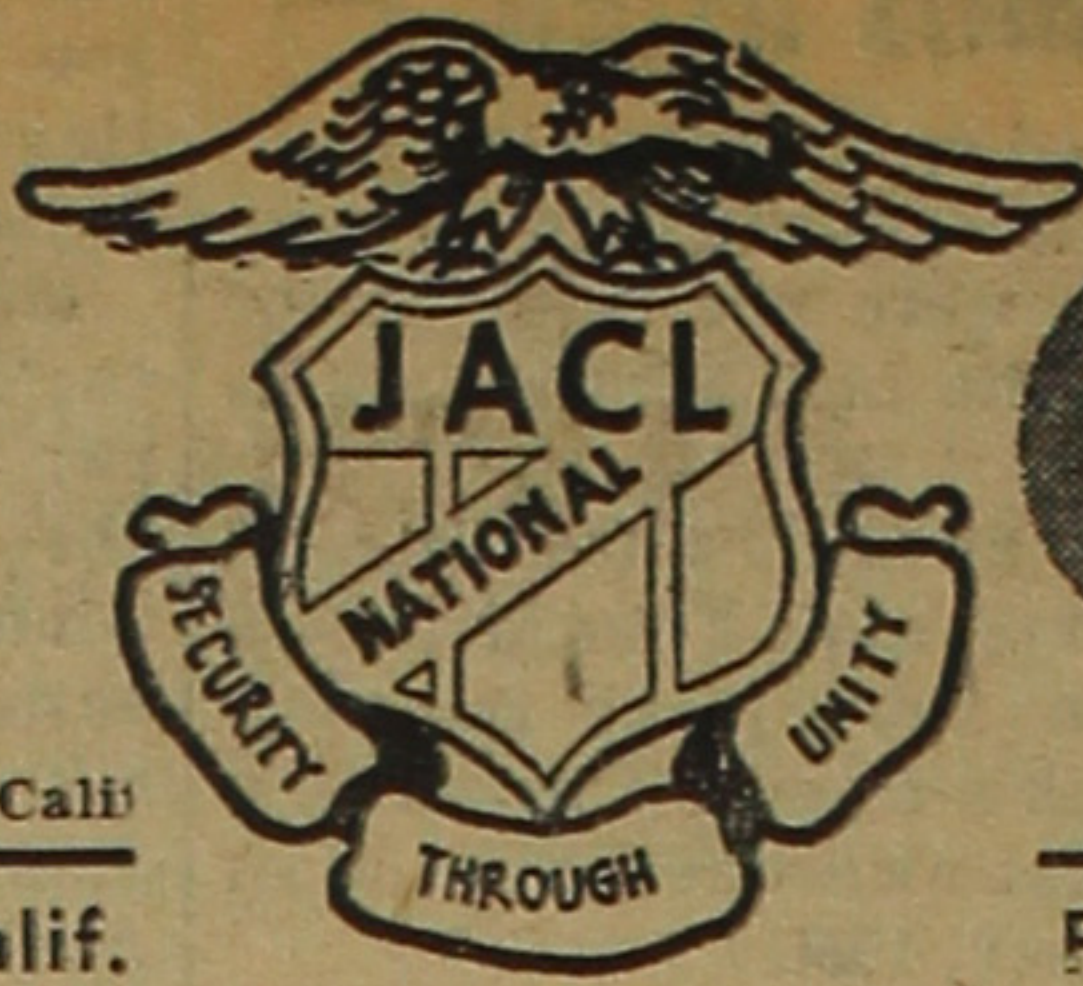


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BY THE BOARD:

This column is
"for women only"

OMAHA. — Yes, today's column will be devoted entirely to the "weaker" sex and the word "weaker" is with a question mark!

Since last July, I have been traveling via air from Omaha to Detroit, Kansas City, Spokane, Casper, Minneapolis and Pueblo — and I've been meeting women — and nothing but women! Sounds boring, doesn't it — on the contrary — it has been a most delightful and wonderful experience and I say now: Are we really the weaker sex?

Our national director Mas Satow informed me last year that the JACL women's auxiliary would be the coming thing and that many of the chapters who now have established auxiliaries, are doing an outstanding job in spreading good will among people in their community.

Because of your leadership ability and interest, many innocent women are known to "wear the pants" in the family, and many times, you are forced to take the "bull by the horns" to get things accomplished. In many chapters, one male species will carry on as officers and the female gender will carry on quietly behind the scenes.

Right in my own chapter, the women have more or less pioneered the suki-yaki dinners and it has become an annual affair. The teas and receptions for out-of-town guests are the responsibility of the women and they have commonly become known as "women's jobs," but are they? The women are doing a marvelous job selling the organization and as one woman to another, may I congratulate all of you for your interest and enthusiasm.

At our last biennial convention in San Francisco, a panel discussion was held by the auxiliary group and it is the wish of National Headquarters to make his a continuing project. It is my desire to request a narrative report from various auxiliaries as to their activities since they have been in existence.

It would be most interesting to exchange ideas at convention time. Much

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REEDLEY COPS JACL OLYMPICS CHAMPIONSHIP

BY HARRY HONDA

KEZAR STADIUM, San Francisco.—JACL Olympic records are beginning to look respectable and nearing the better efforts Nisei youngsters have registered in scholastic and collegiate competition.

Ten records were broken and one tied by athletes representing 12 chapters in the fifth annual San Francisco JACL Olympics, which was conducted under the most ideal weather conditions (at least 30 degrees on the stadium floor) at Kezar last Sunday.

Reedley, with its core from the local high school and augmented by several from nearby Fowler, claimed the perpetual trophy, emblematic of over-all team strength in all three divisions, as well as the class Aye championship cup. Sacramento captured the class Bee and Cee titles.

By virtue of an extra third in the 120 lows, triple medalist Ed Hayashi of Sacramento in the class Bee outpointed the other triple-winner of the day, Bobby Kameoka of East Los Angeles in the class Aye for as the leading scorer of the day. Hayashi had 18, Kameoka 15. There were four double-winners.

Fastest 220

Fastest 220 ever run in Nisei competition was turned in by Kameoka in 22 flat, despite his run.

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BOISE VALLEY CL-ER WINS HIGHEST BOY SCOUT AWARD: SILVER BEAVER

CALDWELL, Idaho. — Active JACL-er Yoshio Takahashi of the Boise Valley Chapter was decorated with the Silver Beaver Award at colorful ceremonies recently at the annual Oregon-Idaho Council Boy Scouts of America dinner at the Ontario (Ore.) Armory.

Highest individual award in scouting is in recognition of long years of voluntary service to the youth as well as being active in other community organizations.

The Parma (Idaho) Nisei is believed to be the third Japanese American to be so honored in the country, the other two being Harry Osaki of Pasadena and Frank Tanaka of Los Angeles.

HOUSE APPROVES SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS BILL TO PAY 1,300 CLAIMANTS OVER \$1,600,000 BY SUMMER



A grateful Salt Lake community saw fit to keep alive the memories of a valiant friendship proven under difficult times by dedicating flowering cherry trees in honor of Miss Florence Pierce, YWCA executive director, who befriended the Japanese during the war years. Salt Lake JACL Auxiliary members attired in kimono surrounding Miss Pierce (center left) and Mrs. S.S. Kistler, president of the YWCA Board, are (left to right) Chiye Aoyama, Sue Kaneko, Josie Hachiya, Tomoko Yano, Midori Watanuki, Grace Kasai and Alice Kasai.

— Terashima Photo.

YWCA director who befriended Japanese in Salt Lake during war years to retire

SALT LAKE CITY.—Before a capacity crowd of 300, the Salt Lake JACL dedicated flowering cherry trees in honor of Miss Florence Pierce, the local YWCA executive director, here last Sunday afternoon.

During the war years, she befriended the Japanese by keeping the doors of the "Y" open to the Nisei when all other doors were closed. It was an expression of a grateful community to a retiring Christian leader to keep alive the memories of a valiant friendship proven under difficult times.

Miss Pierce was overwhelmed and surprised by the personal trib-

ute paid to her. Responding with choked emotions, she promised to return at some future date "when we could all pose again under a flowering cherry tree".

Mrs. S. S. Kistler, president of the board, also responded in behalf of the YWCA. The Rev. George Hirose of the Japanese Church of Christ delivered the dedicatory prayer.

A cherry blossom dance, which was rendered by the Auxiliary members at the outset of the program, set the mood, color and pace of the ceremony. Rupert Hachiya, master of ceremonies, coordinated the entire program. Ichiro Doi, chapter president, spoke on behalf of the chapter.

Irene Sakano entertained with a special dance number. Mas Hayashi, representing the Buddhist community, concluded with benediction. Miki Yano, Auxiliary chairman, was in charge of the tea service.

WASHINGTON. — The House of Representatives passed and sent to the Senate a supplemental appropriations bill that included an item for \$1,654,158.93 to pay evacuation claims awards made by the government from Aug. 6, 1956, to Feb. 28, 1957.

The bill is now before the Senate Appropriations Committee, whose chairman is Sen. Carl Hayden (D., Ariz.).

The Japanese American Citizens League and Committee on Japanese American Evacuation Claims have already made representations that the 1,327 individual awards authorized by the Lane-Hillings Act of last year that allowed compromise settlements of all claims up to \$100,000 and validated other claims of certain internees and corporations be approved immediately in order that these claimants may be paid this summer.

At the same time, JACL and COJAEAC released the names of those claimants whose awards were made last October and November (1956) and which were submitted by the Bureau of the Budget to the House Appropriations Committee for inclusion in the supplemental appropriations bill just passed by the House.

Claimants who received awards during the months of October and November last year and whose names are not included below are invited to write the Washington JACL Office, Suite 1217, Hurley-Wright Bldg., 18th and Pennsylvania Ave. N.W., Washington 6, D.C., giving their full names and addresses, claims numbers, and the dates of their awards.

The Washington JACL Office, as a free public service, will check with the various government agencies involved and report to those

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Placer C'ty JACL dedicates memorial, flagpole for Yego

PENRYN.—A memorial flagpole and monument erected in honor of the late Tom Yego of Penryn by the Placer JACL in front of its headquarters here for his more than quarter of century of tireless service to JACL was formally dedicated last Sunday.

One of the co-founders of Placer JACL and its first president, Yego was at the time of his sudden passing February, 1956, first vice president of National JACL. He was also active in civic, church activities and political affairs.

Judge Lowell Sparks of Placer County Court delivered the principal dedication address. Masao Satow, JACL Director, and Henry Taketa, prominent Sacramento attorney and chapter's legal consultant, were also guest speakers.

Hugo Nishimoto, Placer JACL president; Homer Yoshizuka, Junior JACL prexy; Bunny Nakagawa and Kay Takemoto, recognition committee co-chairmen; and Charles Nitta, one of the first Placer Issei to become naturalized, also participated in the dedication ceremony.

The monument was unveiled by Mrs. Masako Yego.

Sacramento to honor Issei citizens at picnic

SACRAMENTO.—Some 300 naturalized Issei citizens of this area will be honored at the June 2 Sacramento community picnic at Elk Grove Park.

The event is sponsored by the JACL with active support from other organizations.

Renunciants urged to file Form N-576 as soon as possible to secure administrative review of validity of own action

WASHINGTON.—Nisei renunciants who desire to secure administrative review of the validity of their wartime renunciation may do so by filing Form N-576, the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League has been informed this week.

The form N-576 may be secured from local offices of the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

The Washington JACL office has received several inquiries since Assistant Attorney General George C. Doub visited the west coast last February and announced that the Dept. of Justice was prepared to review these renunciant cases on an administrative basis. Most of the inquiries had to do with the availability of the necessary affidavit forms and the apparent lack of some local immigration officials with the latest procedures.

In reply to these inquiries, the Washington office was informed that renunciants should go to their nearest Immigration Service office and request Form N-576, which is the official affidavit provided by the government to determine

the validity of such renunciant action. These forms may be filled out personally, or with the help of an attorney. They should be sent to the Attorney General, attention Civil Division, Dept. of Justice, Washington 25, D.C.

While the national JACL takes no position as to the individual renunciant, it urges all renunciants to take advantage of this simple administrative procedure to review the validity of renunciations, noting that apparently few are doing so for apparently such reasons as being ashamed of their wartime action and being able "to get by" in spite of their renunciation.

In this connection, the JACL points out that at some future time they may well be embarrassed and even subject to fine and imprisonment. As renunciants, they are not citizens of the United States and may not vote in any local, state, or national elections without perjuring themselves.

Renunciants are not eligible for national, state, and municipal civil service positions, except in exceptional cases where waivers are secured in advance of employ-

ment.

They must register annually as aliens and must inform the Immigration and Naturalization Service of any changes in address within ten days of such change in residence, under criminal penalties for violation. They must carry their alien registration card with them at all times, again under severe penalties for violations.

Renunciants may not leave the United States and return without securing in advance re-entry permits.

They may not be employed in industries that have national defense contracts and where employment is restricted to citizens; they may not practice a number of professions and engage in certain businesses that are open only to United States citizens.

In other words, the privileges and immunities of American citizenship are denied to them and if they participate or take advantage of these citizenship rights they are subject to fine and imprisonment.

Since the assistant attorney ge-

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From the Frying Pan

by Bill Hosokawa
Denver, Colo.

SANSEI'S CONCLUSION — Editor Harry Honda this week sent along a remarkable document for my perusal. It was the conclusion of a 60-page term paper on the evacuation written by a 16-year-old Sansei girl. Her name is Judy Nomura, daughter of Howard and Emi Nomura, who live now in St. Paul, Minn.

