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PRESIDENT'S CORNER:

Nisei keeps pace with America's growth

Past national JACL president George Inagaki has entered a new field. He is now the Southern California Nisei manager for a mutual investment fund company.

It is generally acknowledged that the status of the Nisei has grown and developed in many ways in the post-war era. The Nisei have made rapid strides legally, socially, politically and economically.

George Inagaki has been fortunate in helping to bring these conditions about, not only through his association with JACL but through his many activities in other groups: business, social services and civic.

In contrast to the futile prewar days and in sharper contrast to the lonely and depressing days of evacuation and incarceration, the Nisei at long last are coming into their own. Jobs, businesses and professions as well as families and homes have now been established upon a solid basis. The great increase in postwar wealth and prosperity of the United States has filtered into almost every segment of our society. The Nisei too have kept pace. Perhaps they have even traveled a little faster than their fellow Americans because they keenly felt the urge to make up for lost time.

At any rate, many Nisei are now looking for new avenues of investment. They are looking for opportunities to participate in the growth of America and they wish to help the industries of America create more jobs for more people. This type of people's capitalism which the Communists decry is the heartbeat of our economy and is responsible for the tremendous growth and development of American business and industry.

We know that JACLers everywhere will join us in wishing George Inagaki every success in his new venture. If his past performances are any criteria, we feel that George will rapidly become a leader in this new field.

—Dr. Roy Nishikawa

Prop. 13 wins by 2-1 margin

JACL, NISEI URGED TO WIDEN FIGHT IN CIVIL RIGHTS FIELD BY NCAAP OFFICIAL

MARYSVILLE. — The Nisei and JACL were challenged to take a more active role in the field of human rights by going beyond the immediate problems peculiar to Americans of Japanese ancestry by Nathaniel S. Colley, Sacramento attorney and president of the Central Area NAACP.

He spoke before the delegates attending the final quarterly meeting of the No. Calif.-Western Nevada District Council, which met in the city council chambers here.

Akiji Yoshimura of Marysville elected NC-WNDC chairman

MARYSVILLE. — JACL's latest sapphire pin awardee, Akiji Yoshimura of Colusa, was elected chairman of the No. Calif.-Western Nevada District Council at its final quarterly meeting here last Sunday.

Yoshimura, member of the host Marysville chapter, succeeded Yasuo Abiko of San Francisco to the district chairmanship and by virtue of his election to this office will serve on the National JACL board for 1957.

Other district officers named Sunday are Frank Oda of San Francisco and Sonoma chapter member, vice-chmn.; Kenji Fujii of Hayward, Eden Township chapter, treas.; and Sumi Honami of San Francisco, sec. (re-elected).

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It is the general feeling among other groups that the JACL is concerned in civil rights matters only when it is directly involved and that Japanese Americans are less enthusiastic in a general fight for civil rights," he told the group frankly.

He called for better coordination between minority groups, not only to gain mutual ends but also to avoid misunderstandings and prejudices between such groups.

Law partner of Mamoru Sakuma of Sacramento, Colley had been invited to discuss minority housing. He reviewed the 1948 U.S. Supreme Court decision outlawing the restrictive covenants and told how subdividers, real estate businessmen and lending agencies have circumvented the ruling.

He cited the Ming case of a Sacramento Negro contesting the practice of subdividers, realtors, lending agencies and others restricting the purchase of new homes by Caucasians only. The case is to be heard in the California supreme court in January.

He declared that a ban on restrictions in housing is "more important than school segregation as housing restrictions create ghettos which result in virtually segregated schools through school zone regulations."

(Mas Satow, in his National Director's report on page 4 makes his observations of the same meet-

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Calif. Alien Land Law repealed, but number of 'nays' significant

A sobering view on the results of Prop. 13 was expressed by Dr. Roy Nishikawa, national JACL president, when he noted that on the basis of projected returns that over one million votes will be cast "against" the Proposition "despite the fact that it provided for the repeal of a dead law and organized opposition was not apparent."

"There is a lesson to be learned," Dr. Nishikawa believed, "in that no group can ever afford to become complacent. If the Committee for Yes on Prop. 13 and JACL chapters had not participated in this campaign, the decision might have gone the other way.

"It again clearly demonstrates that eternal vigilance and unified action is the price that we must pay," he declared.

Dr. Nishikawa was extremely gratified by the passage of Prop. 13. "All Americans of Japanese ancestry rejoice on this occasion and we are grateful to the JACL chapters, our friends and supporters and the majority of voters who made this victory possible."

It was also his understanding that Californians passed a proposition numbered 13 for the first time in state history.

Plot of new WW2 film protested by Hawaiian editor

LIHUE, Kauai. — Garden Islanders have taken offense at the fictional plot of a movie scheduled to be filmed here showing disloyalty among local residents before Pearl Harbor Day.

Editor Mike Fern of the weekly Garden Island said any film implying there was espionage on Kauai during World War II "casts aspersions on the loyalty of every resident here."

There was no such activity on the island, Fern said.

Howard W. Koch, of Bel-Air Productions, director of the filming which will start here Wednesday, termed the plot "purely fictional. We don't say any of it's true."

The plot, a love triangle on a Kauai plantation just before Pearl Harbor Day, has a white man carrying on the fifth column activity, he said.

"Only one or two" Japanese are shown in a bad light as his "assistants," Koch said.

Because of objection, Koch has revised the film script to "Jungle Heat" deleting any fifth column activity by local residents.

Nisei airman's bride gets citizenship early

FRESNO. — Mrs. Kimie Hayano, wife of Sgt. Itsuo Hayano of Castle Air Force Base near Merced, became the first person to be granted her U. S. citizenship in a ceremony held at the local federal court. Heretofore, naturalization ceremonies were held at the local superior court.

A special provision also aided Mrs. Hayano become a citizen so that she may accompany her husband who is being transferred back to Japan although she did not fulfill the required time for citizenship. They were married in 1954.

Prop. 13 to repeal the 1920 Alien Land Law, from tabulations up to Thursday afternoon covering more than half of the 24,984 precincts in California, has been termed as successful.

From the hour snap tallies on the proposition were reported early Wednesday, a 2-1 margin was evidenced in favor of the measure which finally inters the 1920 law that has been inoperative by state supreme court ruling and the 1952 Walter-McCarran Immigration and Nationality Act.

Official tally at the Sacramento Secretary of State office begins on Nov. 23.

The latest tabulation shows:
STATEWIDE TALLY
14,840 out of 24,984 Precincts
Yes 1,504,897
No 746,024

The Pacific Citizen yesterday, in checking with Southern California counties, reported:

LOS ANGELES COUNTY
5,974 out of 8,841 precincts
Yes 658,673
No 308,556
ORANGE COUNTY
Complete—678 Precincts
Yes 81,947
No 48,357
SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY
588 out of 652 Precincts
Yes 62,424
No 38,065
SAN DIEGO COUNTY
1,396 out of 1,440 Precincts
Yes 140,734
No 86,368
IMPERIAL COUNTY
Complete—96 Precincts
Yes 7,898
No 4,910
SANTA BARBARA COUNTY
Complete—202 Precincts
Yes 24,463
No 9,656

On the basis of late returns Wednesday, Japanese editors of both Rafu Shimpo and Shin Nichi Bei commented that the number of "no" votes as evidenced in the Prop. 13 question disproved pre-election feeling among some of its readers that the high degree of acceptance of Japanese residents in California was beyond question.

Both Japanese section editors pointed out the 2 to 1 ratio could not be regarded lightly, urging that Japanese Americans still need to be on their toes in promoting goodwill in the community.

(It should be understood that voters have a tendency to vote "no" on any proposition if they are in doubt and not necessarily anti-Japanese.)

Shin Nichi Bei further urged that it was time to further Issei-Nisei cooperation to improve community goodwill. It recalled that some Issei and Nisei were of the opinion that the Prop. 13 was needed.

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Major share of postwar high status of Nisei-Issei goes to JACL, ADL told

NEW YORK. — The National ADL Bulletin, published by the Anti-Defamation League of the B'nai B'rith, tells the Japanese American story in its October issue.

Entitled "The Nisei Make the grade," author Stanley S. Jacobs of the San Francisco ADL office describes the hate and prejudice that existed before the war, the aftermath of Pearl Harbor and the efforts of JACL to help "Nisei make the grade."

(Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Jacobs were guests at the recent national JACL convention banquet representing the Jewish Community Relations Council of San Francisco.)

Jacobs writes: "A major share of credit for the postwar high status of Nisei and Issei goes to the Japanese American Citizens League, founded by a handful of Nisei in Seattle in 1930. As it grew, it pressed for easing of restrictive legislation. Then came Pearl Harbor—and the JACL had more than it could handle.

"Some Issei and Nisei were bitter at the League on the grounds that it could have forestalled government action against Japanese. But JACL leaders faced reality. In relocation camps they urged patience to avert bloodshed. They launched a program of public education, to destroy the vicious 'fifth column' stereotype of Japanese Americans.

"The JACL fought organized persecution in the courts, published a newspaper, maintained a speakers' bureau, pushed to the U.S. Supreme Court a test case challenging the legality of the evacuation. It met racist attempts to get Japanese names off the ballot with

militant legal action, and ended the threat of disenfranchisement.

"When evacuees were permitted to move inland, the JACL opened offices in Denver, Chicago and New York to aid newcomers in finding jobs and shelter, and in coping with prejudices. Chapters sprouted in every city which accepted Japanese Americans. Late in 1944, the Supreme Court announced in the JACL-sponsored Endo case that American citizens could not legally be detained in relocation camps. Simultaneously, the Army rescinded its West Coast exclusion orders."

After his interview with Mas Satow, national JACL director, at San Francisco, Jacobs noted the return of the Nisei to the coast was painful. "But, doggedly, the JACL encouraged the return to the Coast, aided by a rash of civic unity committees, which were formed after the war. National agencies, such as the Anti-Defamation League, cooperated in fighting the prejudice against Nisei and Issei. ADL films and printed materials were used with telling effect," the article continues.

In summarizing the situation of today, Jacobs says "there are still pin-pricks of discrimination against Nisei and Issei," citing housing and some civic and fraternal clubs which refuse to accept Orientals as well as Negroes and Jews.

He quotes in closing Haruo Ishimaru, former JACL regional director in San Francisco, who is now selling insurance. "We're coming into our own at last—as first class Americans. It's a good feeling, being liked and accepted. But we had to work for it."

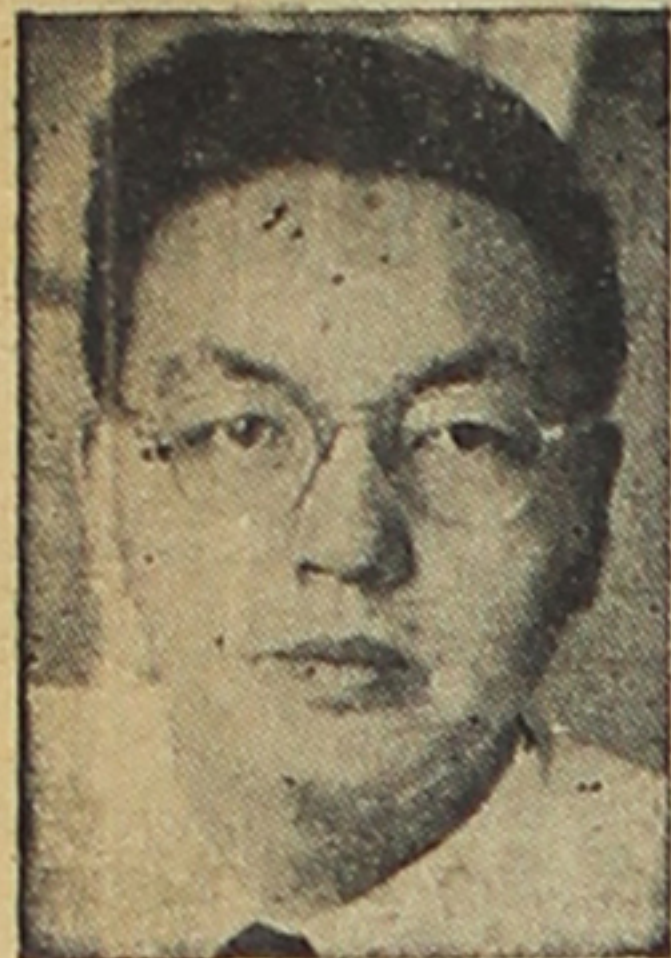
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FROM THE FRYING PAN: by Bill Hosokawa



Campaign post-mortem

Denver

It is probably true that more Japanese Americans took part in the election campaign just concluded than ever before in history. The campaign which came to a close this week saw many hundreds of new voters—Issei, Nisei and Sansei—exercising for the first time their inalienable rights as citizens, the right to cast a

ballot for president.

Last week's issue of *The Pacific Citizen* demonstrated a couple of things that ought to be set down for the record. First, it was reiterated that the Nisei are anything but a racial voting bloc. There are Nisei Democrats and Nisei Republicans, and their choice of party affiliation is probably based on reasons as profound and as frivolous as those of other Americans. And second, it was pointed up that the Nisei wield a political influence out of ratio to the number of their votes. When political parties pay good money to buy space in a publication such as *The Pacific Citizen*, you know that they respect and court the Japanese American voter.

This last point has been demonstrated in other ways, too. For instance, the fact that important candidates in the last few weeks made special efforts to show up at JACL chapter meetings in many parts of the country. They may have done little more than shake hands and express an interest in the problems of "your people," whatever that may mean, but at least they plugged for the Nisei vote.

Except in a few small areas with an unusually heavy concentration of Nisei, their vote won't ever mean very much in terms of numbers. But it's nice for the group to be recognized as thoughtful citizens who do not exercise their ballots lightly.

JAPANESE AMERICAN VOTERS

I suppose it's not giving away any secrets to report that I cast my first vote for a president 20 years ago this week. The man's name was Franklin Delano Roosevelt and he had captured the country's imagination like a knight on a white charger. Lots of other people liked him, too. He was elected in the historic Democratic landslide of 1936 and it takes a bit of remembering to recall the name of his opponent, a now obscure Kansan named Alf Landon.

