Calif. JACL Regional office.

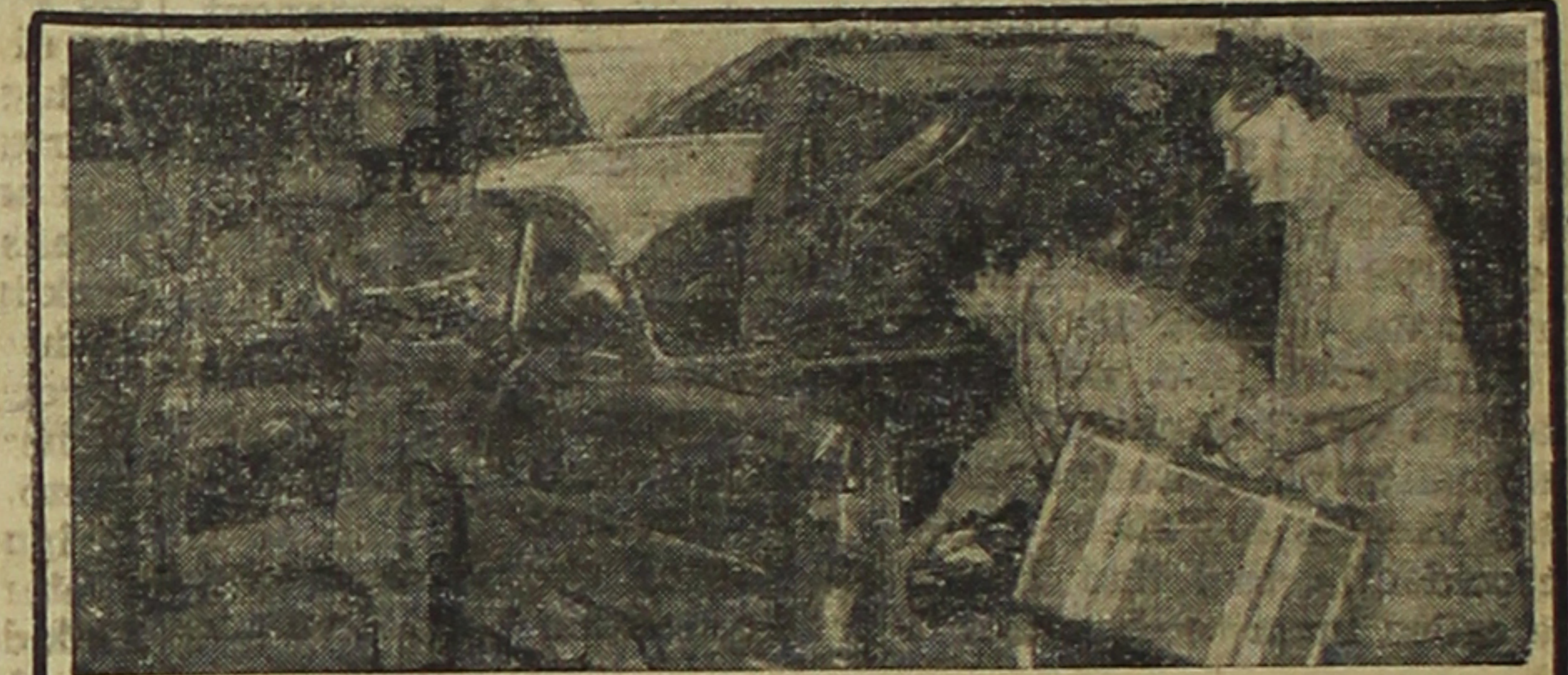
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WASHINGTON NEWSLETTER: by Mike Masaoka



## Decade of achievement

Washington

Ten years ago this July 9 one of the most significant organizations in the history of persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States was organized. That organization was the Anti-Discrimination Committee (ADC), incorporated under the laws of the State of Utah as the legislative arm of the JACL.

Separate incorporation was necessary in order to protect JACL's tax-exempt status and to comply with the Lobbying Act of 1946, just enacted by the Congress as part of the Reorganization Act and requiring all lobbyists and organizations interested in influencing federal legislation as a substantial part of their activities to register with the Clerk of the House and the Secretary of the Senate.