Her research on the evacuation, Judy wrote, "made more of an impression on me and my life than almost anything else which I have ever studied." She went on to explain that since she had heard bits of conversation about the evacuation (she was 2 years old when she and her family went to Heart Mountain, Wyo.), she had a great curiosity about this incident of history. And so she dug into the past, read about the prejudices which she no longer encounters, gained an insight into the motives which impelled her grandparents to come to the United States as immigrants, learned about this democratic nation's mistakes, and how those mistakes were corrected. This she duly recorded. Then she wrote in her conclusion:

"To me, the evacuation and the basic reasons behind the evacuation were unjustly wrong. Nevertheless, I think that the evacuation was a 'blessing in disguise.' If it had not taken place, the Japanese would still be concentrated around the West Coast. Now that they are more scattered, there is less discrimination and prejudice and more understanding and tolerance—not only towards the Japanese but to all races.

"Opportunities have increased immeasurably. Now, especially outside the West Coast area, a Japanese is able to secure almost any job for which he is qualified.

"The Japanese in America have also gained individualism, because many people all over the United States have been able to get to know them as people and not just as a subject for a movie or an article in a magazine or newspaper.

"Although much of the economic losses are now being compensated for by the government, there were many things lost which are not replaceable. Besides the material possessions, many people lost their faith in our country and in democracy. However, I think that the great majority of the Japanese in America realized that the thing to do now is not to sit idly by and hoard the thought of the injustices done or the losses suffered by them, but to go into the world and make it a better place because of the evacuation and relocation—not only for themselves or for the people in America, but for future generations all over the earth."

It is heartening that the Sansei are taking an interest in their heritage, a rich and exciting one as Judy Nomura found out. She and other Sansei who delve into the recent past will find material which cannot but give them a deeper understanding of their native country, its strength and its shortcomings. By coincidence, which may or may not be strange, our 16-year-old Mike also made the evacuation the topic for his American history class term paper. He, too, came away with a better understanding of his origins.

In Judy's case, her immediate antecedents are interesting people. Her father, Howard, was graduated from Oregon State College in 1932 and became Oregon's first Nisei pharmacist. His marriage to Emi Somekawa was among the first Nisei weddings in Portland. Nomura was a JACL leader in Portland and perhaps, it was natural that he was for a time chairman of block managers at Heart Mountain WRA center. Relocating to St. Paul, he became the first Nisei pharmacist in Minnesota. At present he is buyer for Gray's drugstore chain. Minnesotans now for more than a dozen years, they have sunk their roots deeply into the Midwest's (they call their area the Northwest in Minnesota) soil.

Claimants listed

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requesting information as to why their names were not included for payment in the last appropriations request.

Names of awardees for December, January, and February will be listed in subsequent releases. (Last week's Pacific Citizen contained the list awardees for August and September, 1956.)

October Awardees

Those listed as having received awards in October are:

Kimi Saito, widow of Shigetoshi Saito; Jukichi Yamanishi; Konami Kakiuchi; Shohei and Tome Mori; Wasaburo Tachibani; Hiroichi Hamasaki; Tomoichi Watanabe; Kazuma Oda; Sada Tsuneyoshi; Fumi Shintani; Niju Tsunashima; Ai Okumura; Yataro Suzuki; Riku Wakatsuki; Chosuke Himaka; Yuichi Matsumoto; Masanori Koba; Frank M. Yamada; Shizue Saito; Ryu Endo; Chieko Kubota; Kotaro Asahi; Fusako Yajima; Kanichi Nishino; Seiroku Sowa; Tomoe Morimoto; Michimasa Inouye; Konosuke and Yasu Morishita; Mansaku Shinohara; Toraichi and Itsu Ozaki; Seigo Hirai; Hama Fujimoto; Kakichi Nakano; May Fujii; Chozo Watanabe; Masao Itano; Nobu Maeda;

Isamu Sam Yamamoto; Kinzo Murata; Michie Masuda; Kotaro Hayashi; Jiro Kaki; Kikuzo Katsumata; Hyonosuke Shima; Yataro Yasuda; Seizo Nishikata; Kotama Takeuchi; Iu Adachi; Masakazu Iwasaki; Kakuzo Nakashima; Jiro Kurisu; Namie O. Tsuida; Kogin Yabumoto; Michio Kamo; Kikue Yamahita; George Yamazumi; Mrs. Yoshiko Kubo; Frank Shinichi Inouye; Tatsuo Urushibata; Masataro Suzuki; Mrs. Komano Nishizaki;

Mrs. Fukutaro Minami; Kumao Koketsu; Toyokichi Nagasaki; Sonoji Katada; Tome Uyeno; Sumiye Takahashi; Dentaro Araki; Frank T. Urushibata; Hisano Yamamoto; Misao Watanabe; Mrs. Ura Mitsubashi; Tomekichi Takeuchi; Ei Yanagisawa; Kumazuchi Ishizue; Komatsu Yoshimoto; Fred M. Higashi; Haru M. Endo; Torasaku Miyagishima; Kiyoko Asari; Toshio Nakabayashi; Koji Kikushima; Toku Morita; Denta Izushita; Michiko Ebisu;

Tsutomu Dyo; Henry Takeshi Odama; Taka Yamada; Harumi Owashi; Ayami Taniguchi; Tomie Wakayama; Toshi G. Kinoshita; Aiko Kuge; Sato Kazahaya; Umeno Ajari; Kayo Ito; Tominosuke Kawashima; Henry Kiyoshi Otsuji; Jintaro Fukawa; Fumie Takemura; Ginroku Kono; Gin Nakamura; Tom Tetsuzo Narahara; Suketaro Doiguchi; Yasuhiko Shim; Asa Kanda; Kumakichi Watanabe; Tomiji and Sumiko Hirao; Wakaichi Ohashi; Suyeno Koga;

Iwaichi Mike Ichimoto; Rokuzaemon Yokoyama; Ihei Tsunoda; Kunizo Mayeno; Sen Hanamoto; Seishi Murakami; Eikichi Motooka; Toyataro Kato; Sekino Imaizumi, administratrix of the estate of Yasuji Imaizumi, deceased; Edward Kamekichi Sasaki; Jo Tsukahira; Rinzaburo Kurozumi; Hisa Inouye; Nellie Mitani; Kumajiro Hirata; Sakae Yamane; Sotaro Kitagawa; Fuyo I. Tanagi; Isao Tahara; Kimiko Ikeda; Miyuki Suyematsu;

Haruyuki Kawabe; Masanao Ito; Fukusio Ii; Aizo Takahashi; Sukezo Nikuni; Kinsaku Miyagishima; Saburo Sunohara; Kenichiro Kanasaki; Shokichi Ishimaru; Tokuju Yazaki; Motoji Kitano; Wasa Uyeda; Gonroku Kuwata; Sawa Kamishishi; Minayo Imada; George Goichi Takenaka; Chika Hayashi; Machiko Ikeda; Yoshinobu Naruko; Fumiko Hirai; Takiji Yukawa; Kaoru Okamura; Asayo Baba; Genko Baishiki, administrator of the estate of Toichi Baishiki, deceased; Mitsuye Hirotsuka; Kazuo Yamami; Tsugio Yamami;

Tami Tsujikawa; Hambei Nakayama; Shunichi Kaino; Fujitaro Yamamoto; Shizuka Shibata; Tono Sakai; Uichiryo Itakura; Kimpei Tasaka; Yuuki Fujii; Soyomatsu Tsutsumida; Fumiyo Matsumura Yamamoto; Motochika Miyata; Matsuji Nagasawa; Frank Kazuichi Doi; Peggy Kiyoko Nishina; Mitsuzo Kitagawa; Martha Masao Iseda; Harry Shinkichi Hata; Mary Chiyo Urata; Masa Aoki; Sumiki Kumagai; Isoji Rai; Kiyono Makawa; Otokichi Miyata; Yuba Ate; Polly Sugai; Mokuryu Tsuda; Tsunetaro Murai; Kimiye Ozawa;

Buntaro Matsuda; Sadako Horita; Joe Tadayoshi Yamamoto; Hatsu Hayashi; Yaye Sakurai; Yasuke Sujishi;

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Keijiro Takiguchi; Yoshio Kitajima; Kinji Fukunaga; Kenji Yamaguchi; Kazuo Kimura; Namu Nagata; Sakushi Kubota; Miyako Hinoki; Hisao Fujishige; Kei Harada; Tei Sakai; Desao Karasawa; Manabu Taniguchi; Junro Kashitani; Toshie Takahashi; Tadashi Ogata; Mon Nakashima; James Takeshi Hiroto; Susumu Sakamoto; Yuzo Susagano; Tominosuke

Fujita; Kumakichi Kojima; Haru Yamasaki; Tsunezo Tanimoto; Eimatsu Miyagishima; Taichiro Kanagawa; Tara George Masuda; Shoji Ishimaru;

Kiyoshi William Matsuno; Kumataro Iguchi, a.k.a. Mike Iguchi; Seigo Takai; Sohei Kowta, trustee for the Japanese Union Church; Gozo Akiyama; Hiromu B. Tsuboi; Juichiro Tsuboi; Noboru Shigemasa; Gunichi Morimoto; Hiroshi Yamamura; Takashi Yamamura; Masuo Yamamura; Magoichi Yamamura; Raymond Iriye; Tanzo Iriye; Yuki Iriye; Rose Shizuko Hashimoto (nee Sakaeda); Keitaro Saito, Sono Saito, Rinbei Matsumoto; Mary Nagata; Frank Masakazu Nonaka; Setsu Nonaka; Kenichi Hatanaka; Setsujiro Uno.

November Awardees

Those listed as having received awards in November are:

Chiyo Fujii Karamoto; Kiyoe Uyeda; Ren Kurihara, widow of Shomatsu Kurihara, deceased; Natsu Sato; Haruyo Tani, widow of Nobuichi Tani, deceased; Zenno-suke Uchimoto; Tamezo Takemori; Hikotaro Higashi; Taju Koide; Shinsaku Fujisaki; Kikuji Inouye, sole heir of Minomatsu Inouye, deceased; Ruth Saika; Kimiye Harada; Sadajiro Ando; Kaoru Kanegae, widow of Takeji Kanegae, deceased; Genji and Katsuno Mihara;

Shozo Ohara; James S. Hasegawa; Yoshikame Motoike; Kame-matsu Kimoto; Haruyoshi Nambu; Shizue Okayama; Hirokichi Koyama; Riechira Fukano; Tamano Morita; Mitsuo Fukuhara; Hiromichi Sumi; Tokisada Sadajiro Yokoi; Tama Shinzato; Kumaji Matoba; Eiji Nishihara; Kano Kikuchi; Nozomu Paul Otera; Toyokichi Higashi; Masao Oku; Saburo Tamura; Seisuke Yoshida; Suehiko Yoshida; Yoshi Minato; Misuye Oto;

Nobuichi Minami; Tasiencro Kubota; Sadasahi Tanaka; Kuehiko Uyeda; Tihukiko Uyeda; Toyokichi Yoshikawa; Kamesaburo Ozaki; Frank E. Iwasaki; George Kudo; Otohiko Kudo; Joe Yoshio

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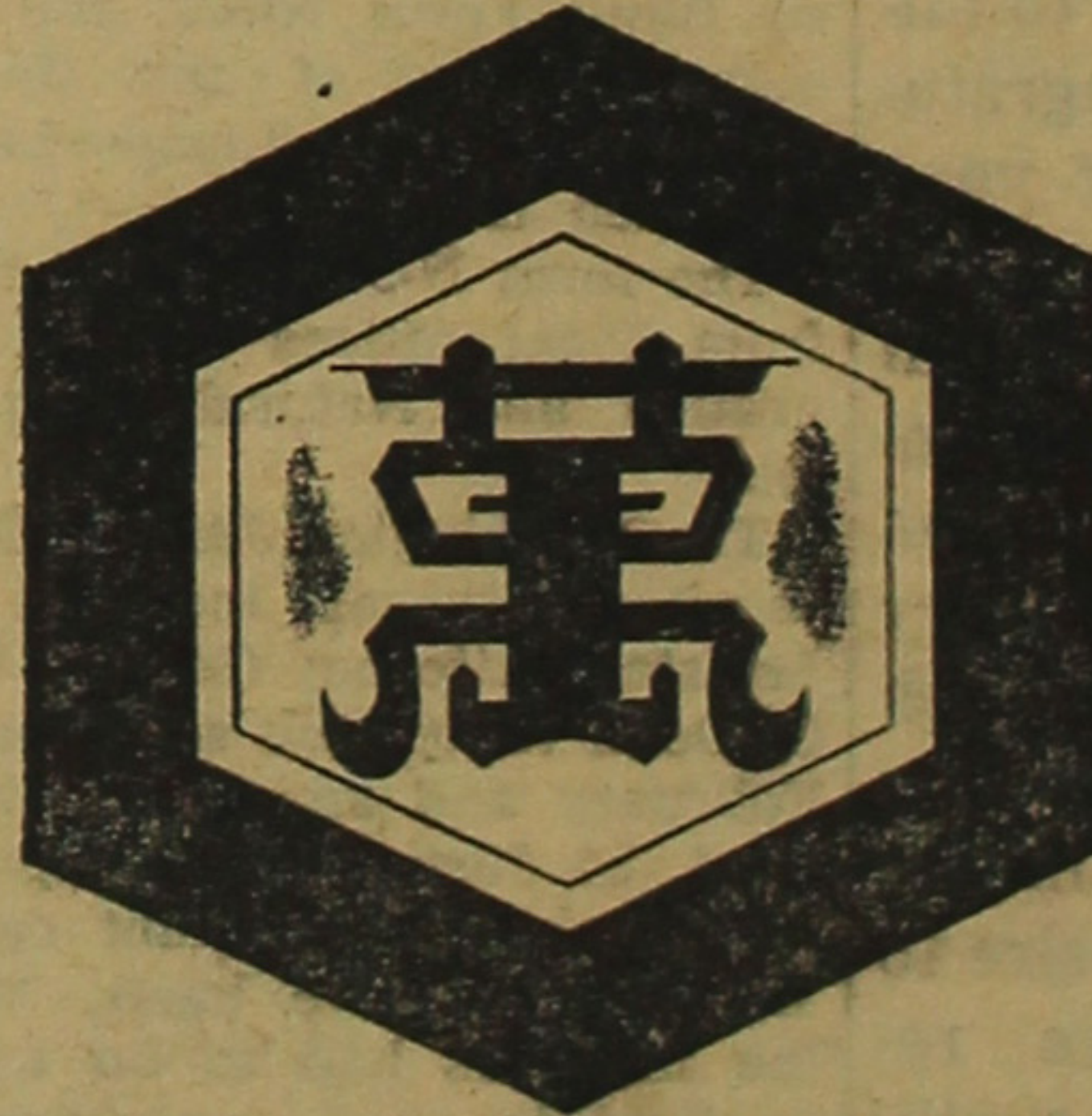
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VAGARIES By Larry S. Tajiri

Fewer Anti-Nisei Films

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Hollywood made a number of motion pictures in the early 1940s which helped spread the fiction of Nisei treachery. These pictures, which might have been entombed forever in some Hollywood vault, have been revived for television showings and have proved a source of embarrassment to Japanese Americans. The JACL, in fact, is doing something about it and has mounted a campaign to ask TV stations throughout the country to desist from showing these pictures—Warners' "Across the Pacific", "Air Force," and 20th Fox's "Little Tokyo, U.S.A.", in particular.

