

PRESIDENT'S CORNER:

Integration at Little Rock, Ark

As we review the tragic Little Rock incident and consider the emotions and high feelings that have been aroused and try to fit these into the overall picture of integration, we become more and more convinced that President Eisenhower's actions were the right ones. We hope that time — the great healer of all wounds — will bear out this contention.

We believe that the problem of integration is basically a moral issue. Unfortunately this has been obscured at times by the very complex regional, political, legal, social and psychological aspects associated with integration.

If the problem is studied from the humanitarian point of view, there can be but one answer: Each person, regardless of race, color or creed, is entitled to the respect, dignity and opportunity accorded to every other person. Otherwise, the phrase, "the brotherhood of man through the common Fatherhood of God" has no meaning or significance. If this is meaningless, then there is no real hope for a permanent world peace.

All racial problems will not be solved in our generation. But certainly, through his courageous actions, the President has promoted greatly the cause of freedom, justice and fair play. In the future, in a quieter period, after feelings have been calmed and after experience has proven the moral rightfulness of his decision, historians may view the President's decisions as one of the most humanitarian acts of his entire career.

Time, place and circumstances change the outlook on all problems. No reasonable man today, for instance, would contend that the Negro should be a slave — yet in its time and place this idea was once commonly accepted by many men.

Integration will eventually come about, because it must come about. Progress in today's dynamic world demands it. And although the hard-pressed Negroes have had their faith and forbearance sorely tried; we be-

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REP. MOSS OF SACRAMENTO TO ADDRESS NC-WNDC

SACRAMENTO.—Rep. John Emerson Moss (D., Calif.) of the Third Congressional District will be main speaker at the banquet on Sunday, Nov. 3, climaxing the biennial convention of the 25 chapters which comprise the Northern California-Western Nevada District Council of the Japanese American Citizens League, it was announced this week by convention chairman Bill Matsumoto.

Congressman Moss has been a member of the House of Representatives since 1952 and has been particularly helpful to JACL's national legislative program. Previous to his election to the House, the Sacramento congressman served four years in the California State Assembly.

Another highlight will be the installation of new district council officers, who will serve the 1957-59 biennium.

Nominees Revealed

John Enomoto, NC-WNDC nominations committee chairman, announced the following slate of nominees for five positions to be vacated this year on the district council executive board, which will subsequently choose its chairman.

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40,000 FILIPINOS IN CALIFORNIA PROSPERING; RACE PROBLEMS MINIMIZED

SAN FRANCISCO.—The 40,000 Filipinos in California, with rare exception, are contented and prosperous, according to Philippine Consul General Nicanor Roxas, who added his countrymen have no major problems, racial, economic or otherwise.

"We have not had any racial problems or prejudice in recent years. The war did much to break that down," Roxas explained.

While most of them are not wealthy, they live comfortably. Filipinos who have come to the United States are here to stay for the most part, Roxas said.

ISSEI ELECTED TO CITY COUNCIL IN BRIT. COLUMBIA

TORONTO.—A recent visitor here was Heijiro Matsubayashi, who two years ago became the first Issei elected to the city council of Slocan City, B.C. Serving on the council as chairman of the finance and parks committees, he is acting mayor of Slocan City in the absence of the mayor.

"There is no racial discrimination whatsoever in our city," he said, "and I am respected by our citizens." Impressed by the progress of Japanese Canadians in Ontario and Quebec, he hopes the day will soon come when Nisei get into politics and hold public offices.

Another Issei, Dr. M. Miyazaki was elected several years ago to the Lillooet, B.C., city council.

NISEI VOTERS LEAGUE FORMED IN SAN FRANCISCO

SAN FRANCISCO.—A Nisei Voters League of San Francisco was formed last week with Jack Kusaba as temporary chairman. It decided to function on local and state issues and offices.

Local Nisei voters, estimated to be about 2,000, will soon receive a prospectus from the league. Token membership fee will be a dollar, it was reported.

A candidate night is being planned in the latter part of the month. The voters group is expected to push the candidacy of three men for the supervisorial election in November.

Orange County Cler attends farm confab

SANTA ANA.—Hitoshi Nitta, past Orange County JACL president and prominent vegetable and field crop farmer, was one of three growers from eleven western states attending the American Farm Bureau Federation Processing Vegetable Grower meetings held recently at Madison, Wis.

As an official delegate from California, he was requested by the California State Farm Bureau green lima bean section to attend the August 1-2 meeting.

U.S. SUPREME COURT RECONVENES, JACL INTERESTED IN THREE CASES

(JACL News Service)

WASHINGTON.—Three cases as having special concern of the Japanese American Citizens League were identified by the Washington JACL Office last Monday when the United States Supreme Court convened for the October, 1957, term.

JACL is also interested in other cases relating to Americans of minority and nationality groups, such as various general civil rights and immigration, the Washington JACL Office added.

The three cases cited by the organization concern citizenship, racial discrimination and membership disclosure.

Nishikawa Case

The citizenship cases involve the constitutionality of congressionally enacted legislation to strip the citizenship of native born Americans. In the case at issue, which is being argued with several other companion cases, Mitsugi Nishikawa, who was born in Artesia, Calif., allegedly lost his United States citizenship because he served in the Japanese Army during World War II.

Attorney A. L. Wirin, of Los Angeles, is expected to argue the case before the justices on Oct. 15 on the grounds that the Congress cannot deprive a native born citizen of a right conferred by the Constitution. Attorney Wirin is well known to the Japanese American community because he represented the JACL and other Americans of Japanese ancestry in many cases during and after the war in which the rights and privileges of this group were defined and clarified.

The Supreme Court heard oral

TARO SUZUKI RESIGNS PUNCHBOWL CEMETERY POST

HONOLULU.—Superintendent Tarō Suzuki of the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific (Punchbowl Cemetery) will resign his position effective Oct. 15, which held since November, 1950. The national shrine is the final resting place for some 15,000 GIs.

arguments on these citizenship cases early this spring but decided to call for more argument this term before settling this important key issue.

Blood Test Case

The racial discrimination case involves orders of the Immigration and Naturalization Service which resulted in the giving of blood tests to several hundred Chinese who claimed United States citizenship through their parents and demanded the right of admission to this country on that basis.

This case is expected to be heard early in the October term and will be argued on behalf of the Chinese Americans by New York attorneys Benjamin Gim and Edward J. Ennis. Both attorneys are members of the New York JACL chapter. Ennis is also legal counsel to the Washington JACL office and general counsel to the American Civil Liberties Union.

Attorneys Gim and Ennis will argue that since these blood tests were given only to Chinese claiming derivative United States citizenship, they are discriminatory and unconstitutional.

NAACP Membership Case

The membership disclosure case involves action of the State of Alabama in requiring the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People to make public the names and addresses of all members and their addresses. For refusing, the NAACP was fined \$100,000.

JACL is participating in this appeal to the Supreme Court as a friend of the court, with its brief to be signed by Frank Chuman of Los Angeles, national JACL counsel, and Harold R. Gordon of Chicago, chairman of the national JACL Legislative-Legal committee. The hearing on this matter is slated for December.

HEAD-ON AUTO MISHAP KILLS 1000ER'S WIFE

COLTON.—Mrs. Shizuko Helen Momita, 50, of Calipatria and three others were injured late Saturday night when two cars crashed head-on on a narrow stretch on the San Bernardino Freeway at the Santa Ana River bridge on the eastern outskirts of Colton.

California Highway Patrol officers said she was riding in a car driven by her husband, 1000er Takeo Harry Momita, 56, Calipatria druggist and active Nisei leader of Imperial County.

The Momita car was struck by a car driven by an El Monte teenager, James F. Gooley. Momita was taken to the San Bernardino County Hospital and later transferred to a hospital in Gardena for observation.

Investigators said the freeway narrows to two lanes at the bridge because of construction work. Officers said Gooley was attempting to pass another car when he met the Momita car in the opposite lane.

Nevada Sansei installed adviser to Reno Rainbows

RENO.—Judy Aoyama, 17-year-old daughter of the Fred Aoyamas, was elevated to the highest office attainable at the local level in the Reno Assembly, Order of Rainbow of Girls, by being installed as Worthy Advisor recently.

As the first member of Japanese descent to be initiated in the Masonic order for girls in Nevada, she was made Worthy Advisor in an impressive ceremony attended by 200 members and guest.

Fred Aoyama is an active Reno JACLer.

Nisei electronics specialist endures foul weather, 'fowl' eggs during emergency repair job at Greenland radio station

WAILUKU, Maui.—Sadami Katahara, engineer in charge of the National Bureau of Standards radio time-signal station at Kihei, has successfully finished an emergency repair job for the government of Denmark.

It was a repair job that took the Island-born and educated radio-electronics engineer thousands of miles from sub-tropical Maui to arctic Greenland.

His job was to eliminate sound disturbances in ionospheric equipment at the Godhavn communications station on Disko Island, off Greenland's west coast.

The Danish government asked the National Bureau of Standards for help because the disturbances were interfering with the communications, and N.B.S. sent Katahara because of his familiarity with such equipment.

Colorful Story

Katahara's repair job can be described only in technical language, but his personal experiences make a more colorful story.

He left here last June and, after a trip to Colorado for testing equipment, boarded a Scandinavian Airlines System plane at Los Angeles for the Polar flight to Sonde Stromfjord, Greenland.

Thirteen uneventful hours later, the plane set him down at Sonde Stromfjord Airport. Then, the fun began.

He and his luggage were piled

aboard an old German-make car for the 10-mile trip to Sonde Stromfjord. There, he boarded a 35-foot motor-launch, manned by two non-English speaking Greenland Eskimos, and they shoved off for Disko Island.

The 350-mile trip was supposed to take 24 hours, but bad weather threw a hitch into the schedule, and it took them three days.

"The Eskimos navigate by landmarks, hopping from island to island," Katahara explained, and when fog or bad weather set in, they would just cast anchor and wait for it to clear."

When they finally reached Disko Island, he found three Danish scientists and wife of one at the station. They were doing research on cosmic noise, very low frequency propagation, and "whistlers", the latter a phenomenon about which even scientists know little.

He also found about 500 or 600 native Greenlanders on the island. Fortunately, the scientists spoke English "fairly well," he said.

He learned that they live most of the time on cold cuts and canned food "because of inadequate transportation."

When he was ready to leave, the engineer discovered that arrangements for his trip had not included provisions for his return to Greenland. He solved that problem by hitchhiking from island to island on motorboats heading

back toward Sonde Stromfjord.

The trip back took 86 hours and left Katahara with some definite recommendations for travelers in that "midnight sun" area of the world.

Take along a sleeping bag and plenty of food, and allow plenty of time for each journey, is the essence of that advice.

