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BY THE BOARD:

After Prop. 13, what is next?

Now that the campaign on Proposition 13 is concluded, we can look back and say a job well done. However, from its result of 2 to 1 "yes" margin, it still behooves each of us to be ever alert and continue our good public relation program through the medium of JACL. Had it not been for the tremendous efforts exerted by every chapter in California, the results could have been worse if not reversed.

Many thanks go to the statewide Committee on Proposition 13, individuals who have given generously of their professional talents, and to the individual chapters, thus bringing to a close the legislative program the National JACL embarked upon a few short years ago.

What about the future?

Our National President, Dr. Roy Nishikawa, who was the main speaker at the CCDC Convention in Fresno last week, chose a timely topic—"Need for Service Organization." We certainly can enlarge our future activities by rendering service to our fellow man, our community, and our nation.

It was most gratifying to hear about the rapid progress being made by the newly formed "Jr. Jacees" in Orange County. We hope many chapters will include in their 1957 program, the formation of Jr. CLers and also the important Women's Auxiliary units. It is a wonderful opportunity to interest our youngsters as to their future responsibilities.

For many years we've talked about a new building for our National headquarters. At our recent National convention, a building committee was appointed to look into the possibility of a permanent home. A highly respected and esteemed organization like the JACL, which has accomplished so much with so little, deserves a permanent headquarters of which we can be proud. It should give us great pride and satisfaction if a building were erected and dedicated to the founders and leaders of JACL.

— Jack Noda



Rupert Hachiya (left), Salt Lake JACL president, awards a JACL pin to Sue Kaneko, this year's winner of the "most cooperative member of the Salt Lake chapter" balloting. Every year a person is chosen by board members, who pick the most willing and hardest worker and the JACL pin is in recognition of service rendered willingly and unselfishly. —Twilight Photo.

SEMI-GOV'T JAPAN AGENCY TO STEP UP TEMPORARY FARM LABORERS PROGRAM

SAN FRANCISCO. — A semi-governmental agency has been formed in Japan to step up the program to bring temporary farm workers to the United States, according to two recent arrivals.

It was disclosed that the Council for Supplementary Agricultural Workers was formed, according to Chiaki Yoshizaki, executive director.

He also reported that arrangements have been completed to bring 100 or more of these temporary workers under a three year contract with Zuckerman Farms of Stockton.

They will be coming here as soon as the arrangements can be made, probably early next year, Yoshizaki said.

This latest group will bring up to 446 the number of Japanese to come to this country under the program started in September of

this year.

Original plans called for 1,000 Japanese coming here in September and October with another 1,000 before the end of the year. However, only 346 have arrived to date.

Under arrangements with the U.S. State Department, the program can be expanded to include 5,000 Japanese workers per year. In other words it is possible to have 15,000 of these temporary the present time.

However, Yoshizaki said that Osamu Sato who accompanied him from Tokyo will remain here with temporary offices at the Japanese consulate here to further the program as the local representative for the Japan council.

JAPAN'S BIGGEST POSTWAR EMIGRE GROUP LEAVES FOR NEW HOMES IN BRAZIL

KOBE. — Japan's biggest postwar group of emigrants was en route last week to new homes in Brazil. A total of 880 emigrants left Kobe for South America aboard the Brazil Maru.

The immigrants included Yoshinori Okawa of Kagawa prefecture, cited by the government in 1952 as the nation's No. 1 rice grower, 124 bachelors slated for jobs in industrial plants in Brazil, and 54 friends and relatives called to Brazil by Japanese who are already living there.

Masuda re-elected board member of Kobe College

CHICAGO. — Thomas Masuda, local attorney active in civic affairs, has been re-elected as a member of the 24-member board of directors of the Kobe College Corp., organized to further U.S.-Japan understanding through education.

Kobe College recently held its 81st anniversary celebration in Nishinomiya, Japan. It is the oldest senior college for women in Japan.

LARRY TAJIRI APPOINTED POST DRAMA EDITOR

DENVER. — Larry S. Tajiri, former editor of the Pacific Citizen, was appointed drama editor of the Denver Post and in charge of the amusements section of the paper starting last Monday. He has been with the Post for the past four years, at one time serving on the Sunday supplement under Empire Magazine editor Bill Hosokawa.

Annual immigration quota for Japan may be raised to 563

TOKYO. — The annual quota for Japanese entering the United States under the present immigration law may be raised to 563 instead of the present 185 if the 1952 Immigration Act is revised at the next congressional session, according to Congressman Kenneth Keating of New York, influential leader of the Judicial Committee visiting here earlier this month.

"I have sponsored the Presidential Bill to revise the Immigration Act of 1952," he said, "I am planning to reintroduce the bill, by virtue of which Japan's quota will be increased to 563. I consider that this revision is really important for the benefit of many Japanese people. Furthermore, I am hoping to help to mend the broken families of American citizens of Japanese ancestry in America."

The visiting American Congressman believed strongly that parents and immediate relatives should be given special consideration from the standpoint of humanitarianism.

"We are also considering the farm workers, particularly in California, where a great deal of farm labor is needed. It would help our economy as well as Japan's economy. Those people who lost their homes by typhoons or natural disasters may be given an opportunity to go to America as farm laborers."

Keating also believed that the unused quota of regional area may be applied to Japan if the new bill is going to be approved.

Univ. of Michigan students to rule on sorority bias

ANN ARBOR, Mich.—A national sorority which barred Negro pledges at two other schools was ruled in violation of University of Michigan membership regulations last week.

The student government council took the action against Sigma Kappa sorority, which earlier this year suspended chapters at Cornell and Tufts universities for pledging Negro girls.

The council said the national sorority prohibits membership because of race, religion, or color. A university antibias regulation adopted in 1949 prohibits discrimination in fraternal groups on racial or religious grounds.

The student council said it will decide this week what action it will take against the local chapter of Sigma Kappa.

Officers said the local chapter has Jewish, Catholic, and Oriental members but no Negroes.

Colorado Times

DENVER.—The Colorado Times resumed its English section after a three-months suspension on Dec. 3. Roy Mikawa of Kersey was named as editor.

PROTEST STEP-UP OF JAPAN FARM LABOR IMPORT

The importation of Japanese farm labor is under stepped up attack by California labor leaders.

Thomas Pitts, state president of the AFL, voiced sharp new criticism of the program over the weekend.

He declared:

"The program appears to be primarily a weapon for use by big corporate farmers in negotiating contracts to bring in Mexican nationals for farm jobs.

"The big farmers can say, in effect, to the Mexican government: 'If you insist on more and more benefits for Mexican workers, we will no longer use any Mexicans for our farm jobs and, instead, will use Japanese and other Asians.'"

The first contingent of Japanese farm workers arrived in California last September. It is planned to boost the total to 800 by next month.

There is no limit to the number that can be brought in as long as imported labor does not replace Americans available for the jobs.

Labor unions are complaining that American labor is being forced out of farm work by imported labor is both depriving Americans workers and the unions are campaigning to bar all imported labor, Mexican included.

The unions insist that imported of jobs and driving down wage scales.

Pitts expressed the opinion that the importation of Japanese labor would increase if the corporate farms have their way.

This is so, he explained, because they can save from \$30 to \$40 per worker because the Japanese pay their own transportation costs whereas the Mexicans don't.

Pitts said the saving to corporate farms could amount to \$5,000,000 to \$10,000,000 a year.

However, Jack Miller, manager of the California Farm Labor Association, said his organization had no plans for expanding the present Japanese labor program.

And he flatly denied that Japanese are being used as a weapon in negotiations for Mexican labor.

PHILADELPHIA DIRECTORY OF JAPANESE AVAILABLE

PHILADELPHIA. — Copies of the recently-published Japanese American directory are still available from Sim Endo, 5932 Devon Pl. at a \$1 donation.

Rain-slick highways cause traffic death

SAN FRANCISCO.—Two persons—a Nisei mother and her son of Fresno—were killed, and another injured Dec. 5 when their car hit a truck on the Pacheco Pass road five miles east of Gilroy, according to the Chronicle.

Dead were Kate Hirobe, about 50, of Fresno, and her son, Shigemi.

The injured person was her husband, George, 55.

The driver of the truck, Manuel Olivera, 55, of Hayward, escaped injury, it was reported.

WATSONVILLE.—Highways made slick by rains were blamed by road officers for traffic mishap in which a San Francisco man was killed Dec. 5 in a head-on crash with a Nisei-driven car on the Salinas-Castroville highway.