The American film industry's attitude toward the Nisei, and persons of Japanese ancestry in general changed with V-J day. Pictures made in recent years in which Nisei were pictured show a conscious effort on the part of certain producers, at least—men like Dore Schary and Darryl Zanuck—to ameliorate the harm done by some of the wartime films. The harm was great since these hate pictures help condition the public attitude toward acceptance of such measures as the mass evacuation of persons of Japanese ancestry in 1942.

Certain other producers might have gone on making the same time of racist propaganda had it not been for the action of the JACL in apprising them of the evils their pictures might perpetuate. RKO's "Clay Pigeon" was a picture inspired by the Kawakita case in which a Nisei, an alleged traitor who was charged with the brutal beating of American POWs, returns to the United States and is spotted by one of his victims. As a result of JACL intervention, a scene was included in the film by RKO which attempted to inform the audience of the loyalty of the vast majority of the Nisei to America, and noted the record of the 442nd Combat Team.

In the case of Peter B. Kyne's "Pride of Palomar," a book which reportedly was written as a weapon in the anti-Japanese campaign, JACL activity apparently helped convince Producer Harry Sherman to shelve the project. "Pride of Palomar" contains nearly all of the racist charges made against persons of Japanese ancestry in the Yellow Peril campaigns of a generation ago. The villain, of course, is a Japanese farmer in California. Sherman's script writer reportedly changed the Japanese character to that of a Caucasian, but when racism was removed from the Kyne novel the story lacked point.

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The change in Hollywood attitudes was evident in a Paramount release called "Tokyo Rose." Although the title referred to a Nisei traitor who allegedly broadcast from Radio Tokyo, most of the emphasis in the plot was given to a Nisei undercover operator, portrayed by Keye Luke, who is landed by the U.S. submarine on the Japanese coast, and who kidnaps "Tokyo Rose" and returns her to the United States. Thus the stress was on Nisei heroism.

Of course, the movie industry, thanks to Dore Schary, purged itself of its wartime guilt with "Go for Broke!" MGM's tribute to the Japanese American soldier. When "Go for Broke!" was put into production, Darryl Zanuck, then chief of 20th Fox, dropped a similar project he had in mind called "I Am a Nisei."

Today, of course, Hollywood has a spate of stories with Japanese characters and settings—though not necessarily involving Nisei. Most of the pictures also have interracial love stories, miscegenation no longer being a Hollywood crime since the production code was revised last December. As a result Marlon Brando makes love to Miiko Taka in Warners' version of James Michener's "Sayonara," although the former ban against miscegenation was flouted without penalty in such pictures as "Japanese War Bride" and "Three Stripes in the Sun."

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On the Hollywood docket are such projects as RKO's "Escapade in Japan," 20th Fox's "Townsend Harris Story" and "Stopover Tokyo" and a forthcoming MGM musical which will be filmed in Japan.

The latest Hollywood film with a Japanese setting was previewed this past week. It is Universal-International's "Joe Butterfly," a comedy about the American occupation which U-I is reticent about showing in Japan. The picture is completely sympathetic toward the Japanese, but U-I executives are afraid of repercussions because of the film's obviously frothy content.

The climax of "Joe Butterfly"—the title refers to a big city Sakini, played by Burgess Meredith, a genial con man and black market operative—involves the hunt of Yank magazine correspondents in Japan for "Tokyo Rose," described in the film as an American-born Japanese girl who broadcast for the enemy during the war. The proceedings, however, are so amiable that even the mention of this symbol of alleged Nisei treachery does not prove offensive.

"Joe Butterfly" first palms off a phony "Tokyo Rose," played by Reiko Higa, on the GIs. But Miss Higa turns out to be a former Brooklyn burlesque dancer. Later "Joe Butterfly" turns up with the "real Tokyo Rose," a character played by Sheri Kuni, a Nisei girl who happened to be in Tokyo last year when U-I was shooting the picture.

There's also a somewhat platonic romance in "Joe Butterfly" between Audie Murphy and Keiko Shima.

"Joe Butterfly" is pretty much in the tradition of MGM's "Teahouse of the August Moon." Hollywood has come a long way since such snarling dramas as "Blood on the Sun", "Betrayal from the East" and other anti-Japanese films.

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Over 700 volunteers representing 47 participating organizations will start their door-to-door canvass of the greater Los Angeles community for the local Shonien Fund drive starting this Sunday.

Over 10,000 pieces of mail were also sent this week in conjunction with the drive in advance of the canvassers. The tremendous job is being handled by Sam Furuta, East Los Angeles; Art Ito, Hollywood; Dr. Ken Yamaguchi, Shigeo Takayama, Pasadena; Roy Iketani, Southwest L.A.; and David Akashi, West Los Angeles.

The slogan—SOS, Support Our Shonien—signifies the unprecedented community effort to raise the balance of a \$50,000 fund necessary to put Shonien's new child welfare agency into full operation.

While the greater L.A. canvass

begins this Sunday, independent fund drives are already underway in San Fernando Valley, Orange County and Long Beach-Harbor areas.

Sego Murakami and Tom Ikuta, co-chairmen of the San Fernando Valley Shonien Fund Drive committee, said appeals have been made to 500 families. Orange County and Long Beach-Harbor area are being led by Harry Matsukane of Santa Ana, Gene Sugiyama and Harry Kitahara of Long Beach.

Nisei jazz drummer to cut LP record

Paul Togawa, who's been beating the drums since his student days at Roosevelt High School in the eastside of Los Angeles, was a jubilant soul this week.

The 24-year-old Nisei said he had signed a contract with Mode Recording, a new Hollywood progressive jazz label, the day after he appeared on "Stars of Jazz" TV show broadcast over KABC-TV Monday night.

He has the distinction of playing at an Eisenhower Inaugural ball while a member of Lionel Hampton's band in 1953, just before he went into service.

With him on the show was a Filipino-Japanese horn player from Hawaii, Gabriel Baltazar, whom he met while stationed at Aberdeen, Md.

Togawa revealed Mode plans a 12-inch LP jazz record to be cut in June, thus becoming the first Nisei ever to star as a recording artist.

Acrobatic dancer

TURLOCK.—Cathy Okamura, 10-year-old daughter of the George Okamuras, competed in the Valley Varieties talent finals last Sunday over Sacramento TV station KBNS ET. All finalists were two-time winners. Miss Okamura specializes

O.C. JAY girl wins school prexy post

WHITTIER.—Sixteen-year-old Mary Helen Fukuda (her older sister Janet was 1954 JACL convention queen), third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William S. Fukuda, 15111 W. Orange Rd., Anaheim, was recently elected the first Sansei (and second girl) student body president of Valencia Union High School.

Her many activities in school include freshman treasurer, sophomore vice-president, Girls League treasurer and vice-president, president of the California Scholarship Federation and Girls League Girl of the Month Award.

Recently the faculty chose Miss Fukuda to represent the school as its representative to Girls State which will be held June 17-25 at the U.C. Davis campus.

The young miss is also a talented musician playing the clarinet in the school band and is an ardent fan of all types of music outside of school. She is an officer of the O.C. JAYS.

Leadership ability seems to run in the family as her sisters Jan and Lou Ann were also active during their high school days with Jan closing a brilliant college career by leading the Associated Women Students at the Univ. of Southern California as its president last year.

NISEI LEADS IN SCHOOL POST ELECTION TALLY

LIVINGSTON. — Sherman Kishi, one of four candidates for the local elementary school board of trustees, led all four in the May 14 elections.

He will serve as trustee with Mamoru Masuda, one of the hold-over members.

Bob Morimoto, who was chairman of the board for the past year, did not run for re-election.

APPEAL MADE TO WITHDRAW FEPC BILL BY SENATE

SACRAMENTO.—Supporters of the Hawkins fair employment bill which was tabled by the Senate Labor Committee May 13 issued an open appeal to senators urging them to withdraw the bill from the committee and bring it to a vote on the Senate floor.

Under Senate rules a motion to withdraw may be made by any senator and requires 21 votes for passage.

Whether such a motion will be made was open to doubt last week as Senator Richard Richards and other senatorial supporters professed reluctance to make such a motion. Richards' supporters said that they feared such a motion on his part would lead to defeat of all legislation in which he is interested.

Lester Bailey, NAACP spokesman, charged that Democrats had "welched" on their promise of full support for the fair employment bill. "The Democrats seem to think that they have done their part by securing a majority of Assembly votes for the bill and by the favorable vote of the two Democrats on the Senate Labor Committee," Bailey said. "They're willing to rest on the record and let it go at that."

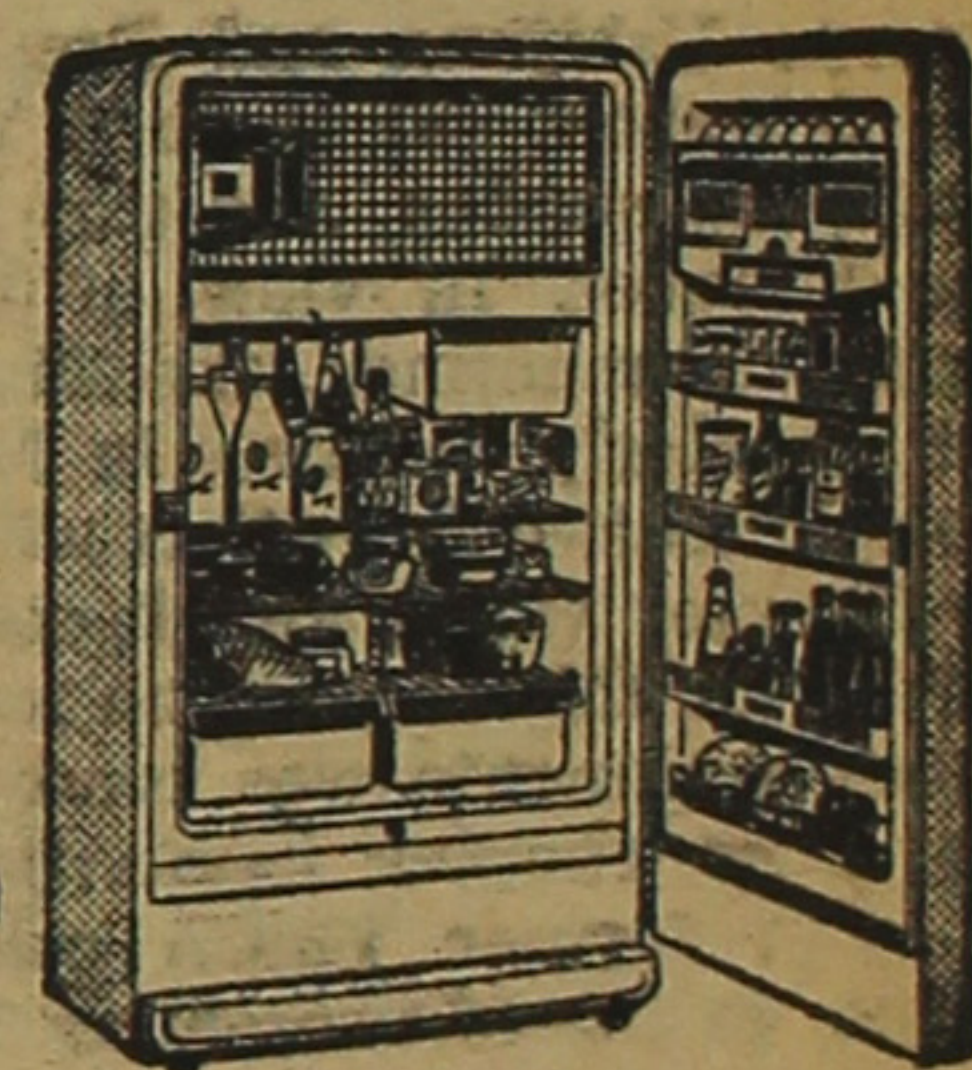
Bailey pointed out that a motion to withdraw the bill from committee would result in putting every senator on record. He predicted victory for the bill if a motion to withdraw was introduced.

The Senate Labor Committee voted 4-2 against reporting the bill to the Senate, the voting being split along party lines. The action of the Senate Republicans in killing the bill came hard on the heels of a statement from the Republican State Committee affirming its support of the measure.

in acrobatic dancing. Her father is commander of the local American Legion Post 668.

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NAT'L DIRECTOR'S REPORT By Masao Satow

Welcome to Fred Takata

San Francisco

While we are sorry to lose Tats Kushida in an official staff capacity, we wish him well as he returns to private life to fulfill his obligations to his family.

Tats came on our National staff in February of 1946 as Midwest Regional Director. He did much to encourage and nurture the Midwest chapters, most of which had just organized, and under his guiding hand the Midwest District Council came into being. His was also the responsibility of building up public relations in this area for the support of our important national legislative program and to clear up the misunderstandings of wartime.