As Nisei history goes, two decades is a long time ago. There were only a relative handful of Nisei voters in 1936 even though some of them had reached their majority in the early 'twenties and perhaps had voted for Silent Cal Coolidge. Since 1936, however, the number of Nisei and Sansei voters has increased vastly. And now this year a heartening number of Issei men, whose naturalization as citizens was delayed by technicalities, were eligible to vote for the first time.

TEL-AVIV VISITOR

Welly Shibata, who studied journalism at the University of Washington and went on to become managing editor of the English *Mainichi* in Japan, just missed being in the middle of one of the year's biggest stories. He was visiting in Tel-Aviv, Israel, a few days before the Israeli army attacked Egypt. But by the time fighting got under way in earnest he was en route home by way of Manila.

Never have had an occasion to ask Welly how he happened to get his name. One of his professors told me, though, that Welly's mother intended to name him Willie but didn't get it spelled right. Out of respect for his mother, the prof said, Welly kept his name the way she wrote it. If he sees this, maybe Welly can either confirm this story or set me right.

Oldtime Nisei may remember Welly as a man of many talents. While attending the University of Washington he worked on Jimmie Sakamoto's Japanese American Courier and wrote a delightful column called *Salmagundi*. It was notable for its puckish humor, the kind of column no Nisei since has been successful in writing. Later Shibata worked for San Francisco English sections before heading for Japan. Not only was he an accomplished pianist, but he was an excellent ventriloquist before Edgar Bergen became a household word. On top of all that, he's a darned good newspaperman, which probably accounts for the fact that he turned up in Tel-Aviv just before the sparks began to fly.

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Hayakawa retains stand Nisei social groups as 'crutches'

SAN FRANCISCO. — Still maintaining his stand that the "very existence of Nisei organization acts as a hindrance to integration," Dr. Samuel I. Hayakawa, Canadian-born Nisei and well-known semantist now on the faculty of San Francisco State College, again declined an invitation to address a Nisei collegiate conference.

In a letter to David Yamakawa, Jr., who extended the invitation for the California Intercollegiate Nisei Organization which holds its annual conference in Berkeley late next month, Dr. Hayakawa explained: "This racial self-consciousness has got to be stopped some time. Since I look forward to the time when Sansei will stop thinking of themselves as 'Sansei' and think of themselves as ordinary Americans instead, I must decline to take part in a discussion that can only increase, rather than lessen, racial self-consciousness."

Dr. Hayakawa last year refused an invitation to address a CINO conference when it was held in San Jose, touching off widespread debate on the subject. Most Nisei student groups, including one at McGill University in Canada, opposed his position.

At that time, he wrote to Bob Fuchigami:

"I believe Nisei social organizations should cease to exist. (Nisei basketball leagues, bridge clubs, fishing tournament, dancing clubs, ect.) These are social crutches that are not needed any more—but so long as we use them we shall imagine they are needed. (Issei clubs are different—they have problems of language and culture different from those of Nisei). We shall learn to walk as free men and women among equals in a democratic society when, and only when, we throw away the crutches."

The former Univ. of Chicago lecturer also, in his address on "How to be Sane Though Negro" at San Francisco State College last April, advised American Negroes to abandon their "Jim Crow of the mind" in order to meet and associate with white people at an equal level.

Dr. Hayakawa publicly opposed JACL when it sought passage of the McCarran-Walter Immigration and Nationality Act because of the inequities to other minority groups though the Issei were to be given the right of naturalization.

Wakayama village aided by Santa Maria Issei

SANTA MARIA. — Yaemon Minami, pioneer Issei farmer here who recently went to Japan with a tourist group, has contributed \$5,000,000 (about \$14,000) to his native Wakayama village of Esumi. The benefactor, who donated the JACL flag which was unfurled for the first time at the San Francisco convention, this past month joined the 1000 Club.

Nominations meeting

PORTLAND. — The Portland JACL will have its nomination meeting for 1957 officers this Saturday, Nov. 10, at the Nikkeijinkai.

TOP PHARMACY AWARD AT U.C. WON BY REEDLEY NISEI
 SAN FRANCISCO. — Harry H. Kawagoe of Reedley was named recipient of the O. C. Hansen memorial plaque and Merck award by the scholarship and prizes committee of the Univ. of California college of pharmacy. The Hansen plaque is given to the senior student maintaining the highest scholarship throughout his four years of study. The Merck award goes to the student with the highest grades in pharmaceutical chemistry and pharmacy.

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Seaman learns English while serving manslaughter term, due parole in May

OAKLAND. — The State Parole Board has fixed the imprisonment term of Gentaro Kato, a Japanese seaman who stabbed a Lodi Nisei farmer to death in a San Francisco restaurant brawl, to six years and will be eligible for parole in May, 1957.

This was revealed in a letter written by Kato in English from his ward at Vacaville Medical Center to his attorney Mas Yonemura.

Kato had appeared before the parole board on Sept. 26 at which time he was told that he would be eligible for parole at the end of 2½ years or on or about May 17, 1957. He would be handed over to the immigration Service on this date for deportation to Japan.

Kato was convicted of manslaughter for stabbing Shigeru R. Masaoka, 23, a Lodi farmer on the early morning of Sept. 26, 1954, in a Buchanan St. Japanese restaurant. Both had been drinking. He was sent to San Quentin to serve his term.

It was recalled that petitions were sent to the California Parole Board by Kato's wife and members of his community in Japan. These petitions came too late for consideration at the hearing last year, but were apparently considered this year.

Commenting on the letter written by Kato, who is 29 years old, Attorney Yonemura said:

"Kato has studied English diligently and writes me periodically in English. . . His letters are grammatically correct and show none of the awkwardness so often char-

acteristic of Japanese who write in English.

"I feel that under all the circumstances of the case the sentence is a fair one and that the ends of justice have been met. He has recovered his health, learned a hobby, and has utilized his time in prison effectively by learning English."

Kato's letter to Yonemura said in part: "I will soon be back with my wife and baby and I want to thank you from the very depths of my heart for the help you have given me. My wife and son are in good health now and my wife is working a little. I wrote her yesterday to inform her of the parole board's decision and I am sure that she also will be very happy indeed."

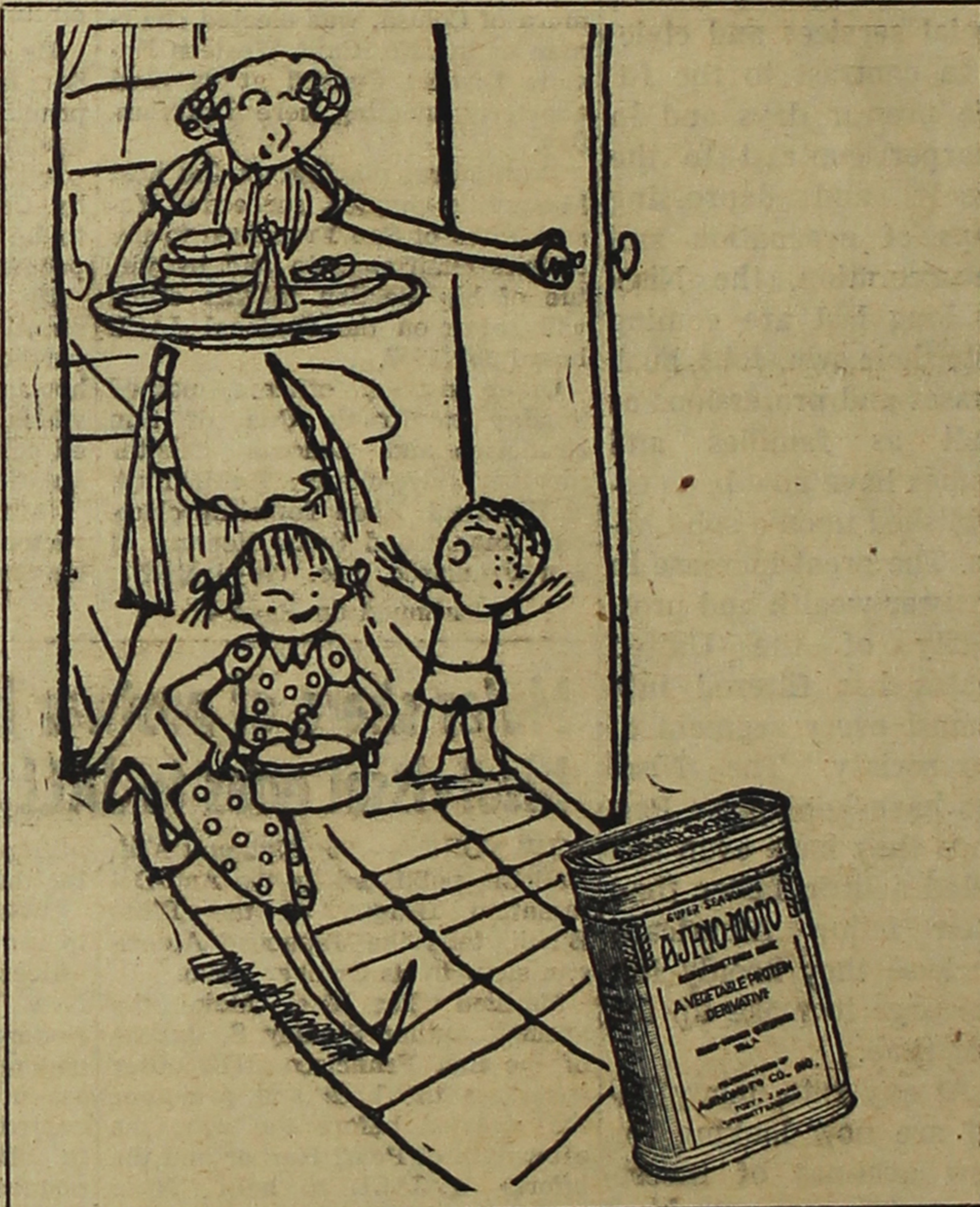
"I am still waiting to enter the institution hobby shop. I am pretty sure that I will be able to enter by the middle of October at the latest."

"I am now in good health. I am working with weightlifting every day and I feel good, and have had no recurring attack of T.B."

Kato was a crew-member of the British-American Oil Co. tanker B.A. Canada on shore leave at the time of the incident.

NEBRASKAN OBTAINED INTO BUDDHIST PRIESTHOOD

TOKYO. — Robert C. Wheeler, 32, of Nebraska City, Neb., took the name of Shuzen upon his ordination as a Buddhist priest recently at the Enryakuji near Kyoto. He became interested in Buddhism while in Maui in 1947. He came to Japan to study in 1953.



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Sojin Kamiyama

(In his many guest columns Bob Okazaki, motion picture and TV actor, has told the fabulous stories of some of the Japanese in early-day Hollywood. Today's subject is one of the most fascinating of all, Sojin Kamiyama. Bob, incidentally, will be seen as Cha Hak Do, an ageless Korean grandfather, in one of John Nesbitt's *Passing Parade*, "The Sergeant Boyd Story," on the CBS network on Dec. 23.)

By BOB OKAZAKI

The impact of Western civilization during the Meiji Era (1868-1911) on a long-isolated Japan gave birth to the modern theater in a country which had since the seventh century preserved and nurtured mask dances, Bugaku court dances and music, Noh lyric dramas, the Bunraku puppet theater, and the Kabuki popular theater.

In the 19th and 20th centuries, with the influx of the ideas from the world outside the island country, there rose the Shimpa (New) theater and the modern theater as Japanese know it today. Imported from Europe and America were the opera, vaudeville, circus, burlesque, music hall, and the motion picture.

Japanese actors and playwrights journeyed to the theaters of Europe and America. Confused, excited, they brought back with them dramatic theories of the west. The plays of Shakespeare and Ibsen were translated into the Japanese language and performed on the stage, sometimes with strange innovations like Lady Macbeth coming from the wings on a "rickshaw".

SHAKESPEARAN TROUPER

Kamiyama Sojin, born in 1891 in the town of Sendai, grew up in the midst of this hectic, revolutionary, confused climate of Meiji era theater. He went to school at Waseda University, plunged into dramatics, and then became a member of the Imperial Theater troupe of Shakespearean actors.

During his 20 years on the stage he played the roles of Shylock in *The Merchant of Venice*, and the title roles in *Hamlet*, *Macbeth*, and *Othello*.

He was leading man in Tolstoy's *Resurrection*, was Faust in Goethe's *Faust*, starred in *A Leading Part* and other Ibsen plays. He also produced, directed, and appeared in more than 100 western dramas presented for the first time on the Japanese stage.

In 1917, at the height of his stage career, Sojin, accompanied by his wife, led a troupe of actors to Hawaii. There an entertainment-hungry horde of Nipponese unrolled the proverbial red carpet. They wined, dined, and feted the matinee idol of the new Japan.

On the mainland in Los Angeles three ambitious young Issei, carrying canes, wearing yellow gloves, high button shoes, and derby hats, read in the Rafu Shimpō of the tremendous popularity of Sojin in Hawaii. The trio decided to bring Sojin and his troupe to the West Coast. Ben Akahori, Harry Saisho and Frank Umezaki (their first names prove that they were "All Right Nicks") formed the Trio Promotion Company, with an office on Weller Street, a stone's throw from where the new L.A. Police Building now stands.

Under the aegis of the Trio Promotion Company, Sojin sailed into Los Angeles Harbor, recruited would-be actors from the rooming houses, pool halls, and lunch counters of Lil Tokio, and went into rehearsals of Shakespeare's *Merchant of Venice*.

The Trio Promotion boys leased the Mason Opera House (now torn down to make way for another Civic Center building), then the finest theater in town. The metropolitan newspapers burst out with publicity blurbs about the Nipponese Shakespearean presentation. And if today, in 1956, the *Mikado* and *Madame Butterfly* being staged by the Fujiwara Opera Company "direct from Tokyo" gets reviews in Time Magazine, Newsweek, and slick paper periodicals, Sojin and his *Merchant of Venice* almost 40 years ago made some kind of high water mark.

No wonder, then, that the Mason Opera House was packed to the rafters with Nipponese from all over Southern California when Sojin as "Shylock" appeared before the footlights in the Shakespearean classic. And no wonder, too, that Caucasian American society sat in orchestra seats and that among them were motion picture producers, leading men, directors, and agents from Hollywood. "Clever, these Nipponese," they said. "Fine delineation," they said of Sojin's "Shylock" (whatever they meant). It is said that Sojin got 12 curtain calls at the end of the performance.