Sunao Murakami, 38, of 2034 Freedom Blvd., and his wife Sumiye, 25, were in Salinas Valley Memorial Hospital with major injuries.

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FROM THE FRYING PAN: by Bill Hosokawa



15,000 visitors

Denver

Can't recall now if it was ever reported, but the Japanese Festival held in Denver early in the fall drew approximately 15,000 visitors during its 10-day stand. The Wallace School for Handicapped Children, for whose benefit the Festival was held, netted some \$5,000 from proceeds.

While a dozen or so organizations cooperated in sponsoring the event, the largest share of the credit goes to the Japan Trade Center of San Francisco, represented before and during the festival by George Kyoto. Unlike many another event of its kind in which the various sponsors wind up at each other's throats when it's finally over, everyone is reasonably happy at the outcome of Denver's Japanese Festival.

YOUR BOY CALL YOU, ARCHIE?

If you saw the Archie Moore-Floyd Patterson heavyweight championship bout on TV a couple of weeks ago, you were struck no doubt by the flabby, fat-padded appearance of the ancient Archie. Poor fellow, he shuffled around flat-footed, breathing hard, poking ineffectually, showing numerous and unmistakable signs of his 39-going-on-43 years. Recalling all this, you can sympathize with the conductor of this column who, unhappily, is being called Archie these days by his lithe, lean, well-conditioned teen-age son.

Said son was pulling for Patterson during the fight. His Dad, purely on sentiment, rooted for the Ancient One. Archie went down as if he'd been pole-axed, game but beaten, and suddenly I felt a little older myself.

TWO-CAR FAMILY

Last September, with a new 16-year-old driver upcoming, we told you we were about to become a two-car family. Well, we finally did, acquiring a 7-year-old vehicle which is unusually spry for the 60,000 miles which show on the speedometer. It hasn't been without its troubles, though. First, George Kuramoto had to fix the window on the driver's side so it would roll up all the way.

The first day Mike took it out, he ran over a nail and got a flat tire. A few days later, when it turned out to be unseasonably warm, he left the car locked up tight. Old Man Sun got to work, expanded the air inside the car and built up such a pressure that the rear window shattered into a thousand little pieces. Fortunately by then the car was insured. What happens next?

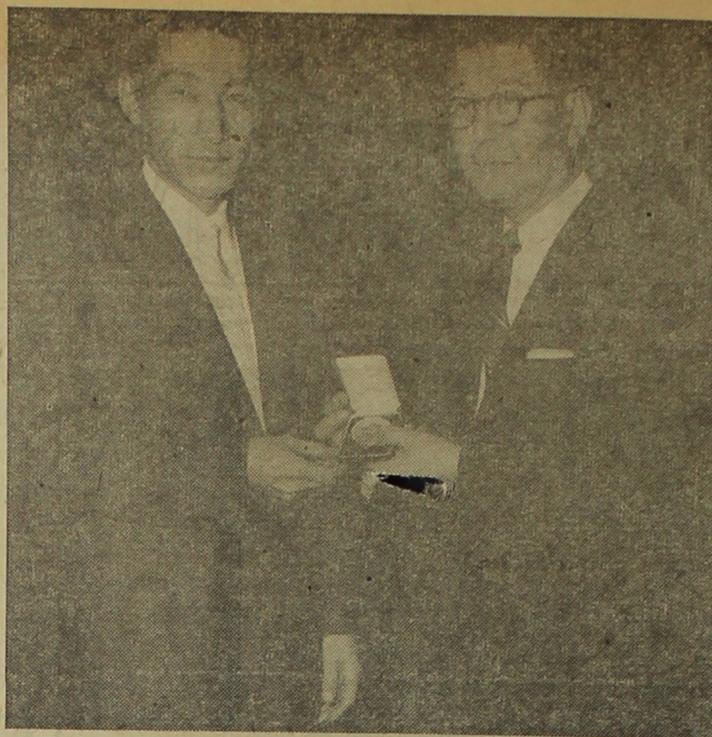
While setting up the insurance policy with Bob Horiuchi, we suddenly were made aware of the high cost of letting a teenager drive. Because youngsters are so accident-prone, it costs more to insure the car our Mike will be driving than to insure the four-years-newer job that we old, careful, cautious safe types get around in.

DENVER POST'S NEW DRAMA EDITOR

Friends of Larry Tajiri may be interested to know that he was named drama editor of *The Denver Post* last week. He'd been under consideration for the job ever since last summer when he, subbed for the drama editor who was on vacation. At that time Larry's great interest and authoritative knowledge of the theater and movies, which he often exhibits in his *PC Vagaries* column, enabled him to produce eye-catching reviews on unusual readability. *The Post's* amusement pages should become an exciting part of the newspaper with Tajiri at the editorial helm.

TOLAN COMMITTEE HEARINGS

The last few days I've had occasion to read over the record of some of the Tolan committee hearings in early 1942 on the problems of evacuation. A few years ago I might have got mad all over again. Now, I found much of the testimony amusing. It seems there were a hundred and one self-styled experts who deigned to speak with authority before the committee on matters about which they knew less than nothing. At the time of the hearings I thought the committee members (Congressmen Tolan of California, Sparksman of Alabama, Arnold of Illinois) were bigoted and prejudiced. A re-reading makes it obvious that they were not only fair-minded but genuinely concerned with the human problems of mass evacuation. If you have access to the record, why not read it over and see how it looks to you after 15 years?



Shig Wakamatsu (left), runner-up for "Nisei of Biennium" honors, is receiving his award for Distinguished Community Leadership from Dr. Thomas T. Yatabe, first national JACL president, at the 12th Chicago JACL Inaugural dinner-dance.

Tokyoite answers Keyes Beech's article on Japanese indifferentism to communism

DETROIT. — A Tokyo university lecturer, Shingo Shibata, recently had his letter published in the Detroit News commenting on Keyes Beech's article from Japan that was a subject of Tamotsu Murayama's column in the Pacific Citizen, Nov. 30.

The letter to the Detroit News follows:

JAPANESE ASK TRADE, NOT AID

To the Editor: The Sept. 26 News carried an article entitled "Yanks in Japan Begin to Doubt That Policy of Generosity Pays," written by Keyes Beech, from Tokyo. The article says: Japanese are indifferent to the argument that communism is a threat to the free world; they deny that H-bomb tests are essential to the world's security; they damn the U.S. atomic energy business as economic imperialism, etc.

This is all true, but Mr. Beech failed to say why.

Mr. Beech says American officials here think the U.S. occupation was the most benevolent in history. Yes, you kindly fed us when we should have starved shortly after WW II. At that time the U.S. sent hominy into our country; and since it said Japan didn't have to pay for the food, we accepted it.

But three years ago we were surprised to find you presented a bill for several million dollars. Thus, one of the biggest papers here said: "If we had known we were

to pay for it, we would not have bothered to eat such poor tasting food."

(Tamotsu Murayama also revealed in his report to the Pacific Citizen that chocolate with worms came from America when the Japanese were hungry. They also accepted dehydrated soya bean flour, which cause indigestion. While Americans intended these items to be distributed to the needy, there were intermediaries exploiting U. S. goodwill and making huge profits. There were some Japanese involved but there were also many Caucasians cashing in on goodwill —Editor.)

One month ago, we experienced a national tragedy in which about 1,000 innocent Japanese were injured by the U.S.-Japanese officials who carried out forcibly the expansion program of the American air base near Tokyo.

As you know, land is the most important thing to farmers and peasants except their lives. Your officials, despite strong opposition from our farmers, resorted to force in order to round them up.

Mr. Beech writes: "A growing number of Americans here are beginning to wonder if it pays to be generous to the Japanese." Frankly, we welcome not a policy of generosity, but of non-interference. Not aid, but trade. It is only by a policy of non-interference of both sides that Japan and America can reach the true friendship.

—Shingo Shibata.

San Francisco Selon Maloney feted

SAN FRANCISCO. — Assemblyman Thomas A. Maloney, (R., San Francisco) told the San Francisco JACL of his long association with Japanese in this country and added that he was glad he was able to have had a hand in the repeal of the California Alien Land Laws.

Maloney, a veteran local assemblyman who was defeated last month, was the guest of honor at a testimonial dinner given by the chapter's Committee for "Yes" on Proposition 13 at Yamato Sukiyaki Friday night.