When he moved back to Los Angeles the latter part of 1949 he took over our Southern California office. Aside from his work with the chapters and the Pacific Southwest District Council, he has been kept busy performing a thousand and one services requisite in the largest Japanese American population in the country, to say nothing of the numerous organizational contacts among the general population. He also completed many national assignments which involved contacts in Southern California. When PC moved to Los Angeles in 1952, he added the responsibility of PC Business Manager.

Tats has served JACL well these more than ten years. We trust his many associations and variety of experiences will stand him in good stead in the days to come. At the same time, we are thankful that these invaluable assets are not entirely lost to JACL, for we know he will continue to assist in a voluntary role. As a matter of fact, by becoming just an ordinary JACler, he now becomes one of our bosses.

Fate has smiled kindly upon our locating a successor. Fred Takata is no newcomer to JACL. He brings to the regional job a thorough understanding of the problems and feelings of the local chapter. We have noted his enthusiasm for JACL during his years of activity and presidency of the East Los Angeles. Fortunately, we have a strong group of devoted and experienced JACLers in Southern California who can help him become oriented to his new responsibilities.

OAKLAND JUNIOR JACL IN THE OFFING

We spent a pleasant evening getting acquainted with the young people who are the nucleus of a Junior JACL group in Oakland. A temporary committee has been set up headed by Edwin Aoki, who impresses us as a lad with real leadership. Credit Oakland Chapter President Asa Fujie and Molly Kitajima for encouraging this group.

Thus far, we now have Junior JACL's in Orange County, Sequoia, St. Louis, Placer County, Sacramento, and Florin.

NC-WN MEETING AT ALAMEDA

The Alameda Chapter did a wonderful job of hosting its first postwar District Council meeting, thanks to the efforts of George Ushijima and President George Yoshimura. A record 130 delegates sat through the afternoon business meeting and workshop session, and this number was considerably swelled at the banquet. In view of the fine attendance at the regular quarterly meetings, the District Council designated the regular 4th quarterly meeting in November as the DC Convention, so no special two-day effort will be made. The ambitious Sacramento Chapter which also hosted the first meeting of the year has asked for this convention meeting. We have it on good authority that Sacramento was ready to take the National Convention if no other chapter came through.

Our former YMCA colleague, Charlie Van Winkle, did a thorough job of presenting the motivations of people in serving voluntary organizations. We feel that material he presented was significant enough for inclusion in our Chapter President's Notebook.

Everyone was unanimous in declaring that they could have listened to the banquet speaker, Harry J. Sapper of the Jewish Welfare Federation, for a much longer period. Mr. Sapper was good enough and interested enough in our group to come even though he had made another previous commitment for the same evening. We look forward to having him again and giving us more of his straight thinking out of the wealth of his background.

JACLERS GIVE OF THEIR TALENTS

DC Chairman Akiji Yoshimura proved again that he is a real find in his leadership of the NC-WN District. Akiji is getting to be quite in demand as a speaker, as well he might. His latest request is before the Rotarians of his entire district. Sequoia President Pete Nakahara is another who has been speaking in behalf of Japanese Americans. We also have our eye on the members of the newly formed speakers group of the San Francisco Chapter. With fellows like these handy, we can take it a bit easier when chapter installations roll around next year, and also requests from non-Nisei groups for speakers.

We certainly want to give proper credit to Kango Kunitsugu, Southwest LA Chapter President, this time in his role as an artist for the professional looking job he did in creating the scroll recently presented by National JACL to Ralph Edwards. Kango volunteered to make this, and we are indebted to him for the painstaking hours and the patience involved to do this fine work—all for JACL.

TOM YEGO MEMORIAL DEDICATION

It was our privilege along with Henry Taketa of Sacramento to participate in the Placer County Chapter dedication of a monument and flagpole to the memory of Tom Yego.

Tom's devotion to his country, its land and its people, was the core of his life. He demonstrated this early as one of the original founders of the JACL, and he spent more than his share of hours over more than a quarter of a century in furthering JACL's ideals. He looked upon the various high offices to which he was elected, not as recognition for anything he had done, but simply as added opportunities for better relations between people. Although thoroughly American, he never apologized for being active in a Japanese American organization. In fact, he saw the importance to America of retaining our identity and working together as a group and as individuals.

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Beautiful, at her lovely Carmel Valley home were members of the Monterey Peninsula JACL Auxiliary: (from left) Mmes. Kaz Oka, Masami Higashi, Mrs. Stanton, Mmes. James Takigawa, Seizo Kodani, Roy Ishikawa and Yoshio Tabata. The house tour was attended by 75 members and guests.

MONTEREY C.L. WOMEN VISIT HOME OF 'HOUSE BEAUTIFUL' PARTY EDITOR

MONTEREY.—Seventy-five members and guest of the Monterey Peninsula JACL Auxiliary were recent guests of Mrs. Virginia Stanton, party editor of House Beautiful, at her lovely Carmel Valley home. They were taken on a tour of her home, followed by a delightful talk on table arrangements.

Mmes. William Torabayashi and Yoshio Satow, Auxiliary co-presidents, were general chairmen of the tea. A gift was presented to Mrs. Stanton on behalf of the Auxiliary by Mrs. Torabayashi. Assisting were:

Mmes. Clifford Nakajima, Rinzi Manaka, Kay Nobusada, gifts; Mmes. Archie Miyamoto, Tad Ogawa, transp.; Mmes. Yoshio Tabata, Kaz Oka, Seizo Kodani, George Kodani, Jimmie Takigawa, George Esaki, tea.

All-day drizzle fails to dampen Detroit Clers

DETROIT.—A day-long drizzle did not dampen the enthusiasm of the 150 happy people who danced at the Detroit JACL Spring Dance held May 18 at St. Andrews Society hall. Peter Fujioka, emcee, and Erich von Wein's orchestra kept things rolling.

Margaret Page and George Matsuhira presented a calypso number and a dance routine by members of the chapter dance class were well received. Maye Miyagawa and Tom Shibuyama were dance co-chairmen, assisted by:

George Doi, Setsu Fujioka, Sud Kimoto, Mariko Matsura, Kay Miyaya, James and Toshi Shimoura, Jean Ushiro, Paul Joichi, Mitzi Kinoshita, Art Matsumura, Ben Oshika, Betsy Tagami, decorations.

Winning prizes for dancing were: Mariko Matsura-Frank Lee, waltz; Setsu Fujioka-Stan Malecki, foxtrot; Mariko Bober-Nathan Sung, rhumba; Joyce Kamidori, Mary Kawasaki, Lefty Nishimura, Herbert Sugiyama, Takata, door prizes.

Lion club prexy

SEATTLE.—George Shang Kashiwagi was elected president of the First Hill Lions club, succeeding Toru Sakahara, both of whom were onetime JACL chapter presidents.

Sonoma County JACL bowling title decided by one pin in championship roll-off

SANTA ROSA.—Pisenti Motors of Petaluma won the Sonoma County JACL Trio Bowling League championship by 1 pin over Empire Drug of Santa Rosa. Both were half-season leaders and the title roll-off of the best three out of five games was not decided until the last game and the last ball rolled.

Rue Uyeda, Ed Ohki and Ed Kawaoka bowled for Pisenti, second half winners; Jack Otani, Roger Tokunaga and John Arishita for Empire, first half winners.

Individual awards and installation of new bowling league officers will highlight the June 1 dinner at Green Mill Inn, Cotati, starting at 7:30 p.m. with Johnnie Hirooka in charge. Team sponsors and local city bowling officials will be guests.

Individual awards were won by Paul Otani, high game 268; Ed Kawaoka, high series 625; Greg Hamamoto, most improved 139-158 avg.

New officers to be installed are Hirooka, pres.; John Kasano, v. p.; Ed Ohki, sec.-treas. George Hamamoto is outgoing president.

Sign-up for the summer league is in progress and a June 5 deadline was announced.

City planning talk heard by Berkeley Clers

BERKELEY.—City Councilman Jack Kent, who was recently elected by the largest number of votes and is a professor of city planning at the Univ. of California, spoke of the future development plans of Berkeley and the Bay Area at the get-acquainted potluck supper sponsored by the local JACL last Saturday at Washington School cafeteria.

It began with Japanese food being served by a committee headed by Nobu Uratsu. Assisting were:

Asako Mayeda, Mae Fujita, Tish Yamasaki, Chiyo Sumitomo, Daisy Uyeda, Yuri Yamashita, Lucy Ijichi, Amy Maniwa, Junko Kako, Jean Nakaso and Masako Sato.



As was promised last week, here's a 1000 Club fanfare to fotos (which were taken under existing light) of the recent PSWDC Whing Ding. Some of the steller performers (and we're sorry the camera didn't click away at the lovely models who preceded the laugh-loaded program) are from left to right: Upper row — Tats Kushida sings "Ebbtide" in Jerry Colonna fashion; Kiku Moriwaki, former Hawaiian resident, renders several Japanese songs after being coaxed by applause (as were other unscheduled entertainers); Tom Ito of Pasadena, who forgot bowties were a "must" as Whing Dings, guffaws at scissor-wielding PSWDC 1000 Club

chairman Ken Dyo (not pictured) for the clip job; and Roy Yamadera of East L.A., who co-chaired the recent convention at Disneyland, was in rare form singing a Japanese lullaby, complete with translations in English at the necessary lines. In the center is "mama" Ken Dyo and his "newly born" Tom Ito in a buggy for one of the riotous skits of the afternoon. Lower group shows Uta Shimotsuka of West Los Angeles singing some of her favorites, Tats Kushida seemingly enjoying the whole affair; and the "Shashin Kekkō bride" George Watanabe of East L.A. in one of the two skits the host chapter staged at the Whing Ding.

VERY TRULY YOURS:

Up to Kezar
for a suntan

With youngsters representing 12 JACL chapters competing in the fifth annual San Francisco JACL Olympics, we couldn't resist the opportunity to see what can do for the Jr. JACL program that bowling has done for National JACL. The role of athletics that fosters sportsmanship, fellowship and some nice memories as well as revitalized active interest for some old-time CLers should be easy to buy.

Sun-drenched Kezar Stadium saw its best-staged JACL Olympics to date. This comment comes from track fans who've seen the program from inception. Sentiment among athletes as well as coaches and chapter leaders who accompanied the lads was heartening. The competitors shook hands with each other, making or renewing acquaintances. Coaches and leaders were unanimous in their opinion that the JACL Olympics has given impetus to the Jr. JACL program in their area.

Unlike bowling, which takes at least four days to stage, the JACL Olympics is a one-day spectacle requiring a lot of manpower at the committee level. It is a singular tribute to any chapter or group of chapters to get its members to participate in a program that is strictly for the boys. There's also a sense of accomplishment for chapters who sponsor the teams, especially if it's more than nominal sponsorship. We met some of the leaders who came with the squads and I'm sure they're planning to send back another team a bit better the next time. Rivalry thus born will weld rather than disintegrate the Sansei generation.

The Sansei may not show their appreciation at the first glow (did we?), but it will instill in them a sense of obligation that comes with the years to do likewise for their children when they get to be teenagers. In their tacit way, the Sansei does appreciate the help from their elder Nisei brothers.

— Harry K. Honda.

BY THE BOARD:

From Front Page planning could come out of an auxiliary group to make it worthwhile for the wives to attend our national conventions.

Please send all reports to me at 2604 Meredith

LONG BEACH C.L. PLANS FETE FOR GRADS 1000-ERS

LONG BEACH.—A 1000 Club luau dinner and informal get-together of 1000 Clubbers and prospective members will be held at the Kono Hawaii in Santa Ana on June 9, 6:30 p.m., it was announced by Dr. David Miura, vice-president and 1000 Club chairman for the Long Beach-Harbor District JACL.

Mas Narita, general chairman for the dinner, extended a welcome to all 1000 Club members and interested JACLers. Dress casually for this luau, he reminded. Reservations, at \$5 per person may be made with Barbara Miura, HE 4-6822.

To date, twenty-four chapter members have joined the 1000 Club, Miura revealed.

LONG BEACH.—"Look for the Silver Lining" will be the theme of the annual graduation dance sponsored by the Long Beach-Harbor District JACL to be held on Saturday, June 15, it was announced by Frances Ishii, general chairman.

Local graduates from high school, junior college and college will be feted at this event which takes place at the Harbor Japanese Community Hall, 1766 Seabright, from 8:30 p.m. Jack Whaley's combo will provide the music, according to John Oda, committee chairman.

The Harbor Fujinkai will cooperate with the chapter in planning the program and will be in charge of refreshments, chairman Ishii said. Other committee chairmen are: decorations, Marlene Hada and Haj Fukumoto; invitations, Frances Okura and Marian Hada; door prizes, Sharlen Kuramoto. Hach Yasumura will emcee.

Tickets, at \$1.25 for stags and 57 cents for stagettes, will be available from JACL officers, dance committeemen and at the door, revealed Sumi Fujimoto, ticket chairman.

180 ATTEND MOTHER'S DAY FESTIVITIES

DETROIT.—The Mother's Day program sponsored by the Detroit JACL and Detroit Teen Club on May 12 was pronounced highly successful by the 180 people who attended.

A program of music and dances was provided by the Teens, with Rumiko Sakow as emcee and chairman. Program included instrumentals by:

Allan Abe, sax; Vicki Kasai, guitar; Chiyo Takemoto, piano; Mr. & Mrs. Club quartet—Wally Kagawa, Harry Matsumoto, Fred Mita, Aki Tanaka; Subteen polka—Jo Anne Fujioka, Marcia Matsumoto, Lloyd Miyao, Lynn Omura, Garry Otsuji, Geraldine Ouchi, Garry Sasaki, Bill Shimamura; Teen Club skit—Jennie Abe, Marietta Fujita, Loraine Fujiwara, Jan Ishii, Jane Itami, John Kimoto, Shirley Kinoshita, Edgar Oshika Shirley and Jay Satoh, Joan Sunamoto and Dennis Takesue.