He recalls, "I ate boiled wild duck and tern eggs" when his Greenland boatmen were weathered in during his trip back, and "some of the eggs were half fowl, but quite edible when your're hungry."

Far North Recipes

In preparing the eggs, the natives would place their haul in a pail of seawater. Those that floated were thrown away. The others were boiled, shelled, then boiled again.

As for the ducks, they were boiled feathers and all for three or four hours and then ripped open and eaten.

Back at Sonde Stromfjord Airport, Katahara spent two and a half days waiting for a plane. Two days later, he was basking again in Hawaii's sunshine.

Back at his home at 183 Ku Drive, Wailuku, he remarked on being asked how he enjoyed the journey, "It was interesting but I wouldn't want to do it again. Greenland is just a huge icecapped rock pile."

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From the Frying Pan

by Bill Hosokawa

Denver

QUISLING, FAUBUSES AND PREJUDICE — Back in the early days of World War II, the Germans invaded Norway. The invasion went off with hardly a hitch, and almost before the Western Allies knew what was happening, Norway was firmly in German hands. How come? Because of a man named Quisling. He sold out to the Germans. He betrayed his country and paved the way for the invaders. Quisling became a nasty word, synonymous with betrayal. Quisling became part of the English language.

Now another word, Faubus, bids to become a proper English word. To Faubus is to be guilty of a stupid, bigoted, selfish double-deal. Orval Faubus, governor of Arkansas, has won himself not only a dark page in American history, but immortality of the kind that Quisling earned by his deeds.

Faubus also made the world unpleasantly conscious of Little Rock. That dateline has appeared in newspapers throughout the world, in places like Tokyo, Moscow, Delhi, Ghana, Manila, Peiping and Cairo where people are either quick to criticize America's shortcomings, or where the citizens are acutely aware of the white man's prejudices against his darker skinned brothers.

There is, of course, no defense for the shame of Little Rock. Most Americans have been sickened by the lawlessness of Little Rock's hoodlums and have applauded President Eisenhower's firm if very tardy reaction. If called on to explain Little Rock's resistance to the Supreme Court's desegregation order, Americans must admit that our democracy is far from perfect, that prejudices die hard, that the majority of our people believe in law and order, that we are making slow, belabored, and determined progress toward the goal of our ideals. We have faith in our ideals, but sometimes it takes a while to reach them.

CASTING THE FIRST STONE — We as a nation make no effort to justify our failings, but it might be well to point out to our critics that prejudice is deplorably widespread and is not an American monopoly. For instance, some Arab states still condone slavery. And in India, which has come a long way toward the 20th century, the caste system still has a firm hold on the nation. In postwar Japan, where both literacy and democratic ideals are high, there has been considerable shock and astonishment at the events in Little Rock. Undoubtedly this shock is more the result of disappointment in learning that we as a nation have feet of clay, and not so much the product of an attitude of superiority. For the Japanese themselves have a long history of discriminatory attitudes.

Take, for instance, the Eta, the caste treated as Pariahs because they, among other things, were the butchers of livestock. It was permissible to eat the meat and utilize the leather the Eta class produced, but in not so ancient Japan it was unthinkable to associate with the Eta socially. Or take Japan's treatment of the Koreans. These were indeed a subjugated people, scorned by a large percentage of their captors. The treatment of Koreans as a group by the Japanese was so heartless that reprisals were believed inevitable. Thus, history shows, panic was widespread during the great Tokyo earthquake of 1923 when it was rumored without foundation that Koreans were wreaking vengeance on their Japanese oppressors.

But in the midst of despair there is hope. One Tokyo news report says that among Japanese women married to Americans and hoping to move to the U.S. soon, "the women seemed even more concerned about the reputation of their home-land-to-be than the possibility of an extension of the feeling against Negroes to themselves."

PERCENTAGE OF NISEI MARRYING INTO OTHER RACIAL GROUPS INCREASING OVER PAST DECADE IN HAWAII

HONOLULU.—The percentage of Nisei marrying into other racial groups has been increasing over the decades in the Territory of Hawaii, especially among brides, but is consistently lower than out-marriage among other groups.

This was pointed out recently by sociology professor George K. Ya-

mamoto of the Univ. of Hawaii, who says the following reasons may account for the low proportion of outmarriages among the Japanese: large numbers, a balanced sex ratio and immigrant conceptions of the family system.

In Oahu Journal

These findings are reported in a study on Some Patterns of Mate Selections Among Naichi and Okinawans on Oahu in the journal, "Social Process in Hawaii."

The two familiar sub-categories of Japanese in Hawaii are the Okinawan and Naichi.

The Okinawans are from Okinawa or trace their origin in that island while the Naichi come from Japan proper or trace their background there.

Conflict Appears

Conflict appears between the two groups based on an "attitude of superiority assumed by Naichi and the defensive pride of the Okinawans," says Yamamoto.

Okinawan brides tend to marry out of their racial group more than Naichi brides, he says, but among the bridegrooms there is no outstanding difference in the rate of outmarriages.

He lists these figures on marriages of Okinawans and Naichi Japanese within their groups, other Japanese groups and other racial groups during 1941 to 1950.

Of the 8,293 Naichi brides—79.6 per cent married their own group, 16.4 per cent non-Japanese, 4.0 per cent other Japanese group. Of the 7,417 Naichi bridegrooms—89 per cent married their own group, 4.6 per cent non-Japanese, 6.4 per cent other Japanese group.

Of the 2,248 Okinawan brides—58.5 per cent married own group, 20.3 per cent non-Japanese, 21.2 per cent other Japanese group. Of the 1,712 Okinawan bridegrooms—

76.8 per cent married own group, 3.7 per cent non-Japanese, and 19.5 per cent other Japanese group.

From the trend it would appear that the Okinawan group is the most likely to lose ethnic cohesion and merge with the Naichi, concludes Yamamoto.

Already giving weight to this, he points out, all the public institutions regard the Japanese as an ethnic entity whether Okinawan or Naichi.

Nisei elected president at Salt Lake's South High

SALT LAKE CITY.—Jim Aoki, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. James T. Aoki, 530 East Wood Ave., was elected president of the South High School student body for the school year 1957-1958. Parents are both Salt Lake JACLers.

Jim, who is a senior, is active in both school and extra-curricular activities. Last year he was the first vice-president of the student body. When he was a sophomore Jim was president of his class. He plays quarterback on the South High football team.

Rice-growing attempted on southern Ontario farm

COMBER, Ont.—Grains of rice are already forming on the stalks of Teizo Nakashima's farm in the fertile farm belt between Leamington and Chatham, but whether it will be palatable or not remains to be seen.

The Issei farmer is confident that research and further experiment will enable enough rice to be harvested in Canada to cover the needs of Japanese Canadians.

During the war years, attempts to grow American rice seed were unsuccessful when temperatures dropping at night prevented the grain to form.



TOKYO TOPICS

By Tamotsu Murayama

Convention Activities

The American Embassy has revealed an official communication from Washington has been received, telling of the forthcoming visit of Maxwell M. Rabb, secretary to President Eisenhower's cabinet, and Gen. Joseph Swing, commissioner of immigration and naturalization service, to Japan.

At the same time, U.S. Ambassador Douglas MacArthur II to Japan has confirmed his engagement to address the International Nisei Convention here Oct. 24.

This convention is the first attempt by Mainland Nisei residing in Japan to promote U.S.-Japan relations and will also be the first time the Nisei from Hawaii and the Mainland to join in efforts to solve common problems. This fact alone proves the gathering to be epoch-making.

The U.S. government has recognized the importance of this convention with the attendance of Mr. Rabb and Gen. Swing at the late October festivities. Undoubtedly, Mr. Rabb will speak of Pres-

ident Eisenhower's People-to-People program, which aims to better understand one another at a non-governmental level. Gen. Swing's visit to Japan is expected to create great interest since immigration matters are extremely important for Japan. There are questions of possibly enlarging Japan's quota and expanding the Japanese temporary farm labor program.

At any rate, it is most fortunate that two important figures are coming to attend the International Nisei convention.

Foreign Office

The Japanese Foreign Ministry has also notified the convention committee of its official approval to accept an invitation to address the convention. The committee is also working hard to have Japanese business leaders attend.

Another significance of the Oct. 24-27 convention is that resolutions on U.S.-Japan affairs are likely to be passed, expressing the thought of Nisei in Japan. The people of Japan will also hear of matters affecting the Nisei in Japan.

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VAGARIES
By Larry S. Tajiri

'Bridge to the Sun'

GWEN TERASAKI, a girl from Johnson City, Tennessee, who married a young Japanese diplomat and went with him to Japan to live out the war years after Pearl Harbor, has written the fall season's literary surprise. The simple story of her interracial marriage, "Bridge to the Sun," was published by the Univ. of North Carolina Press (\$3.50) last month. It was condensed in the September issue of Readers Digest and thus read by more than 10 million persons in the United States alone. Now it is reported that Paramount has taken an option on the book and it will be made into a motion picture.

The Digest condensation dealt mainly with the efforts of Mrs. Terasaki's husband, Hidenari, then with the Japanese embassy in Washington, to achieve a peaceful settlement of issues involving Japan and the United States in the first week of December, 1941.

Terasaki, willing to risk his own life to avert war, conferred with Saburo Kurusu, Japan's special envoy who was then conferring with President Roosevelt and Secretary of State Cordell Hull. When it appeared the talks were doomed, Kurusu called Terasaki into his private office. Kurusu's action, of course, was contrary to the concept of his role held by most Americans who believe even today that his last-minute journey to Washington was a maneuver arranged by the Tojo government to allay American fears of war while Tokyo was mounting the attack on Pearl Harbor.

Kurusu was a man sincerely interested in peace. In the privacy of his office, knowing Terasaki's interest in peace, Kurusu suggested that Terasaki go to Roosevelt through an intermediary and suggest that FDR send a cable direct to the Emperor of Japan appealing for peace. "The cablegram must be sent over Tojo's head directly to 'tenno heika,'" Kurusu said.

Terasaki went to E. Stanley Jones, the Methodist leader who had FDR's ear. Together they framed a letter to the President suggesting the personal message to the Emperor. Later, on Dec. 3, Jones saw the President personally, entering the White House by the east gate to avoid newspapermen.

FDR told Jones he had thought of sending the cable, but had hesitated because he did not want to go over the heads of the Japanese representatives in Washington. Jones replied: "Mr. President, that is the purpose of my visit. I have come to tell you that this suggestion of sending the cable did not come from me, but from the Japanese embassy."

Jones added, however, that the cable must not be sent directly, as FDR had sent a previous cable over the Panay incident. That cable had been intercepted and the Emperor had not seen it.

FDR decided to send the cable to U.S. Ambassador Joseph Grew, and Grew would request a personal audience with the Emperor to deliver it.