He and Rep. Edward E. Elliott, (D., Los Angeles), were co-authors of the bills to repeal the 1913 law and to place the repeal of the 1920 law on the November ballot.

Maloney recalled that long before he became an assemblyman he was a stevedore on the local docks.

Some 40 years ago when the immigrant boats came from Japan he said it was his job to escort the picture brides to the immigration station and back again.

He said his unexpected defeat in last month's election was quite a shock, but told the JACL members that they will have excellent representation in Sacramento in Assemblyman Casper Weinberger, John

Busterud and Edward Gaffney.

All three assemblymen were also present at the dinner.

Victor Abe paid special tribute to the local assemblyman for his efforts on the alien land law and other issues in the past. Shichisaburo Hideshima, president of the Nichi Bei Kai, expressed the appreciation of the Issei to the veteran legislator.

Asia Society group formed in U.S.

WASHINGTON.—John D. Rockefeller III has announced formation of a new national organization to promote understanding between the U.S. and Asian countries.

The organization, to be known as the Asia Society, Inc., will be headed by Rockefeller with offices in New York.

Rockefeller said the group will work with existing societies interested in Asia and will concentrate on improving U.S. relations with countries in south and southeast Asia, where heavy communist propaganda drives have been penetrating.

Urge middle ground in current textile, quota controversy

FRESNO. — Because the San Joaquin Valley supplies about half of the raw cotton bought by Japan in the past 10 years, the Fresno Bee editorially hoped some middle ground would be found in the current Japanese textile tariff and quota problem.

Sympathetic for domestic textile industry, which wants a full measure of protection against cheaply-made foreign goods, the Bee cited the cooperative attitude of Japanese Foreign Trade Minister Tanzan Ishibashi, who said voluntary limits on its exports to U.S. could be instituted.

However, if tariffs become prohibitive, the Bee quoting Ishibashi, "Japan inevitably will resort to a heavy reduction in imports of American cotton".

The warning was construed by the editorial to mean that Japan would be able to obtain all of its need from other sources: Egypt, India, and Mexico, and Mexico, for example.

"And that prospect is decidedly uninviting from the view point of San Joaquin Valley," the Bee editorial concluded. "A drastic cut in orders from this important marketing outlet would be a serious setback".

NISEI GIRL NEVER DREAMED OF ROLE IN MOVIES

LIHUE, Kauai.—A California Nisei beauty queen appearing in Bel-Air Productions' *Jungle Heat* recently filmed on Kauai says she never dreamed she would have a part in the movie. She's 21-year-old Miyoko Sasaki of Sacramento, who portrays the part of an American major's wife in the movie.

A stewardess for Pan American Airways since early this year, she was picked as Miss Bussei in 1955, title given to the girl chosen as the queen of the Western Young Buddhist League.

"It's very exciting," she said. She commented, "The people in the cast are wonderful."

Miss Sasaki described Howard W. Koch, director, as "the most wonderful person I have ever met."

While attending Sacramento Junior College, she majored in music. The daughter of Mrs. Yoi Sasaki of Sacramento, she comes from a family of six brothers and two sisters.

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VAGARIES: by Larry S. Tajiri



Mr. Moto is back

Denver

The other day we noticed on the newsstand that Mr. I.A. Moto, the ubiquitous Japanese secret agent, had come back. Mr. Moto, the creation of the American novelist, J.P. Marquand, was a casualty of Pearl Harbor. Marquand had written a series of potboilers featuring the sharp-witted Moto in the 1930s and these novels

had been serialized in the Saturday Evening Post and published by Little, Brown. But after the Japanese went to war against the United States there was no longer a place in American popular fiction for a Nipponese hero.

But some three weeks ago the Saturday Evening Post printed the first of eight installments of *Rendezvous in Tokyo*. In the story Jack Rhyce, an American intelligence agent, was headed for Tokyo where he is to pit his skill against a Communist ring which is plotting a political assassination. On Telegraph Hill in San Francisco, on the eve of his flight to Tokyo, Rhyce is accosted by a Nisei named Nichi Naguchi who gives him a card with the name of Naguchi's uncle in Tokyo. The name is I.A. Moto.

When Rhyce arrives in Tokyo, in the second installment, he is met by a small, middle-aged man in a purplish-blue suit. The man proffers a card. I.A. Moto has returned to American fiction.

TO BE IN BOOK FORM

J.P. Marquand, whose byline is one of the most distinguished in American letters for his social novels on such Boston Brahmins as *The Late George Apley*, wrote his first Mr. Moto story after a trip to Japan in the 1930s. The newest, *Rendezvous in Tokyo*, which will be published in book form on Jan. 21, under another title, *Stopover: Tokyo*, is the fruit of a recent revisit to Japan. Writing the original Mr. Moto stories was something of a lucrative form of relaxation for Marquand, who spent most of his time on his serious narratives of New England family life. After magazine serialization the Moto stories were published as books and then were made into motion pictures by Fox films. Peter Lorre, established something of a Japanese stereotype in a series of Mr. Moto films.

Marquand's Moto was perceptively drawn, and the character was this side of being a hero. The author was not unaware that the Japanese had invaded Manchuria and had initiated aggressive war against China, and there was always the hint of menace in his portrayal of Moto. On the screen, however, Moto turned up as an unabashed hero who fought on the side of the "good guy." We still remember a scene in which Lorre was shown defending a Burmese temple with an American and British agents against the attack of German Nazis.

FILMS STILL IN VAULTS

The Moto films, which at one time threatened to become as numerous as the Charlie Chans, also ceased after Pearl Harbor. They are still locked in Hollywood vaults and have not been released to TV although, ironically, the wartime movies which show persons of Japanese ancestry as spies and saboteurs have been turning up on the late, late shows.

Incidentally, 20th Century will start production shortly on Marquand's latest Moto, *Stopover: Tokyo*. No actor has been cast as yet for the Japanese secret agent, but it would not be surprising to see Peter Lorre once more in the past, 15 years older, of course, just as Mr. Moto is, since the last of the Moto films.

Mr. Marquand's publishers announced the other day that the hero of *Stopover: Tokyo* was not Mr. Moto but the American agent, Jack Rhyce. It is to be assumed, however, that Moto helps Rhyce in breaking up the Red terrorist plot.

The other day Marquand was asked why he had written another suspense novel at this stage of his career. He answered: "My explanation for writing it is that I wanted to see whether or not I was still able to write a mystery, one of the most interesting forms of literary craftsmanship, if not art, that exists. I like to think that this is better than my earlier mystery stories. It ought to be, because I'm twenty years older and, I hope, know my way around better than I used to."

Though Marquand obviously knows his way around belles lettres, he declares that the secret agent details in *Stopover: Tokyo* and presumably in his earlier Moto books, were not the result of research or documentation. "Frankly, I made most of it up out of my head," he says, "but then, it may be authentic. The beauty of it is that we will never know because I assume no spy will ever write in a complaining letter."

PROTOTYPE OF JAPANESE POLICE

Marquand says his Moto is a Japanese prototype. "Americans were much less popular in Japan in the early and mid-thirties than they appear to be today. Being a writer, I was constantly followed by Japanese detectives who used to search my baggage almost every night. They, all of them, looked and talked exactly like Mr. Moto."

The return of Mr. Moto to the newsstands of America is not without its sociological implications. It is, in a way, a barometer of the times. Persons of Japanese ancestry in these United States have made a long round-trip since Pearl Harbor. And now American literature's most-famous Japanese, better known today than Hashimura Togo, is back again.

SANSEI TOT TO APPEAR ON 'PLAYHOUSE 90'

Little Wendy Mukai, who will be 6 next February, will be the Hawaiian waif in CBS' "Playhouse 90" series on Dec. 20, "The Family Nobody Wanted," which recounts a true story of the Dosses of Redlands, who adopted a family of 12 children of mixed parentage—children whom other couples were reluctant to adopt.

The Christmas show will star Lew Ayres and Nanette Fabray. The accomplished Sansei performer won the role in competition with more than 300 children.

She is also known as the "little girl with the long black pony tail" after she made her debut modeling for her grandmother, Mme. Riye Yoshizawa of the Modern School of Fashion.

Marysville fetes Japan farm laborers

MARYSVILLE. — More than 200 young farmers from Japan gathered at the Marysville Buddhist Church Nov. 17, to enjoy an evening of food and entertainment sponsored by the various organizations affiliated with the local church.