But back-stage there was turmoil. The Trio Promotion lads and Sojin got into a furious argument over the split of the boxoffice "takes." Before dawn Sojin was Seattle-bound on a fast express.

CHARACTER ACTOR FOR MOVIES

A year or so later, the Trio boys had organized the Diana Pictures Corporation and were producing motion pictures in a rented studio in Hollywood. But that's another story. Meanwhile, Sojin, hibernating in Seattle, exchanged letters and apologies with the Trio boys. All was forgiven. In due time the Trio Promotion Company, by then the Diana Pictures Corporation, sent Sojin train fare and the erstwhile stage actor began to emote in front of the camera.

Sojin's first "break" was in United Artists' *The Thief of Bagdad* in which he played the part of the Mongolian prince. Weighing 140 pounds and standing 5 ft. 9 in., he wore built-up foot gear to make him more than 6 ft. in height.

He followed with impressive performances as Daman, the pirate chief, in *The Rescue*, as Lee Tai the Chinese millionaire, in *East of Suez*, the sultan in *The Lady of the Harem*, and Sadik, the Jewish jeweler in *The Wanderer*.

At First National Pictures, he took the parts of the Arabian sheik in *All Aboard*, the Chinese general in *The Hawk's Nest*, and the Sultan in *Seven Footprints to Satan*. He then appeared as the Chinese ambassador in *Diplomacy*, the Chinese mandarin in *Streets of Shanghai* for Tiffany-Stahl; as the Chinese detective in *The Chinese Parrot*, in the first of Hollywood's Charlie Chan pictures; a Universal picture as the

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Presidential decree to admit almost all Japanese orphans adopted in Japan by U.S. parents; final adjustment coming

WASHINGTON. — Almost all of the Japanese orphans adopted in Japan by American citizens will be admissible this year under the Refugee Relief Act without regard to the numerical limitations in the statute, reported the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League.

By Presidential decree, the orphans who were admitted over the Refugee Relief Act quota will enter the United States with special permits, and the next Congress will be asked by the Administration to adjust their status for permanent residence.

From 300-500 Japanese orphans adopted by U.S. citizens residing in Japan have become immediately eligible to come to the United States under the new regulations. Without the new change the orphans would have been barred from entry because of the over-subscription of available visas under the Refugee Relief Act.

Nearly 1,000 Japanese orphans, however, have already qualified and received their non-quota visas prior to the oversubscription of orphan visas. Other Japanese orphans who fulfill all of the qualifications under the Refugee Relief Act except the possession of a visa will also be admissible under the new rules.

Discussions by the Washington JACL Office with officials of the Refugee Relief Program and the Immigration and Naturalization

Service revealed that the complete regulations governing these orphans above the quota limitations are still being promulgated. It was noted, however, that there will be no numerical or quota limitations as to the number of Japanese orphans admissible under the new procedure but that such orphans must have their assurances completed and approved by the American Consulates in Japan prior to Dec. 31, 1956.

The new regulation also provide that the orphan, whether already adopted or to be adopted in the United States, need not necessarily accompany his American citizen parents into this country.

Inasmuch as the Refugee Relief Act provides that the orphan must be under ten years of age at the time they receive their visas, officials of the program anticipate that orphans entering under the new rules must also be under ten years of age at the time their special travel and entry permits are issued. However, this rule has not yet been finalized, the officials told the Washington JACL Office.

Caution was expressed for those who now plan to sponsor a Japanese orphan into the United States for adoption because there is some doubt if sufficient time remains in this year for processing all of the necessary assurances and documents.

Only those orphans whose papers are completed by the American

Consulates in Japan before midnight, Dec. 31, 1956, can qualify under the new changes. The Refugee Relief Act expires at the same time.

Orphans admitted under the new procedures will be given special certificates of identity allowing them to enter the United States. They would then be paroled in the custody of their adopting parents. When the next Congress convenes in January, it will be requested to authorize the legal entry of these children for permanent residence.

In granting the admission of the orphans, the President utilized a special provision of the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952 granting the President certain powers to admit aliens into the United States on a temporary basis.

Temporary laborers at Ventura groves

OXNARD. — The third group of temporary Japanese farm laborers arrived late last month and are working in the citrus groves of Ventura County.

According to the San Francisco office of the Federation of Japanese Overseas Association, there were 91 leaving Tokyo Oct. 25. There is now a total of 346 Japanese workers in California temporarily on a three-year contract.

Efforts are being made to bring in the remaining 154 of the first 500 originally scheduled to work in the United States this month.

SAN LUIS OBISPO ISSEI DECORATED BY EMPEROR

TOKYO. — Tameji Eto of San Luis Obispo, Calif., now visiting Japan, has been notified that he will be awarded the Fourth Order of the Sacred Treasure by the Emperor on Nov. 10.

The Foreign Office said the decision was made Oct. 31 to honor the 73-year old pioneer farmer and community leader. Eto is a naturalized U. S. citizen.

Eto is from Kumamoto and has been in agricultural business for more than half a century.

Three more Refugee farm workers quit labor camp, complain over housing

SAN FRANCISCO. — Three more Japanese workers who came to this country under the 1953 Refugee Relief Act have walked out on their sponsors.

The trio left the Iseki labor camp in Parlier recently after complaining that they were not provided with enough work.

Three men Monday visited Yasuo Wakatsuki, representative of the Federation of Japan Overseas Assns., who is stationed at the local consulate to act as a liaison officer for the new Japanese temporary farm labor program.

The three Japanese were not connected with this program in any way as they can remain in this country as permanent immigrants whereas the temporary workers must return to Japan after their contract expires.

However, it was argued that such walkouts by refugee workers would adversely affect the temporary worker program and the trio visited Wakatsuki to clarify their position.

They charged that in addition to lack of work, they had been threatened with deportation unless they stayed in the camp.

Operators of the Iseki camp immediately denied these charges. It was admitted that working hours may have been short for farm areas, but the men had averaged 48 hours per week and had earned tidy sums in a short period.

Threats of deportation were ne-

ver made, they added.

Iseki camp still has 30 to 40 other refugee workers from Oita and Yamaguchi prefectures plus about 50 Issei laborers.

Dedicate Buddhist shrine for Caucasian congregation

STOCKTON. — A Buddhist shrine primarily built for a predominantly Caucasian congregation was dedicated here recently by Bishop Hodo Tobase of the Soto Zen Mission of San Francisco. Pastor of the local mission is the Rev. Jack MacDonough.

Temporarily located at 2503 Del Rio St., a regular schedule of services will not be announced until a permanent church building is attained.

Miyakawa chrysanthemums win at Fresno Dist. Fair

FRESNO. — Chrysanthemums entered by Mr. and Mrs. Norman Miyakawa took several prizes in the floriculture division at the Fresno District Fair.

Mrs. Miyakawa took firsts for her entries in pink and red chrysanthemums, a second in yellow and a third in lavender.

Miyakawa's entries took a first in bronze and thirds in red and whites.



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NAT'L DIRECTOR'S REPORT: by Masao Satow



A team effort

San Francisco

Our success on Proposition 13 in California is the result of the combined efforts of many people. We are especially grateful to those who served on the over all State-wide committee, to those in our local chapters who gave many hours, to our staunch friends who took it upon themselves to undo an injustice, and for a reservoir of good will which has been building up these past ten years and reflected in a favorable state-wide press. Most vital to the campaign were the good will and personal contacts of our local chapters.

To single out any individuals would be an injustice, but certainly Jack Noda, chairman of our special committee; Arnold Fujita and Mrs. Terry MacFadden, who contributed their professional talents; and Rollins MacFadyen who followed up on the American Legion stand, deserve special mention.

When the final details are in together with the breakdown by counties, we will be in a position to make an analysis for future reference.

NC-WNDC FINAL QUARTERLY

The final quarterly meeting of the Northern California-Western Nevada District Council at Marysville last Sunday was well arranged, well attended and well balanced. Along with the business, the afternoon period featured Nathaniel Colley, Sacramento attorney active in NAACP, whose presentation and discussion of the housing problems of minorities was enlightening. Nat Colley's sense of humor also made it entertaining.

As a practical result of Colley's appearance, we hope National JACL will file an amicus brief on the case instituted by the NAACP before the State Supreme Court questioning the practices of subdividers of new tracts, real estators and lending agencies, in restricting the purchase of new homes to Caucasians only. We also hope that this action will be implemented with an outlay of financial support for the case, for Nisei are as vitally affected as any other minority in the present attempts to circumvent the spirit of the U.S. Supreme Court decision in 1948 outlawing restrictive covenants.

We were interested in Colley's comments about dropping the "J" in JACL's name. Colley felt that so doing would no longer define the area of the organization's activity and program, and would fail to identify the major group which is concerned in carrying on its program. We add that it would be stupid to think that a mere change in the name of organization would make it any more palatable to those who deny us their support, and we have amply demonstrated that the term "Japanese" in our name makes us any less American. We like Colley's definition of the functions of organizations, such as ours, as simply "helping to make democracy work". Thanks to Oakland attorney Mas Yonemura for suggesting and inviting Nat Colley to be with us.

The disastrous flood of last winter necessitated a year's wait for Marysville Chapter to celebrate its anniversary, but it was worth the wait. One cannot help but marvel at the recuperative spirit of a community, and we have nothing but praise for the Marysville Chapter. One could hardly blame the chapter if the flood became an alibi for letting things drag, but today the chapter is as strong, larger and more active as it has ever been during its 21 years.

Joe Grant Masaoka made a fine address, calling attention to the difference in the status of persons of Japanese ancestry in 1935 when the Marysville Chapter was first activated, and today. During the intervening years Japanese Americans have proved themselves worthy of equal treatment and consideration, and we like to think that JACL has had an important role in affecting a change in public acceptance.

NEW NATIONAL BOARD MEMBER

Akiji Yoshimura, newly elected NC-WNDC Chairman shows again that we don't let a good man hide his talents under a bushel. Akiji was already an active JACL leader of several years standing when the war came. We met him for the first time at Amache where he was active as a Boy Scout leader before volunteering for U.S. Army Intelligence service in the Pacific. One would never think this clean cut, soft-spoken but articulate fellow roughed it with the famed Merrill's Marauders in the CBI theatre and emerged with a battlefield commission. Upon his return to Colusa he resumed his JACL activities and served as president of the Marysville Chapter for two terms. He is presently serving his second term on the DC executive board, is also VP of his Colusa Rotary Club. As a member of the Convention Committee on Temporary Agricultural Workers from Japan, he took personal interest in looking up and befriending the leaders of the temporary workers who came into his area.

The JACL sapphire pin was set up for JACLers like Akiji, and we were happy to make this presentation to him last Sunday. His refreshing sense of humor which we have known through personal correspondence finally came to public light in his stint as banquet toastmaster. He is a most welcome addition to our National Board.

Akiji replaces Yas Abiko who has been around JACL for as long as anyone can remember. His newsman's flair for remembering names and events, his interest in people, plus presenting things in some semblance of order, have not only made him a good DC chairman, but invaluable in keeping us informed about what's going on.

Other District Councils will meet during the next several weekends: Pacific Southwest on Nov. 18, hosted by the Venice-Culver Chapter, and the Pacific Northwest in Seattle the same day; Pocatello entertains the Intermountain chapters Nov. 25; and Central Cal meets in Fresno on Dec. 2.

1000 CLUB RENEWALS

We not a dropping of 1000 Club renewals during the past two months. With around 1,100 members, we must get in at least three every day to keep up the pace. The complete listing of members will again appear in the PC Holiday edition, but renewals must be received by the end of this month to qualify. National 1000 Club Chairman Kenji Tashiro has sug-

300 ATTEND MARYSVILLE'S 21ST ANN'Y FETE, HONOR CHARTER CLERS

MARYSVILLE. — Celebrating its 21st anniversary as a JACL chapter, some 300 persons including civic dignitaries honored 24 charter members of the Marysville chapter at the Sunday evening banquet here following the final NC-WNDC quarterly meeting.

The affair was originally slated to be the 20th anniversary dinner last year only to have the disastrous flood disrupt plans. The group was organized in 1935 as the Yuba-Butte-Sutter-Colusa (YSBC) chapter.

Akiji Yoshimura, toastmaster, referred in humorous vein to excerpts from the chapter minutes of the early days, which revealed that the basic organizational problems of the chapter were very much the same then as today.

Joe Grant Masaoka of Atherton, formerly No. Calif. JACL regional director and more recently Yes on Prop. 13 campaign coordinator, was the principal speaker, who reviewed the history of JACL and cited the great strides Japanese

Americans have made in winning acceptance as loyal Americans contributing to the national welfare.

In spite of the gains, Masaoka pointed out there is still work to be done. "There are still traces of bias to be wiped out," he said. He mentioned statehood for Hawaii as one of JACL's goal, and until statehood is attained, the many Japanese Americans on the territory "will not enjoy full American citizenship."

He also cited "outmoded" immigration laws as another target for the JACL. "The national origin feature of assigning quotas is outmoded," he explained. While U.S. allows 185 immigrants from Japan each year, he compared it with the British Isles quota of 65,000 each year that is never filled.

National Director Mas Satow installed the new NC-WNDC officers at the dinner. (See story elsewhere in this issue.)

The day's program was under

NC-WNDC raises dues for chapter members

MARYSVILLE. — NC-WNDC delegates voted to assess chapters 10 cents per member annually to the district treasury as the \$10 chapter assessment was considered insufficient to cover expense.

Six chapters also agreed to accept increases in annual quotas for 1957 as recommended by the budget and finance committee. These chapters are Richmond-El Cerrito from \$500 to \$550; Sacramento from \$1,550 to \$1,700; Salinas from \$360 to \$400; San Francisco \$2,525 to \$2,750; San Jose from \$1,200 to \$1,300, and Sonoma County from \$590 to \$650.

supervision of Frank Nakamura and chapter president George Inouye.

Sacramento chapter's bid to host the next district council meeting in February was accepted.

The district council bowling tournament team championship was won by Berkeley, composed of Mo Katow, Ike Takei, Richard Yamashiro, Masuji Fujii and Gene Takei. Blackie Kurihara was tournament chairman.

NC-WNDC—

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ing.—Editor.)