Referring to Terasaki's role, FDR told Jones: "You tell that young Japanese he is a brave man. No one will ever learn of his part in this from me. His secret is safe."

The cable was sent on Dec. 5 (Dec. 6 in Tokyo). The attack on Pearl Harbor already had been launched, and the Japanese fleet was steaming towards its rendezvous off the Hawaiian islands. It was too late.

WHILE WEST COAST persons of Japanese ancestry were being sent to assembly and relocation centers, Japanese diplomats and their wives wound up at one of America's outstanding resort hotels, the Homestead, in Hot Springs, Va. There, Gwen Terasaki tells of meeting two Nisei, both women.

One was a girl who had been a secretary in a consulate on the west coast and had fallen in love with an official named Yoshida. Yoshida had been sent to the Homestead, but the girl was still on the coast.

"Mr. Yoshida was in a desperate frame of mind and threatened suicide if we had to leave for Japan without her," Mrs. Terasaki recalls. "We were sorry for him and even more disturbed that if he should kill himself some innocent person might be held responsible."

Hidenari Terasaki talked it over with one of the FBI agents at the Homestead, and the latter promised to see what he could do. After several weeks, the girl arrived. The internees buzzed with the talk that this Nisei girl had traveled all the way across the United States and "no one had bothered her; no one had even spoken to her."

"We planned a wedding," writes Gwen Terasaki. "It was my responsibility to buy the ring and flowers and help dress the bride."

Everyone attended the wedding, including the FBI agent who had intervened on behalf of the lovelorn couple.

ANOTHER NISEI at the Homestead, according to Mrs. Terasaki, was a beautiful girl from Seattle, named Jeanie, who had married the Japanese consul at Houston.

Jeanie "was as American as corn flakes and apple pie. More than anyone else she reminded me of home."

"Whenever I think of her," Mrs. Terasaki writes, "I remember a letter she once wrote to me which to my mind epitomizes the tragedy of the Nisei: 'Gwen, if you took my skin and made a dress, it no doubt would turn out a kimono. But if you opened my heart, you'd get a squirt of Yankee blood in your eye.'" Jeanie went with her husband to an uncertain future in a Japan which was to be ravaged by war.

Gwen Terasaki has written the human story of a love which survived the world's greatest war. "Bridge to the Sun" is good reading.

442d veteran revisiting Italy

By WILSON MAKABE

PISA, Italy — We are back in familiar Italian territory again. My wife Marga, and I have been spending the past several weeks (early September) criss-crossing our way through northern and central Europe.

On this trip, we came south through Switzerland and Liechtenstein into northwestern Italy, traveling leisurely eastward to the Adriatic Sea from Milan, then down the east coast and south to Rome.

Then we headed north along the Mediterranean coast, visiting places so familiar to all of us who were with the 442nd only a few years ago. We visited Civitavecchia, Grosseto, Siena, Florence and Leghorn before ending up here in Pisa. The 442nd veterans would no longer recognize the larger cities, but the smaller communities are still practically unchanged.

Tourist Attractions

Rome and Florence will always attract the tourists with their vast historic and cultural treasures, but the crowds and traffic are mighty hard on one's nerves.

Old Siena is still like a picture from the history books: Narrow, steep and hilly streets, severe Renaissance architecture; but outside the ancient walls, a new forest of modern apartment houses have sprung up.

Grosseto is one of the most thriving industrial centers we have seen with factories everywhere.

Livorno (Leghorn) was a pleasure to drive in as the city had the foresight to build wide streets and beautiful parks over much of the devastated areas and the downtown town shopping area is filled with ultramodern stores and office buildings.

Pisa still appears almost unchanged except for a greatly increased tourist trade.

Pleasant Surprises

We've had our share of pleasant surprises and wonderful experiences. Our unending curiosity sometimes took us into several un-

expected situations as we turned off the main roads, but we loved every incident.

One day as we were driving through the environs outside of Rome, along the edge of Lake Albano, we suddenly found ourselves in the middle of a huge crowd at Castel Gondolfo. We couldn't go forward or turn back, so we parked in the middle of the square and soon learned the reason for the throng.

As soon as we got out of the car, the people crowded into the courtyard of the papal summer residence there. So we joined them just in time for a public audience with the Pope. It was an unforgettable experience, seeing the great devotion and affection the people displayed for this great spiritual leader.

Reminded of Monterey

At Porto San Stefano near Grosseto, we noticed a sign, "Strada Panoramica," which we blissfully following, taking the miles of winding curves with the sea always to the right about a hundred feet below and to our left the terraced vineyards and olive orchards.

The craggy shores reminded us some of the colorful Monterey coastline. The road had been recently paved—as far as it went—where it came to an abrupt stop in front of terraced vineyards. The deadend can be best described as follows: A sheer cliff on our left and a sharp drop to our right and a stone wall three foot high across the road, about 18 feet wide. We were thankful we had a Volkswagen.

The drive was worth every curve and that deadend stop.

When we think of Perugia, we'll always remember the time we went up a narrow street that ended with a flight of stairs and a half hour of sweating and scraping fenders to get out.

At Capalbio, a small walled city high on a hilltop and which looked like an ancient castle from the coastal route miles away, we found

ourselves back in the 15th century as we were forced to park just inside the one city gate. There were a few Fiats and motorcycles there and a lot of curious natives trying to figure out my ancestry.

The streets were all of stone and semi-steps, because of the slopes. Almost anywhere, we could touch with outstretched hands the stone buildings on both sides of the streets. What a tourist attraction Capalbio could be with an alert chamber of commerce, we mused.

American Cemetery

We noticed the beautiful American cemetery a few miles outside of Florence is still kept up in perfect condition with its thousands of white crosses and smooth green lawns.

The remarkable, impressive cathedrals in all these Italian cities will continue to serve the people for centuries to come with their everlasting marble beauty. The immortalized paintings, frescoes and mosaics in these shrines make us forget the strains of strenuous sightseeing, aching feet and frightening traffic.

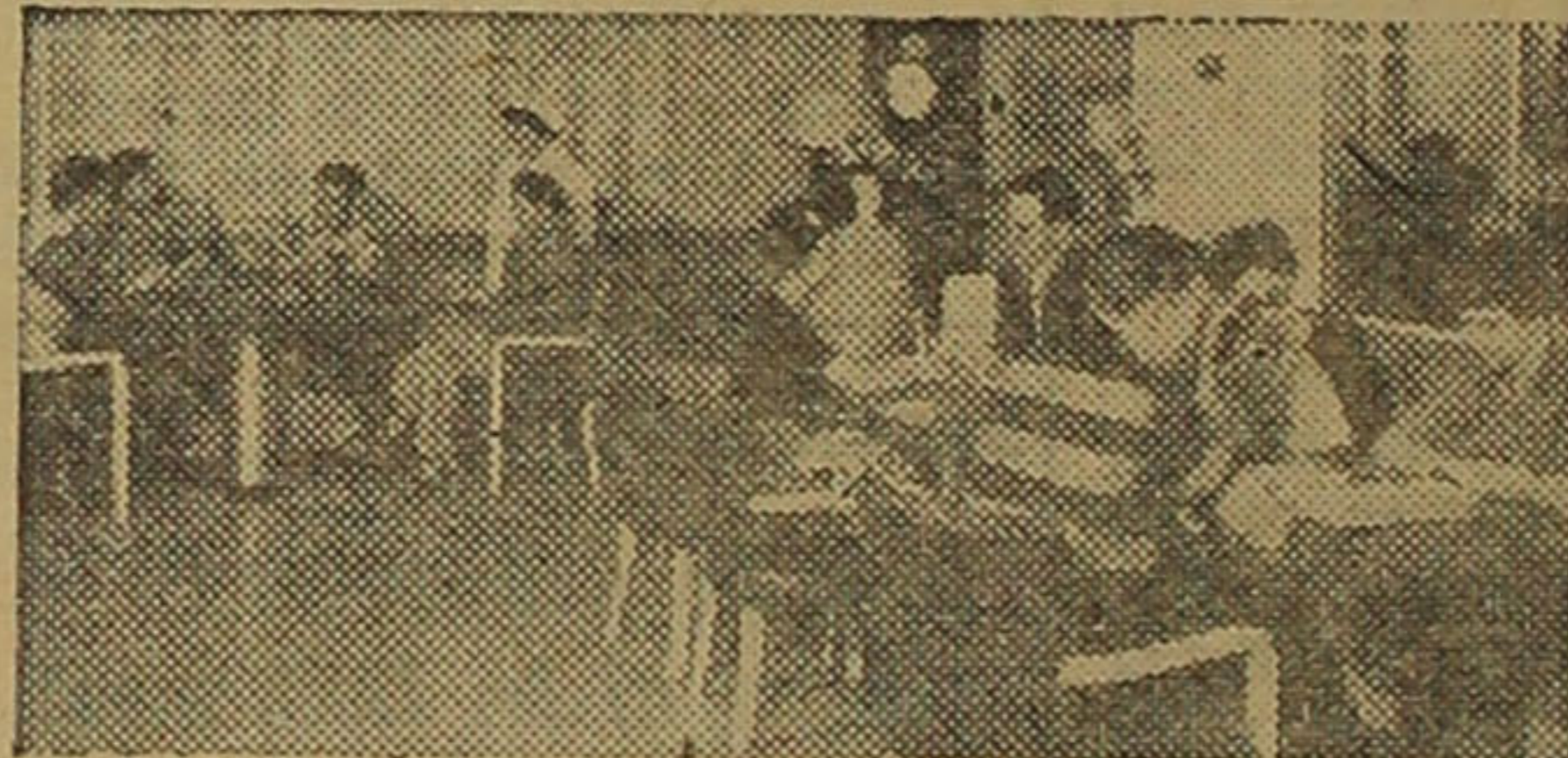
Items on the menu seem cheap enough separately but sometimes the totals can floor us. In this respect, we will be happy to return to the northern countries where the outstretched hand is not so evident.