The young farmers are those who have come into this country recently as refugees and seasonal farm workers, currently employed on the farms and orchards in Marysville, Yuba City, Colusa, Gridley, and Wheatland.

The evening strated with a Buddhist service under chairmanship of Kazuo Nakagawa in the temple chapel.

The crowd later moved into the JACL Hall where entertainment galore was presented under T. Kitagawa as master of ceremonies.

While partaking their food prepared by the Buddhist Church women's group, the guests enjoyed a program of entertainment presented by local talents and also by the young Japanese farmers themselves.

This was the first large get-together ever sponsored for these new arrivals.

UGI HARADA TO HEAD ARKANSAS VALLEY C.L.

ROCKY FORD, Colo.—Ugi Harada was named 1957 president of the Arkansas Valley JACL, succeeding George Ushiyama. Assisting are Elmo Sakai, 1st v.p.; Aki Ushiyama, 2nd v.p.; Mike Fujimoto, 3rd v.p.; Tom Nakayama, treas.; Susie Hirahata, rec. sec.; Mollie Harada, cor. sec.; and Fred Morimoto, aud.

Harada was president when the chapter was founded in 1950 and served until 1953.

(This chapter, with a majority of its membership composed of farmers, has been hampered in recent months because of the drought.—Editor.)

Stockton Christmas party to invite local children

STOCKTON. — The annual Stockton JACL Christmas party for children will be held at the local Buddhist Church social hall this Sunday, Dec. 16, 3 p.m. Mrs. Mary Akita, chairman, said all youngsters are invited to play games, sing, see a short movie and receive gifts from Santa.

Sansei lass vies for honors of gaining berth on Gardena float in Jan. 1 parade



GARDENA.—Naomi Kiyomura, 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kiyomura, 1151 W. Redondo Beach Blvd., is currently vying in a popularity contest for a berth on Gardena's entry in the Tournament of Roses parade on Jan. 1.

She is the only person of Japanese ancestry among the 11 semifinalists in the current competition ending Dec. 24. The girl bringing in the most donations, according to the Gardena Jr. Chamber of Commerce, sponsoring the float, will ride as queen.

Donations are being used to construct the float. Last year's winner collected \$1,000. Contributions for Miss Kiyomura's votes may be sent to her home, it was stated by Franklin Hagio, campaign manager.

Posters introducing the Gardena High School senior to the community have been donated through courtesy of Albert R. Dohi and Tak Isobe. Supporting her are the local JACL, Nisei veterans, churches, women and gardeners' groups.

Naomi Kiyomura is a candidate for Gardena's float in the Jan. 1 Tournament of Roses in Pasadena. She and ten other girls are currently vying in a popularity contest for one of the seven spots on the parade float.

Wife starts floral arrangement class, GI-husband due for retirement in 6 years

NEW YORK.—The Japanese wife of a Nisei Army career officer who has six years to go before his retirement after 20 years of service has opened a flower arrangement studio here. The project provides a creative outlet for her and will help to prepare for his return to civilian life.

She is Mrs. Jean Kuwabara, Osaka-born wife of Major Henry Hideo Kuwabara, of Salt Lake City. A graduate of the Sogetsu school of flower arrangement who was given the name of Shuka (Superior Flower) by Sofu Teshigahara, founder of the school, she has opened Jeans Floral Decors at 37 W. 72nd St.

Besides doing professional flower arrangement decorations, she is interested in teaching classes. She has done work for the Matsuzakaya department store in Tokyo, Sears, Roebuck in Fayetteville, N.C., and at Coca Cola Hall in Columbus, Ga.

While her husband continued with special studies at Fort Bragg, N.C. Mrs. Kuwabara came north last October to establish a studio.

It was while she was an entertainer, the Special Services of the 25th Division in Osaka that she met and married her husband. At that time she was going under her stage name of Jean Kanae.

She studied classical ballet since she was 13 years old, and later performed modern dances with a band in Osaka. When she became interested in flower arrangement, she enrolled at the Sogetsu school. Here she spent endless hours with every kind of flower and accessory before Sofu would even admit her possibilities. She learned to work with basic materials, and then was able to let her imagination run wild.

In Miami she used coral to good effect in doing flower arrangement for a hotel. She has also used stumps and trunks of small trees as basic material.

In New York she hopes to find a fertile field for her art and a future for herself and her husband.

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Like many another JACL project, soliciting ads and greetings for the Holiday Issue fell on just a few people in each chapter, frequently just one person doing the yoeman's job. We'd like to salute them in this space because to us, they're heroes, and we don't believe in unsung heroes. For the records, to the best of our knowledge, they are:

Arizona—James Matsumori; Berkeley—Jack Y. Imada; Boise Valley—Chickie Hayashida; Chicago—Smoky Sakurada; Coachella Valley—Ben Sakamoto, Tom Sakai, George and Charles Shibata; Cortez—Y. Sakaguchi; Cleveland—Harry Kaku; Dayton—Yae Sato; Detroit—Sud Kimoto and Fred T. Yoshida; Fowler—Tom Shirakawa; Fresno—Tom Saito; Gardena Valley—Frank Kuida, Ryo Komae, Ken Nakaoka; Gilroy—Jack Nakano;

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If there are any omissions, they're purely unintentional and we'll make amends. And some chapters fail to mention who should get credit for the fine job of soliciting. We like the way in which some of the chapters like Tulare County and San Diego divvied up the work among several work-horses thus lightening the load for each, but then again, you gotta have the horses.

HI STATS

● Some interesting statistics about the Holiday Issue so's you'll know who the real producers are. From Vernon Ichisaka of Seabrook, in addition to numerous display ads came the most one-line name insertion greetings - 113 of them! Second is Fowler's 72. Which must mean practically every family in the community. They're followed by Detroit with 46 names, Washington, D.C. with 44 and Cleveland's 40 - a total among all chapters of nearly 1,000, the most ever. A real directory of JACLers everywhere.

On display ads, by column inches, Los Angeles leads the parade as should be expected with 259, actually a modest total when considering the potential. Chicago's amazing 135 is due to the singlehanded efforts of Smoky Sakurada, perennial PC reliable. San Francisco follows with 105.

Ranging between fifty and one hundred column inches are: Watsonville-84, Coachella Valley-78, Placer County-75, Southwest L.A.-64, Tulare County-63, Gardena Valley-60, Salinas Valley-59, Seabrook-57, Salt Lake City-55 and Mile-Hi-51. All the more laudable since many of these are small communities.

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Novo Kato to serve as Pocatello JACL president in 1957

POCATELLO. — Another staunch and long time JACLer, Novo Kato, was elected to head the Pocatello JACL 1957 cabinet. Kato and his cabinet members will be installed at the annual installation dinner dance scheduled for Monday, Dec. 17, at the Green Triangle Inn. Dorothy Hanaki and Kenji Akiyama are co-chairing the event.

Assisting the new chapter president during 1957 will be Hero Shiosaki, v.p.; Agnes Wada, rec. sec.; Lilly Kawamura, cor. sec.; Leo Hosoda, treas.; Dorothy Carlsen and Kin Sato, social; Bill Yamauchi, del.; Ezra Hawkes, alt. del.; Ace Mori, athletic; Alice Konishi, hist.; and Ronnie Yokota, pub.

The installation dinner dance will be m.c.'d by congenial Stanley Commons and as guest speaker, another faithful JACLer Hero Shiosaki. A friend and supporter of the JACL, lawyer Archie Service is being contacted to install the 1957 cabinet. Musical numbers are being arranged with the Idaho State College music department.

The newly elected president, Novo Kato, is not new to JACLers as he served in this same office in 1944 and many other various offices in the local organization.

Frank Shoji named Liv.-Merced prexy

LIVINGSTON.—Frank Shoji was elected president of the 1957 cabinet at an election here Saturday, Dec. 1. The election was preceded by a hamburger feed and followed by movies for the kiddies and folk dancing for the older set.

Buichi Kajiura was the chairman of the affair while '56 Pres. Lester Yoshida led the folk dancing. Well over a hundred attended including 26 local war brides that were invited by Mesdames Vi Masuda and Dee Yoshida.

Others elected to the new cabinet are: Walt Morimoto, v.p.; Joyce Kimura, rec. sec.; Midori Shiba, cor. sec.; Leo Kinoshita, treas.; Tom Nakashima, pub.; Joyce Kashiwase, hist.; Tets Morimoto, Liv. rep.; Tex Kinoshita, Cressy rep.; and Mrs. Lester Yoshida, Merced rep.