In answer to a question on what the Issei and Nisei could do to break down restriction barriers, Colley offered as one suggestion that the Japanese-American "spread around and resist the temptation to move into a new neighborhood right next door or close by to another Japanese family."

He denounced claims that integrated housing depressed property values, pointing out that without exception homes are offered at higher prices in areas where minority families move.

Remaining on the board as hold-over members are John Enomoto of Redwood City and Sequoia chapter who still has another year to serve and Abiko who is an ex-officio board member for a year as past district chairman.

Five board members were elected for two year terms by the delegates Sunday. They are Roy Yoshida of Newcastle and Placer County JACL (re-elected); George Kodama of Monterey Peninsula chapter; Joe Matsunami of Sacramento; George Baba of Stockton and Buddy Iwata of Livingston-Merced chapter.

The new officers were installed by Masao Satow at the banquet Sunday night.

San Fernando JACL plans movie benefit

SAN FERNANDO. — Two Japanese films with English subtitles are to be shown at the San Fernando JACL benefit Nov. 10, 7 p.m., at the local Japanese community hall, it was announced by Gene Kono, president. The feature-length films are "Furisode Kinzo" and "Bosei Nikki." The public is invited.

French Camp JACL holds annual bazaar Nov. 16

FRENCH CAMP. — Annual French Camp JACL bazaar will be held at the French Camp Hall next Friday, Nov. 16, with George Ogino and Fumio Kanemoto as co-chairmen.

Food, games and prizes are in store for all. Chapter members are also soliciting tickets for the bazaar.

gested that all chapters and district councils give local 1000 Club chairmen cabinet or executive board status as we have done on the National level, in recognition of the vital role the 1000 Club has come to play in our program.



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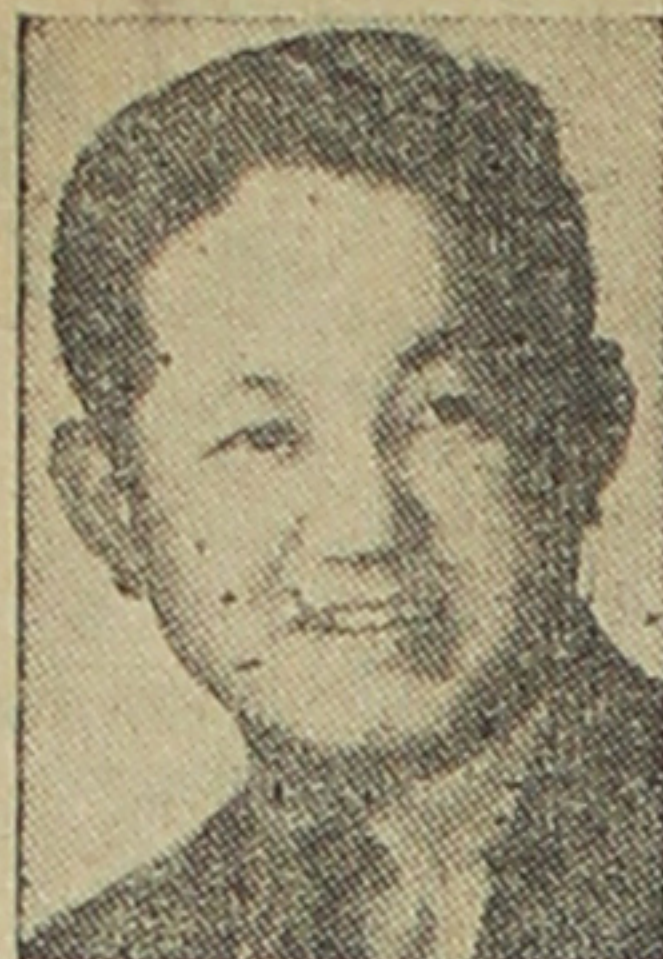
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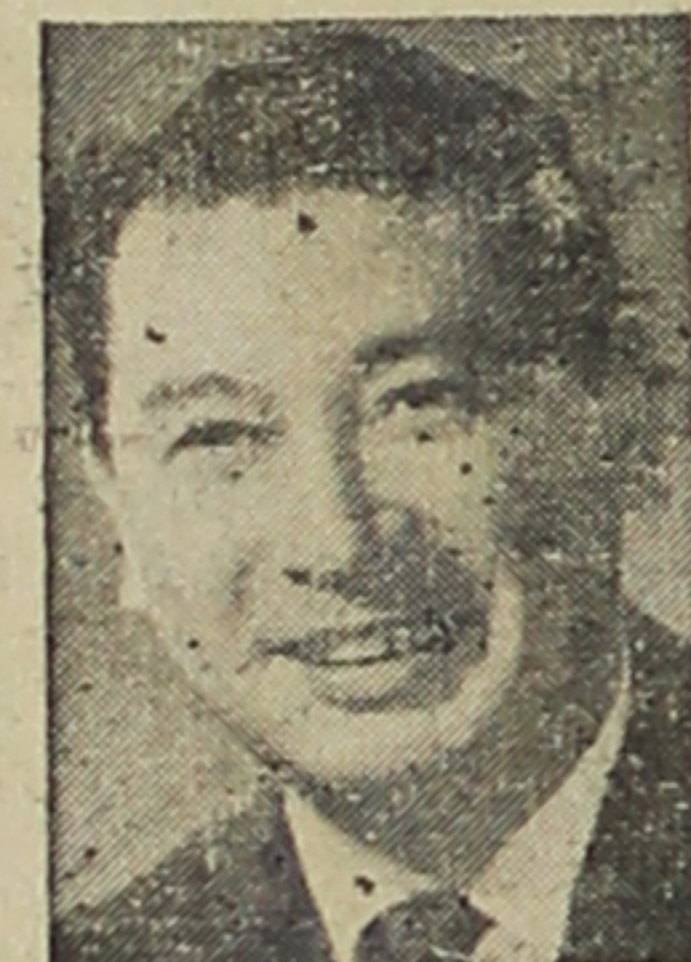
Election post-mortem

After the ambitious JACL campaign to get the vote out in the last general election, it was not hard to sit glued at the TV set at home Tuesday night to watch the networks report on the biggest presidential landslide since 1936... While five minutes of each half-hour was devoted to local election returns, Prop. 13 to repeal the alien land law did not stir pre-election controversy to merit coverage Tuesday night... Even the morning metropolitan papers were wholly quiet on the status of the 19 statewide propositions except for the first five. Prop. 4, which we tried to explain here last week, was defeated 4 to 1... But in checking with the county registrar of voters, we learned the Prop. 13 was favored by a 2 to 1 margin. The wire service returns indicated a similar ratio.

Mike Masaoka, now in Japan, would be interested to know the 85th Congress meeting next January will be substantially the same—in Democratic control... Among the 30 senatorial races, it appeared Sens. Magnuson, Morse and Kuchel on the west coast have been re-elected. In other areas where Nisei voters reside, Hayden of Arizona, newcomer Church of Idaho, Bennett of Utah, newcomer Lausche of Ohio, and newcomer Javits of New York seem to be re-elected or elected. From this desk, it appears difficult at this time to check on the House of Representatives, but in California all incumbents except Leroy Johnson of Stockton seem to have been successful in their bid... Claiming national attention was the race between Hindu immigrant Judge Saund (D) and millionaire aviatrix Jacqueline Cochran Odum (R) in the California 29th District (Imperial-Riverside counties) that was nip & tuck down to the last few precincts. Saund won—the first native of Asia to win a seat in Congress... A municipal judge near Brawley, Saund said upon victory: "It demonstrates conclusively that American democracy is real. Ten years ago I was not only a foreigner in this country, but an alien ineligible to citizenship"... He now plans to tour India on a goodwill mission.

A statewide breakdown by counties in California on Prop. 13 will be an interesting story. When the tally is finished by state offices in Sacramento, we shall publish them in full... For comparison sake, we shall have Prop. 15 figures of the 1946 election, when JACL made its first public campaign to check the strengthening of the alien land law... At that time, JACLers were successful in getting the much-needed "no" votes to leave the law as is... Interpretations of these figures will also be provided.

SOU'WESTER: by Tats Kushida



'No' on 15, 'Yes' on 13

The California Alien Land Law was given its burial on E Day when the citizens of this state voted for Prop. 13 by a better than 2 to 1 margin according to incomplete and unofficial returns. As of presstime, the count stood as 1,504,897 YES and 746,024 NO with a bit more than half of the total precincts in. Projecting these figures, the final totals should be about 2,500,000 YES to 1,300,000 NO, a margin of better than a million votes. While this overwhelming victory justifies some jubilation, it also serves as an uneasy reminder that this proposition was, in a sense, a popularity contest, and the judges were far from unanimous.

A decade ago, in the 1946 election when Prop. 15 on the California ballot if passed, would have put venomous fangs into the then very much alive alien land law. JACL through its statewide Civil Rights Defense Union made up mostly of the three California JACL district councils vigorously campaigned to defeat that measure.

Helping CRDU was a psychological advantage where many citizens suspiciously and automatically vote "NO" on propositions on which they are not informed. But it required hard work on the part of CRDU and the able leadership of Joe Grant Masaoka, then No. Calif. regional director, and other JACL officials to lick Prop. 15 by a roughly 3 to 2 margin of 1,143,780 to 797,067.

The nearly 800,000 "Yes" votes in 1946 perhaps more truly represent an expression of anti-Japanese feeling than do the 746,024 "No" votes of last Tuesday, for many of the latter reflect the psychological "No" vote and/or aversion to vote in favor of anything jinxed with a No. 13. Incidentally, this is one of the very rare times when a Prop. 13 won on the ballot.

We would like to believe that the California electorate does not actually contain over a million voters who desire to retain on the statute books a racist law even though it received death sentences from the Supreme Court and the Congress.

But we won't permit ourselves the luxury of delusion for we know as well as anyone that there still remains a definite though quiescent vestige of anti-Japanese and anti-Oriental sentiment, particularly among die-hards of the Native Sons of the Golden West and others of similar ilk who no doubt stirred themselves from dormancy in an attempt to resurrect the alien land law at the polls this week.

MARGIN TOO CLOSE FOR COMFORT

- The margin of victory on Prop. 13 is too close for comfort. The vote might have gone the other way:
 - if the Committee for Yes on Prop. 13 (the CRDU of 1956) had not been organized or had not planned and actively campaigned;
 - if JACL chapters and members had been derelict in their support of the statewide campaign or did not raise funds to finance it; or
 - if the contagion of voter apathy had lulled Nisei lead-

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'1000' CLUB NOTES

SAN FRANCISCO. — A total of 25 memberships and renewals for the 1000 Club were received at JACL Headquarters during the second half of October. The monthly tally is 35, making it a total of 1,161 current members.

FIFTH YEAR

San Luis Obispo—Masaji Eto. Orange County—Charles Ishii, Joe Ishii. Oakland—Fred S. Nomura.

FOURTH YEAR

San Benito—Kay Kamimoto. Chicago—Kats Okuno. South Alameda—Kazuo Shikano. Detroit—Minoru Togasaki.

THIRD YEAR

Orange County—Kyutaro Ishii. East L.A.—Ritsuko Kawakami. Santa Maria—Isamu Minami. Chicago—Paul T. Seto.

SECOND YEAR

Santa Barbara—Harold Lee. Orange County—Dr. Tad Ochiai. Sonoma County—Frank K. Oda. Detroit—Saburo Okimoto. Marysville—John W. Sasaki. Downtown L.A.—Mrs. Saku Shirakawa. Berkeley—Dr. Henry M. Takahashi. Sanger—Kiichi Tange.

FIRST YEAR

Portland—Arthur Iwasaki. Chicago—Berry Suzukida. Cleveland—Mrs. Mary Sadataki. Salinas—Y. Ichikawa. Santa Maria—H. Y. Minami.

Delano CL reports 1st '57 cabinet

DELANO. — The Delano JACL announced its new officers for 1957 this week to become the first of 88 chapters in the national organization to choose their leaders for next year.

Sadao Yonaki was recently elected to succeed Saburo Okino as chapter president. Other new officers are:

Sam Okazaki, 1st v.p.; Kiichi Nakayama, 2nd v.p.; Jeff Fukawa, treas.; Mrs. Margie Nakagawa, rec. sec.; Mrs. Michi Nagatani, cor. sec.; Mrs. Toshi Katano, social chmn.

The new officers will be installed with other new Central California chapter cabinets at a district convention in Fresno on Dec. 2.

Announce '57 D.C. officers at frolic

WASHINGTON. — Family Night at the Fairfax Hotel, 2100 Massachusetts Ave., NW, on Saturday, Nov. 17, promises to be an evening of fun and fellowship for local JACLers, according to Hisako Sakata, 2nd vice-president and event chairman. The highlight will be the announcement of chapter election results.

Nominations were presented at the October general meeting. Election was done by mail ballot. Installation of new officers will be at a dinner-dance Jan. 5.