The articles of incorporation provided that the association would exist for only a decade; therefore, this month marks the official end of this organization, although four years ago the Board of Directors voted to suspend all operations because its legislative objectives had been achieved.

### Status ten years ago

Since the Congress has just enacted an amendment to the Evacuation Claims Act of 1948 to expedite the final determination of the remaining claims, it is interesting to note in passing that the major bill pending in the Congress in 1946 affecting Americans of Japanese ancestry was an evacuation claims commission bill which President Harry Truman then was endorsing most actively.

Legislation providing naturalization privileges for the resident alien Issei and the repeal of the immigration bars against the Japanese were still in the "thinking" stage. Two years later, the first general bill to accomplish these purposes was introduced by the late Delegate Joseph R. Farrington of Hawaii.

Ten years ago too, the Attorney General had just notified the Washington JACL Office that he would not move to deport treaty merchants, temporary visitors, and students who were stranded because of the war and whose status as immigrants was then in jeopardy. In 1948, the Congress enacted a statute to give the Attorney General discretionary power to suspend the deportation of deserving Japanese aliens and to adjust their status to that of immigrants admitted for permanent residence.

### Proposition 15

At that time, the so-called Oyama case was in the California courts to test whether the alien land laws of that state could discriminate against United States-born citizens insofar as the transfer of land was concerned. At that time too, one Takahashi was beginning his court case to challenge the constitutionality of a California law which denied commercial fishing licenses to "aliens ineligible to citizenship."

Coincidentally too, that November (1946) California voters were called upon to accept or reject Proposition No. 15, which would have validated several wartime and other amendments strengthening the alien land laws. Ten years later, this November, California voters will again be called upon to accept or reject Proposition No. 13, which would repeal the alien land law of 1920 from the state Constitution where it was placed by referendum.

### ADC'S record of achievement

ADC's unprecedented record of achievement in the political, judicial, administrative, and public relations fields are chronicled in 1954 Christmas Issue of the *Pacific Citizen*.

Summed briefly, the more important achievements include:

1. Naturalization privileges without regard to race, which has resulted in some 25,000 Issei becoming United States citizens. Moreover, the "ineligibility to citizenship" basis for racial discrimination against the Japanese in some 500 federal, state, and municipal laws and ordinances has been destroyed.
2. Immigration privileges extended to all nations, including Japan, thereby repealing the Exclusion Act of 1924. Some 25,000 Japanese have been admitted into this country for permanent residence since the effective date of the Walter-McCarran Act of 1952.
3. Evacuation claims totalling about \$30,000,000 have been paid to some 20,000 evacuees, with an additional twenty to thirty millions dollars more to be paid to the remaining claimants.
4. Suspension of deportation and adjustment of status for some 3500 Japanese, thereby preventing the separation of American families totalling more than 10,000 members.
5. Treaty of Peace with Japan ratified by Senate, thereby eliminating wartime "enemy alien" stigma from resident alien Japanese and heralding beginning of new era of United States-Japan friendship and cooperation.
6. Contraband articles act enacted authorizing payment for lost or damaged articles left with local and federal police and security officers at outbreak of war.
7. Alien land law declared unconstitutional. United States Supreme Court ruled Nisei citizens may not be treated differently from other United States citizens; California and Oregon Supreme Courts nullify own alien land laws; other states repealed theirs.
8. United States Supreme Court in Takahashi case declared unconstitutional California law denying Issei commercial fishing licenses as "conservation measure".
9. Racially restrictive housing covenants, segregation in public schools and other places of public accommodations, etc., ruled unconstitutional by United States Supreme Court.
10. Cooperated in filming, and national release of MGM's "Go For Broke", the story of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, which represents the finest effort to sympathetically portray Japanese American problems to the public at large.

These ten achievements represent only a few of the many which are featured in an entire section of the annual Christmas PC for 1954.

Perhaps symbolic of the official termination of the ADC as an organization under the terms of its charter is the bill signed into law on May 10, 1956, which eliminates the prohibition against the use of Mongolian labor on federal reclamation.