To Revisit Bruyeres

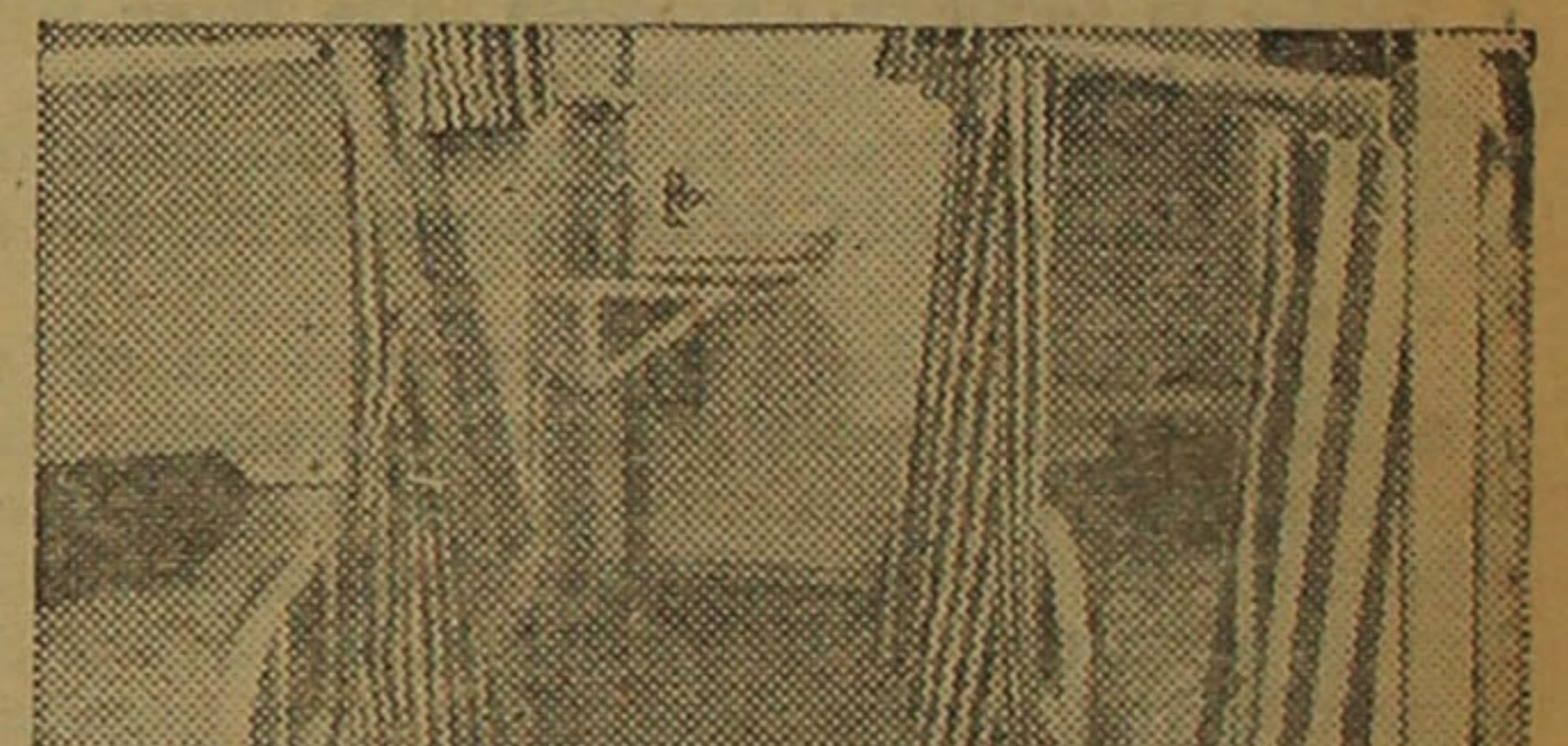
Next week we return to Munich (Marga's hometown) to rest and get reacquainted with our youngster "Ernestl." Our next trip will take us through the "Low" countries and eastern France where I hope to revisit Bruyeres for their annual commemoration of liberation day. (National JACL has placed a plaque at Bruyeres in memory of the 442nd RCT veterans who sacrificed their lives in the rescue of the "Lost Battalion" of the Texas 36th Infantry division.)

(The writer is a past president of the Pacer County JACL and has been touring Europe since mid-June).

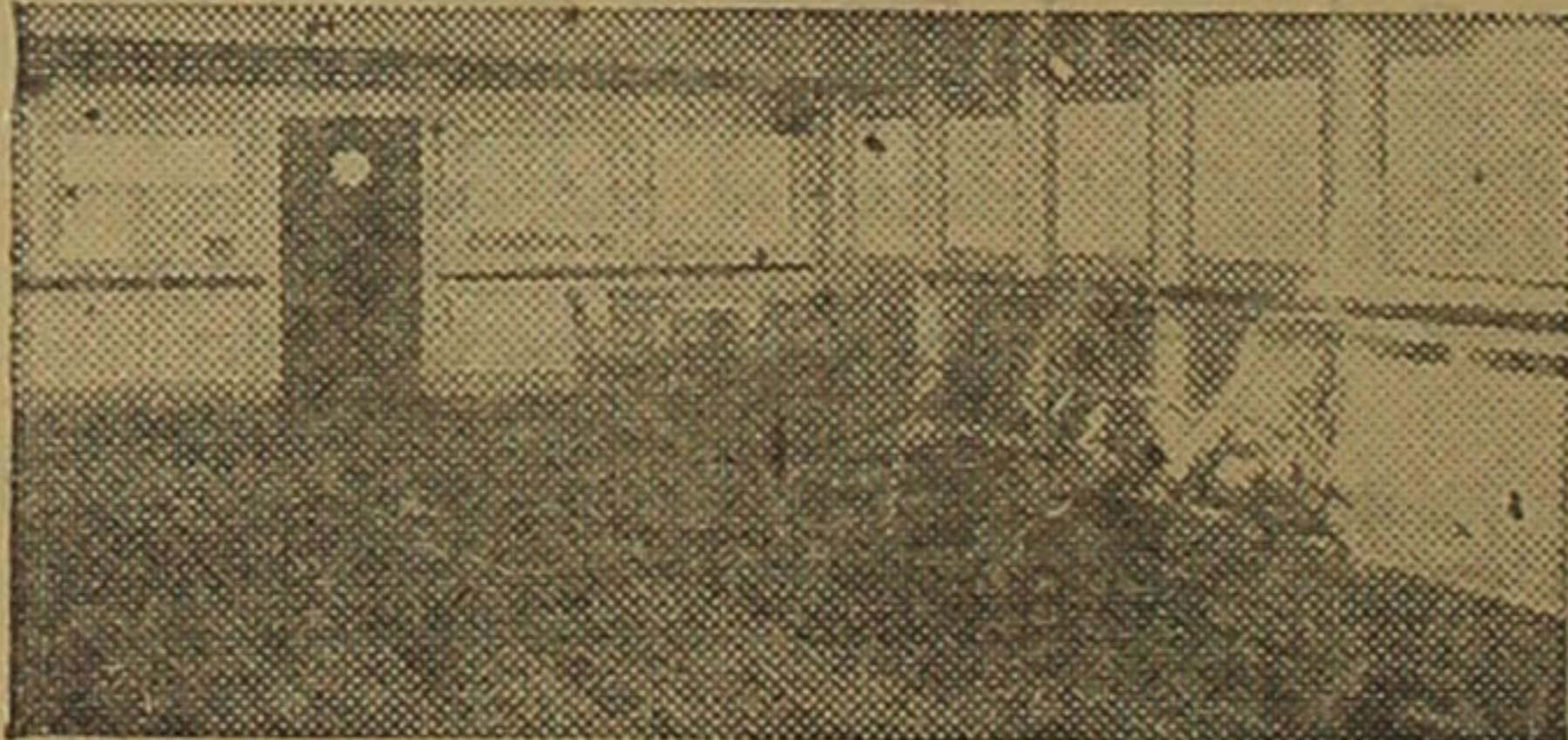
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NAT'L DIRECTOR'S REPORT
By Masao Satow

Humanitarian Dillon Myer

San Francisco

A FEW OF US spent a pleasant evening informally over sukiyaki with our good friend Dillon Myer and charming Mrs. Myer as they stopped overnight in San Francisco on their vacation to Hawaii and the Far East; certainly, under happier and more objective circumstances than our contacts during the war years. The former WRA headman feels his experiences during those tumultuous years have been the most significant and satisfying in his 37 years of government service. And well he should. A man with less courage, faith and insight would have given up on a seemingly impossible assignment; pressured as he was by the liberals who deplored our wholesale evacuation, by the professional patriots who insisted he was coddling the evacuees, by those who attempted to make political hay out of our plight, by some military hardheads who considered us more of a threat than armed enemies on the far flung battlefields, and by the evacuees themselves who blamed WRA for all the ills that befell our group. Through all this Dillon Myer kept a level head, patiently gave ear to the oftentimes impossible demands of the evacuees, fearlessly lashed out at the race baiters, firmly silenced with facts the politicians who were out to crucify him, and won for our group the support of Americans of goodwill who were aware of what this country was fighting for. Even those of us who felt we were pretty close to the program will never know or fully appreciate what this down-to-earth humanitarian and able administrator went through to enable us today to enjoy our relatively good position in American life.

But modest Mr. Myer simply gives credit to the moral fiber of the evacuees and the people of America who with understanding made the resettlement program possible. He adds he knows of no other organization which has done so much for its people than the JACL.

We were glad that some of those who have helped to earn this high tribute to JACL were present to reminisce with the Myers—long-time JACLers like Teiko Kuroiwa, Scotty and Setsu Tsuchiya, and Joe Grant Masaoka.

Teiko Kuroiwa filled in as National Secretary when Mike went off to the Army. She opened the JACL Eastern office in New York, did a tremendous job contacting various national organizations, and conducted a nation-wide mail appeal for funds because our own people were in no position to give support. When it appeared that the Army would finally reopen the west coast together with National President Sab Kido, she came out to San Francisco to confer with the Western Defense Command on the various problems which would confront returning evacuees.