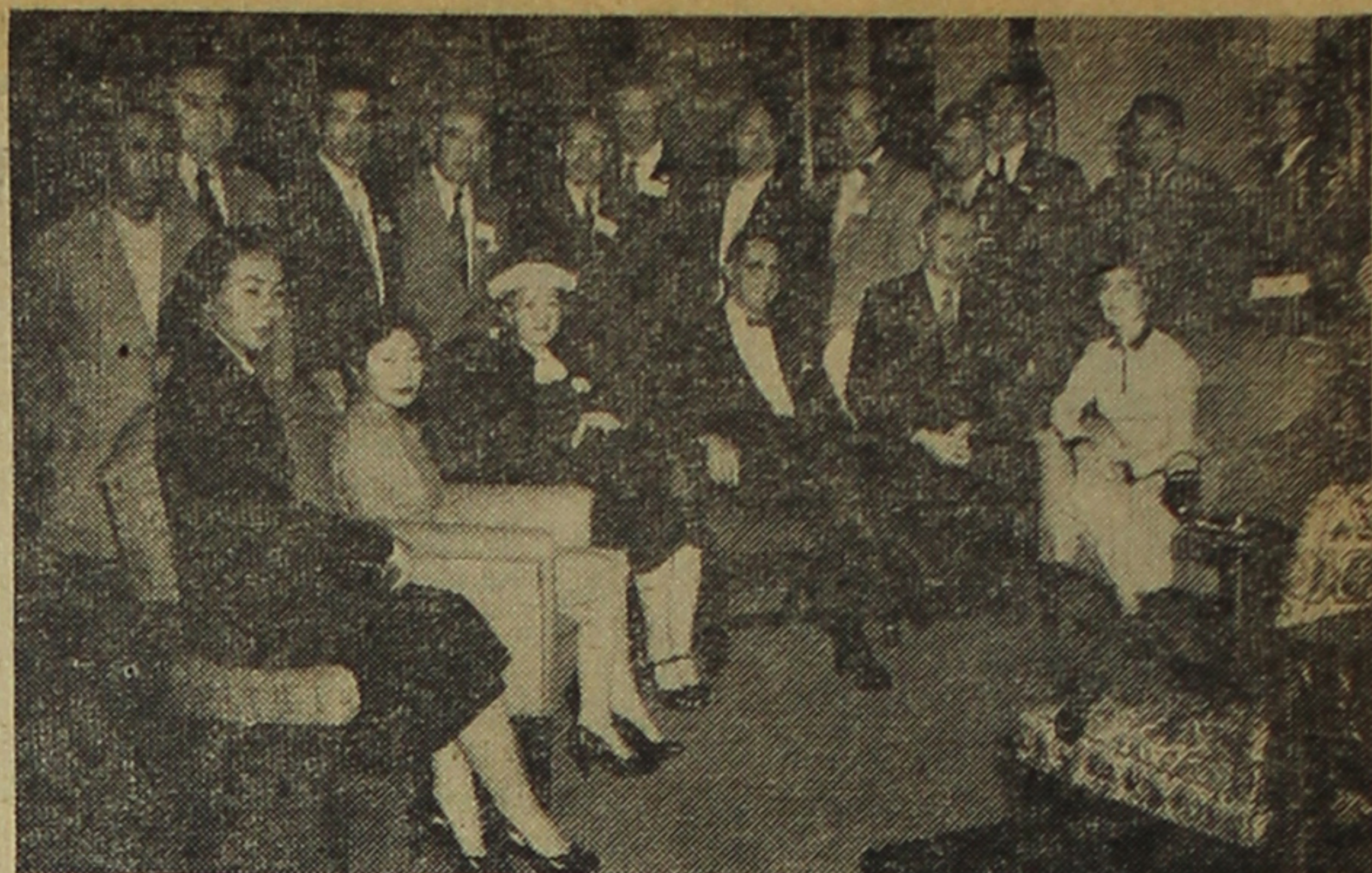
Reservations are being accepted until next Wednesday at \$1.25 per person by Sally Furukawa and Motoko Togasaki. Food will be served from 6:30 p.m. Toru Hirose will be in charge of games.

The D.C. chapter, which started its fiscal year in October, has opened its 1957 membership drive. Two teams, one captained by Alice Endo and the other by Ruth Kuroishi, are campaigning with George Furukawa as general coordinator. The 1956 drive ended with 193 members, surpassing its previous 1955 total by 12.

HOME IMPROVEMENT LOANS OFFERED BY CREDIT UNION

SAN FRANCISCO. — Home improvement loans are now available to members of the San Francisco JACL Credit Union, following action taken at the credit union board of directors meeting last week.

Similar to the type offered by banks without collateral or endorsers, home improvement loans are for five years, maximum of \$3,000 at 1/2 of 1 per cent interest on the unpaid balance.



Committeemen staging the Chicago JACL Candidates' Night held recently met with Richard Stengel, Democratic candidate for the U. S. Senate from Illinois, and Rep. Sidney R. Yates (seated). The program enjoyed a turnout of over 350 persons, including 200 newly naturalized Issei citizens, which was termed as the largest of its kind in chapter history. Candidates from both Republican and Democratic organizations addressed the meeting.

Chicago JACL Candidates' night program draws record-breaking crowd

CHICAGO. — Over 350 persons including 200 newly naturalized citizens attended the Candidates' Night program sponsored by the Chicago JACL Oct. 19 at the McCormick YWCA. The big turnout, largest of its kind in chapter history, was attributed to an unprecedented showing of the new citizens group, which numbers close to 1,000 in the Chicago area.

Appearing to address the rally were six candidates running for Chicago's three important Congressional seats presently held by Democrats. Majority of the Japanese American voters reside in these three districts. The incumbents are Barratt O'Hara (2nd), Sidney R. Yates (9th), and Charles A. Boyle (12th). Their Republican opponents are George B. McKib-

bin, Johann S. Ackerman, and Edgar A. Jonas, former Congressman from the 12th District.

Richard Stengel, the Democratic candidate opposing Sen. Everett M. Dirksen, also spoke briefly. Demonstrations on voting at the polls and the use of the voting machine were presented to help the new citizen voting for the first time.

The Chicago chapter was aided by several Japanese American organizations who cooperated in sponsoring the event. They were the Methodist Fellowship Church, Chicago Nisei Post 1183, City Wide Recreation Council, Christ Congregational Church, Japanese American Service Committee, and the Lakeside Japanese Christian Church.

NEW YORK JACL TO MOOT CHANGE OF CABINET TO BOARD SYSTEM

NEW YORK. — Based upon experiences of other JACL chapters which have converted their executive committee from the cabinet form to the board system, the New York JACL will meet tonight at the American Buddhist Academy to discuss and possibly adopt a revised chapter constitution.

The proposal, which was mapped by the chapter constitution committee headed by Akira Hayashi, recently elected national JACL treasurer, asks for 12 board members, eight to be elected and four to be added by appointment of the board chairman with consent from the board.

If the new constitution is adopted, directors will serve two-year terms except the first year when half of the elected board members and appointed members are to serve only one year or for a partial year until the 1958 election.

The board chairman is to be designated by vote among the eight elected members. Chairmanship may rotate during the year, if so agreed, among those elected, however. Board members will assume duties heretofore designated as vice-chairman, treasurer, recording secretary, corresponding secretary and membership secretary.

The new constitution also stipulates general meetings every two months or convened on call of the board or by written demand of one-fifth of the general membership.

Annual elections will be held in May hereafter with chapter fiscal matters beginning June 1.

The chapter membership is to be divided into active (for those with U. S. citizenship) and special (for those without U. S. citizenship) categories. Age limit is 18. Special members cannot vote or hold office.

Chapter dues, according to the proposed by-laws, are \$4 per person or \$7 per married couple a

year beginning each calendar year. Those joining the chapter after July 1, the rate is reduced by half.

Assisting Hayashi on the constitutional committee were Woodrow W. Asai, Thomas T. Hayashi, Joe Y. Imai and Sam Kai, chapter president.

In an explanatory letter to the 100-plus members of the New York chapter, Hayashi said:

"The board system develops continuity of leadership, spreads administrative responsibility, and assures an even flow of chapter activities. JACL chapters in Philadelphia and San Francisco have found it successful; Chicago is changing over early in November. It is felt that the change will be helpful and most fruitful in the New York situation."

Expect maximum turnout for Auxiliary benefit hop

SAN FRANCISCO. — Advance sales of tickets for the San Francisco JACL Women's Auxiliary non-couple dance this Saturday, Nov. 10, indicate a maximum crowd at the Booker T. Washington Community Center.

Co-chairmen Virginia Sato and Jane Omura announced that the following Auxiliary members will act as special hostesses during the dance:

Nancie Moriguchi, Connie Takahashi, Louise Yanagihara, Margie Ikenoue, Nancee Limjap, Sumako Fukumori, Elsie Uyeda, Hana Abe, Yuri Takagi, Sumi Haramaki, Doris Horiuchi, Georgia Tanaka, Kathy Asano, Rose Takushi, Elaine Kodama, Gladys Yonemoto, Florence Higa, Barbara Watanabe and Helen Watanabe.

A decorations committee, headed by Hana Abe and Elsie Uyeda, revealed that the auditorium will be decorated in bright autumn colors.

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THE NORTHWEST PICTURE: by Elmer Ogawa



Issei farm students

Seattle. ■ It was early in the century that Max Turner, now 72 and a bakery executive, undertook a career teaching Japanese immigrants the intricacies of American farming methods. It was wonderfully fortunate to meet and talk with Max, and to myself who was a stranger to the Japanese community until a teen ager, hearing of these examples of Issei enterprise and adaptability to a new way of life go to make up an absorbing revelation.

Before the turn of the century, the Oriental Trading Company, importers, exporters and labor contractors under the leadership of S. Takahashi and K. Yamaoka (who was father of George, Otto and Iris) acquired a 99-year lease from the Sisters of Charity on a sizeable piece of land across Lake Washington. The rambling frame White Elephant Hotel with its Red Front Store in the village of Woodinville was converted to barracks, mess hall and Japanese style bath house to provide living quarters for an unique institution.

The school had been in operation for a number of years when 20-year-old Max Turner who grew up in the neighborhood and was always hanging around as a kid, joined the faculty in 1904. His forte was agriculture in general and horses in particular. In the days before tractors, care and handling of horses was a skill that prospective farmers needed to know.

Included in the curriculum of Max's department was instruction in American dairy farming methods, planting and soil cultivation, and important to the Northwest farmer at the time, techniques and blasting and stump pulling. Between the farming and training in railroad construction, the school maintained a constant turnover with some 45 to 50 in attendance. The course took from five to six months.

At one point a shipment of Holsteins was made to Japan, complete with bulls and a veterinarian. Turner also acted as horse buyer and sometimes acquired good horses at \$40 a head although most purchases averaged around \$52, and he added, "The Oriental Trading Company surely believed in buying the best horses available."

SECTION HANDS TRAINED

■ As the Company was a leading labor contractor for railroads, the training of section hands became a special course of instruction. As a training project, 30 miles of railroad was built between Woodinville Junction and Renton. The stretch was later acquired by the Northern Pacific and is in use today, although Turner wryly remarked, "Some of the bridges and swampy sections had to be rebuilt by the N.P."

Although there were some near panic years about this time, prospects for employment were good and the graduates of the school were always in demand during this empire building era, not only in major railroad construction, but in the scores of logging railroads which crisscrossed the western part of the State. One of these railroads on the Olympic Peninsula has recently been completely dieselized.

Part of the cost of tuition was paid for by the graduates upon attaining employment, which Turner recalls was about 10c a day from the pay check. Base pay in the section gangs was \$1.40 a day and in the sawmills, \$1.50.

As might be surmised, *go* and *hana* were popular recreational activities whether at the bunk house or in the rolling bunk cars of the section crews. Judo experts had their fun and taught the less skilled. Baseball teams were formed and played the local pride of the little towns such as Bothell, Tolt, Duvall, Carnation, Redmond as well as the home town Woodinville.

Biggest holiday event was New Year's and Turner fondly recalls his being introduced to the delights of drinking *sake* out of beer glasses. "Of course, I know all about those little thimble cups," he says, "but New Year was surely a special holiday."

About 1915 the lease was sold, and the closing of the school marked the end of a lusty era which deserves its rightful place in the story of Northwest empire.

VAGARIES: by Larry S. Tajiri

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witch doctor in *The Tropic Madness* for FBO; and as the butler in *The Bat* (1929).

Careers at First National, *Back from Shanghai* at General Pictures, *Ships of the Night* at Rayart, *China Slaver* at Trinity, and, in 1930, *Golden Dawn* at Warner Bros., were some of his other outstanding vehicles.

For seven years the character actor from Japan performed mightily before the camera. Then, having won international fame, Sojin returned to his native country to act, direct, and produce.

In 1954, Kamiyama Sojin died at his villa at Chigasaki on Izu peninsula. Old timers in the studios of Hollywood still speak of Sojin as one of the great character actors of the screen.

Stockton golfer wins Valley meet

STOCKTON. — Jack Matsumoto of Stockton fired a 76 to take low gross honors in the second annual Valley Nisei Golf tournament here last week.

Dr. George Suda of Fresno took low net with 79-10-69 after tying with Tom Higashino of Sacramento, who scored a 79 to take second low gross. Ralph Nishimi of Sacramento won the first flight with 83-14-69, while Bill Watagi of Sacramento shot a 91-18-73 for second flight honors.

Team honors went to Stockton. Jim Morita of Stockton had the longest drive; Kenji Hosokawa of Sacramento won the hole-in-one contest. Mike Demassey, pro at Swenson Park, and George Wade of Stockton were honored guests at the tournament dinner. Mike Iwatsubo of Fresno was emcee. Fresno Nisei Golf Club hosted the tournament.

Tom Yego, Jr., becomes bowling alley owner

ROSEVILLE. — Northern California's first Nisei bowling proprietor is Tom Yego, Jr., of Penryn, son of the late Thomas M. Yego of Placer County JACL.

He recently purchased a share of the Roseville Bowl from his new partner Les Owen. The 10-lane house is equipped with automatic pin spotters.

Sports Briefs

Mrs. Amey Aizawa's 613 and Mrs. Grace Yonezu's 635 were posted as San Francisco scores in the recent "Beat the Champ" tournament when Anita Cataline hit a 595.

Kim Furuya of San Francisco paced the Art's Men's Shop squad in the San Francisco 775 Women's League with her 629 series. In the big 909 game, she hit 221.

Ford Konno, 1952 Olympic 1,500-meter freestyle champion, was recently inducted as a private in the U. S. Army at Schofield Barracks, T.H., but will compete in the Melbourne Olympics before starting his active duty.

Stamie Kumagai and George Tani were trophy-winners at the annual Twin Cities UCL golf tournament held recently at Francis Cross. Earl Tanbara and Dr. George Nishide were bogey winners. Dr. Ike Iijima and Fred Ohno chaired the event.

Art Kono, Sansei tennis stand-out in Northwest circles, was honored as Boy of the Month at the Capitol Hill (Seattle) Lions for October. He is junior class president of Garfield High School, member of the student council and president of the Boys Club.

SPORTS CARTOONIST RETURNS FROM JAPAN

WATSONVILLE. — Jack Matsuo, who made a hit in Japan as a sports cartoonist, returned from Japan recently and is contributing his efforts to the Register-Pajaronian here.

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WEIGHTLIFTER KONO EYES 1,000 LB. MARK IN OLYMPICS FOR NEW HIGH

SAN FRANCISCO. — U.S. weightlifting coach Robert C. Hoffman of York, Pa., considers Tommy Kono as Sacramento's hope for a sure gold-medal in the '56 Melbourne Olympics.