Then mothers themselves participated in various games with Mrs. Yori Kagawa and Mrs. June Otsuji winning prizes. Mrs. Tsugi Miyagawa was honored as the mother with the most children—seven.

Serving the delicious buffet of baked ham and scalloped potatoes were Setsu Fujioka, Mary Fukuda, Bebe Horiuchi, Cathy Ishioka, Mae Miyagawa, Fusa Tagami and Chiyo Togasaki.

Yoshiko Inouye and Aiko Nanjo were co-chairmen. Mariko Matsura was the chapter officer in charge. Also assisting were Lloyd Joichi, Sud Kimoto, Pearl Matsumoto, Art Matsumura, Tess Tada and Min Togasaki.

Graduation Prom

BERKELEY.—The Berkeley JACL will honor the junior and senior high school graduates of the community at a Graduation Prom to be held Saturday, June 29, at the Jefferson School community hall, Rose and Sacramento Sts.

Ave., Omaha, Neb.

If male members have read this column—wonderful! We still can't get along without you!

—LLY A. OKURA
Secretary to Nat'l Board



Two Southwest L.A. JACLers John Yamada (left) and June Hayaishi show how "it's easy to join" the chapter, which last year claimed individual honors as the unit with the largest membership with over 1,200 signed up. This clever poster (designed by Mas Kataoka) has been prominent at chapter functions and will be given a strong workout at the second square dance social this Sunday, June 2, at the USC YWCA Lounge. Party will serve as the finale for the current membership campaign. — Steve Mayeno Photo

Intricate artistry of carver on small bits of ivory, wood appeals to N.Y. Cler

BY MURRAY SPRUNG

NEW YORK.—During 1947 when I was in Tokyo I would regularly visit The Ginza, where at that time the entire range of this famous street was crowded with stalls, literally speaking—selling anything and everything from pins to anchors.

There were several favorite stalls that I would go to and study carefully the objects offered for sale. The owners would extol the value and the graces.

What attracted my attention were the fine little carvings that I knew to be Netsuke. These little toggles that you would find attached to the string of the Inro—all had a story to tell. The owners were always happy to tell the story. These Netsuke were carved in ivory, or in wood, sometimes in metal. Those that I saw and that would attract my attention were the older pieces.

A few of my friends, who were also interested in Japanese Art and in Netsuke Carvings, would exhibit their recent purchases, to me, as I would show them mine. In that way we began to study and appreciate the finer qualities of the real Netsuke.

When I returned to the United States I was surprised to find many of the stores selling and buying Netsuke. That gave me an added opportunity to become more selective in my choice and little by little as I kept returning to Japan, I increased my own collection.

There were several good books on Netsuke that became my bible,

particularly Brockhaus. In addition, there were some fine publications in English printed in Japan, and in my search and quest for Netsuke I tried to find those that were carved by the known Masters. It was fun and educational but most important, it became a bridge of friendship with so many people in Japan, who shared similar interests.

Many of the legends of Japan are reflected in these beautiful pieces of work. Scenes from the Noh Plays are carved in Netsuke. Most famous subjects of course are the Seven Happy Gods.

It is truly amazing when you pick up a Netsuke and can understand the story it has to tell—to realize the creative artistry of the carver, who can within the limits of such a small piece of work, tell such a wonderful story.



Holding the tiny but colorful Japanese carvings, known as Netsuke, in his palms is Murray Sprung, New York attorney and JACLer, who recently spoke on the subject at a chapter meeting. The Pacific Citizen is happy—even at this belated week—to have him tell the Netsuke story.

PLACER CHAPTER NAMES JR. CLER FOR SCHOLARSHIP

NEWCASTLE.—Yosh Morimoto, outstanding senior at Placer Union High School, was selected as boy winner of the annual Placer County JACL Scholarships. Eugenia Freer of Rocklin, outstanding senior at Roseville Union High School was the most deserving girl.

Both received \$50 awards, which the local JACL offers to the most deserving boy and girl graduating from one of the three high schools in the county.

The young lad is the son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Morimoto, Rt. 1, Box 228, Newcastle; a secretary and life member of the California Scholarship Federation. He has held many important positions on campus organizations throughout his four years and has made an enviable record in the field of science and mathematics.

Besides his many scholastic achievements and a perfect attendance record, he is president of the Hillmen Gold Key Society, junior-senior service honorary group; associate justice of the student court, citizenship committeeman and recently won first place at the school's Science Fair.

Morimoto also won a Bank of America Award for superior achievement in the field of science and mathematics. He also demonstrated experiments in physics over television and has several certificates for exceptional achievement in national scholastic tests in Latin.

He has served as co-moderator of a panel during a recent No. Calif. CSF conference, lost an election for class office by one vote and is a table tennis club officer.

Besides his campus activities, he was one of the originators of the Placer Jr. JACL, now serving as its treasurer. His brother Hiroaki, who received a similar Placer County JACL scholarship last year, is Jr. JACL president.

Hiroaki is now attending San Jose State. Elder sister is graduating from Sierra College of Auburn, where she also was active on campus and an honor student.

The Placer County JACL has also unanimously endorsed the nomination of Yosh Morimoto for the Pvt. Ben Frank Masaoka Memorial Scholarship for this year.

Stockton holds reception for temporary farm labor

STOCKTON.—A program and reception for the young Japanese farmers now working in Delta area farms was held at San Joaquin Pioneer Museum and Haggin Art galleries last Tuesday under the auspices of the Stockton JACL chapter.

The World Affairs Council of San Joaquin County cooperated with the JACL in holding this reception.

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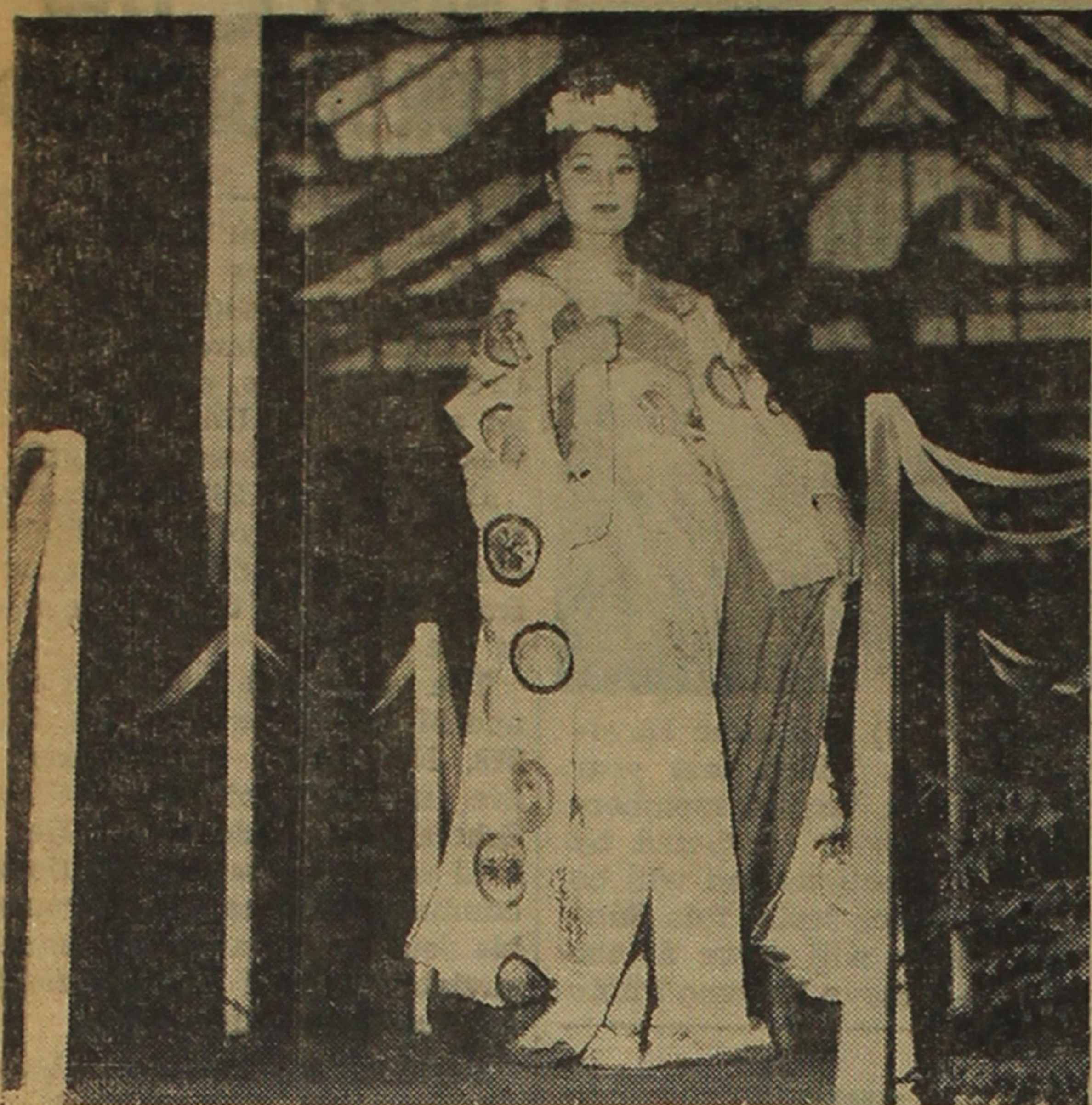
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Closing the "East Meets West in Fashion" show at the Seattle International Trade Fair last week was Japan's "most beautiful model in the world", Mikeyo Hamano of Tokyo in a modern version of a traditional Japanese wedding costume.

—Elmer Ogawa Photo.



THE NORTHWEST PICTURE By Elmer Ogawa

Best Trade Fair Yet

BY CATHERINE FLOOD

Seattle

All around were the finest Pacific Rim exhibits, in which Japan took 13 Allied Arts Awards for a later show at the Seattle Art Museum. In such significant surroundings, history was made for women's styles the haute couture in the "East Meets West in Fashion" showing at the Washington State 6th International Trade Fair May 17-26 in Seattle.

With lovely Mikeyo Hamano of Tokyo, billed as "the most beautiful model in the world," as "dean" of the mannequin corps, costumes in a superb showing were paraded from the stage down runways which included three raised "pagodas", so each nightly mass of spectators could admire every detail.

Heralding a fashion trend carrying the authenticity of tradition, the magnificent collection ranged from casual, sports and street wardrobe to breath-taking brocades for evening wear. All were keyed to modern-traditional adaptation. Early in the parade, "oh's" and "ah's" greeted ingenious adaptations of a fisherman's coat in traditional hachimaki; a carpenter's apron (the Japanese characters spelling out "Miss Smith") and such costumes. But what brought the wolf whistles? The first billowing cover-up evening wrap of brocade worthy of an emperor, adapted from a traditional court robe.

Now for a personal aside: This reporter once attended nearly a dozen openings of famous houses of haute couture in Paris. The other night, crossing town with Elmer for this Seattle showing, she thought of the qualities in French showings which made a collection distinguished. Clean line and the absolutely right fabric, a certain subtlety of daring imagination, and exquisite finishings—these she would look for. And these are exactly what she found.

For instance, there was the impeccable tailleur of sheath and full-length coat which looked black from a distance—but a live black. It was disclosed on near view to be black, yes. But with a difference—an all-over small stylized leaf flower of bronze inbedded in the lustrous silk... dynamic black. Especially notable were: a brick-colored sheath under an enveloping Chesterfield; a spectacular evening wrap, court-inspired, combining deep purple silk and a thread of pure gold; a black kimono hand-painted in white-and-silver on black; a hostess costume topped by a silver brocade tunic; a three-tiered evening dress of exquisite white silk hand-painted in green poppies, the lining of the diagonal tiers and the long gloves carrying out the motif.

As to line and subtle cut, outstanding were the deep cherry on pink of a formal gown with a "polonaise" which could also be worn over the shoulders... a waltz-length evening gown of all-over red embroidery on silver, the cummerbund of the reverse red color; and a gown made by silk-screening process that looked like tie-dye.

More: A traditional kimono in indigo with white hand-painted design; a pink-gold brocade wrap falling from a yoke-like collar; a silk faille great coat adapted from the male kimono (over a magnificent brocade gown), and, with Miss Hamano closing the show she had opened (in a modern version of a traditional wedding costume), a silver brocade evening wrap (worn over an evening gown of diagonal blue-and-white stripes), the wrap draped for a smart hip-length line but disclosed to be a full mantling coat as well.

The grace, the charm, the femininity; the proud gentility of Japanese women—somehow, all were expressed in the superb collections of Madame Sakai, Madame Uno and Mr. Jojo. Western women just can't help but love them!

Symbolic of the future was the sight of little girls in their best nylon finery—little girls of Eastern and Western ancestry—slipping under the golden runway ropes to reach out for the

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10 records bettered at Kezar Stadium in JACL Olympics

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ning the previous day at the Modesto Relays with teammate Vic Mitsuno on the fast L.A. City College relay, for a new JACL Olympic mark.

Mitsuno's 52 flat in taking the 440 is also the best in Nisei competition.

Most thrilling event was the class Aye four-man 880 relay in the late afternoon, when fatigue started to catch hold. East Los Angeles took a commanding lead, then lost it to Reedley, which won in record time of 1m.34.9s. East L.A. tried vainly to close the gap and nearly did, eked at the tape by a hair.

Hiro Okawachi of Berkeley, who holds a high school conference mark of 6 ft. 4 in., and John Kanaya of San Jose wound up in a tie at 5-10½ in the Aye high jumps, but Hiro continued in some exhibition jumping, thrilling fans with a clean 6-2. He was shooting for 6-4.

Clyde Ikuta of East L.A., who won both Aye high and lows, tied Shoji Yasuda's 70 high standard of 9.3s.

It should be mentioned James Tominaga, Sr., about 42 years old, of Stockton competed in the Aye mile and was given a rousing applause as he crossed the finish last, about 25 yards behind fifth place. His son, Jr., was entered in the same race but didn't compete, apparently saving his wind for the 440. Elder Tominaga has also competed and finished in the San Francisco Olympic marathon. He works as a mail carrier.