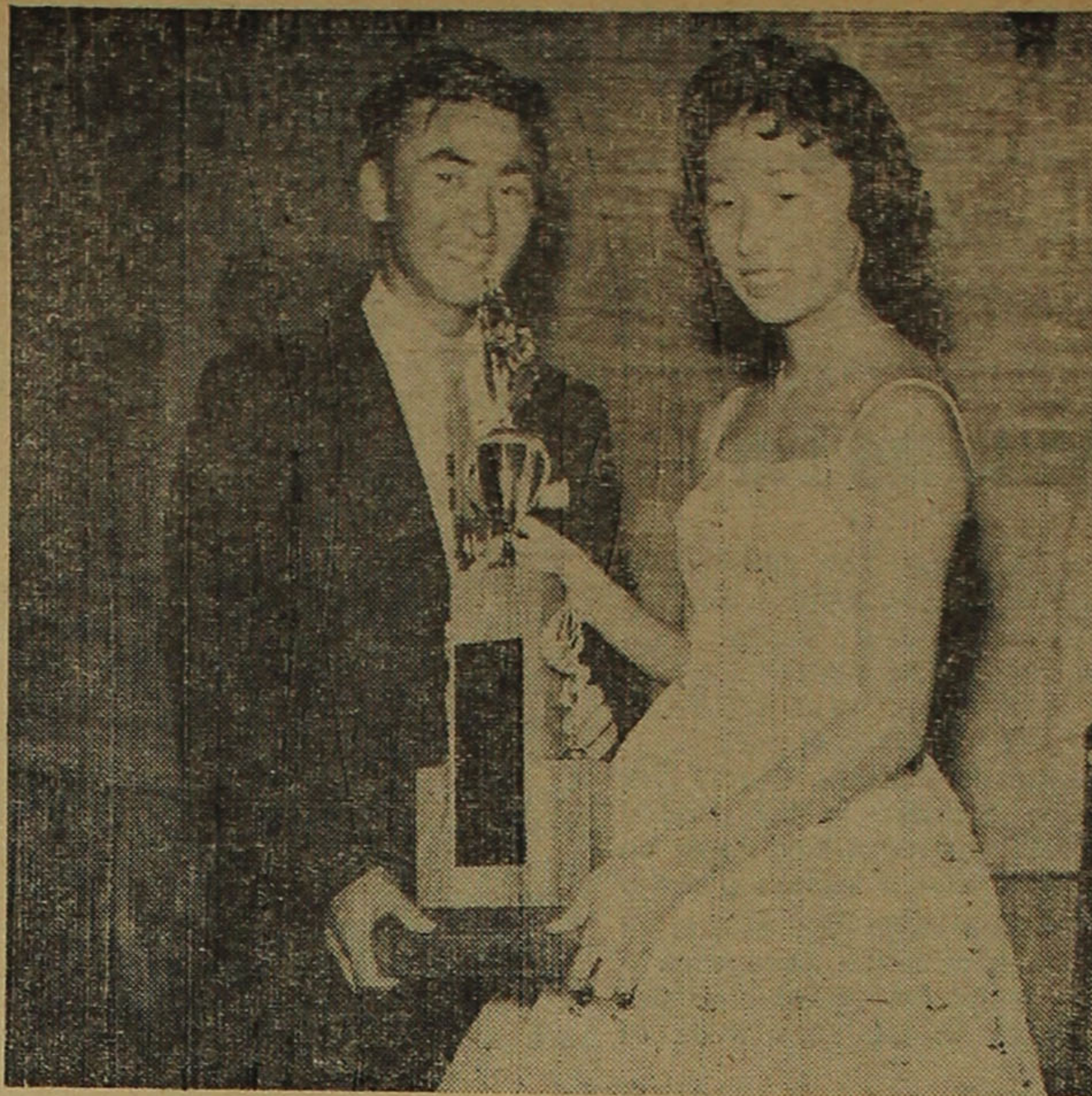
With the opening of the west coast, Scotty and Setsu Tsuchiya were prevailed upon to open our Southern California office. The office became a community social welfare agency with the Tsuchiyas as case workers, and returning people beat a steady path to the office because they knew Scotty and Setsu would help them. Where JACL was considered an anathema, the Tsuchiyas laid the groundwork for the postwar reestablishment of JACL in southern California. The three short months they a need to help out stretched out to two years, mainly because Scotty, being a practical business man, could see that the newly established ADC program would require a lot of financial support.

Certain professional patriots gave up altogether when aggressive Joe Grant Masaoka kept hounding them and getting in their hair during wartime. Joe opened the Denver office, developed the Mountain-Plains area support, then came to San Francisco to do the thousand and one things Scotty and Setsu were doing in southern California, and reestablished and reorganized our forces in the important northern section of the state.

We were all agreed that at the time of Pearl Harbor, no one knew us, least of all our own government. In the postwar period JACL has moved to rectify this omission, and will continue to emphasize proper support with our elected representatives as well as a strong national public relations program as vital to our welfare.

NC-WNDC CONVENTION—Northern California-Western Nevada District Council Chairman Akiji Yoshimura gavelled the faithful members of the Executive Board last Sunday as they met with representatives of the Sacramento Chapter to make final plans for the District biennial convention, Nov. 2 and 3. The convention will kick-off with a luau marking the 10th anniversary of the National 1000 Club. Sacramento Chapter officials maintain that hosting a District meeting is the best shot in the aim for a local chapter, and this is their second one sponsored this year. It can now be disclosed that Sacramento was ready to bid for the National convention if the '58 biennial had no takers.

35TH THOUSAND LIFER—Newly elected Midwest District Council Chairman Kumco Yoshinari, a JACL stalwart from way back with the Mid-Columbia Chapter prewar, two-term Chicago chapter president and chairman for the recent successful EDC-MDC gathering, has long maintained that JACL is important enough to warrant extra generous financial support of its members. Now he has just up to his "treasure" where his heart and mind have long been to become our newest 1000 Club life member.



Proudly presenting Mike Ota (left) the Blue & White Award trophy is Jane Asari, last year's recipient. The trophy symbolizes recognition of outstanding service to the Orange County JAYs by one of its members. Award was made at its recent installation banquet at the Royal Hawaiian restaurant in Anaheim.

CHICAGO:

INTENSIVE JR. JACL MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN CHARTED BY CHICAGOANS

Following the success of the Junior JACL activities at the recent MDC-EDC convention held here over the Labor Day weekend, the Junior JACL group was formally organized and elected officers. Earle Nakane, one of the members of the steering committee, was elected president for the fiscal year starting Jan. 1. Various projects and activities have been planned for this group.

Others elected to the first cabinet include Richard Kaneko, 1st v.p. (program); Yoko Arakawa, 2nd v.p. (membership); Danny Miyasaki, 3rd v.p. (budget and finance); Sachi Hoshiyama, rec. sec.; Michiko Itahara, cor. sec.; and Tak Tomiyama, treas.

The officers will be installed at the Chicago JACL chapter's inaugural ball to be held in November. The Junior JACL is open to all persons between the ages of 18 and 25, with allowance to persons attending high school. An intensive membership drive is being planned.

SACRAMENTO:

Juvenile delinquency subject of Jr. JACL meet

Melvin E. Anderson, instructor at the California Northern Reception center and clinic at Perkins, addressed and showed a film on juvenile delinquency last week at the Nisei Memorial hall.

Anderson had been invited to present this program by the Sacramento Junior JACL.

DETROIT:

Hallowe'en benefit ball slated by Detroit Teens

The six-piece "Swing Kings" orchestra will set the pace for the costume or sports Hallowe'en Ball benefit, Oct. 26, 9 p.m., at the Fisher "Y" for the Detroit Teen Club, which is sponsored by the Detroit JACL.

Dance committee chairman John Kimoto will be assisted by Jane Itami, Shirley Satoh, dec.; Jan Ishii, tickets; Rumiko Sakow, Joan Sunamoto, pub.; Shirley Kinoshita, Carolee Matsumoto, refr.; Edgar Oshika, fin. Refreshments will include sushi and sandwiches.

Donations of \$1 per adult and 50 cents per teenager will be accepted at the door.

The Detroit JACL-sponsored classes in ballroom dancing were resumed Sept. 20 at International Institute with Margaret Page, an Arthur Murray affiliate, as instructor on Friday nights from 8 o'clock. Mrs. Mariko Matsura is in charge with Mae Miyagawa and Sud Kimoto as class co-chairmen.

The second general meeting was held on Oct. 10 at the Olivet Institute with Abe Hagiwara speaking on "The Junior JACL Role."

Advisers of this group are Lillian Kimura and Hank Tanabe of the local JACL chapter.

SAN DIEGO:

Chapter assists in mayor's conference

The City of San Diego will host the 1957 Conference of Pacific Coast Mayors in November, which is attended by business officials and mayors of major cities from the West Coast and Japan.

Two years in preparation, the conference is designed to create good will as well as trade between the two countries.

The San Diego JACL, according to Bert Tanaka, chapter president, has been assigned an important role by the local mayor's office in this civic undertaking.

SAN JOSE:

Potluck supper-social to be gala October fete

A gala social and potluck affair has been scheduled for Oct. 26 at Onishi Hall by the San Jose JACL. Home cooked dishes, dancing and games are on tap.

Plans are to be completed at the regular October chapter meeting tonight at the JACL Bldg., 565 N. 5th St.

Deadline for new Blue Cross hospitalization group plan applications was announced as Oct. 15 by Dr. Robert Okamoto, 205 Jackson St. (CY 3-3730), who has further information and applications.

SOUTHWEST LOS ANGELES:

Open bridge tournament

Carl Tamaki, Southwest L.A. chapter vice-president in charge of program, announced a bridge tournament will be sponsored Oct. 12, 8 p.m., at St. Mary's Episcopal Church hall. Open to the public, beginners and advanced players, the tournament is being directed by Hisashi Horita.

BERKELEY:

Hallowe'en party set

October 27 has been set for the Berkeley JACL Hallowe'en party for children at the Berkeley "Y", according to chairman Daisy Uyeda and Mrs. Ko Ijichi, assisting. Party time will be from 2 to 5 p.m. Grown-up kiddies are welcome, too, they added.

NC-WNDC

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On the slate are:

- San Francisco—Jerry Enomoto, Jack Kusaba.
- Marysville—George Inouye, Akiji Yoshimura.
- Sequoia—Peter Nakahara.
- San Jose—Eiichi Sakauye.
- Richmond-El Cerrito—Dr. Yoshiye Togasaki, Marvin Uratsu.
- Sonoma County—Frank Oda.
- Sacramento—Tak Tsujita.
- Alameda—George Ushijima.

New board members will replace outgoing officers Akiji Yoshimura (Marysville), chairman; Sumi Honnami (San Francisco), Frank Oda (Sonoma County), John Enomoto (Sequoia) and Kenji Fujii (Eden Township). Holdover members who will serve their second year are George Baba (Stockton), Joe Matsunami (Sacramento), Buddy Iwata (Livingston-Merced) and Roy Yoshida (Placer County). Edwin Ohki (Sonoma County) and Kenji Fujii (Eden Township) were nominated for the district 1000 Club chairmanship, now held by Bill Matsumoto of Sacramento.

Convention Site

The two-day affair will include a golf tournament at Bing Maloney course and a Jr. JACL section at the Nisei War Memorial Hall. Main convention events will be held at Lanai Restaurant.

The district 1000ers will celebrate the club's 10th anniversary at a luau on Saturday, Nov. 2 from 6:30 p.m., followed by a dance. Because of the limited space, admission tickets will be distributed through chapters and 1000ers may bring one guest. As in typical 1000 Club fashion, chapter skits and entertainment are being planned.

The Jr. JACLers will have their evening mixer, which includes a buffet supper, the same evening at the Nisei War Memorial Hall from 5 p.m. and later join the convention dancers at Lanai restaurant. The following morning from 10 o'clock, the Jr. JACL assembly will convene at the Lanai and followed by the fashion show-luncheon, which is being co-sponsored by the Sacramento and Florin Jr. JACL.