After the recent U. S. Olympic team tryouts at San Jose, Hoffman expects the Nisei weightlifter to lift about 985 lbs. at the Games. Kono told the Nichi Bei Times, however, he is trying for a 1,000 lbs., competing in the 181 lb.-light heavyweight division.

At San Jose, he lifted 290 press, 280 snatch and 382½ clean & jerk, the last a world mark, for a total 952½ lbs. His best effort is 977½ lbs., a world record. He also has lifts of 317½ press and 290 snatch.

In the Melbourne games, Kono hopes to do a 319 press, 303 snatch, and 395 clean & jerk. "That adds up to a little more than 1,000 lbs., 1,007 to be exact, but that will give me a little leeway," he pointed out.

In the 1952 Helsinki Games, Kono competed as a lightweight weighing 148¾ lbs. after reducing several pounds. He set an Olympic record at 789¾ lbs.

He can easily make the next class—middleweight at 165—but with the U. S. team again having Lt. Peter George return as a defending champion in this division, the coaches requested Kono take on the next division, which was won by Stanley Stanczyk in 1952 at 920½ lbs.

The biggest problem now is getting up the body weight in order to compete in the light heavyweight division. Weight counts in press and clean-jerk events, he said. He is eating five or six meals a day to attain a trim 180 by Olympic Games time. At San Jose he weighed 176½.

While the Olympic committee pays for three of his meals, he confessed the other two or three are on his own. "It gets expensive, too, eating so much," he added.

Kono works for Honolulu Health Food Enterprise of Dr. Richard You, a physician with the 1952 Olympic Games.

After workouts in Los Angeles, the weightlifting team departed for Honolulu last Wednesday. They train in Honolulu for two weeks before going to Australia.

Nisei sports scribe charges Olympic selection group with discrimination

Army-man Ralph Yoshida of Maui won the lightweight division in the San Jose tryouts with a total of 690 lbs. and a right to join the U. S. Olympic team.

But this past week, U.S. Olympic Games Selection Committee decided to keep Yoshida off the team for the simple reason that "he doesn't have any chance to win against world competition."

Shin Nichi Bei sports editor George Yoshinaga asked: "Since when has mere question of winning or losing against world competitors determine the selection of the U. S. team in various events?"

In view of the outstanding accomplishments in the lightweight division by Russian weightlifters, Yoshinaga admitted the Nisei's chances to score a win were very slim, but it was felt that the very essence of Olympic Games was being threatened with this type of thinking.

In charging discrimination against the Olympic selection committee, the sports editor had hopes of making a case of Yoshida's empty victory. Weightlifting coach Bob Hoffman had stressed making points for the U. S. in explaining Yoshida's non-selection.

"Actually, there are no point system in the Games which are officially counted," Yoshinaga countered. "The Olympic Games, for

most part, is for the individual... Under the circumstances, it was a gross error to omit Yoshida.

"Track men on the U.S. Olympic team in the longer distances have fared poorly over the years," Yoshinaga began to compare. "Yet, there has been no movement to eliminate these athletes and to replace them with sprinters and pole vaulters, two events in which the U. S. excels. Why then was this Nisei weightlifter from Hawaii and the Army given the brushoff?"

DOMOTO AIDS CAL FROSH IN 25-7 GRID VICTORY

Pete Domoto, UC Frosh right-halfback, contributed greatly with his strong line charges in the 25-7 Cal win over USC Trojans last week at the Los Angeles Coliseum.

SAN LUIS OBISPO BOY SEEKS FATHER'S LOCALE

SAN LUIS OBISPO. — Persons knowing the whereabouts of Tei-ichiro Inagaki are asked to call Seirin Ikeda, local JACL chapter president, 444 Beach St., Arroyo Grande. He is being sought by his son Tommy Bailey, whose mother, the former Alicia Adams, is reported to be seriously ill.

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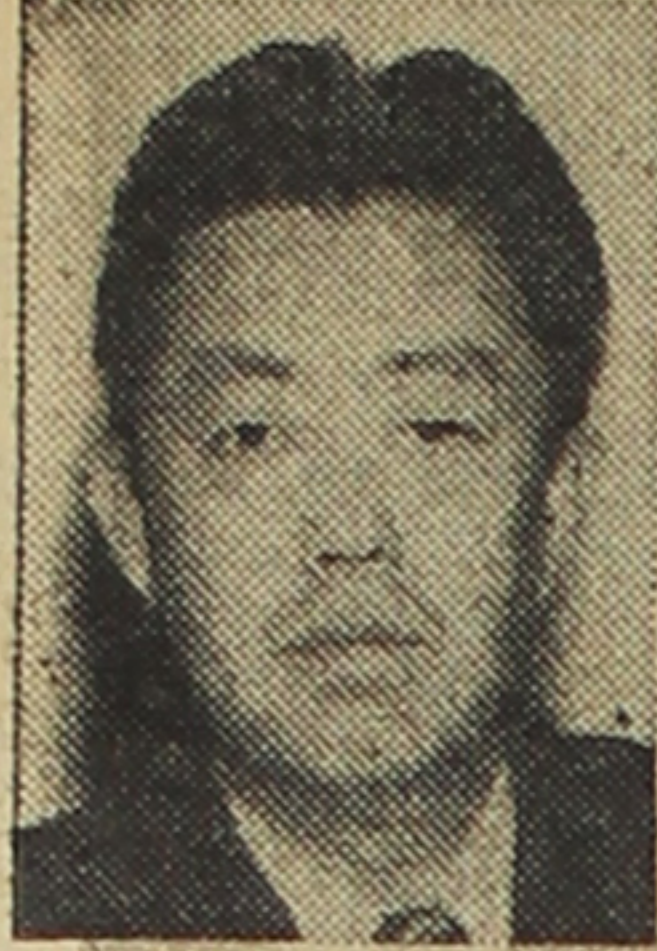
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LOS ANGELES NEWSLETTER: by Henry Mori



The savings habit

Los Angeles

One day this week we walked meekly into the Sumitomo Bank at the corner of First and San Pedro sts. in search for a tall, well-built man for the bank. As if cued by mental telepathy, Frank Omatsu came from behind an impressive desk to greet us: How about joining the Christmas Club? "Well, I'll tell you, Omatsu, that's what I'm here for," I said. The wife that morning had said something about saving—as if that were an easy thing to do. I cautioned Omatsu that two years ago I defaulted after putting in \$34 and last year there was really nothing to put in. Apparently my method of trying to put away \$10 a month, instead of two bucks a week, resulted in my downfall. But then back to Omatsu.

He said people make the mistake by trying to get a lump sum—say \$10 a month to join a two-dollars a week Christmas Club. "You bring in two bucks each week and we'll take care of you," he assured me. That's what the whole thing's all about.

"But isn't that a lot of clerical work just for recording two dollars at a time when, supposedly, we're enjoying great prosperity," I lamented. "Unzip that coin bag and let loose," Omatsu kidded.

The American people save millions of dollar through the annual Christmas Club plan. But we know that all the deposits do not go into the buying of Holiday gifts at the year's end. One of my friends said that the only way he can pay his county property tax installment on his home is through the Christmas Club accumulations.

You can even go as high as \$20 a week and clear \$1,000 in November of 1957, plus interest, but that bracket is for the elite. It's our guess the popular ones are \$2, \$3, or \$5 per week, although there is a rock-bottom dollar a week plan.

CHRISTMAS CHEER CONTINUES

The current figure on the ninth annual Christmas Cheer program, chairmanned by Jim Higashi, has reached 31 per cent of its \$2,000 goal. It now stands at \$622.58. Higashi, who is chairman of the Los Angeles JACL Coordinating Council, uses the local JACL office as Cheer headquarters under Tats Kushida's supervision.

Just before the Dec. 15 deadline, office space gets jammed with food staples, canned goods, toys and personal items. You'll find a lot of volunteers working, sorting and packaging these gifts for distribution.

A faithful contributor each year to the goodwill project is Municipal Court John F. Aiso. Then there are many others, individuals as well as organizations. We can foresee another busy season before the new calendars go up.

WASHINGTON NEWSLETTER:

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multi-megaton bombs whereas the Soviet Union could not as readily give up these tests.

The practical effect would be that we would not be weakening our defenses or retarding our experimentations for they would continue, but would force the Soviet Union either to stop testing or become vulnerable to the accusation of "bomb" rattling which is so often leveled against us.

Any bold action such as this would for the first time in many years give us the opportunity to seize the initiative for peace, and create goodwill in all parts of world.

SOU'WESTER: by Tats Kushida

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ership to presume an automatic campaignless victory.

And if Prop. 13 had been defeated, its failure could and would be interpreted by those of ill will that Japanese Americans are not only unpopular, but undesirable, inferior, untrustworthy, and the whole gamut of revived stereotypes. One responsible state official in Sacramento, when questioned as to such an eventuality, hazarded the opinion that in accord with the wishes expressed by the electorate, despite Supreme Court rulings or congressional act, a cloud would be cast over the titles of Nisei-owned property.

Of course these are now useless conjectures but we point them out in answer to the Nisei and Issei, gratifyingly few as they were, who opposed the campaign conducted by the committee and the JACL and charged that campaign expenditures and fund-raising were needless and unjustified. We had that kind in '46, too.

But that's water in the sewer pipe. Anyone should know elections or legislation are not won without hard sledding. We'd like to wind up with a literary opus dedicated to our newly naturalized voters who diligently studied the election issues and voted for the first time in their lives:

To the Issei last Tuesday was E Day
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Births

LOS ANGELES
AOKI, Tetsuwo (Dorothy Okine)—girl Geraldine Teruko, Sept. 14, Gardena.
DOMOTO, Toshihiro (Yuriko Shingu)—girl Lisa A., Sept. 17.
ETO, Tetsuo (Sadako Tanaka)—girl Margaret Akiyo, Sept. 19.
FUJITAKI, Henry M. (Kiyoko Hikida)—boy Mark Takashi, Aug. 29, Pasadena.
FUKUTOMI, Ray I. (Sachi Hayashida)—girl Heidi A., Sept. 13.
HANASHIRO, James S. (Helen M. Yokooji)—boy Craig Jun, Aug. 24.
HASEGAWA, James M. (Bessie Y. Kubotsu)—boy James S., Sept. 22.
HATTORI, Tak (Toni Notomi)—girl Diane E., Sept. 21.
HAYASHIDA, Herbert H. (Doris Tomashiro)—boy Harlan Hidenori, Aug. 26.
HIGASHI, Harry H. (Mari Kitahata)—girl Karen Kimi, Sept. 12, Pasadena.
HIGASHI, Paul (Midori Nodzu)—boy John M., Sept. 28.
HIRAMI, Seiji (Yoshiko Ishibashi)—girl Donna Seiko, Aug. 31.
HONDA, Shoji (Marcia Kobayashi)—girl Marsha N., Sept. 12.
HONDA, Susumu (Irene K. Noda)—boy Bryan J., Sept. 1, Gardena.
ISA, Yoshihide (Hatsuye Toyama)—boy Stanley, Sept. 25.
ISHIDA, Tatsunobu (Shizuko Takemoto)—boy Glenn, Aug. 30.
ISHITANI, George K. (Yoshimi Hayashi)—boy Curtis Tadashi, Sept. 21.
ITO, Jonathan K. (Sally M. Sata)—boy Lawrence C., Sept. 4.
ITOMURA, Dickie K. (Shirley E. Matsuda)—boy Richard S., Sept. 18.
IZUMI, Jack A. (Dorothy L. Won Tom)—boy Jonathan L., Sept. 11.
KAKIBA, Isamu S. (Mitsuyo Kishishita)—girl Donna B., Sept. 1.
KANOGAWA, Shigeo (Elsie K. Ito)—boy David Osamu, Sept. 15.
KARIYA, Minoru H. (Yoneko Inatomi)—girl Janice L., Sept. 9.
KAWASAKI, Mazumi (Takae Matsura)—girl Susan P., Sept. 6, Gardena.
KAWASHIMA, Kiyoshi (Chiyoko Osaka)—boy Steven Kenji, Sept. 5.
KOBAYASHI, James J. (Mae Honda)—girl Peggy Miko, Sept. 9.
KONO, Toshiro (Akiko Yoshikawa)—boy Kenneth Toshiaki, Sept. 1.
KUBO, Yoshio (Yuriko Ota)—girl Tracy L., Sept. 16.
KUBOTA, Morio (Dolly Sakita)—girl Denise J., Aug. 17.
KUBOTA, Naoyoshi (Sadie S. Utsunomiya)—girl Carol Tei, Sept. 18, Pasadena.
LINSLEY, LeRoy E. (Hagie Ogoshi)—boy, Sept. 7.
MAEDA, Tom T. (Akiko Arakaki)—girl Ayako Crystal, Sept. 25.
MAHIKOS, Calvin A. (Beatrice Y. Mitsui)—boy George W., Sept. 17, Hawthorne.
MANO, George (Midori I. Fujii)—girl Stephanie Reiko, Sept. 12.
MASHIHARA, John K. (Akiko Niimi)—boy Wayne Hideo, Sept. 6, Santa Monica.
McLAUGHLIN, Otis H. (Mabel Itoku)—boy Clyde Tani, Sept. 3, North Hollywood.
MINAMI, Joe (Mabel Ito)—girl Denise D., Sept. 5.
MISAWA, Kiyoshi (Mitsuye Kakuuchi)—boy Thomas Tadashi, Sept. 20.
MIYAMOTO, Jiro (Mineko Oni)—girl Jeannette Kyoko, Aug. 28.
MIYASHIMA, Ernest K. (Hisayo Shiba)—boy Michael Kazuo, Sept. 7.
MURAYAMA, Isami (Kazuyo Kusaka)—boy Ronald Kazuaki, Sept. 17.
NAKAMURA, Hody (Matsuye Takasugi)—boy Mark S., Aug. 27.
NAKASAKI, Isao (Violet S. Eguchi)—girl Catherine J., Sept. 9.
NISHIDA, Masao (Nanako Tanaka)—girl Pauline Mitsuko, Sept. 18.
NISHIDA, Minoru (Sayoko Yasuda)—boy Gary Yasuhiro, Sept. 12.
NISHIHARA, Kenneth K. (Akiko Kiyosaki)—girl Karen Keiko, Sept. 1.
NISHIMURA, Edward H. (Mabel K. Choriki)—girl Janice Kimi, Sept. 16.
NITAKE, Harry (Mari Tsuji)—girl Linda J., Sept. 21.
OGAWA, Kampo J. (Fusaye Kurana)—girl Julie E., Sept. 4.
OHASHI, Robert N. (Fusaye Tanaka)—boy Wayne D., Sept. 20.
ONAGA, Yoshinori G. (M. Hatsu Sano)—boy Kirby B., Sept. 17, Azusa.
OSAKA, Toshii (Toshiko Tsuyuki)—girl Carol Michiko, Sept. 19, El Monte.
OSHITA, Teruyuki (Bernice M. Kajiyama)—boy Terry Teruo, Sept. 6, Pasadena.
OTA, Tesuo (Laiko Takayama)—boy Gordon Kiyoshi, Sept. 3.
OWAKI, Joseph W. (Frances A. Nakamura)—boy Stephen Tetsu, Sept. 17, Culver City.
OZIMA, Yukio (Yuriko Watanabe)—boy Glen, Sept. 5.
PAYNE, Richard H. (Tomiko A. Nakamura)—girl Nancy C., Sept. 8, Artesia.
RYONO, Teruo (Kei Ono)—boy Daniel Kei, Aug. 25, Wilmington.
SAITO, George M. (Shirley H. Oye)—boy Dean Yoshio, Sept. 9.
SAKAMOTO, Shaw (Bonnie K. Matsuda)—girl Carrie M., Sept. 16.