Marysville JACL releases '57 nominations slate

MARYSVILLE.—Nominations for the 1957 officers of the Marysville chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League have been announced.

For president, George Nakao and Mitzi Fukui; first vice-president, George Okamoto, Terry Manji and Bill Tsuji; second vice-president, Arthur Oji, Henry Kodama, Dr. Y. Toyoda and Tom Teesdale; recording secretary Marie Sasaki and Lucille Tokuno; corresponding secretary, Esther Tokunaga and Mitzi Kinoshita; treasurer, George Ishimoto and George Nakagawa.

Board members: George Tanimoto, Mary Tokuno, Lorraine Komatsubara, Frank Nakao, Molly Kamikawa, Minoru Harada, Tomi Nakahara, Harry Fukumitsu, Dan Nishita, Tom Kimura, George Hatamiya, Toshiro Yoshimura, Henry Marubashi, Tom Matsu moto, George Yoshimoto, Bob Kodama, Connie Kurihara, Isao Tokunaga and Ben Fukui.

Ballots were due early this week, according to Mosse Uchida, chairman of the nominating committee. Assisting Uchida were the following committeemen: Anthony Tokuno, Mitzi Fukui, Toshiro Yoshimura, Henry Kodama, Iris Hatanaka, Connie Kurihara, Tom Kurihara, Minoru Harada, Marie Kawata, Tom Matsumoto, Albert Okamoto, Yutaka Nakatani, Arthur Oji and Esther Tokunaga.

SEATTLE JACL BALLOTS DUE BY DECEMBER 20

SEATTLE. — Official ballots for the Seattle JACL 1957 cabinet elections are in the mail and should be returned by Dec. 20 in order to be counted.

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Frank Kuida named Gardena head, 12-man board OK'd

GARDENA.—A cabinet of officers for 1957 was named at an election meeting of the Gardena Valley JACL held at the local Baptist Church, according to Dr. John Y. Koyama, retiring president.

Following the submission of a slate of candidates prepared by the nominations committee under Yo Kobata, and nominations from the floor, the full cabinet was voted in a spirited election.

A twelve-man board of advisors was also approved. Following is the complete list of elected officials and board members:

Frank Kuida, pres.; Ed Nakamura, 1st v.p.; Yo Minami, 2nd v.p.; Sam Tanihara, 3rd v.p.; Dorothy Dohi, rec. sec.; Alice Tsukahara, cor. sec.; Ronald Shiozaki, treas.; Tom Tsukamoto, aud.; Mary Yoshimura, pub.-hist.; Yo Kobata, 1000 Club chmn.

On the advisory board, Yo Kobata, Ryo Komae, Ken Nakaoka and John Koyama will serve three year terms; Sally Sato, T. Yamau-uchi, Sam Minami and Tom Miyawaki will serve two year terms; and Paul Koga, Ray Takayama, Fred Fukuwa and K. Kuida will serve one year terms.

PASADENA TO INSTALL OFFICERS AT DEC. 22 CHRISTMAS POTLUCK SUP

PASADENA.—Installation of 1957 officers for the Pasadena JACL will be a part of the annual Christmas potluck party Dec. 22, 7 p.m., at the Union Presbyterian Church here.

Entertainment and good food in a homey atmosphere have been promised by Harris Ozawa, chapter president, who added that those attending should bring their eating utensils. Reservations are being accepted by the Tom Ito, SY 4-7189, and the Harris Ozawas, SY 2-4242.

The chapter, at their December cabinet meeting at the home of Tom Ito, said it would assist the local Buddhist church when it stages its community bazaar next April, 1957.

IDA FUKUI CHOSEN RENO CHAPTER PRESIDENT

RENO.—Ida Fukui was announced as 1957 president of the Reno JACL chapter this past week. She will be assisted by Mrs. Oscar Fujii, v.p.; Mrs. George Oshima, sec.; Bill Ishida, treas.; and Fred Aoyama, del.

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VERY TRULY YOURS: by Harry Honda



Holiday Issue

• This is the week we manage (and I use the word without compromise) to get two issues of the Pacific Citizen off the press . . . This week's issue (Dec 14) came off the Shin Nichi Bei press last night. And sometime tonight, the final pages of the Holiday Issue (Dec. 21) will be put to bed and off the Ernest Printing press by morning . . . I remember the rough weeks of final examinations at Loyola University. My body was bushed from mental fatigue. But this week out-roughs the week of college finals. Not only am I mentally bushed, but the body is so weary that the eyes ache from lack of sleep, the hair doesn't comb right and my feet throb from toting too much avoirdupois . . . Again, we'll have to acknowledge the fine assistance of the volunteers who have made possible this week to pass . . . We'll reserve the names till next week in the Holiday Issue, but one name that would have been mentioned can be bared at this time. Fe's Jim Higashi, the hard-working Christmas Cheer general director who sustained a ruptured appendix several weeks ago and is recuperating at home. When he first got out of the hospital, he thought the case was minor and set on helping us with the Holiday Issue, since his employers had given him a month's sick leave . . . Jim went back to the hospital for a second time, is out again—but didn't dare count on him this week. So, Jim, fake it easy and get well . . . Incidentally, Jim is the man who suggested Kaz Fujita, Chouinard Art student, of the East L.A. chapter to prepare the Holiday Issue front cover on "Changing Perspectives" . . . People I've been asking for suggestions in recent weeks will be surprised but pleasantly at the stark simplicity of Kaz's design and yet fully agree with us that it has impact.

• Like other well-meaning columnists for this publication, this department observes a Monday deadline for columns. If you're wondering how we can write a column like this at such an early stage, we can only reveal that experience with three previous Holiday Issues being the same leads us to anticipate no changes for the better this year.

FINAL CUFF NOTES

• A 25-cent per month increase in subscriptions has been announced by the two Japanese vernaculars in San Francisco effective Jan. 1, 1957, making it \$19.50 per year . . . The Los Angeles vernaculars charge \$13.50 per year and anticipate no rise, although paper and production costs have arisen. The answer is found in the increase in Southern California advertising in the vernaculars . . . The Pacific Citizen, we are happy to report, is still operating in the "black" and anticipate no rise in subscription. In fact, it is this writer's hope that something can be done to increase the pages of the Pacific Citizen on a regular basis one of these days. If our advertising increases and stays, the 12-page PC will be justifiable each week. So, here's to more advertising.



Recently installed by past national JACL president Hito Okada (far right) are the 1957 officers of the Salt Lake JACL. (From left to right) Jeanne Konishi, v.p.; Mike Yano, Auxiliary pres.; (Tomj Murakoshi, Aux'y sec.-treas. missing); Grace Iida, hist.; Grace Kasai, treas.; Tomoko Yano, cor. sec.; Midori Watanuki, rec. sec.; Shig Kanegae, 2nd v.p.; Sam Watanuki, 1st v.p.; and Ichiro Doi, pres. Members and friends presented retiring president Rupert Hachiya and his wife with a beautiful luggage set as token of their appreciation of the wonderful job he has done with the chapter. —Twilite Photo.

APL spends millions remodeling trans-Pacific luxury liners

More than a million dollars is being spent by American President Lines to remodel and improve passenger accommodations aboard the trans-Pacific luxury liners, President Cleveland and President Wilson, it was announced today. The area formerly called Third Class has been renamed Economy Tourist Class, effective Jan. 1, as a result of improvements made in living quarters and public rooms. Air-conditioning has been installed throughout the Economy Tourist Class area, so that now all space is air-conditioned, including the 4 to 8 berth "family style" rooms. An attractive outside elevated deck in Economy Tourist has been designed for a sun deck and observation area. Deck chairs have been

added also. A bar has been installed in the Veranda Lounge, which has been completely re-furnished, including the most modern lighting. A portion of the adjacent promenade deck has been glass-enclosed to provide a "patio" for lounging, games, dancing, movies, and relaxation. Six new "lanai" suites have been added to each ship in First Class. The suites, designed by the San Francisco architectural firm of Anshen & Allen, have windows rather than portholes, that look out over the ocean. Adorning these windows are glasscloth curtains, especially designed to cut the glare without impairing the view. The casework is walnut, and the walls are paneled in walnut inter-

persed with grasscloth. Each suite has a different color scheme representing a region of one of the countries on the ship's itinerary. A new lounge is incorporated in First Class to accommodate passenger parties and for "teen-age" entertainment, including movies. Work on the President Cleveland will be completed for the sailing from San Francisco Dec. 15, and on the President Wilson for the Jan. 6 sailing. Both ships call at Honolulu, Yokohama, Manila, Hong Kong and Kobe; and on their return to San Francisco they stop again at Yokohama and Honolulu. They sail every three weeks from San Francisco and call at Los Angeles on alternate voyages.