District council business session starts at 1 p.m. at the Lanai, while the Jr. JACLers will meet at the Nisei War Memorial Hall from 2 p.m.

The convention banquet, starting at 6 p.m. at the Lanai, is scheduled to adjourn by 8:30 p.m.

Registration for JACLers will be \$5 per official delegate, \$4.50, booster delegate, to cover registration and banquet only. Fashion show-luncheon admission will be \$2.50 per person. Other fees include \$5 for the luau (includes dance), \$3 golf entry; and \$1.50, Jr. JACL mixer.

EAST LOS ANGELES:

CHAPTER MOVES DINNER DATE TO AVOID CONFLICT WITH HALLOWE'EN SOCIAL

To avoid a late October conflict of social dates, the East Los Angeles JACL has moved its traditional Hallowe'en motif dinner-dance to Oct. 12 by honoring its recent chapter Nisei Week queen candidate Sumi Takemura and Fred Takata, past chapter president and now regional director.

The affair will be held at Scully's Restaurant, Crenshaw Blvd. and 48th St., on Oct. 12, 7:30 p.m., with prime ribs as the main entree, according to Roy Yamadera, president.

Reservations are being handled at \$3 per plate by Peggy Tanaka (AN 3-5503), Frank Okamoto (DU 9-8586) and Yamadera (AN 8-7461).

Specialty Dance

Special entertainment will feature Mas Hamasu, noted Nisei singer with Jim Higashi as program m.c. Another East Los Angeles Spectacular—the Dojo Sukui, Japanese fish scooping folkdance—will be staged in costume by six prominent, yet unnamed, personalities.

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VERY TRULY YOURS:

Forgive me, but the
Dodgers are coming

One may ask why this column finds cause to comment on the coming of the Dodgers to Los Angeles.

Chavez Ravine, selected as the site of the new baseball park and source of all the bickering in the City Council, which passed an ordinance 10-4 to approve the plan to hand over the tract, is but a mile away from Li'l Tokio. New Chinatown is practically next door.

In a way, we're happy to see the Dodgers come. It has been in contention each year when they weren't National League champions. It is a colorful team. But more than that, it was the first major league ball club to sign an athlete because of his ability, regardless of the color of his skin.

Since the City Council proceedings were televised for the first time, it was a rare opportunity to see our councilmen in action last Monday. Probably the presence of so many newspapermen, radio and TV people as well as a full audience may have tarnished the gloss of orderly procedure, but our national JACL council sessions seem to be more "Hoyle" — or more "Robert" since his rules are employed.

A man who sounds off on something irrelevant at our national council is ruled "out of order" before he can finish his first sentence, but not so on the TV'd council session we witnessed.

With the 1958 JACL Convention coming, chapter delegates might well review parliamentary procedures in order to get the most accomplished with a minimum of time and effort.

— Harry K. Honda.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER:

From Front Page
lieve tolerance, patience, understanding, faith and good will on the part of all Americans will help to smooth out the rocky road ahead. Precipitous actions, hasty and ill-considered accusations and counter-accusations tend to widen rather than to close the breach of misunderstanding.

For Americans of Japanese ancestry, it would be well to remember that except for the Grace of God, perhaps children of Japanese ancestry would be facing the problems that Negro children face today.

— Dr. Roy Nishikawa.

CHAPTER OF YEAR
AWARD PLANNED
FOR CENTRAL CAL

BY THOMAS TOYAMA

FRESNO. — Guideposts used by Chapter of the Year panel of judges were revealed this past week for the guidance of chapters competing for Central California District Council honors this year.

The award will be made during the CCDC convention at the Hacienda Motel here Dec. 8.

Dr. George Miyake of Fowler is committee chairman, assisted by Dr. Robert Yabuno of Fresno and Gerald Ogata of Parlier. The Parlier JACL chapter won the first Chapter of the Year award last year.

Purpose of the award, it was explained by Dr. Miyake, is to promote friendly rivalry among the 10 chapters of the district and thus aid in greater assistance to the Japanese American communities of the valley. It would also recognize the most active chapter of the year which has contributed outstanding community services.

With all chapters participating, local program and community services will have a 50-50 evaluation for a period of one year: November, 1956, to November, 1957.

Chapter Programs

To be considered by the judges, who are past CCDC chairmen, on the chapter level will include chapter and 1000 Club memberships, quota commitments, attendance records, socials, nature of public meetings, chapter publications, news items in the Pacific Citizen and participation in national JACL programs.

At the community level are such questions as (1) what projects has the chapter sponsored to promote better public relations within the community and (2) what projects of a general nature has the chapter carried on this year which has contributed to the unity and strength of the chapter?

Other items that have been mentioned for Chapter of the Year merit include community picnics, political rallies, registration of voters, naturalization classes, joint public affairs, service projects, community athletics and other drives, such as blood bank.

Fashion group meets

PARLIER.—The Central California District Council fashion show committee will meet this Sunday, Oct. 13, 2 p.m., at the local Buddhist Church, it was announced by Mmes. Chiko Taira and Tomiko Ishikawa, co-chairmen. A progress report is expected for the show to be staged at the CCDC convention in Fresno Dec. 8.

Acknowledge shoyu gift

Among the Japanese food booths to be manned at the International Institute's two-day festival this weekend will be East L.A. JACL's teriyaki stand, chaired by Sam Furuta. Chapter president Roy Yamadera this week acknowledged the donation of Kikkoman Shoyu from Y. Moriwaki, local Pacific Trading Co. representative.

TV show finalist

TURLOCK.—Acrobatic dancer Cathy Okamura, 10-year-old daughter of the George Okamuras, was declared a finalist by votes sent in by postcards from viewers who saw the Sept. 14 King Norman Show on KGO-TV. She participated last Saturday in the finals, the winner to get a trophy and a Disneyland trip.

SECOND HAWAIIAN NISEI
ORDAINED CATHOLIC PRIEST

WAILUKU, Maui.—The Rev. Francis T. Nakagawa of this city is the second Hawaii-born Nisei to be ordained a Catholic priest, and the first Japanese American priest of the Society of Mary from the Islands. A 1951 graduate of Univ. of Dayton, he was ordained last summer at the 17th century church of St. Michel in Fribourg, Switzerland, after completing his studies at the Marianist International Seminary there.

LONG BEACH:

Dinner-dance combining chapter, youth efforts set; to honor Nisei Week queen

The spacious Panorama Room of the Lafayette Hotel here has been secured for the Long Beach-Harbor District JACL dinner-dance, Oct. 19, the chapter's first public social event.

Dr. David Miura, toastmaster, said the dinner program will include a brief business meeting chaired by Tomizo Joe, chapter president, including a report from the nominations committee. Film clips of youth athletic activities will also be shown through courtesy of Dr. John Kashiwabara.

DETROIT:

Unassuming writer
hailing from Seattle
holder of two M.A.s

BY BEBE HORIUCHI

At first glance modest and unassuming Detroit John Okada does not appear to be the possessor of two masters degrees as well as being the author of "No-No Boy", a dynamic and controversial first novel recently published by the Charles E. Tuttle Co.

Formerly a librarian with the Detroit Public Library, John is currently employed as a technical writer at Chrysler Missile. John, his wife Dorothy and children, Dorothy and Matthew, are transplanted Seattleites having moved here in 1953.

The novel Okada has written tells of the private war of conflicting loyalties of Ichiro, a Nisei who went to Federal prison for refusing to be drafted into the Army from a relocation camp. Seeking a place for himself Ichiro wonders why he had denied his country and suffers the agony of remorse and self-hatred.

Writing chiefly on weekends and evenings, John states that his novel is the result of "thirty years of living and two years of hard work". This novel is in no way autobiographical since John is a World War 2 veteran having served duty in the Pacific, including flights over Japan as a voice interceptor.

John grew up in Seattle along with three brothers and two sisters. An honor student at Broadway High School he recalls with wistfulness the exciting summers he spent in Alaska working as a slimmer in salmon canneries.

John was a freshman at the University of Washington when relocation authorities transported him to Minidoka. After a month of camp life, he departed to school at Scotts Bluff, Neb., and later volunteered for duty in the armed forces. Discharged in 1947 as a sergeant, John returned to the University of Washington where he obtained his degree in English.

Two years later while at Columbia University, John met his wife, Dorothy, who had just returned from Japan and was studying English. Obtaining his masters in secondary education, John found that the demand for high school teachers slight. Back in Seattle, he worked at jobs as typist and clerk. He laughs now as he says, "Dorothy was broke and so was I, so we got married".

John obtained his second Masters Degree in Library Science. The prospect of a better position brought him to Detroit in 1953. He is now working on a new novel which deals with the hopes, feelings and problems of the Issei.

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chapter athletic director.

Dr. Kats Izumi will reign as master of ceremonies of the Queen's Ball, which follows the dinner. Mitzi Miya, 1957 Nisei Week queen, who represented the Long Beach chapter, will be honored and it is hoped that her entourage will also be present. Invitations have been extended to the Festival princesses Sumi Takemura, Mary Yoshioka, Jean Takahashi, Nancy Nishi, JoAnn Miyamoto and Kay Miwa.

Tets Bessho and his combo will provide the dance music. Hostesses from the Harbor area will be on hand to greet all those who attend.

Dinner reservations and dance tickets are being handled by Shari Kuramoto (HE 6-6900) and Sue Joe (HE 6-6419). Dinner-dance will be \$4 per person. Tickets for the Queen's ball are \$1.50 per person with a 50 cent rebate for CLers who bring their membership card at the door. The dinner-dance is open to the public.

WASHINGTON, D.C.

FIRST FALL MEETING
FEATURES EDC-MDC REPORT

At the first fall meeting of the Washington, D.C., JACL chapter held Sept. 28 at the local YWCA, the joint EDC-MDC convention reports were featured.

Chapter clinic reports were made by Mitsu Yasuda on public relations, Hisako Sakata on membership and community service; Mrs. Alice Endo, citizenship and leadership training and Jr. JACL.

John Yoshino, liaison officer on the President's Committee on Government Contracts, was guest speaker.

Reservations are also being accepted by Betty Murata (OL 2-8426) for the Fairfax dinner on Oct. 19.

OMAHA CLERS SET
FOR MOUNTAIN-
PLAINS PARLEY

OMAHA.—All roads lead to Omaha, site of the 1957 Mountain-Plains District Council biennial convention Nov. 29-30 at the Sheraton-Fontenelle Hotel.

Convention chairman K. Patrick Okura, who has returned from his West Coast trip, has announced the following Omaha JACLers, who are hosting the two-day affair, are assisting:

Barbara Lawson, Kimi Takechi, regis.; Em Nakadoi, mixer; Kaz Ikebasu, luncheon; Lily Okura, banq.; Manuel Matsunami, Richard Takechi, dance; Robert Nakadoi, program and benefit; Roy Hirabayashi, Frank Tamai, gen. arr.; Sam Tsuji, Frank Tamai, special events; Mrs. S. K. Yoden, treas.