SEEK NISEI GIRL FOR 'SAYONARA' FILM ROLE

SAN FRANCISCO. — While a leading role in Warner Brother's forthcoming film, "Sayonara," based on the James Michener novel, has been given to Marlon Brando, studio casting official Solly Baiano is searching for a Nisei girl to take the opposite lead.

It was learned that Warner Bros. was unsuccessful in their search for an actress in Japan who could speak English well enough for the part.

The studio wants a girl who can act the part of the "beautiful Japanese dancer" who is married to the dashing American flier. She must be photogenically attractive, have some acting ability, at least 5 ft. 4 in. with an Audrey Hepburn touch and needn't speak Japanese, according to Baiano.

SANCHEZ, Armando (Yoshiko Yonaha)—girl June G., Sept. 21.
SASAKI, Yoshiyuki (Miharu Fujiwara)—boy Edward Minoru, Sept. 22.
SASE, Victor H. (Sadako Soyeshima)—girl Susan L., Aug. 28.
SHIMAMOTO, George S. (June Ueyemura)—boy Alan Jun, Sept. 4, Montebello.
SHIRAI, George (Haruko Kodama)—boy George Jr., Sept. 16.
SHINGO, Seikichi (Kazuko Sasai)—girl Janice E., Sept. 1.
SHIZURU, Saburo (Fumiko Shirokawa)—girl Toni K., Sept. 21.
SUZUKI, Robert (Naomi P. Lopez)—girl Sandra, Sept. 19.
TAKAHASHI, Donald E. (Shizue Hiroshige)—girl Gayle Aya, Sept. 15, Gardena.
TAKATA, Atsushi (Yasuko Nishida)—girl Karen Marie, Sept. 20, Whittier.
TANAHASHI, Kiyoshi (Alice A. Tanouye)—girl Lisa Min, Aug. 23.
TATSUMI, Yasuo M. (Kazumi E. Kishi)—boy Bryon Hitoshi, Sept. 17.
TOGA, Yoshimi (Ryoko Yano)—girl Annette Sanaye, Sept. 4.
TOMA, Henry S. (Dorothy Y. Fukuki)—girl Wanda Naomi, Sept. 11.
UYEDA, Ed (Tokie Yasuoka)—boy Wayne R., Sept. 25.
YAMABE, Yoshio (Haako Kawanishi)—boy Eugene Yoshinori, Sept. 26, Rosemead.
YAMAMOTO, Shojiro H. (Itsuko Yamasaki)—boy Keiichi Glen, Sept. 15.
YASUDA, John E. (Aiko Mayemura)—girl Janet Mitomi, Sept. 23.

SANTA ANA

WADA, Fred M. (Sumiko Kawanishi)—girl Katherine Hitomi, Sept. 26.

ARIZONA

ISHIKAWA, Paul—twin boys, Oct. 13, Mesa.
SANTA MARIA
FURUKAWA, Paco—girl, Sept. 30.
TANI, Akira—girl, Oct. 13.

BAKERSFIELD

NAGATANI, Dr. James—girl Sandra L., Oct. 1, Delano.

FRESNO

KOMOTO, Kaoru—boy, Oct. 15.
KUBOTA, Genji—boy, Sept. 17, Reedley.
NAIJO, Tak—girl, Oct. 9, Reedley.
TAKENO, Ichiro—girl, Aug. 3, Selma.
TANAKA, Harris—girl, July 23, Parlier.
TANIGUCHI, Carl S.—boy, July 24, Caruthers.
YAMADA, Yoshito—boy, Sept. 20, Kingsburg.
YAMAGATA, George Y.—boy, Sept. 18, Reedley.
YAMAGIWA, Haruki—girl, June 14, Caruthers.
YOSHIMOTO, Kazumi—boy, July 18, Parlier.

WATSONVILLE

IZUMI, Tor (Jane Koda)—boy, Aug. 6.
KADOTANI, Katsukiyo (Peggy Ikeda)—boy, Aug. 18.
TAKAKI, James (Mary Ishizaki)—boy, Aug. 9.
TSUDA, Ben (Nobuko Suzuki)—girl, Aug. 20, Gilroy.
YAMADA, William (Sumiko Yokoi)—boy, Oct. 15.
YOSHIDA, Charles (Rose Nabeta)—twin girls, Sept. 21.

STOCKTON

HANAMOTO, Tsutomu B.—boy, Sept. 10.
KAWAMURA, Kunihiro—girl, Aug. 9, Lodi.
MIKAWA, Ben, Aug. 13, Lodi.
MIZUNO, William T.—boy, Sept. 5.
SHIMOZAKI, Samuel—boy, Sept. 26, Lodi.
YAGI, Thomas T.—boy, Sept. 19.
YAMADA, Clarence—boy, Sept. 20.

SAN JOSE

AIHARA, George T.—boy Dean, Aug. 3.
FURUMASU, Sam—girl, Sept. 24, Santa Clara.
ICHIKI, Kenji—girl Desiree Himeyo, Aug. 2, Santa Clara.
INOUE, Michinori R.—boy Larry L., Oct. 6.
KIKUCHI, Kayo K.—girl, Aug. 3.
KONDO, Richard T.—girl Sandra L., Aug. 3.
MURATA, Dick—girl Lynn, July 19.
NAKANO, Mas—boy Mitchell Minoru, Aug. 11, Mountain View.
ONO, Samuel T.—girl Donna Sumiye, Aug. 2.
TOMA, Takeyuki—girl Lynn Reiko, July 16.

UEMURA, Kazuo—girl, Oct. 7, Coyote.
YAMADA, Tatsuo—boy Stanley Tadashi, Sept. 26, Morgan Hill.
YAMAMOTO, William K.—girl, Oct. 6.
YASUKAWA, George—boy Daniel G., Oct. 3.
YUHARA, Ike—girl Junie Haru, Aug. 4, Cupertino.

REDWOOD CITY

HIGASHIOKA, Tom—girl, Aug. 5, San Mateo.
SUZUKI, Yoshinobu—girl, Oct. 4, Half Moon Bay.

OAKLAND

MURAMATSU, William—girl, Sept. 22.
SAKAKURA, Tatsuo—girl, Oct. 1.
TAKEUCHI, Frank K.—girl, Sept. 26.
TANI, Tom T.—girl Leslie J., Oct. 10, Sunol.

SACRAMENTO

FURUKAWA, Tom—boy, Sept. 8.
HONMA, George—girl, Aug. 3.
HONMA, Hiroshi—boy, Sept. 16.
KANEMOTO, Richard Y.—boy, Sept. 3.
KITADE, Eli—boy, Sept. 18.
MATSUHIRO, Kenji—boy, Sept. 14.
MATSUMOTO, Fred S.—twin girls, Sept. 10.
MATSUURA, Toshio J.—boy, July 5.
MURAKAMI, Katsuro—boy, Sept. 18.
NAKAHARA, Ray—boy, Sept. 18.
NAKASHIMA, Masao C.—boy, Sept. 16.
NITTA, Herbert S.—girl, Aug. 1.
NISHIMOTO, Toshio—girl, July 10.
SARUWATARI, Matsu—girl, Sept. 16.
TOYAMA, Edwin N.—boy, Sept. 9.
UYEDA, Robert—boy, Sept. 29.
YAGURA, Mitsuru—boy, July 29.
YOKOI, Tom—boy, Sept. 24.

WASHINGTON, D.C.

KOMAI, Dan (Shiz Miyamoto)—girl, Oct. 18, Silver Springs, Md.

Engagements

NISHIOKA-KADOWAKI — Sally, Santa Ana, to Mickey, Anaheim.

Weddings

BUNYA-NAKATANI — Oct. 7, Frank, Mt. View; Esther, San Francisco.
DILTZ-KITANO — Oct. 16, Douglas, Los Angeles; Mary, Compton.
DOI-TOKINOBU — Oct. 19, Douglas M., Pasadena; Katherine M., Los Gatos.
KITAGAWA-NAGASHIMA — Aug. 19, Holly and Noble, both Denver.
KOKUBUN-TAYLOR — Oct. 17, Rev. Kay, Los Angeles; Elaine, Aberdeen, Wash.
MORIKAWA-KUGE — Sept. 23, Frank, Berkeley; Ida, Alameda.
SHIRAI-TAKEDA — Oct. 19, Donald and Emmie, both Los Angeles.
TAKEUCHI-ISHIDA — Oct. 14, Ben and Emi, both Los Angeles.
TORIGOE-KIKUNI — Oct. 20, Harry S. and Katherine Y., both Los Angeles.
UYEDA-NAKAMURA — Oct. 7, Dr. Clifford I. and Helen S., both San Francisco.

Deaths

FUJIMOTO, Mrs. Ikuno, 62: Portland, Oct. 6—husband Niyozo, son Masayuki, daughters Mmes. Chihiro Makino, Miko Tsubota.
FUJIMOTO, Zenkichi, 80: Watsonville, Aug. 5—wife Suyeko, sons Kiyoshi (Kansas City), Sakaye, Yutaka, daughters Fumiko, Mmes. Chitose Nakasawa (Monterey), Masako Ishida (Modesto), Toshiko Ueno (Colo.), Yoshiko Ohara (Los Angeles).
ITO, Mrs. Masu, 75: Chicago, Aug. 26—sons John, James (Portland), daughters Mmes. Martha Tanaka, Edna Kimura, Margaret Shintaku, Margie Sato.
KUBO, Mrs. Emi T., 32: Salt Lake City, Sept. 23—husband George Y., daughters Connie M., Diane M., Patricia L., half-brother George S. Sakamoto (Tokyo), sisters Mary M., Mrs. Mikio Tokiwa (Sunnyvale, Calif.).
MAYEDA, Mrs. Chiyo, 29: Champaign, Ill. (formerly Sego, Utah)—husband Wataru, son Arnold; partner Mr. & Mrs. Nenokichi Watanabe (Japan), four sisters in Japan, brother (Ida.).
MORITA, Kenzo, 67: New York, Oct. 4.
NAKADACHI, Yashichiro, 77: Parlier, Oct. 4—wife Umeno, son Akira, daughter Yoshiko.



Children and parents alike got into the spirit of Salt Lake JACL's and Auxiliary's Halloween party last week. Mrs. Mary Shiozaki (right) is offering a prize to Kenny Shiozaki while Miss Nishikawa, Akira and Tamiyo Sekino and Larry Konishi look on. The committee outdid itself with the spookiest of spooky alleys, colorful decorations, games, treats for the children. Prizes were awarded for the most original, most comical and most beautiful costumes. —Terashima Studio Photo.

WASHINGTON NEWSLETTER:

Multi-megaton hydrogen bomb ban an issue for all Americans

By SAM ISHIKAWA

New York

Now with the 1956 presidential an event of past history, perhaps, we can take up the matter of the hydrogen bomb testing without the heat of electioneering. The whole matter of the hydrogen bomb and its control is a grave issue on which we have not had a "major breakthrough". Too often we try to dismiss the issue casually as if it were not of vital concern to us.

Yet, as the ten scientists from California Institute of Technology informed us, "Our people must not be shielded from the grim realities . . . They must realize in full the dangers of radioactive fallout . . . We must realize that time is running, that our actions and inactions during the coming years may well determine whether our people, our nation, our civilization live or die."

'Lucky Dragon' fishermen . . .

During the spring of 1954, when the Japanese fishing boat "Lucky Dragon" was dusted by fallout ashes from one of the multi-megaton bombs we had detonated at Bikini, I was in Japan working on the news desk of a Japanese news agency. From this vantage point, I was able to learn a little about how important this issue of H-bomb testing was to our foreign policy.

If it were not for the swift action of our Ambassador John Allison in Tokyo in ameliorating the touchy situation which existed, there could have been a major international crisis when one of the "Lucky Dragon" fisherman died due to injuries sustained by the fallout dusting. Even with the payment of damages amounting to a million dollars did not quiet the clamor of the Japanese people protesting U.S. testing of thermonuclear bombs. It was and is still a great issue in Japan and other countries.

What many Americans do not seem to realize is that the longer we continue testing of these multi-megaton bombs, the more we subject ourselves to the criticism of being "war-like" and "war-mongering." Many times in vain I have tried to explain to the Japanese the necessity of continuing with these tests until the Soviet Union joins in with us in an agreement to stop testing these bombs. Arguments such as this may make good sense to Americans, but do not seem to register with the Japanese.

Their usual reply which seemed naive at the time was: "Why don't you stop testing, then maybe the Russians will also stop." But my answer was: "How can we afford to stop?" "Will not the Russians get ahead of us in research and completion of bigger and better bombs? Then, will we not be at the mercy of Soviet imperialism?"

Their stock reply was: "If the United States stops testing these bombs unilaterally, and if the Soviet continue to test, the United States will be on a very strong moral grounds to resume its tests and we will support you against the Russians."