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## Vice Pres. Nixon praises Nisei in letter to confab

SAN FRANCISCO — Expressing pleasure in sending greetings for the 14th biennial national JACL convention to be held here Aug. 31-Sept. 3, Vice President Richard Nixon praised Japanese Americans in a letter received recently by National JACL President George Inagaki.

"This meeting symbolizes the fact that Americans of Japanese ancestry have contributed greatly to the upbuilding of this country in many ways. It calls to mind the absolute necessity of creating and maintaining yet stronger ties between our country and Japan.

"Living in this epoch of political freedom, Americans of Japanese extraction will respond not only to their economic opportunities but to their political responsibilities as citizens. All of us are committed to defend the free way of life against Communist forces or subversion.

"My very best wishes to you for a most successful and enjoyable gathering."

Thelma Takeda, program booklet editor, and Sim Togasaki, business manager of the booklet, reminded that July 13 would be the absolute deadline for chapter and business ads for the 14th Biennial National Convention Booklet.

## Japanese house deeded to Philadelphia park

NEW YORK. — The Japanese Exhibition House on the grounds of the Museum of Modern Art is being dismantled after two summers during which it attracted almost a quarter of a million visitors and was seen by millions on television. It has been added to Fairmount Park in Philadelphia to be on permanent exhibition beginning in August or September.

The leading Japanese architect Junzo Yoshimura, who originally designed the re-creation of a 16th Century mansion, will design its Philadelphia setting on a plot that includes a stream and a lake. Yoshimura is also supervising dismantling and reconstruction.

The house was presented to the Museum of Modern Art two years ago by the America-Japan Society of Tokyo and private citizens in Japan and the United States. The Japanese garden in which it was set will remain as part of the Museum's outdoor sculpture court.

## Claimant's expense to regain clear title of property due to failure to surrender land free and clear ruled 'compensable'

WASHINGTON.— Expenditure by an evacuee claimant to regain clear title to property because of breach of lease and in failure to surrender the property free and clear of all charges per lease agreement was ruled as a compensable item by the Dept. of Justice, the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League was informed this week.

The facts involved in the case were a claimant in a relocation center, acting through his attorney in fact, entered into a lease with a termination date with a tenant. The agreement was that the tenant was to receive 70 per cent of the proceeds of all crops grown, harvested and sold, after deduction of certain charges specified in the lease, and he was to surrender the lease leaving no indebtedness of any kind and would hold the claimant free and harmless from any liability whatsoever.

As a result of a severe hail storm and severe damage to the crop, the tenant, in breach of his lease agreement, abandoned the premises and disappeared.

The tenant had previously executed a crop mortgage agreement, which had been duly recorded in the official records, and had had certain sums of monies advanced to him by the company.

Upon the departure of the tenant, the attorney in fact took over the operation of the farm, incurring other expenditures, and after harvesting the crops, there still remained an indebtedness to the

## SENATE CONFIRMATION OF MARUMOTO FOR T.H. TOP COURT MAY BE TOO LATE

WASHINGTON.—Senate confirmation on the nomination of Masaji Morimoto of Honolulu to be an associate justice in the Hawaii territorial supreme court appears unlikely at this session, according to Mike Masaoka, Washington representative of the Japanese American Citizens League.

Because of the lateness of the current session and of the many other nominations to the federal judiciary pending before the Senate Judiciary Committee, it was regarded as very unlikely that the committee would be able to act upon Morimoto's nomination.

His appointment for a term of four years is subject to confirmation by the Senate.

Masaoka is quoted as saying that President Eisenhower and Republican Delegate Mrs. Joseph R. Farrington from Hawaii are to be commended for nominating two outstanding Nisei barristers in Hawaii for federal judgeships.

Benjamin M. Tashiro of Kauai, who is now serving as a circuit court judge in the Fifth Circuit Court, Territory of Hawaii, is the first Nisei ever to be confirmed by the Senate for a federal judgeship. His appointment was confirmed by the Senate on June 7, 1955. A former Deputy Attorney General for the Territory of Hawaii, he took his oath of office on June 21, 1955.