Jr. JACL Interest

Enthusiasm engendered by the JACL Olympics in the Jr. JACL program in Sacramento was very much in evidence in the point column in the Bee and Cee divisions.

Led by stellar Eddie Hayashi, who won the 50, 100, and set a broad jump mark of 21 ft. 7¼ in., the purple-clad Sacramentans are shooting for the all-around team honors next year.

All listed marks in the Cees, run for the first time last year, were bettered. The youngsters, many of them competing in both dashes and jumps throughout the day, were too tired to form a team in the relay event—save for Long Beach—to force officials to scratch the event, only race without a record here.

It was good to see old timers like Hank Hamasaki and Phil Matsumura herding the San Jose boys, Lou Tsunekawa and George Baba with Stockton, Dr. Hayashi and Mizutani looking after the Sacramento crew. We're sorry we

didn't have an opportunity to meet the track coaches of other teams from Berkeley, Reedley, San Mateo, San Francisco (who was Cal Kitazumi), Sequoia and Tulare County.

KEZAR STADIUM, San Francisco.—The complete summaries by events and scoring are as follows:

CLASS AYE

100—Won by Bob Kameoka (ELA), Larry Iwasaki (R), Bill Saito (WLA), Mitsuo Kumagai (SJ), David Yamada (ELA), 10.2s.

220—Won by Bob Kameoka (ELA), Tom Uyeda (SJ), Bill Saito (WLA), Ken Sakata (R), Cal Matsumoto (Stk), 22s. (New record, old record 22.6s. by Kameoka 1956).

440—Won by Victor Mitsuno (ELA), Keith Yagi (SF), James Tominaga (Stk), Tad Nakamura (WLA) no fifth, 52s. (New record, old record 53.7s. by Tominaga 1956).

880—Won by Victor Mitsuno (ELA), Keith Yagi (SF), Min Nakamura (WLA), Harvey Miura (SJ), no fifth, 2m. 09.5s.

1 mile—Won by Min Nakamura (WLA), Harvey Miura (R), Gerald Matsumoto (Tul), Dave Fujita (B), Jerry Baba (SF), 5m. 7s.

180 lows—Won by Clyde Ikuta (ELA), Bill Saito (WLA), Hideo Sakamoto (R), Ken Sakata (R), Shig Ogata (ELA), 21s.

70 highs—Won by Clyde Ikuta (ELA), Lloyd Takahashi (R), Bill Saito (WLA), David Yamada (ELA), Paul Uenaka (SJ), 9.3s. (Ties record by Shoji Yasuda, WLA 1956).

Pole Vault—Won by Elmer Yamada (SM) 11 ft. 1 in.; George Noritake (ELA) 10-9; tie for third Shoe Doi (R) and Hank Tsugawa (Stk); Ronald Sanwo.

Shot put (12 lb.)—Won by Tom Sano (R) 54 ft. 4 in., Herb Yamasaki (SJ) 49-3; Larry Iwasaki (R) 48-5; Joe Hori (SM) 45-5½; Tak Kodakari (Sac) 41-8.

High jump—Tie for 1st Hiro Okawachi (B) and John Kanaya (SJ) 5 ft. 10½ in., Harvey Kondo (R) 5-8½; H. Ikemoto (Sac) 5-3¾, tie for fifth Jim Arikki (Tul) and Kenny Akiyama (B).

Broad jump—Won by Bob Kameoka (ELA) 21 ft. 7¼ in., Hiro Okawachi (B) 20-1½, Mitsuo Kumagai (SJ) 19-10½, David Yamada (ELA) 19-5, Paul Uenaka (SJ) 19-4.

Discus—Won by Tom Sano (R) 138 ft. 10 in., Larry Iwasaki (R) 122-1½, Herb Yamasaki (SJ) 113-6, Joe Hori (SM) 108-5¼, Harvey Kondo (R) 102-5½.

330 Relay—Won by Reedley (Sakamoto, Sakada, Takahashi, Iwasaki), East Los Angeles, San Jose, 1:34.9 (New record, old record 1:37 by Downtown Los Angeles 1956).

CLASS BEE

50—Won by Ed Hayashi (Sac), Osami Takeda (Sac) James Takeuchi (Stk), Hiroshi Fukuda (SF), Walt Shioji (WLA), 5.8s.

100—Won by Ed Hayashi (Sac), Terry Nakamitsu (SM), Osami Takeda (Sac), James Takeuchi (Stk), Walt Shioji (WLA), 10.6s.

660—Won by Ted Abo (LB), Tad Nakamura (R), Ben Haraguchi (SM), Gilbert Hara (Tul), Arthur Hayame (Sac), 1m. 36s.

120 lows—Won by Osami Takeda (Sac), Terry Nakamitsu (SM), Ed Hayashi (Sac), Tad Kozuki (R), Walt Shioji (WLA), 13.9s.

Pole vault—Tie for 1st Richard Hada (LB) and Mas Ota (WLA) 10 ft., three-way tie for 3rd Harry Matoba (R), Oscar Sakamoto (SJ), Jiro Nakagawa (WLA) 9-6.

Broad jump—Won by Ed Hayashi (Sac) 21 ft. 7¼ in. (New record, old record 20-6¾ by John Itagaki, DTLA 1956); Terry Nakamitsu (SM) 19-7½, Osami Takeda (Sac) 19-5¾, Bob Tomita (Sac) 19-4¼, Rodger Kame (WLA) 19-4.

High jump—Tie for 1st Tad Kozuki (R) and Roy Kakinami (SJ) 5 ft. 4¾ in., six-way tie for 3rd O. Sakamoto (SJ), Richard Hada (LB), Shige Okada (R), Kenneth Suemoto (R), Jiro Nakagawa (WLA), Bob Tomita (Sac).

Shot put (8 lb.) Won by Dennis Tanaka (SF) 43 ft. 11 in. (New record, old record 46-5 by Gilbert Matsumoto, Sac, 1955); Terry Nakamitsu (SM) 46-2, James Takeuchi (Stk) 44-11, Benny Morimoto (WLA) 43-10, Ted Abo (LB) 43-3.

440 Relay—Won by Sacramento, West L.A., San Mateo, 46.6s. (New record, old record 47s. Downtown L.A., 1956).

CLASS CEE

50—Won by Hiroshi Nakai (SF), Toshio Kimura (LB), Roger Tanaka (SF), Saburo Setoguchi (WLA), Gary Oda (B), 5.9s. (New record, old record 6.1s. by Hiroshi Fukuda, SF, 1956).

100—Won by Hiroshi Nakai (SF), Toshio Kimura (LB), Saburo Setoguchi (WLA), Nobu Oshidari (Stk), Masao Hirata (SJ), 10.9s. (New record, old record, 11.6 by Hiroshi Nakai, SF, 1956).

Broad jump—Won by Kenny Hara (R), 19 ft. 11 in. (New record, old record 18-1¾ by Roger Tanaka, SF, 1956); Richard Kakita (LB) 17-7½, Gary Oda (B) 17-1; Hiroshi Nakai (SF), Shigeru Tokubo (R).

High jump—Won by Roger Tanaka (SF) 5 ft. 1½ in. (New record, old record 5-1 by Hiroshi Fukuda, SF, 1956); Richard Yamaguchi (SJ) 4-7, four-way tie for 3rd Leo Kimura (R), Masao Hirata (SJ), Nobu Oshidari (Stk), Tom Sakai (Stk).

Relay—Scratched.

LEGEND

B—Berkeley; ELA—East Los Angeles; LB—Long Beach; R—Reedley; Sac—Sacramento; SJ—San Jose; SM—San Mateo SF—San Francisco Stk—Stockton; Tul—Tulare County; and WLA—West Los Angeles.

TEAM SCORES

AYE—Reedley 50½, ELA 48, San Jose 23½, WLA 23, Berkeley 11, San Mateo 9, San Francisco 9, Stockton 6½, Tulare County 3½, Sacramento 3.

BEE—Sacramento 42, San Mateo 20, WLA 16½, Reedley 14½, Long Beach 11½, Stockton 8, San Francisco 7, Tulare County 2.

CEE—Sacramento 15, Long Beach 12, San Jose 7½, Reedley 7½, Stockton 6, San Francisco 5, WLA 5.

AGGREGATE SCORE

Reedley 72½, Sacramento 60, East Los Angeles 48, West Los Angeles 45, San Jose 38½, San Mateo 29, Long Beach 23½, San Francisco 21, Stockton 20½, Berkeley 15, Tulare County 5½.

INDIVIDUAL HIGH SCORERS

Ed Hayashi (Sac) 18 pts. Bob Kameoka (ELA) 15; Larry Iwasaki (R) 12; Victor Mitsuno (ELA), Clyde Ikuta (ELA), Tom Sano (R), Hiroshi Nakai (SF), 10 pt. each.

Awards were distributed during the day by two pretty girls Jean Baba and Linda Yatabe with trophies conferred in the evening at the Buchanan "Y" at the Post-Olympics dance.

Jack Kusaba and Sam Sato were track co-chairmen, assisted by a crew of male members of the chapter.

BOISE SHOT PUTTER BREAKS MEET RECORD

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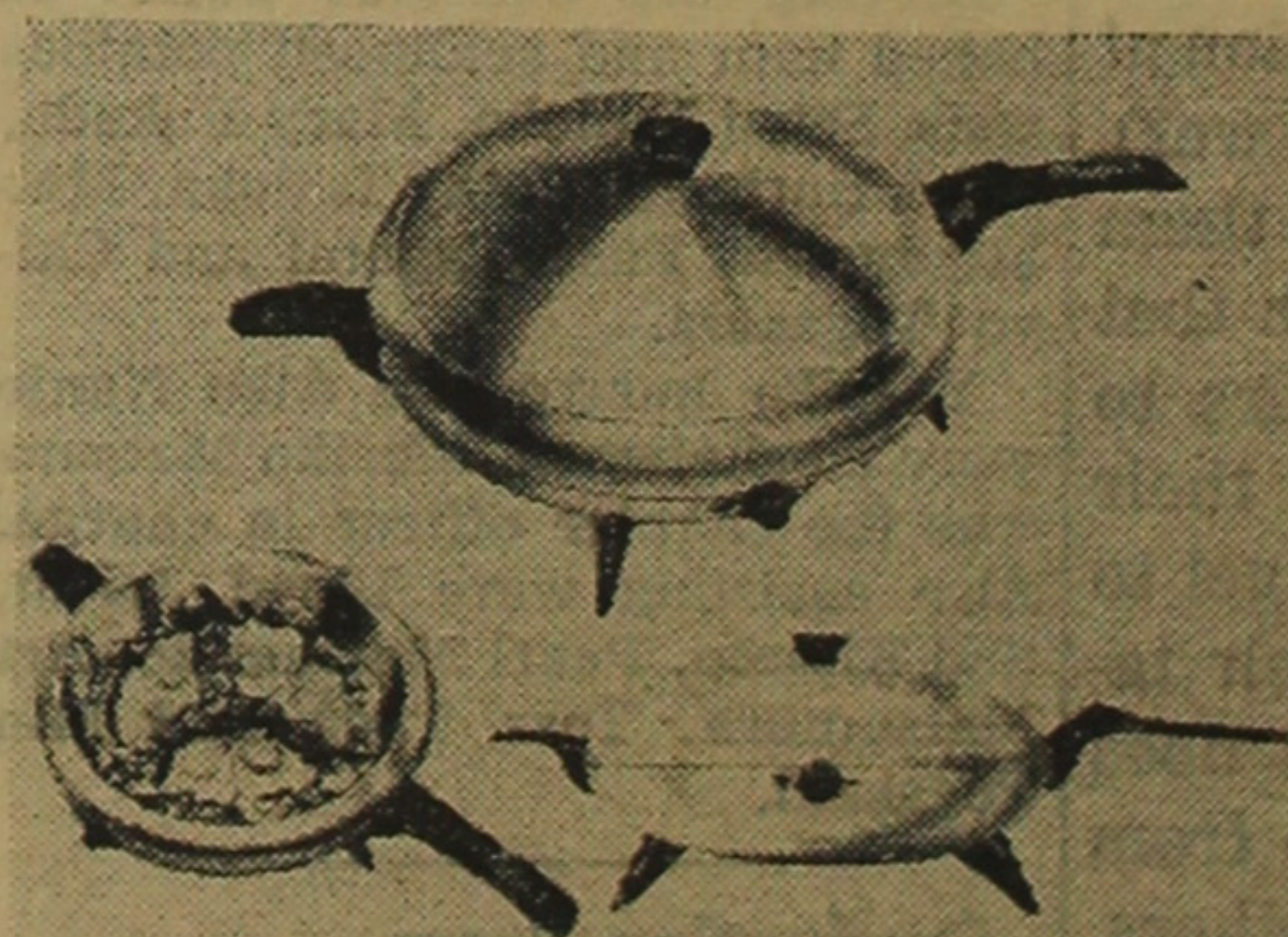
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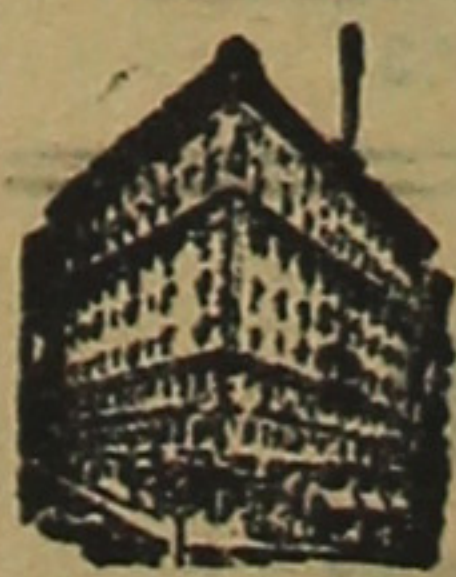
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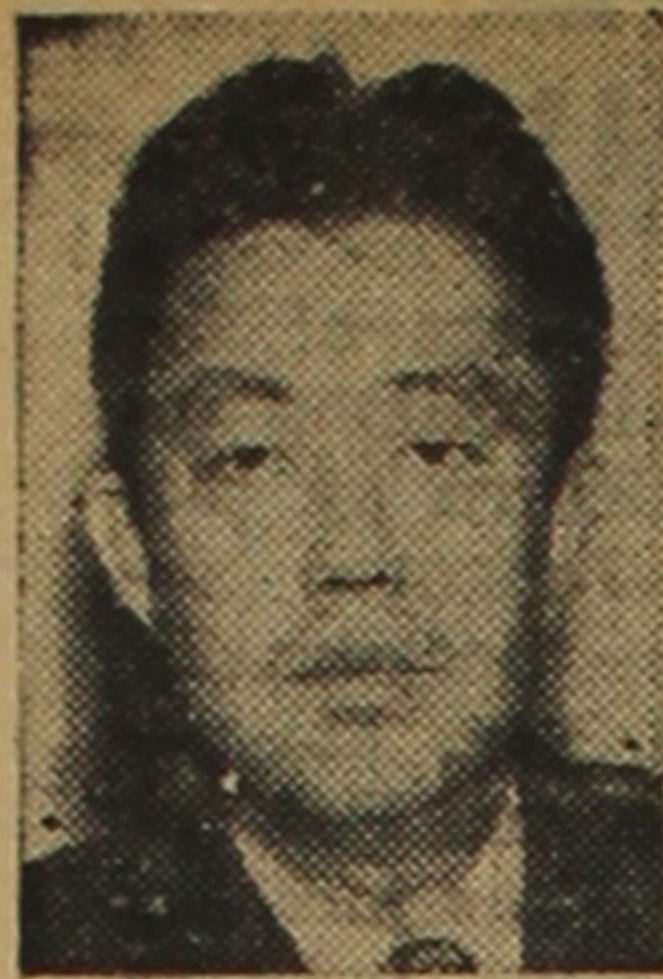