Japanese viewpoint understood . . .

Until the issue was brought out during the presidential campaign, I did not fully comprehend the views of my Japanese friends.

Now it seems clear to me that the Japanese position was based on the following facts: (1) the thermonuclear bombs are big enough, (2) any further testing by the Soviet Union can be detected, (3) these tests must be stopped for radiation safety, and (4) the United States can regain the "peace offensive" and gain the confidence of the world.

On the first point, we have the word of Atomic Energy Commissioner Thomas E. Murray: "It is my belief that the big thermonuclear weapons which we now have are big enough for any conceivable purpose. They are also so big that their use in large numbers would raise both medical and moral problems chiefly by reason of the resultant worldwide contamination by radioactive substances. We should discontinue the testing of multi-megaton weapons; such tests are no longer necessary."

On the second point, 73 scientists at the Argonne National Laboratories agree that any large detonation of a multi-megaton size can easily be detected by either the U.S. or the Soviet Union. The Japanese scientists know this well for they are usually the first ones to announce H-bomb explosions whether they be in Russia or at Bikini.

On the third point, Commissioner had this to say: "A sufficiently large number of such (thermonuclear) explosions would render the earth uninhabitable to man. One of the products released by a nuclear explosion is a substance that is called radioactive strontium . . . Prior to the atomic age there was no radioactive strontium in the atmosphere or the soil . . . There is a limit to the amount of this strontium that the human body can absorb . . . There is a limit to the number of large thermo-nuclear explosions that the human race can withstand . . ."

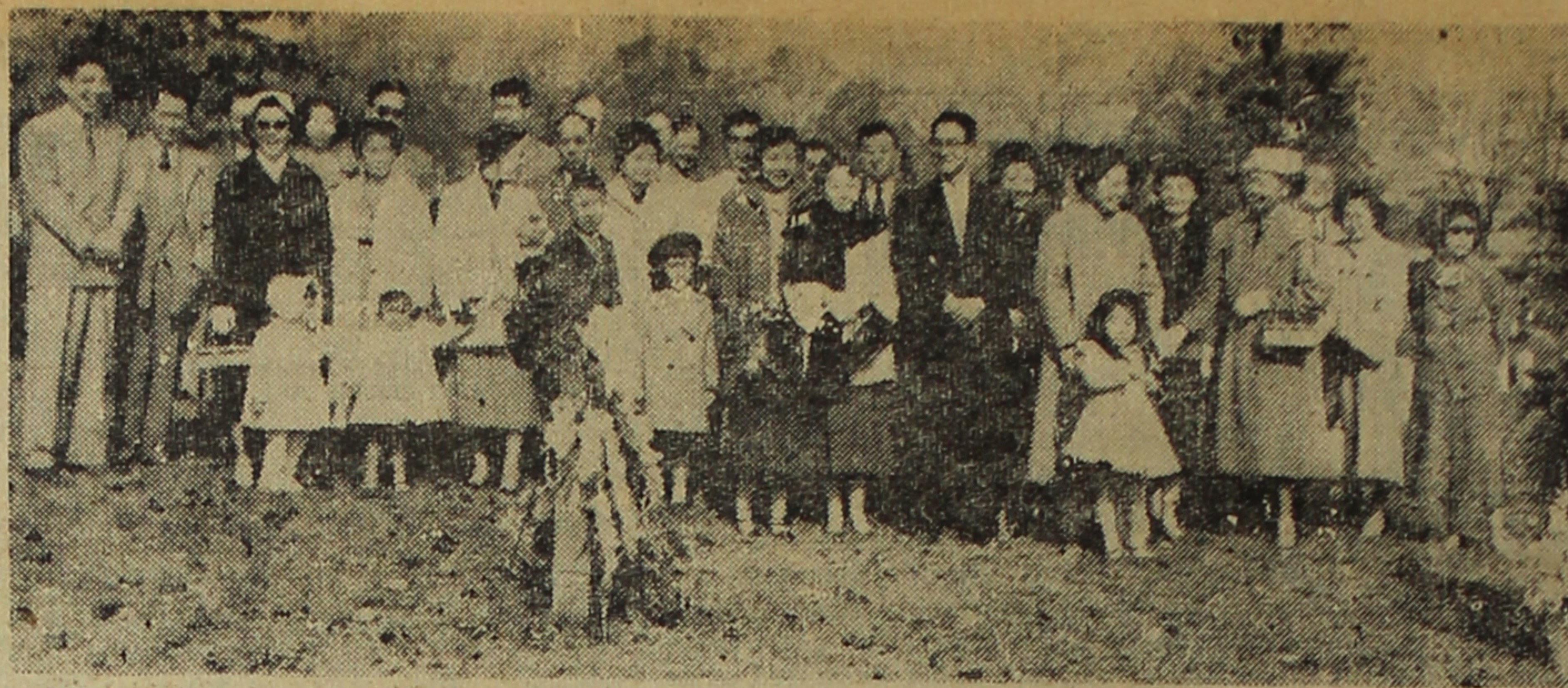
Japanese students' attitudes . . .

On the fourth point, I can attest to myself. During the spring of 1954 in Tokyo I watched hundreds of Japanese students buttonhole commuters at train stations to sign petitions to outlaw the H-bomb and its testing. I spent many hours talking with these students. Most of them were not Communists, but they did not care whether the movement which they supported was inspired by the Communist Party. If I reminded them of this, they would simply shrug their shoulders saying, "If peace can come only through the Communists, we'll become Communists."

We need not be reminded that these students were successful in garnering over a million signatures on their petitions. What's amazing about this fact is that signers paid a minimum of 10 yen for the privilege of making this protest against the H-bomb.

If it is true that we are ahead of the Soviet Union in the field of large thermonuclear bombs and that we are approaching the point of diminishing returns in the detonation of larger bombs, it may be that we can afford to stop testing these

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A group of District of Columbia JACLers and friends commemorated Nisei Memorial Day at Arlington National Cemetery Oct. 28. Following a brief ceremony including a three-volley rifle salute and Taps by the 3rd Regimental Honor Guard, the group visited and placed floral tributes at each of the 20 Nisei gravesites at Arlington.

Native Sons of Golden West were quiet during pre-election weeks on Prop. 13, interview made public before poll discloses

SAN FRANCISCO. — The Native Sons of the Golden West, one of the four active campaigners for passage of the 1920 Alien Land Law initiative, was quiet during the weeks before election day on Prop. 13, which repeals the measure, it was disclosed by Jack Noda, chairman of the Alien Land Law Repeal Committee.

"We took our stand years ago on the Japanese and the alien land law," declared Harold Regan, grand secretary of the Native Sons, in an interview which was made public last week.

"At our recent executive session in Fresno we did not adopt a position on Prop. 13. Moreover, from the fact that there are no opposing arguments entered in the voters' pamphlet, you can gain an indication of where we stand today," Regan added.

Joe Grant Masaoka, campaign coordinator for "Yes on Prop. 13," interviewed Regan at the NSGW headquarters here when the committee wanted to ascertain the attitude of the Native Sons.

When asked if the NSGW would support repeal, Regan commented that there are old members who still uphold their traditional stand on the alien land law. "Better not

stir them up," advised Regan.

Masaoka recalled that it was Steve Regan, secretary emeritus of NSGW, who instituted the suit against Cameron King, registrar of voters in San Francisco, to strike the names of Nisei from the election rolls in 1942.

It was also the NSGW which together with the State Federation of Labor, State Grange and American Legion composed the California Joint Immigration Committee, which was historically credited with sponsoring the enactment of the Japanese Exclusion Act of 1924 and the California alien land law. The American Legion and state

AFL have passed resolution favoring Prop. 13.

The California Department of the American Legion, following its favoring resolution passed at its annual convention, had set up a special committee to win widespread support of Proposition 13. With an imposing list of distinguished veteran sponsors on its letterhead, the Legion circulated its resolution and request for a Yes vote among 650 daily and weekly newspapers of the state. To make certain Legion Posts were made aware of its official stand, the special committee designated as Veterans For Proposition 13 sent a mailing to all of their California Posts calling on comrades to repeal this alien land law.

Prop. 13—

Continued from Front Page less at this time, refusing to support the campaign in some instances, and pretending that Japanese American standing on the west coast was beyond the test of public vote.

It also interpreted Prop. 13 as the first time the public could be polled on a question involving Japanese since the war, although the proposition on the ballot last Tuesday did not specifically mention the Japanese.

For the books, the 1920 initiative has been repealed by the vote of the people. The alien land law has been inoperative since the enactment of the Walter-McCarran Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952, but it was in the California statutes since it was inserted by initiative and only removable by majority vote.

Kango Kunitsugu, who chaired the "Yes on Prop. 13" campaign in Southern California, commented the "results were gratifying," giving credit to the hundreds of JACL volunteers who toiled for several weeks campaigning for a "Yes" vote.

In Tribute

(This poem was composed and read by Ben Nakao, president of the Washington, D.C., JACL chapter, at the recent Nisei Memorial Day rites at Arlington National Cemetery. Nakao is a WW2 veteran with service in the Army Intelligence Corps.—Editor.)

By BEN NAKAO

Across the hills and o'er the seas
We hear the echoes of the free.
In gratitude thou shall remain
In our everlasting memory.

Thou rose as one for freedom's cause
To fight for what is just and right;
And to thou we'll always look upon
As our eternal guiding light.

Thy gallant deeds shall ever be
Richly enshrined within our hearts.
Thy sacrifice was not in vain,
Because deep loyalty it imparts.

And as we gather here this day
To pay homage to thine name,
May thou rest in solemn dignity,
For we shall cherish all thy fame.

Nisei Memorial Day
October 28, 1956

Christmas Cheer climbs past \$600

Christmas Cheer met 30 per cent of its \$2,000 goal this past week with two sizable donations from the Senshin Sr. YBA and the West L.A. Jr. Matrons.

The project, which aims to bring a measure of the holiday spirit to needy Japanese families in the Los Angeles area, will close Dec. 15.

Hiro Omura has been added to the Cheer staff, in charge of distribution of canned goods, staples and toys.

Christmas Cheer benefits have been announced by L.A. YBA for Dec. 2 at Elysian Park Playground, and the Southwest L.A. JACL on Dec. 8 at Centenary Methodist Church.

Contributions this past week include:

CHRISTMAS CHEER DONATIONS
Oct. 31 to Nov. 3
\$35—Senshin Sr. Y.B.A.

\$25—West Los Angeles Jr. Matrons
\$10—H.S. Murayama, Dr. George K. Kambara, Frank Kuwahara.
\$5—Chushiro Abe, Tom T. Ito, H. Fujino, Junichi Yoshitomi, Judge John F. Aiso, Mr. and Mrs. Tats Tada

CHEER FUND RECAPITULATION

Previously Reported \$502.58
Total This Report \$120.00
Current Total \$622.58
(Includes 1955 balance of \$41.08)

FATHER LAVERY OF MARYKNOLL REASSIGNED

Rev Hugh T. Lavery, M.M., who has worked among Southland Japanese for more than 25 years, has been relieved of his post as superior of the Maryknoll Mission in Los Angeles. He is being transferred to the Maryknoll House in New Orleans. Assuming the top post will be the Rev. Thomas Kieran, M.M., who comes from Maryknoll, N.Y.

Father Lavery is remembered for his work assisting evacuees and resettlers during the war years.

Voters ballot at Buddhist church

CHICAGO. — Midwest Buddhist Church, 1757 N. Park, oldest of the Japanese Buddhist churches here, served as a polling place for voters of the 43rd Ward, 26th precinct.

Ballots were cast in one of the church's anteroom. In an adjoining room stands a beautiful altar of gold and hand-carved wood, only one east of the Mississippi to be imported from Japan.

The use of the Midwest Church as a polling place is symbolic of Buddhist adaptability to surroundings, the Chicago Sun-Times reporter noted. Chicago Buddhist-like their some 67,000 fellows in the rest of the United States—have preserved the principles of their faith while assuming the outer forms of American custom.

CALENDAR

- Nov. 10 (Saturday)
Placer County—16th Ann'y Goodwill Dinner, 20th Ag. Dist. Fairgrounds, Home Economics Bldg., 6:30 p.m.; Dr. Roy Nishikawa, spkr.
- Nov. 11 (Sunday)
Cincinnati—Chapter election meeting, San Francisco—"Fun for Funds" Auxiliary dance, Booker T. Washington Community Center.
- Nov. 11 (Sunday)
Southwest L.A.—Square dancing, USC YWCA, 36th & Hoover Sts., 7-11 p.m.
- Nov. 13 (Tuesday)
East Los Angeles—"Japan Night", So-to-Michigan Center.
- Pasadena—Board meeting.
- Nov. 14 (Wednesday)
Southwest L.A.—Gen'l meeting, Centenary Methodist Church, 8 p.m. Taro Yashima, spkr.
- Nov. 15-18
Detroit—One World Market.
- Nov. 16 (Friday)
Chicago—Election meeting, Woodrow Wilson Room, 116 S. Michigan.
- Nov. 17 (Saturday)
D.C.—Family Night, Fairfax Hotel, 6:30 p.m.
- Sacramento—"Stars of Tomorrow" talent show, Buddhist Hall.
- Nov. 18 (Sunday)
Mt. Olympus—Turkey Shoot, SLC Police Gun Range, 12:30 p.m.
- PSWDC—Quarterly session, Venice-Culver JACL hosts; Luke Mandemaker Post, Mar Vista, 1:30 p.m.
- Nov. 22 (Thursday)
Orange County—OC JAYS skatefest, Long Beach Roller Palace, 8 p.m.
- Gilroy—3rd annual Thanksgiving dance, IOOF Temple, 9 p.m.
- Nov. 24 (Saturday)
Chicago—12th ann'y Inaugural party, Tam O'Shanter Club.
- Pasadena—ICC Thanksgiving dance.
- Dec. 1 (Saturday)
CCDC—Bowling tournament.
- Detroit—Election meeting.
- Dec. 2 (Sunday)
CCDC—Annual conference, Hacienda Motel, Fresno.
- Dec. 3 (Saturday)
Southwest L.A.—Christmas Cheer box lunch social, Centenary Methodist Church.
- Dec. 9 (Sunday)
Detroit—Children's Christmas party.