The first Nisei ever to be nominated for a federal judgeship was Magistrate Robert K. Murakami who was nominated by former President Harry S. Truman to be third judge of the First Circuit Court of Hawaii in June 1952.

A Honolulu attorney, Murakami's nomination was made too late in the session to enable the Senate Judiciary committee to hold hearings to confirm his nomination, and he was consequently given an interim appointment. With the change in administration, his nomination was allowed to expire.

## First Nisei woman sheriff deputy gets jail post

Mrs. Annabelle F. Ishii, 28, became the first Nisei female deputy sheriff in Los Angeles county this week and was congratulated by Sheriff Eugene Biscailuz.

Mother of two boys, Craig 6 and Dane 3, she joined the sheriff's department in October, 1954, as a civilian clerk, and last July 2 assigned with her badge to the Terminal Island jail facility.

Marumoto is the first Nisei to be nominated for a position on the Supreme Court of the Territory of Hawaii. The other two nominations were for the circuit courts.

## Oriental would be accepted by anti-segregation South

HONOLULU. — Southerners who fight integration would not bar Orientals, newspapermen here were told recently by Ralph B. Bienville, president of the Louisiana Press Association visiting the Islands as guest of the Secretary of the Navy.

"I think Orientals would be accepted (in the South) because of their record in the services, and because they have a very good record in sports.

"We like athletics very much in our area.

"No, I don't think Orientals would have any trouble there" in the South.

But with Negroes, Louisiana is "using court action to delay" the Supreme Court's race rulings on "everything"—and "we think the cases will be there quite a while."

## Magazine features poets of contemporary Japan

NEW YORK. — The May issue of Poetry magazine, the one published in the United States as distinguished from the British periodical of the same name, is devoted entirely to contemporary poetry in Japan.

The poems were edited and translated by Satoru Sato assisted by Constance Urdang. Reviews of recent Japanese anthologies and criticism contributed by William Meredith, Charles MacSherry and Wallace Fowle, as well as brief notes of identification of the poets are contained in the issue.

Satoru Sato, who was born in Tokyo in 1923, attended the Writers' Workshop at the University of Iowa from 1953 to 1955. Constance Urdang is a young poet working with Paul Engle at the same school.

## City commissioner

Dr. James M. Goto was reappointed for another four-year term as chairman of the City Employees Retirement Commission by Los Angeles Mayor Norris Poulson. The Li'l Tokio surgeon is the sole Nisei city commissioner.

## CALENDAR

- July 14 (Saturday)  
 Gardena Valley — Election meeting, Community Center 2000 Market.  
 East Los Angeles — "Strictly Informal" dance, International Institute, 8 p.m.  
 Stockton — Coronation dinner - dance, Empire Room, Clark Hotel, 7:30 p.m.
- July 15 (Sunday)  
 Detroit — Community picnic, Middle Rouge Park.  
 Seattle — Community picnic.  
 Twin Cities — Fishing derby, Forest Lake.  
 Eden Township — Community picnic, Roberts Rec. Area 1, Oakland, 11 a.m.
- July 21 (Saturday)  
 Salinas — Rodeo dance, Knights of Pythias Hall, 1175 S. Main St., 10 p.m.
- July 22 (Sunday)  
 Pasadena — Steak Bake, Oak Grove Park, 3 p.m.  
 NC-WNDC — Pre-convention rally, Sequoia CL hosts, Rickey's Studio Club.  
 Venice-Culver — Graduates' beach party (tent).  
 Downtown L.A. — Benefit concert, Koyasan Hall, Shige Yano, soprano.  
 July 29 (Sunday)  
 Richmond-El Cerrito — Community picnic, Camp Laurel, Tilden Regional Park, 11 a.m.  
 PSWDC — Pre-Convention Rally, Southwest L.A. hosts; Hollywood Riviera Club, Redondo Beach, 10 a.m.
- Aug. 3 (Friday)  
 San Francisco — Pre-Confab Round-up, Gyosei Hall, 8 p.m.