One of the convention highlights will be the steak luncheon at Boys Town, where Okura is on the staff as psychologist.

This is the first time the Mountain-Plains District Council has staged its convention outside of Colorado. Attendance of visiting JACLers from the Midwest District Council is also expected.

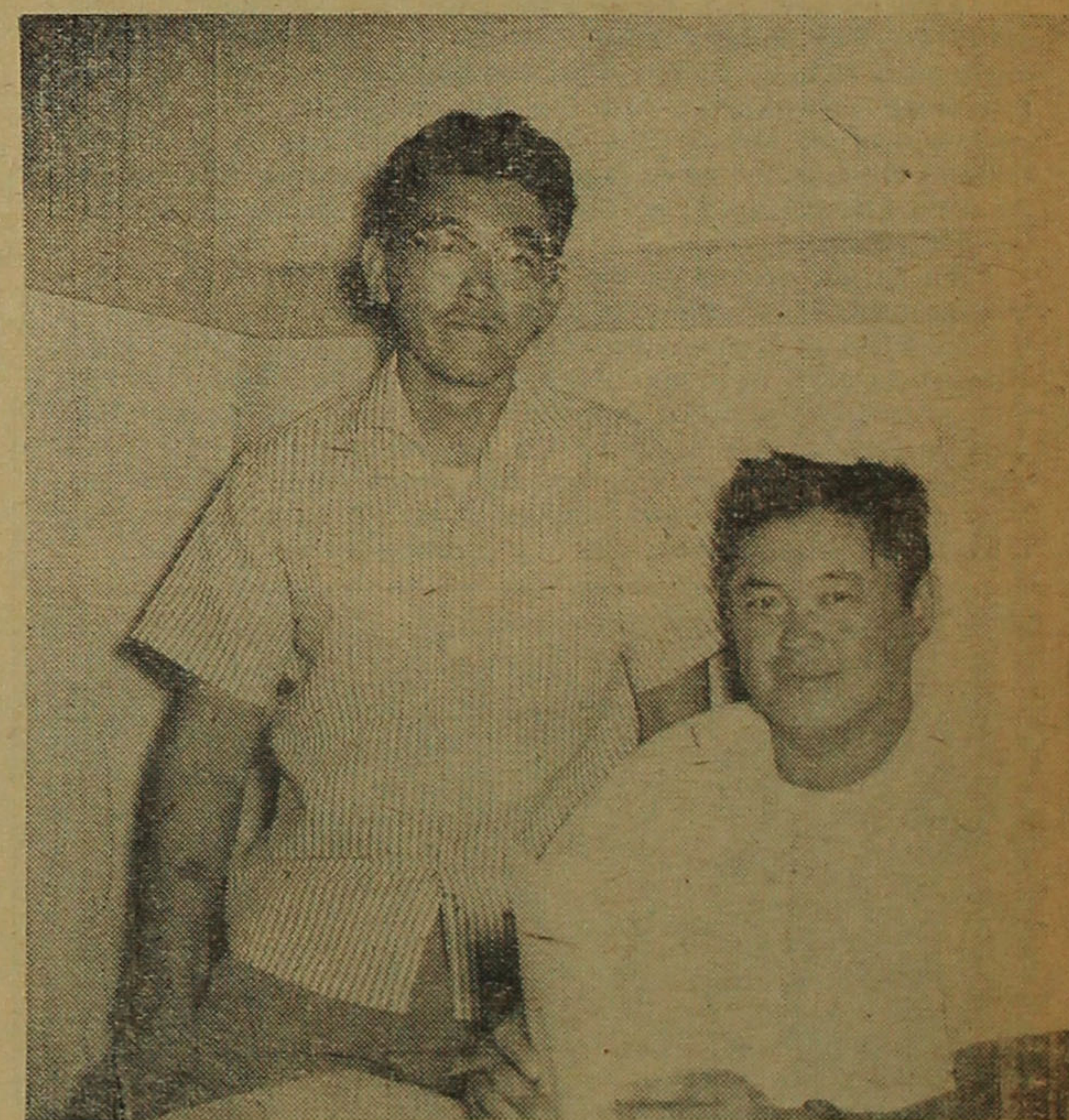
National JACL Director Mas Satow of San Francisco will be present to report at the opening session to be presided by the convention chairman.

SNAKE RIVER VALLEY:

Snake River chapter hears
Oregon Congressman Ullman

Congressman Al Ullman of Ontario, Ore., on a speaking tour of Eastern Oregon last week, was a luncheon guest of the Snake River Valley JACL with Joe Saito as emcee.

He told of the Army Corps of Engineers plan to work on the Malheur river project as flood control.



Bob Ishida (left) and Joe Tsuboi (right) with Mike Imoto are in charge of the Tulare County JACL talent show to be held Oct. 19, 7:30 p.m., at Lindsay Memorial Bldg. Local artists will participate. Nominal admission will be charged to cover rental of the hall; adults, 50 cents; children, 25 cents.

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THE NORTHWEST PICTURE

By Elmer Ogawa

Looks Great for '58

Seattle

THE SEATTLE CHAPTER'S board set up an intensive program for the balance of the year at its meeting last week. There'll be no let-up in the monthly meeting activities.

First, the nominating committee goes into action. Current plans call for the preparation of mail ballots as has been the usual custom in the past. The general election meeting will be held at the 1414 Weller meeting room on Nov. 6. The installation dinner-dance will be held before the middle of December, and the Benjamin Franklin Hotel is expected to be the location, pending confirmation of the reservation date.

National officers will be the distinguished guests to this all Northwest affair and chances are that it will eclipse the get-togethers this chapter hosted in the past. The schedule of events advances the installation date by more than a month so that the new administration will be all set after the holidays with a "looks great for '58" program of activities.

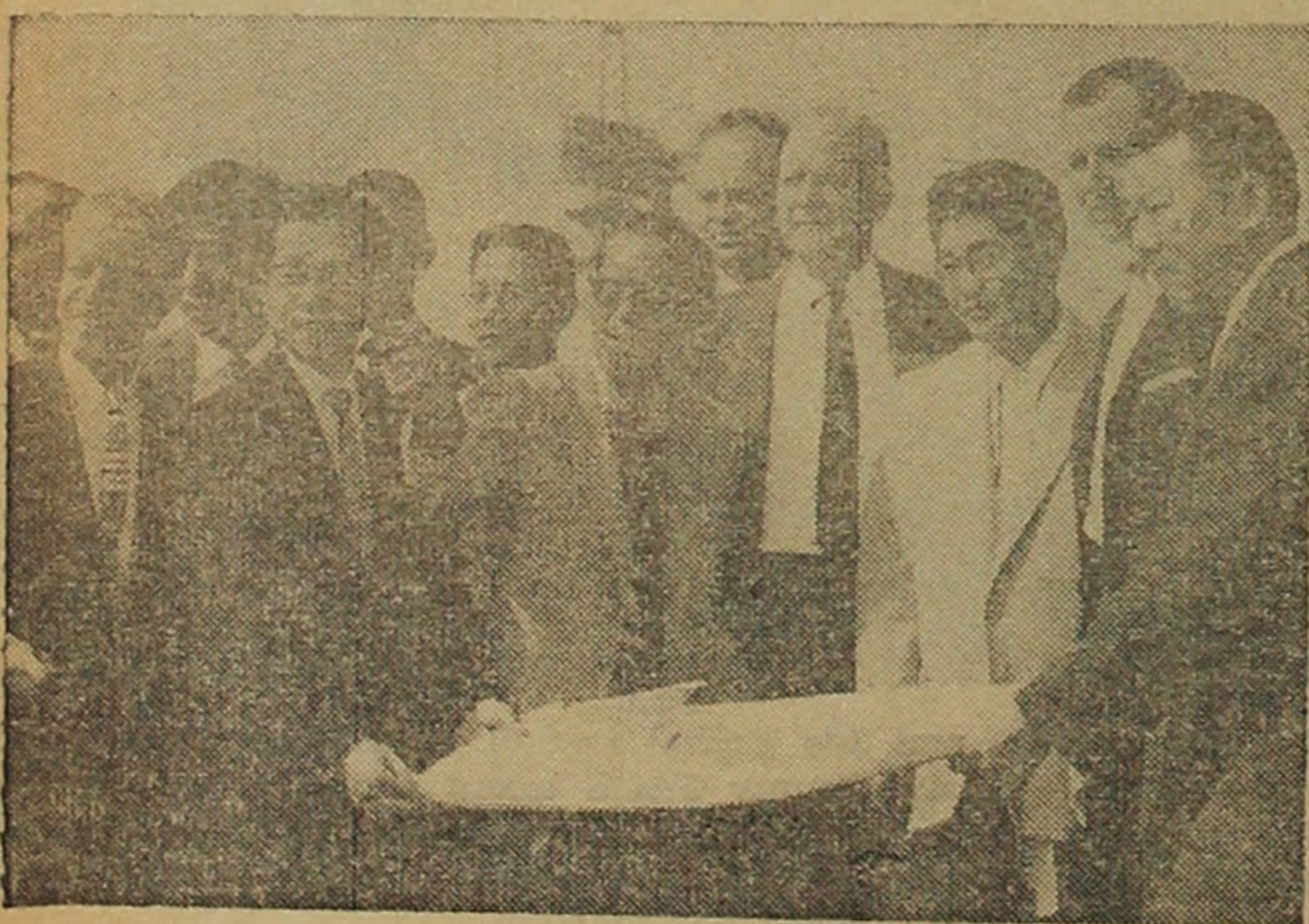
Word got out that Harry Takagi, 3rd national vice-president, is going to leave us again within the next couple of months. We were all mighty happy when he returned to the old hometown after being away in Minneapolis for three years. Being an attorney for the Veteran Administration is something like staying in the service—always a change of station.

CHAPTER ACTIVITIES of the past year or two were somewhat remotely tied in with the local special election last week in which a 3½ mill tax levy for schools was passed by an 8 - 1 majority. Several things like athletic activities, driver training classes, library books, etc., were dependent on the passage of the levy. Last spring when the initial tax levy election flopped because not enough voters turned out to pass the measure, Dr. Kelly Yamada was informed that the failure precluded any further consideration of adding Japanese language to the curricula of some high schools. We hear a small voice in the back row saying: "Start all over again."

FRED TAKAGI, the bowling impressario, is all set to host the JACL national bowling tourney next March in one of Seattle's newest multiple lane alleys. In the meantime, four Nisei teams from Fred's Main Bowl are going to do their stuff at the Washington State Tournament, October 19 in Wenatchee.