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LOS ANGELES NEWSLETTER: by Henry Mori



LACCCR's decade

On the eve of the 15th anniversary of Pearl Harbor, the Los Angeles County Conference on Community Relations observed its 10th anniversary.

"It was in the early 1946 that leaders of 11 community agencies agreed to organize a group to assist persons of Japanese ancestry returning from relocation centers to the west coast and at the same time re-

lieve certain amount of racial tension which came about as the result of their return," declared Mrs. Georgiana Hardy, chairman, before dinner guests of more than 350 persons

There was very optimistic note in her remark which suggested that 10 years hence the LACCCR can declare itself out of business what with all the racial problems solved on the local level.

In the words of Kango Kunitsugu, who prepared a special brochure for the occasion, the LACCCR has done a lot of "behind the scenes" campaigning to minimize discrimination in various fields of occupation and education.

The LACCCR has encouraged many private firms to ban its job bias against the non-whites, boosted integration of Negroes in the Fire Dept., and dropped segregation in public housing.

Today there are 60 some agencies, including the JACL, which financially support the work being done by the LACCCR. Recently the Japanese Chamber of Commerce presented a Recognition Trophy to Mrs. Hardy's group in appreciation for their fine work in human relations.

THANKFUL FOR WHAT

We had a nice chuckle out of Bill Hosokawa's recent column when he mentioned a number of things we can be thankful for this season. Like growing children, a home and economic security.

We also have two growing children, a modest home and a little bit of economic security. But our status is far from those living in the lap of luxury.

We reflect with a bit of amusement how during our high school days—with our very good friend, now Major Henry Ema of St. Louis—we used to pump ourselves up a steep incline each day on our way home from school reminding each other that: success only comes through hard work, struggle and right ambition.

Ema happens to be our best friend, and although I seldom write to him he keeps our friendship alive with occasional missives on what his family is doing and how many kids he's got now.

He married just a few months after we did, which dates back more than six years now. Today he and his wife have five children: Timothy, Linas, Lisa, Paul and Yuji who was born in October.

His cheerful letter says he took his whole family, including his mother, out last summer on a three-weeks' vacation to all points east, including Canada. Next year, they intend to visit Los Angeles, and of course the Mori Millions' mansion.

Five years ago, the Emas visited us when we were still without our little tax-exemptions in a one bedroom court house. The wife had an embarrassing moment to cover a termite-eaten floor with a rug, we recall.

This is not envy but Major Ema, who is a successful dentist, has a rank, five children, wonderful wife and as substantial home which we have yet to visit, and wealth, better known as money.

I guess we can still be thankful; though.

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Imaginatively decorated boxes of foods at the annual Southwest LA JACL Benefit Box Lunch Social raised a net of \$190 for the Christmas Cheer Fund on Dec. 8 at the Centenary Methodist Church. This amount raises Christmas Cheer almost to the goal of \$2,000, according to Cheer Chairman Jim Higashi. Kathy Sugimoto, chairman of the box lunch social, is pictured third from the left facing the camera. —K. Mayeno Photo.

Southwest L.A. to round off ICBG year with dinner-dance in pre-Holiday mood

"A celebration to round off one year of activities as ICBG" (Ichiban Chapter, By George) said Roy Iketani, Southwest Los Angeles JACL Chapter president, in describing the dinner dance scheduled for this Sunday, 6 p.m. at Scully's restaurant.

Top-notch entertainment is planned to give the Southwesterners a gala get-together at the start of the Holiday season and to climax a successful year for the chapter, according to Jimmy Yamamoto, dinner-dance chairman.

The program will include Dr. Roy Nishikawa, National JACL President, as main speaker. The candidates for chapter offices for 1957 are to be introduced and special chapter awards for outstanding services during 1956 will be presented.

The price for the Prime Rib dinner and the dance will be \$3.50 per person.

A combo will be playing for the dance and a separate charge will be made for the dance for those not attending the dinner.

The 21-member hostess committee is also acting as a telephone committee. The SWLA girls who will be acting as hostesses include Ethel Yoshino, Saye Matsui, Chris Sumi, Minnie Yamamoto, Elsie Sogo, Grace Oba, Margaret Kikuchi, Betsy Hamamoto, Dona Hamano, Kathy Sugimoto, Mary Arikawa, Bessie Yokota, Lois Kitagawa, Ann Motoyoshi, Fusa Kubo, Ichiko Suzawa, Rose Kaneshiro, Fumi Ushiyama, Kimi Tashima, Mary Enomoto and June Hayashi.

Also assisting on the committee are George Fujita, Sam Hirasawa, George Hiraga and Jim Yamaguchi.

Christmas Cheer reaches 77% of goal; packaging of items to get underway

The offices of the So. Calif. Japanese Chamber of Commerce (next to JACL regional office) in the Miyako Hotel will become packaging center for Christmas Cheer next week.

As contributions of food and toys continue to pour into the Cheer office, a group of teenagers from International Institute supervised by Grace Wada will help sort and package gift items.

As of last week, the \$2,000 goal was 77 per cent of its mark at \$1,550.58. Cheer chairman Jim Higashi was confident the goal would be met by deadline tonight. Previous donors were:

CHRISTMAS CHEER DONATIONS
December 3 to 8

- \$68—East Los Angeles JACL.
 - \$50—Chi Alpha Delta Sorority (UC-LA).
 - \$25—Mrs. Takeyo Mutow.
 - \$20—St. Joseph Kai (Maryknoll Church), Vandas, Nanka Okayamaken Club, Higashi Hongwanji Fujinkai.
 - \$15—Japanese Dorcas Society (7th Day Adventist Church), Accents.
 - \$10—Mr. Risaku Kawanami, Danaes, Long Beach Buddhist Sunday School, Jades, Mr. Denichi Fujinami.
 - \$7—White Ambers Club of Sun Valley.
 - \$5—Stanley — Flis, Ryohei Iwamoto, Ladies Guild WLA Buddhist Church, Mrs. T. Yagi, Dr. K. Akimoto, Y. Hashimoto, Kakuo Tanaka, Kataro Salmoto, Shufflers of Pasadena, Emiko K. Iguchi.
 - \$3—T. Shintaku, Joe K. Nomoto, Yasumoto Kushiya, J. Asakura.
 - \$2—John K. Nakazawa.
- Cheer Fund Recapitulation
Previously Reported . . . \$1176.58
Total This Report . . . 374.00
Current Total . . . \$1550.58
(Includes 1955 Balance of \$41.08)

Selection of Japanese farm workers to U.S. tightens, official reveals

Japanese temporary farm workers coming to the United States are now being selected with great care and given intensive orientation before being permitted to leave Japan.

This was the report brought here from Tokyo last week by Shoichi Ban, the former Japanese vice-consul in San Francisco.

Ban who returned to Japan earlier this year is now with the Foreign Office's immigration bureau and is acting as liaison between the Foreign Office, the other ministries and the semi-official Council of Supplementary Agricultural Workers.

The latter council is in charge of the program of selecting workers to be sent to the United States, mostly California under the program similar to the Mexican migrant worker system.

He arrived in San Francisco with 16 temporary workers who are now in the Yuba City area. The latest arrivals brings up to 362 the number of these workers now in this country.

However, it was learned that 23 more from Fukuoka arrived in San Francisco on the President Cleveland last week and 125 more are scheduled to arrive for work in Southern California sometime this month.

Ban said here that only one out of every 10 applicants are selected and placed on the list of persons eligible to come to the U.S.

Those who survive the first screening must undergo an orientation course of lectures and training on America and American farm methods.

Ban expects to remain in San Francisco for the next three months, to aid in this program.

CCDC official directory of chapter cabinets due

DEL REY. — The Central California JACL District Council is compiling a telephone directory of Chapter officers, according to Tom Nagamatsu, newly-elected CCDC chairman, of P.O. Box 145, Del Rey.

Nisei aided in study of preventing of artery hardening

SAN FRANCISCO. — A discovery which may eventually prevent hardening of the arteries was announced last week by William G. Dauben, U.C. associate professor of chemistry, who headed a research group which included one Nisei, Yoshio Ban.