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LOS ANGELES NEWSLETTER

By Henry Mori

Legionnaire & Optimist

Frank Omatsu, 33-year-old veteran of World War II who served in the Pacific theatre with the 312th Military Intelligence unit, will be installed as commander of Commodore Perry Post 525 of the American Legion.

He and his newly-elected cabinet will be installed by Al Malone, 17th District commander, at a dinner slated June 11 at King's Tropical Inn.

Omatsu is public relations man for Sumitomo Bank of California, better known as the "leg man" who is out of the office most of the day getting business for the organization.

Last time we mentioned Omatsu was when we "publicized" his Christmas Club. We were flattered to hear that the column created such interest that several copies were sent to Sumitomo's main office in San Francisco as an incentive for others on the staff to pick Christmas Clubbers up north.

Omatsu's father, by the way, is a real believer in becoming a naturalized citizen. After he passed his test several years ago and became sick, unable to leave his bed, the U.S. immigration and naturalization service decided to send a Federal judge and a court clerk to officiate at his southwest area home to swear him in as a citizen.

The new commander is the second son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ichinosuke Omatsu. He is married to the former Violet Takeda and father of two children, Elizabeth Misa, 1½ years, and Brian Taro, six months.

Omatsu is also active in the KEEP (Kiyosato Educational Experiment Project) program as chairman of So. Calif. Friends for KEEP.

On the Perry Post auxiliary side, Mrs. Ruth Takako Fukui (nee Ishikawa) will be installed president. She is the wife of Soichi Fukui, past commander.

The Japanese American Optimist Club of Los Angeles is also having its installation at a dinner dance, planned for June 15 from 7 p.m. at the Mona Lisa restaurant.

The program will honor attorney James Mitsumori, Downtown JACLer, as the new president to succeed Willie Funakoshi. Other Optimist officers include Fred Funakoshi, Roy Hoshizaki, Fred Matsumoto, vice-presidents; and Kiyo Maruyama, secretary-treasurer.

Municipal Court Judge John F. Aiso made news this week again.

In discussing a state-wide uniform bail system for traffic violations at the Conference of California Judges, Traffic Courts Committee meeting in Los Angeles last Saturday, Judge Aiso said thusly:

"I am definitely opposed to a uniform bail schedule since the whole idea of justice in traffic cases rests in the determining of each case on an individual basis."

He also said a public defender ought to be made available at all times in traffic court on a consultation basis. The people who come to traffic court are not criminals, he pointed out, and certainly they should be afforded the same advantages that are provided for gamblers, drunks and petty thieves brought before other branches of the court.

Judge Aiso is certainly right.

As a matter of fact, it seems that a motorist has very little say-so from the time he is stopped by a law enforcement officer to the day he appears in court to plea his case.

Even then, so-called justice in ground out in mass production and a person who believes he is in the right must spend more time away from his business to prove his innocence.

Maybe this was not the point John was trying to bring out but for one who has had brushes with traffic officers, posting bail is anything but frustrating.

NAT'L DIRECTOR'S REPORT: by Masao Satow

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with other Americans of various backgrounds to give strength and meaning to the democratic pattern of America.

The amazing list of community organizations to which he gave leadership, the many contributions of money and labor and material from other than Nisei sources that went into the constructing of his memorial, and the large number of non Nisei present at the dedication—these are testimony to his active participation and recognition in the affairs of the larger community.

A GREAT ISSEI PASSES

We note with sadness the passing of Mr. Masuo Yasui of Portland. Mr. Yasui was one of our key supporters and staunchest backers in the Pacific Northwest, and we especially remember his encouragement and support during our drive for naturalization. He was one of the first Issei to become an American citizen, and he assisted many others to achieve this dream by serving as an instructor.

Time is thinning the ranks of our Issei pioneers. They have left us a heritage of which we should be proud, and their concern for the community good will always be a challenge to us Nisei.

THE NORTHWEST PICTURE: by Elmer Ogawa

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glamorous costumes on parade. Prediction: By the time they are grown-up, "East Meets West" fashions will have been handed down by their mothers (who were reaching, too!). Today's innovations will be tomorrow's traditions.

Elsewhere (as in the exhibits of Japanese ceramics) traditional design—unmistakably Oriental—was being adapted to modern creative expression. To us, the acme of this trend was in the showing of "East Meets West in Fashion".

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Valley; Sueko, 31, Beverly Hills.
SHIMATSU-ISHINO — Rokura, 25; Sei-
ko S., 23, both Los Angeles.
TANAKA-YAMADA — Yoshiyuki, 33;
Sumiko, 24, both Los Angeles.
TOMORI-KAMIYA — Susumu, 28; Dor-
is, 20, both Los Angeles.
WADA-DURAN — Haruo S., 20; Car-
men C., 21, both Sun Valley.
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erine F., 26, both Inglewood.
YAMATANI-NAMBA — Takashi, 31,
Escondido; Nancy M., 27, Glendale.

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HIGASHI-UYETAKE — Apr. 14, Bobby
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Norio, Brigham City, Utah; Rose,
Torrance.

Whereabouts of former Arizonans sought for banks

PHOENIX.—Whereabouts of former Arizona residents who have bank deposits here are being sought by the Estate Tax Dept., 1602 W. Jefferson, Phoenix, the Arizona JACL reported last week.

If satisfactory proof of claim is not presented to the department's Division of Unclaimed Property, by June 6, the deposits would be transferred to the custody of the State Tax Commissioner until such time as the owner or his heirs may claim it.

Bank deposits in the state of Arizona, it was explained by James Ozawa, chapter president, are held only for seven years by state law. Names of persons being sought and their last known addresses are as follows:

M. I. Kabayashi, Glendale, Ariz.; Mr. Jutsugyo Kumiyai, Mesa, Ariz.; Tom Yasuda or T. Kuroiwa, Mesa, Ariz.; Shigemune Yoneya, 129 S. 2nd Ave., Phoenix; Mr. Muminatsu Yasawa, Bis-
by, Ariz. (believed to be residing in San Gabriel, Calif.); R. M. Fujii, 1849 Grand Ave., Phoenix; J. Matsuno, Rt. 1, Box 89, Glendale, Ariz.

Deposit holders or their heirs may write to the Arizona JACL, P.O. Box 303, Phoenix.

WHEREABOUTS OF L.A. CLAIMANT SOUGHT

Whereabouts of May Suzuki, last known at 1153 Orme St., Los Angeles 23, is being requested by the Los Angeles office, Civil Division, Dept. of Justice, in connection with her evacuation claim settlement which has been made recently. Information is sought by John T. Allen, officer in charge, 219 W. 7th St., Los Angeles 12.

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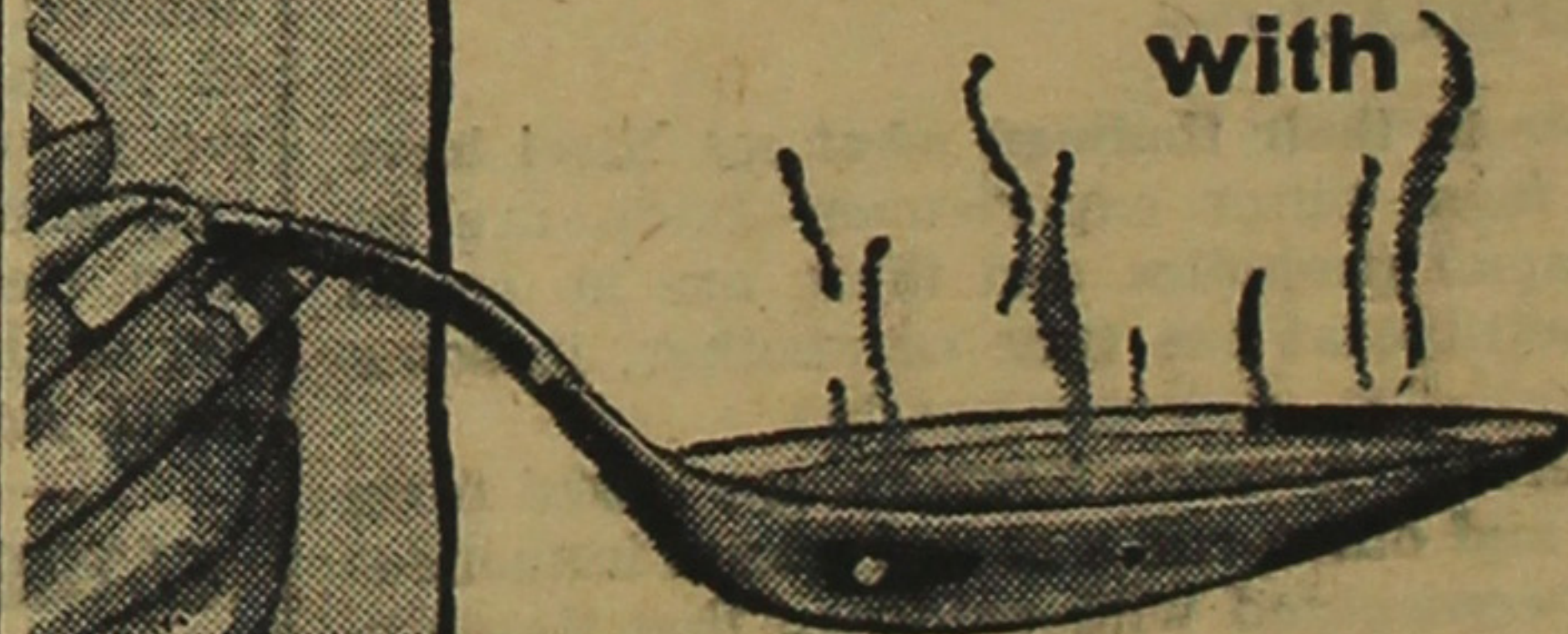
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WASHINGTON NEWSLETTER

By Mike Masaoka

High Cost of Discrimination

Washington

To aid in the smooth changeover to desegregation in the nation's schools three years after the Supreme Court's historic decision outlawing racial segregation in public education, a group of more than 250 psychologists and social workers recently released in Chicago their pooled observations on the psychological aspects of the problem.

The voluminous report, made after a two-year study, is considered to be one of the most scientific research projects into the field. And, although the report is largely concerned with racial relations between Negroes and whites, the authors point out—and we heartily agree—that their observations and conclusions apply with equal force to situations involving discriminations against the Japanese and other Asians and Mexicans on the West Coast, the Eskimos in Alaska, and the American Indian in most parts of the country.

Dr. Dana L. Farnsworth, president of the Group for the Advancement of Psychiatry, said the report was drafted by psychiatrists and social scientists working in an interracial committee and representing every region of the nation. All of the specialists have had first hand experiences in the area of interracial tensions.

NOT MERELY LEGAL PROBLEM

In their introduction, the authors point out that desegregation is not merely a legal problem, "but a social and above all a psychological problem."

"Wherever segregation occurs, there are damaging effects on personality growth and development of the person discriminated against," the report observes. The authors also note that segregation practices inflict damaging psychological scars on those who foster or condone them.

Segregation causes psychological damage not only to individuals, but also to the communities that practice segregation. The report makes clear that among the social ills that segregation breeds are high disease and death rates, some types of crime and delinquency, poor housing, substandard living, and disorganized family life. In developing this thesis, it is noted that these social ills do not remain confined to the segregated community; they inevitably lower the level of well being of the entire community. For example, they pointed out that the maintenance of duplicate sets of "equal" but separate facilities for education, health, and welfare means that the budget for each group must be lowered at the expense of the other.

At the national level, the report concludes that segregation, through its hampering influence on the economic, educational, and social development of millions of our fellow citizens tends to rob the country as a whole of a substantial part of its human resources.