As a result of their discovery this disease, one of the most debilitating of man's afflictions in his later years, may some day be reduced or prevented by chemical means.

Their work describes in detail for the first time the answer to the question:

How do plants animals and man transform their food into the complex organic compounds known as steroids, chemicals that play a vital role in the growth of healthy tissue?

This report provided that answer.

Thus, with the steroid cycle finally known, man has discovered nature's mechanisms for synthesizing three major classes of compounds. The others are carbohydrates and fatty acids.

Steroids are equally as important as the other two in influencing growth.

Steroids for example, include cholesterol, which is identified with hardening of the arteries; cortisone, one of the important pituitary secretions; sex hormones; vitamin D, and others.

Now that step-by-step build-up of steroids is known, Professor Dauben suggests, it may be possible to introduce chemicals into the steroids - producing machinery to block the formation of cholesterol.

One of the first of the results of the new discovery may be a hunt for a chemical inhibitor that could be introduced at the right step in the cholesterol-producing cycle, to inhibit its development.

If such agents can be found, they might provide a better method of cholesterol control than diets, which are used now and are not as effective as medical scientists would like.

NEW YORK CHAPTER TO VOTE IN NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS

NEW YORK. — The New York JACL is on the threshold of a new experience, having recently adopted a new chapter constitution which is vesting executive and administrative powers to a board of directors.

The chapter is holding its election meeting tonight at the Japan Society office, 3rd floor, of the Hotel Savoy Plaza. Woody Asai, chairman of the nominations committee, has received the gracious permission from the following to have their names placed in nomination for candidates to the board:

Marion Glaeser, Tom Hayashi, Joe Imai, Shig Kariya, Marie Kurihara, Betty Miyahara, Tomie Mochizuki, Bill Sakayama, Fugio Saito, Francis Sogi, Mary Sprung, Shig Tasaka and Woody Asai.

Aged Issei held chopping co-worker

LODI. — Sheriffs arrested an aged Issei farm laborer, S. (Frank) Oshika, 72, on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon last week after he allegedly chopped a fellow worker, Ray K. Nakano, 58, on the head with a hatchet in a bunkhouse argument.

Oto Takeda, foreman at the camp on Threadaway Rd., one mile south of Acampo, called officers after driving three miles to a telephone. Sheriff deputies were handicapped by a language barrier since both participants understood little English.

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WASHINGTON NEWSLETTER: by Mike Masaoka



Notes from Japan

Tokyo

Newspaper stories in the United States notwithstanding, I was not the victim of a stroke, though I was bedridden for several weeks with a severe attack of the gout. Happily, I am now back on my feet and working hard at catching up.

Perhaps some comments on Japan, as I am able to make them on this my third trip here, may be of interest at this time.

There was little interest in the United States presidential and congressional elections in Japan, for most of the Japanese took it for granted that President Eisenhower would be re-elected. They know the names of only a few of the senators and representatives and, not being familiar with the American system of government, consider them to be less important than the President in determining national policy.

On the other hand, there was great interest in Hatoyama's trip to Moscow to negotiate a peace settlement with Soviet Russia, terminating the war some eleven years after the end of hostilities. The House of Representatives, the Lower House of the National Diet, has already approved the instruments and the House of Councillors, the Upper House, is expected to do so in the next few days.

While most newspapers and public opinion in Japan seemed to accept the peace settlement as the best that could be secured at this time, there is considerable criticism that mention of the return of the former Japanese islands off Hokkaido and in the Southern Kuriles was neglected in the formal documents.

It is now clear that Japan and Russia will soon resume diplomatic relations, with Japan's hopes to be admitted into the United Nations this year higher than ever. It may be that Japan's great post-war ambition to regain acceptance in the community of nations is soon to be realized.

But for Americans, and particularly Japanese Americans, there is the graver question of whether Japan will soon resume normal relations with Red China. Such a contingency would certainly not be popular in the United States and might well ignite latent prejudice against us who, once again, can be confused with the Japanese in Japan itself.

The revolt in Hungary made the headlines. It also caused many Japanese to wonder whether Soviet retaliation might well be indicative of what Red China might and could do to Japan if she ever determined to attempt to control Japan.

Also, the Suez crisis caused some concern, for Japan is a shipping nation with a rapidly growing merchant marine.

Place to meet old friends . . .

But, the most discussed riddle in Japan is the question of Hatoyama's successor as the Prime Minister of Japan. About all that seems to be certain, and this becomes less certain each day, is that Hatoyama must resign soon—perhaps right after the special Diet session to ratify the Russian peace settlement adjourns.

There are several outstanding candidates for both the presidency of the Liberal-Democratic Party and the Prime Ministry, which are traditionally held by the same person. But, as the political maneuvering continues, the likelihood grows that some darkhorse candidate may emerge the victor over the present favored trio—Kishi the present Secretary General of the Liberal-Democratic Party, Ishii, the chairman of the Executive Board of the dominant Party, and Ishibashi, Minister of International Trade and Industry. Kono, Minister of Agriculture and Forestry, who seems to be Hatoyama's personal foreign policy adviser, has sided with Kishi, only to learn that his endorsement apparently caused Ishii and Ishibashi to join forces against the Kishi-Kono combination.

No strong man seems to be on the political horizon to assume control over Japan's destiny in these troubled times when Japan so desperately needs real statesmanlike leadership, not only in domestic matters but also in the international field.

Changes since last trip . . .

On less significant matters, Tokyo and Japan seems to have changed little in the two years since I was last here. There are many more buildings up, or in the process of construction. There are far fewer GIs in uniform, what with American security forces being withdrawn or relocated in areas outside the larger cities. The girls seem to be better dressed than formerly, though practically all are in western dress in the metropolitan areas. The kimonos, we are told, are too expensive and too restrictive for ordinary wear. Pachinko is still very popular, but not all so important as it seemed to be a few years ago when this pin ball craze hit Japan. Baseball is popular too, though the Brooklyn Dodgers didn't seem to invite the enthusiasm that the New York Yankees did a year ago. The Olympics are first paper news, though Japan hasn't fared too well in the Melbourne Games.

Most discussed riddle . . .

And the Imperial Hotel in Tokyo is the place to meet old friends and JACLers. Recently, Sam Ishikawa who is now with me and I had lunch with Tameji Eto of San Luis Obispo and Yaemon Minami of Guadalupe, both recently naturalized citizens and strong JACL supporters who were awarded imperial decorations by the Emperor for their services in promoting Japanese American relations. We saw James Hirano, of Hilo, Hawaii, another staunch JACL supporter, as well as Toshiko Kataoka of San Francisco; Fusa Mikami of Fresno; Jimmy Jingu of Los Angeles; Momoko Kawahara of San Leandro; Myke Kosobayashi of Washington, D.C.; Robert Iki, also of Washington, D.C.; Scotty and Setsu Tsuchiya of San Francisco; Kiyo Yamato of Los Angeles; Earl Finch of Honolulu; and many others whose names we just can't recall at random. We also saw former Consuls General Katsuno of San Francisco and Hogen of Los Angeles, Consul Ban formerly of San Francisco; and other Japanese government officials who served in the United States.

Nisei businessman in Tokyo charged with foreign exchange law violation

TOKYO. — Tsuneo "Cappy" Harada, formerly of Santa Maria, Calif., Nisei businessman in Tokyo, was arrested by the police Dec. 4 for investigation on charges of violation of the foreign exchange law.

Harada was top Nisei aide to Maj. Gen. William F. Marquat, chief of the economic section, under Gen. Douglas MacArthur during the Allied occupation.

Harada was arrested at his home in the fashionable Denencho district of Ota ward in Tokyo. Police made a thorough search of his house for evidence.

After leaving the army, Harada operated the Hawaii Travel Agency which was recently merged with a Japanese firm.

Harada was also associated for many years with the Yomiuri Shimbun's Tokyo Giants, assisting in signing up Wally Yonamine, Jyun Hirota and several other Hawaii

Nisei ball players for leading Japanese pro teams.

He terminated connections with the Giants last year and was representing another pro nine this year.

His arrest was in connection with investigations that have been going on for some time on last spring's tour of some 50 Japanese to the American Parent-Teachers Assn. Congress in San Francisco.

Government officials have been investigating the source of dollars which the PTA party members able to obtain for their tour of the United States as official allocation of dollars by the Japan foreign exchange board did not cover the large amount of money necessary for such a large group.

Harada married a Japanese film actress, Teruko Akatsuki, while still in the army.

P.C. DEADLINE CHANGE NOTICE

Because of Christmas-New Year holiday falling inside the week, the following changes of PC deadlines are published for those concerned. —Editor.

COLUMNISTS

Dec. 28 PC by Dec. 20
Jan. 4 PC by Dec. 27
Jan. 11 PC (Resume regular schedule.)

CHAPTER NEWS

Dec. 28 PC by Dec. 22
Jan. 4 PC by Dec. 29
Jan. 11 PC (Resume Tuesdays prior to publication date.)

LATE NEWS

Dec. 28 PC by Dec. 26
Jan. 4 PC by Jan. 2
Jan. 11 PC (Resume usual Thursday prior to publication date.)

BARON GOTO OF HAWAII GOES ON ASIAN TOUR

HONOLULU.—Baron Goto, Agricultural Extension Service director, is now touring the Philippines and various Southeast Asian areas. He had returned from the Mainland where he attended the meetings of the Association of Land Grant Colleges and State Universities in Washington, D.C., and made a survey of fresh papaya and passion fruit market in California.

while their purpose, within which JACL would have lost its identity and effectiveness.

This has been the case in the Negroes' fight for civil rights, for instance. Many a JACL member (and non-members) and not a few chapters seem to feel that JACL could more actively aid such an organization as the National Association for the Advancement of Colored Peoples in the Negroes' fight for justice and equality. JACL leaders urge that such action would not be polite, and the organization lacks the funds and manpower to be of appreciable use.

Strangely enough, however, this "Hands Off" policy does not seem to hold now in the case of Japan-American relations. Here, the recommendation seems to be for the JACL to enter the field of international relations, particularly the touchy one between Japan and the United States, and concern ourselves with such issues as trade and labor imports almost to the extent that JACL might come to be considered a Japan lobby in Washington.

There is something screwy in the reasoning here. I fail to see how involvement in Japan-American relations directly concerns the welfare of Americans of Japanese ancestry and involvement in the fight to achieve civil justice and equality for all Americans being explained away as having no direct bearing on Nisei welfare.

—KANGO KUNITSUGU
"Benchwarmer"

CALENDAR

- Dec. 15 (Saturday)
Pasadena—ICC Holiday Hop, Civic Aud.
Venice-Culver—Christmas party.
Chicago—Christmas social, McCormick YWCA.
- Dec. 16 (Sunday)
Stockton—Christmas Children's Party, Buddhist Hall, 3 p.m.
Philadelphia—Election & Potluck Supper, International Institute, 3 p.m.
Southwest L.A.—Dinner-dance, Scully's restaurant. (Reservations by Dec. 2).
- Dec. 17 (Monday)
Pocatello—Installation dinner-dance, Green Triangle Inn; Hero Siosaki, main sskr.
- Dec. 19 (Wednesday)
East Los Angeles—Christmas party (tent.)
- Dec. 21 (Friday)
East L.A.—Christmas party, International Institute, 7 p.m.
- Dec. 22 (Saturday)
Pocatello—Christmas party, JACL Hall.
D.C. Christmas party, Glenmont Recreation Center, Wheaton, 1:30-4 p.m.
Pasadena—Christmas potluck supper.
- Dec. 23 (Sunday)
Sonoma County—Auxiliary Christmas party, Memorial Hall, 7:30 p.m.
Panama—Auxiliary Christmas party, Social Hall, 2-4 p.m.
Dayton—Christmas party, Dr. James Taguchi residence, 3 p.m.
- Dec. 24 (Monday)
Sequoia—Tri-Villes Christmas Eve dance, Redwood City American Legion Hall (semi-formal).
- Dec. 30 (Sunday)
San Diego—Installation dance, Terrace Room, Lafayette Hotel, 2223 El Cajon, 9 p.m. (Sports formal).
- Dec. 31 (Monday)
Detroit—New Year's Eve dance.
San Francisco—New Year's Eve-dance, Surf Club.
Monterey—New Year's Eve dance, Hotel San Carlos, 10 p.m.
Denver—New Year's Eve Inaugural dinner-dance, Cosmopolitan Hotel.

'Help Japan' or 'Hands Off' issue raised by comments on Satevepost

(Additional comments on the Dec. 1 editorial in the Saturday Evening Post, entitled: "The U.S.A. Is a Nation, Not Assorted Cultural Groups," have been received this past week. —Editor.)

Help Japan

Letters to the Editor
Saturday Evening Post
Independence Square
Philadelphia 5, Pa.

Sir: I do not believe that your editorial, "The U.S.A. is a Nation, Not Assorted 'Cultural' Groups!" contained a fair statement of the advice which Edward J. Ennis gave to the group assembled at the National Convention of the Japanese American Citizens League.

I was present at the convention and heard the speech, and after reading your editorial, refreshed my recollection by reading the printed text.

Mr. Ennis made the following principal points:

1. Japanese Americans have "hung back" (in the words of your editorial) and have not voiced their opinions in matters involving United States' relations with Japan because of an exaggerated fear of being thought disloyal.

2. "The distinguished combat record of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team composed entirely of Japanese Americans, more than any other single factor, established for all time the unquestioned loyalty of all Japanese Americans to their country."

3. In matters involving the enlightened self-interest of the United States, Japanese Americans have earned the right to urge policies on their government (such as protecting trade with Japan), which would help strengthen Japan as an ally against communism in the East.

HAROLD R. GORDON
Chicago

'Hands Off'

Los Angeles
(From Crossroads)

In view of the excitement caused among the JACL and Japanese American public in general by the Saturday Evening Post with an editorial in the current December 1 edition, let me add my two cents' worth by saying, "I told you so."

The Post editorial criticized Edward J. Ennis, legislative counsel of the national JACL and general counsel of the national JACL and general counsel of the American Civil Liberties Union, for stating at the JACL national convention last September in San Francisco that there should be complete liberty in peacetime by any minority in America to urge policies favorable to foreign nations related by common ancestry."

Ennis, in his keynote speech at the opening session, said, ". . . I am making the point that the Japanese American minority in the United States has reached the position of maturity and experience and acknowledged loyalty that it can express if it chooses on the merits of any issue the same rights which larger minorities historically have exercised to influence the foreign policy of the United States in respect of issues involving the

home of their forebears."

In chiding Ennis, the Satevepost editorial said, "such liberty already exists, and all minorities are taking advantage of it. The danger is not that they will hang back, but that some will carry their activities too far.

"There is an organized pressure now to make many Americans feel that they and their children and their children's children must forever maintain emotional ties with foreign soil. They are told that this country can never be fully united.

"If ethical minorities vie with one another to urge policies favorable to foreign nations . . . who is urging policies favorable to the United States and essential to the very safety and liberty of our country?"

From the foregoing quotations, it seems clear to us that Ennis' speech was picked by the Satevepost as a news peg on which to hang a sermon smacking of isolationism, in view of disturbing reports from the Middle East. The Post is an ultra-conservative Republican magazine and hates all liberals, of which Ennis is one. It has taken digs at UNESCO, the Marshall Plan, all Democrats and anyone or any group not agreeing 100 per cent with its fear of things "foreign," and its righteous policy of "charity begins at home." It is blind to the fact that the welfare of the world, that we cannot live as "an island of well-being in a world of want."

At any rate, I am sure Ennis does not mean to argue that minorities in the United States urge policies favorable to a foreign nation without first making sure that such a course is first and foremost in favor of the United States. The Post, in its indignation, should not put words into Ennis' mouth which he never intended.

Incidentally, Maxwell M. Rabb, before the same national JACL convention, made a speech similar in theme to Ennis', yet the Post chose to ignore Rabb. Why? The answer is simple enough. Rabb is secretary to the cabinet of President Eisenhower.

All this does not mean to say that I agree with Ennis. Nor do I agree with Rabb. I do not agree with the idea that since we are Americans of Japanese ancestry, we should express sympathies for the land of our ancestors. Why not Hungary, Poland, Egypt, Israel, India, Mexico and the rest of the nations?

Traditional JACL policy towards involvement in issues and movements not directly concerned with the welfare of Americans of Japanese ancestry has been "Hands Off." JACL leaders have reiterated that the organization has achieved the stature it enjoys today precisely because it has stuck to its primary goal and has NOT dissipated its funds and manpower in getting itself involved in larger movements, no matter how worth-