CONTRIBUTING FACTORS TO INTERRACIAL STRIFE

The psychiatrists say that among the factors contributing to interracial problems, much of the difficulty has been caused by economic and political considerations that have nothing to do with the issue at hand. Southern fear of Northern economic domination and states' rights questions have kept many Southerners from endorsing desegregation. On the other hand, many Americans have to keep fighting down their own religious beliefs and sense of fair play, it is claimed, in order to feel themselves in the right about segregation.

The report cites prejudice as one of the chief stumbling blocks that continues to stand in the way of desegregation. This prejudice, these social scientists allege, is based on racial myths that have a long and obscure history, have no scientific validity, and are often used by individuals or groups in attempting to arrive at solutions to difficult situations in which their individual or group security is threatened.

To offset the tensions and anxieties created by these problems, a defense reaction is stimulated which often takes the form of a myth or a notion that has no basis in fact and the myth apparently provides a rational solution to an otherwise insoluble problem, according to the report.

NO GEOGRAPHICAL LIMITATIONS

The psychologists note in their findings what we Nisei have known for a long time from bitter experiences—there are no geographical limits to racial prejudice and there are no racial groups that are not vulnerable at one time or another, in some form or another, to prejudice and persecution.

Attitudes of many persons towards Negroes are based upon early childhood training and other cultural and social influences in their communities. If confronted with evidence that desegregation can be carried out successfully, and if their attitudes are not too firmly rooted in emotional conflicts, or early conditioning, the authors feel that these persons may be won over to accepting desegregation.

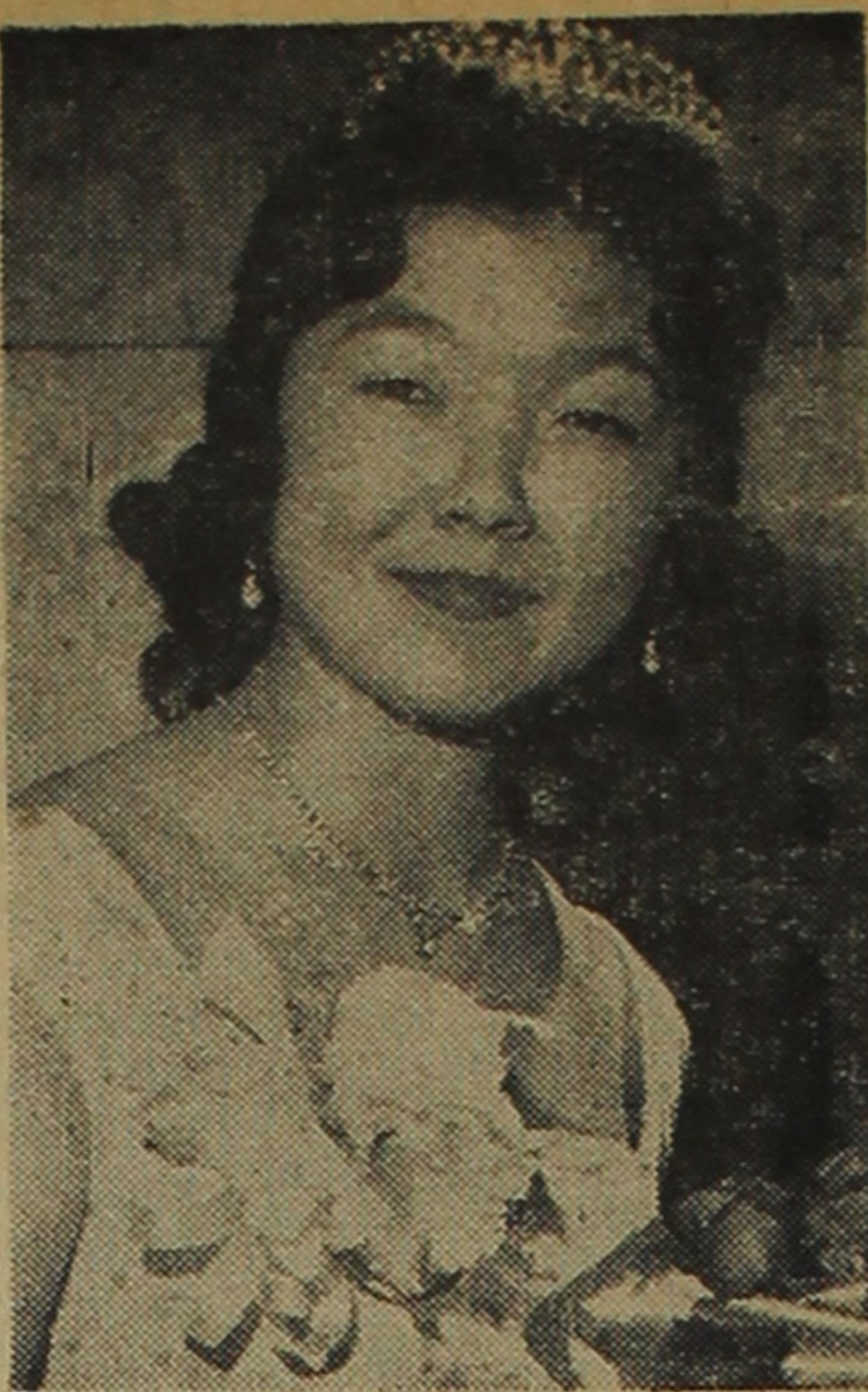
As a matter of fact, the report states, it is encouraging to learn that in every community there are more people at all levels who are psychologically prepared to accept desegregation than those who are staunchly opposed to any form of integration of the races.

DESEGREGATION VIEWED AS BENEFIT

In surveying communities where desegregation has already taken place, the report notes that fewer conflict situations arise when school boards, teachers, and parent-teachers associations, joined by the political leaders of the community, prepare to meet the problems of desegregation in advance by anticipating them. Cases histories of successful desegregation are reviewed, such as those in Louisville, Kentucky, and Washington, D.C. Curiously enough, the experience in the Territory of Hawaii is mentioned as an example of racial tolerance, though this situation had no bearing on the Negro problem.

The responsibility of political and business leaders in shaping attitudes is emphasized, as well as that of newspapers, radio, television and other media of expression and propaganda.

The overall conclusion is that, just as segregation is a community ill, so desegregation is a community benefit and all segments should work toward this goal.



Miss Shirley Yasuda, attending Colorado University, was recently crowned queen at a NICC Sweetheart Ball.

—Tom Masamori Photo.

'Best actor of season' award won by Nisei for Sakini

PHOENIX.—Johnny Hirohata, who has frequently produced skits for the Japanese community in the past and is a commercial photographer, took on the role of Sakini in the local Little Theater production of "Teahouse of the August Moon" in early March.

This week, after the final curtain came down on the week's run of the Broadway comedy, Hirohata was named winner of the "best actor of the season" Little Theater award.

Hirohata has considered the role to be the best modern portrayal of a first generation Japanese.

Denver pioneer gets Japan decoration

DENVER.—Dr. Konai Miyamoto, a pioneer Colorado Japanese dentist has been decorated by the Japanese government with the Fifth Order of the Sacred Treasure, according to a recent announcement by the Japanese Consulate General in San Francisco.

The decoration awarded March 22, was delivered to him here last May 13.

The Japanese decoration was awarded, according to the consulate announcement, because of efforts expended by Dr. Miyamoto in protecting the property of the Japanese aliens in Colorado during the war and for his assistance in revising the anti-Japanese immigration law of the United States.

Dr. Miyamoto came to the U.S. in 1902 and studied dentistry at the University of Chicago.

He has been a resident of Denver for the past 50 years. He was honored by the Colorado Society of Archaeology when this exclusive group took him into membership although he was still an alien then. He is also a prominent member of the Denver Museum of Oriental Arts.

FATHER OF ACTIVE CL-ERS DECORATED

TOKYO. — A veteran newsman, Shiro Fujioka of Los Angeles, was awarded the Order of the Sacred Treasure, Fourth Class by the Japanese government last week.

The decoration ceremony was held in the office of Foreign Vice Minister Katsumi Ono.

Fujioka, now in Japan on a sight-seeing tour, is writing his memoirs as journalist during the past more than a half century.

(His sons Pete and Dick as well as daughter Setsu are currently active JACLers.)

L.A. NISEI OPTIMISTS TO HONOR NEW CABINET

A dinner-dance to honor James Mitsumori, local attorney, who will head the 1957-58 cabinet of the Los Angeles Japanese American Optimists, will be held June 15, 7 p.m., at the Mona Lisa Restaurant, it was announced by Willie Funakoshi, outgoing president.

JACL CAMPAIGN AGAINST IMPROPER FILMS ON TV CITED BY U.S. OFFICIAL

WASHINGTON.—Sen. Warren G. Magnuson (D., Wash.), chairman of the Senate Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee, has informed the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League that JACL's campaign to prevent showing of derogatory wartime films by the nation's television stations has been quoted by an assistant attorney general of the United States.

According to the Washington lawmaker, Victor R. Hansen, assistant attorney general in charge of anti-trust activities, in addressing the members of the Federal Communications Bar Association regarding recent Justice Department anti-trust action against the practice of selling motion pictures for television showing in blocks, declared:

"For example, the Japanese American Citizens League has praised our recent action. Their efforts to persuade television stations not to broadcast feature films produced during World War II which besmirch the loyalty of Americans of Japanese ancestry, have up to now, been largely unsuccessful, so they say, because stations have no economic choice but to buy, pay for and hence to exhibit a whole package of pre-

1948 films. The members of the League believe that if stations are free to buy on a picture by picture basis such anti-Japanese propaganda will not be broadcast."

At the same time, Sen. Magnuson, whose Interstate and Foreign Commerce committee has jurisdiction over the television industry and its administrative supervisory agency the Federal Communication Commission, acknowledged the receipt from National JACL headquarters in San Francisco of letters received from various television stations throughout the nation in response to JACL's campaign to request television stations to refrain from showing films that impugn the loyalty and Americanism of Americans of Japanese ancestry. He declared that JACL's campaign is definitely in the public service.

(San Francisco JACL chapter president Jack Kusaba was not entirely satisfied with the manner local station KRON-TV handled the all too brief explanatory announcement made at the beginning of last Friday night's showing of "Across the Pacific". The chapter had earlier asked the showing be cancelled, but was informed it was not possible.)

1956 FBI reports show Chinese, Japanese Americans with minimum crime counts

Veteran newspaperman and radio commentator George Todt spikes a misconception about Americans of Chinese and Japanese descent in his column published last week in the Valley Times, a North Hollywood daily.

"Many of our people have somehow come to think of these folks as just a little sinister," Todt says, after pointing out that the character of Orientals has been depicted in "unauthentic motion picture themes, weird literary plots" and a "failure to be assimilated as rapidly as other minority groups".

"Nothing could indeed be further from the truth. Actually, the shoe is on the other foot.

"Want proof?"

He cites the "Uniform Crime Reports for the United States", Vol. 27, No. 2—1956 Annual Bulletin, issued by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The clean record of Oriental Americans "may come as something of a shocker . . . but no ethnic minority or part of our population can even begin to approach the superiority . . . when it comes to avoiding crime."

On page 113, Table 44 shows arrests by race in 1956 in 1,551 cities with more than 2,500 population. It was broken down into White, Negro, Indian, Chinese, Japanese, and All Others.

He then explains:

Out of a national total of 2,070,794 arrests in 1956, only 236 of these were Chinese and 114 were Japanese. The FBI broke these arrests down into 25 important categories. The Chinese had no arrests at all in four of them: (1) manslaughter by negligence; (2) stolen property, receiving and buying, etc; (3) rape, (4) prostitution and commercialized vice. The Japanese blanked in six crime areas: (1) manslaughter by negligence; (2) robbery; (3) embezzlement and fraud; (4) rape; (5) narcotic drug laws, and (6) offense against family and children.

None of the other racial groupings came up with "zero" in any of the 25 categories of arrests.

Two Nisei pass Calif. state bar examinations

SAN FRANCISCO. — Two Nisei were among 312 persons who passed the recent spring bar examinations, it was announced last week by the State Bar of California.

They are Kazuo Watanabe of San Francisco and Toshiro Hiraide of West Los Angeles.

The bar association reported that Hiraide and several others must fulfill other requirements before being admitted to practice.

The new lawyers will be admitted in ceremonies before the state supreme court here June 12.

To put it mildly, Americans of Chinese and Japanese extraction won this particular race in a walk. We can all afford to take off our hats to their marvelous record. What may account for it? Is there a story behind the story here? Who is responsible for this outstanding positive achievement in citizenship?

I don't think we would need to look much further than into the Japanese and Chinese home — where children are still taught to love and honor their parents, to respect their institutions and to take pride in their traditions. Regardless of these so-called "modern times," there are still proportionately more of these sterling qualities to be found in Japanese and Chinese Americans than elsewhere. Perhaps the decadent morality inspired by an amoral entertainment industry which worships "The Age of the Golden Prostitute" has not yet rubbed off on them entirely. How else explain the fact that theirs is the lowest crime and juvenile delinquency rate in the nation? Isn't it something to think about? Why not?

(Todt has devoted columns in the past in giving a truer picture of his Japanese American neighbors.)

Citizenship—

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General in charge of the civil division has instituted these simple administrative procedures and has explained that he is inclined to review these affidavits "liberally," JACL urges all renunciants to take advantage of the situation and have their status clarified immediately.

Perhaps at some later date, when these administrative procedures are no longer available and when less sympathetic officials are in charge of the program, the renunciant may well regret his failure to secure Form N-576 from the Immigration and Naturalization Service and to have filed it with the assistant attorney general of the civil division.

Failure to act now may not only be embarrassing but later action may be considerably more expensive and time-consuming than the present method.

CALENDAR

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June 1 (Saturday)
Fowler — Chapter picnic, City Park, 6 p.m.
Sonoma County — JACL Bowling Award dinner, Green Mill Inn, Cotati, 7:30 p.m.
Livingston-Merced — Yamato Colony 50th Ann'y Picture Night; "This Is Your Life" TV kine.
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June 2 (Saturday)
Southwest L.A. — Square Dance, USC YWCA, 7:30 p.m.