IT MAY NOT BE amiss to toss a bouquet to a veteran's organization which performs those special jobs in the line of community service. Such a club is the Cathay Post 186 of the American Legion. This Post is joining with Legion Post 1 for an evening to conduct a housing forum with special emphasis on urban renewal at Post 1's spacious quarters next Tuesday. Principal speaker will be Jackson Street's Community Council exec sec. Ray Baker, whose Council has sponsored couple of other such forums. Cathay Post commander is Allen Claiborne, a private investigator. Not the TV or pocket book type of private eye as the Seattle Times pointed out in a Sunday feature, Allen is the un-calloused type with modern refinements. As a GI and privately, he did a lot of work in the Pacific and the Philippines.

But to get around to the "integration" story, Cathay Post was formed by a group of Chinese veterans. As it grew it led the State of Washington year after year as the first Legion Post to go over its quota. And in doing so the Post attracted quite a number of Nisei including yours truly; and just about enough Seattle policemen to set up another post. The cops on the Chinatown beat led that movement. In its growth, the Post gained strength and stature it didn't have before, and it's safe to say, will be ever progressive in its policies.



Lending hands at a recent ground-breaking ceremonies of Nisei-operated Holiday Bowl, 36 lane-fully automatic pin-setting establishment near Rodeo Rd. and Crenshaw Blvd. in southwest Los Angeles are civic and business dignitaries. From left to right are City Councilman Navarro; Harley Kusumoto, Holiday Bowl treas.; Kenji Ito, pres., Japanese Chamber of Commerce; Paul Uyemura, Holiday Bowl v.p.; Sam Dudley, Bowling News; Ed Arvidson, Continental Bowling Co.; Hanko Okuda, Holiday Bowl pres.; Leo Siskin, prop. owner; and Harry Oshiro, Holiday Bowl sec. The new house is expected to be ready for the 1958 summer league and will be the locale of the 1959 National JACL bowling tournament.

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NISEI-COACHED TEAM HEADS LIST OF ORE. PREP 11s

ONTARIO, Ore.—The Vale High Vikings, only football team in the state to be mentored by a Nisei, "Dutch" Kawasoe, appears to be the top A-2 team in the state, according to a coaches' poll conducted by the Oregon Journal last week.

Vale received 68 points, 20 more than its nearest competitor.

No team has come close to trimming the high-flying Vikings this year. Two weekends ago, Coach Kawasoe's boys annihilated Grant Union High 53-0, ripped Emmett 47-12 the previous week and opened their season with a 20-0, victory over Nyssa. In the Ontario Jamboree, Vale racked up 20 points over Meridian in one quarter of play in a devastating passing attack.

Class A-2 teams come from schools with an enrollment not exceeding 500. There are approximately 2,000 living in the town of Vale.

Kawasoe, who has produced two state A-2 championship teams since he took over the head position in 1954, lettered as a 220-lb. guard for three years at the College of Idaho.

Yoshinari walks off with Chicago 1000ers golf cup

CHICAGO.—Breaking 100 for the first time this year, Kumeo Yoshinari walked off with the Chicago JACL 1000 Club annual golf tournament held on Sept. 28 at Mohawk golf course.

Earl Hori was second with Mike Hori coming in third. Alma Mizuno won the women's division with Michi Shimizu and Ariye Oda following in that order.

Although this year's tourney was not as hilarious as that of last year, there was plenty of fun during the 18-hole play. The 5-inch tee on the first hole brought many laughs. Two "Mulligans" were permitted.

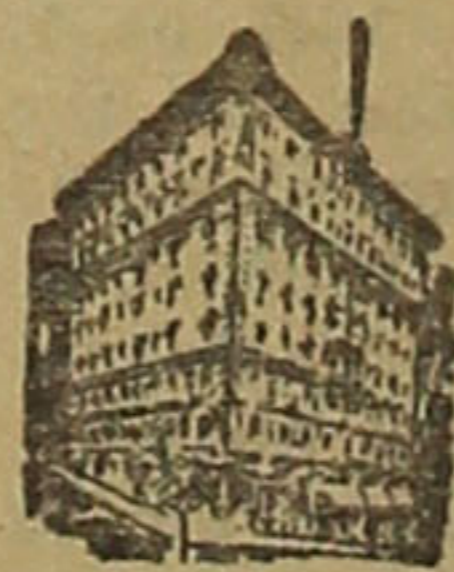
TESHIMA HEADS PUGET SOUND GOLF COMPETITION

SEATTLE.—Yosh Teshima, a 12 handicap member of the Puget Sound Golf Club, is currently heading the club's golfer of the year competition with 76.5 pts. with Sab Ogishima, a 7 handicapper, following with 61.5 pts.

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PIN POINT: Chiyo Tashima, generally regarded as the top feminine Nisei bowler in the country, led the rest of the field in the opening qualifying round of the 1957 Southern California Match Game play with a total of 1929 pins. She rattled the lanes with a 192 average to lead her closest competitor Merle Matthews of Long Beach by 75 pins.

Jockey George Taniguchi idled by the pari-mutuel clerks strike at Tanforan race track in Northern California, went east this week to accept mounts there. The top Nisei saddlesmith is reported to be in line for several important mounts in the big racing features at New York's Belmont Park where he is currently riding. Taniguchi was regaining some of his old winning form at the Tanforan meeting when the track closed down. He was third in the jockey standings.

One of the most educated kicking toes in Northern California high school football belongs to tall Kay Fukuhara of Patterson High school who has accounted for two of his team's three wins with his kicking. Fukuhara, switched from an end position to halfback this season has been unerringly accurate in points-after-touchdown and field goal booting. In his latest efforts, Fukuhara toe'd three PATs through the uprights to give his team a 21-20 win over Rio Vista High. In the same game, Howard Shintaku of the losers blocked a punt to account for a TD by the losers.

Lodi continued to dominate the grape belt area high school football picture by routing Modesto last week 26 to 12. Okazaki of the winners average 7.2 yard per carry in aiding Lodi to their winning way.

SE SENOR: The Los Angeles Travelers AAU basketball team opened its 1957-58 season with a resounding 56-34 win over Mexico's second best quintet, the Mexicali All-Stars, in a bruising international contest last Saturday. The Travelers, only Nisei AAU team in the U.S., are the national Oriental champions. They were led in their victory by Mickey Yoon and Capt. Jim Miyano.

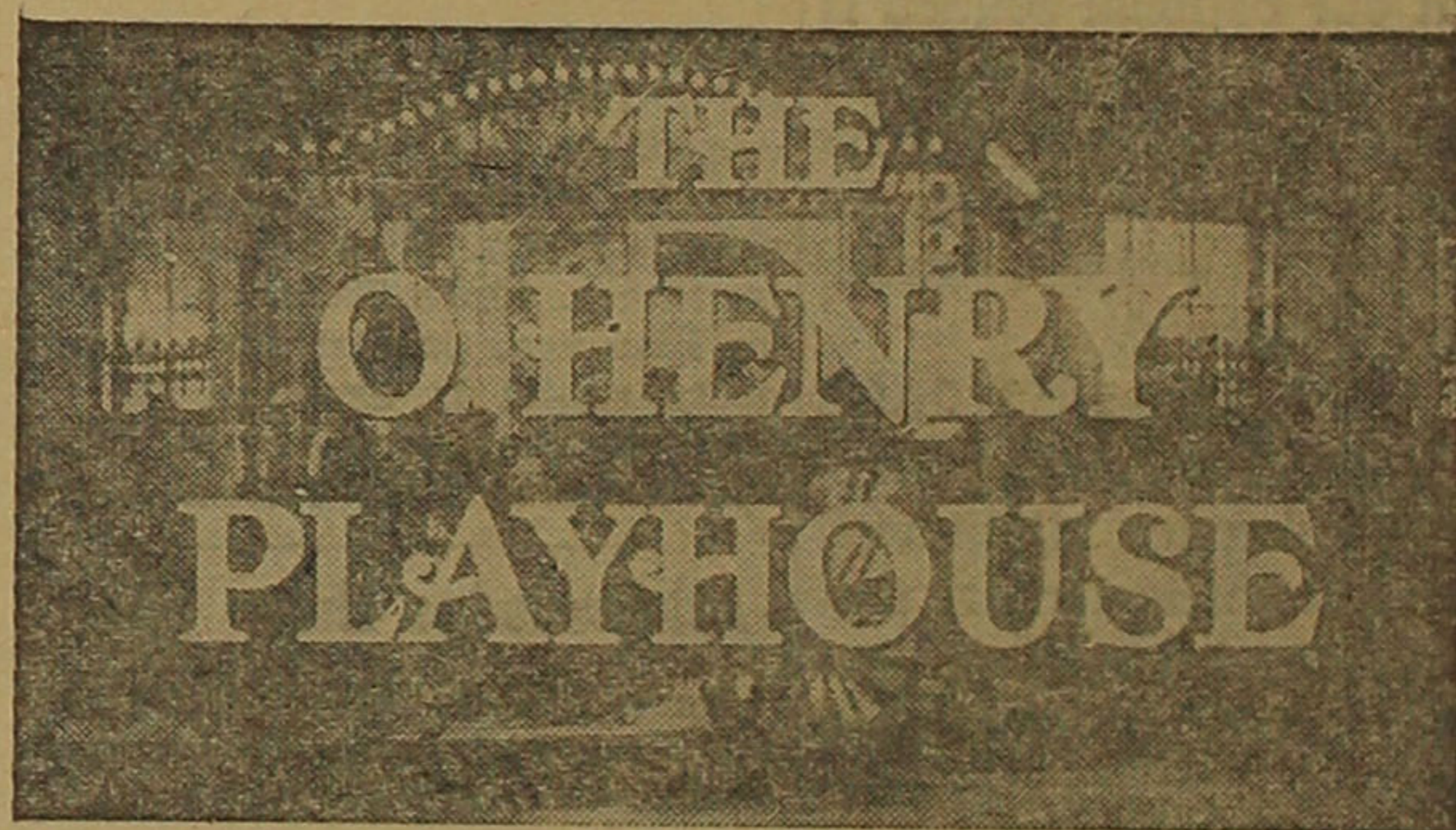
Tommy Kono, five times world's and 2 time Olympic champion, missed a new world mark for the press event in his weight class when he lifted 290 pounds, 5½ pounds shy of the mark, in a meet in Honolulu last week. The former Sacramento lifter is currently the record holder in several other events.

New villain to the wrestling scene is a grunter who groans under the title of "Tokio Joe." "Tokio Joe" is grappling in the Phoenix area and creating quite a furor with his dirty ring tactics. In his last bout last week, he had to be escorted from the ring by a pair of police officers. "Joe's" true identity has been a mystery but it is suspected that he is a Nisei.

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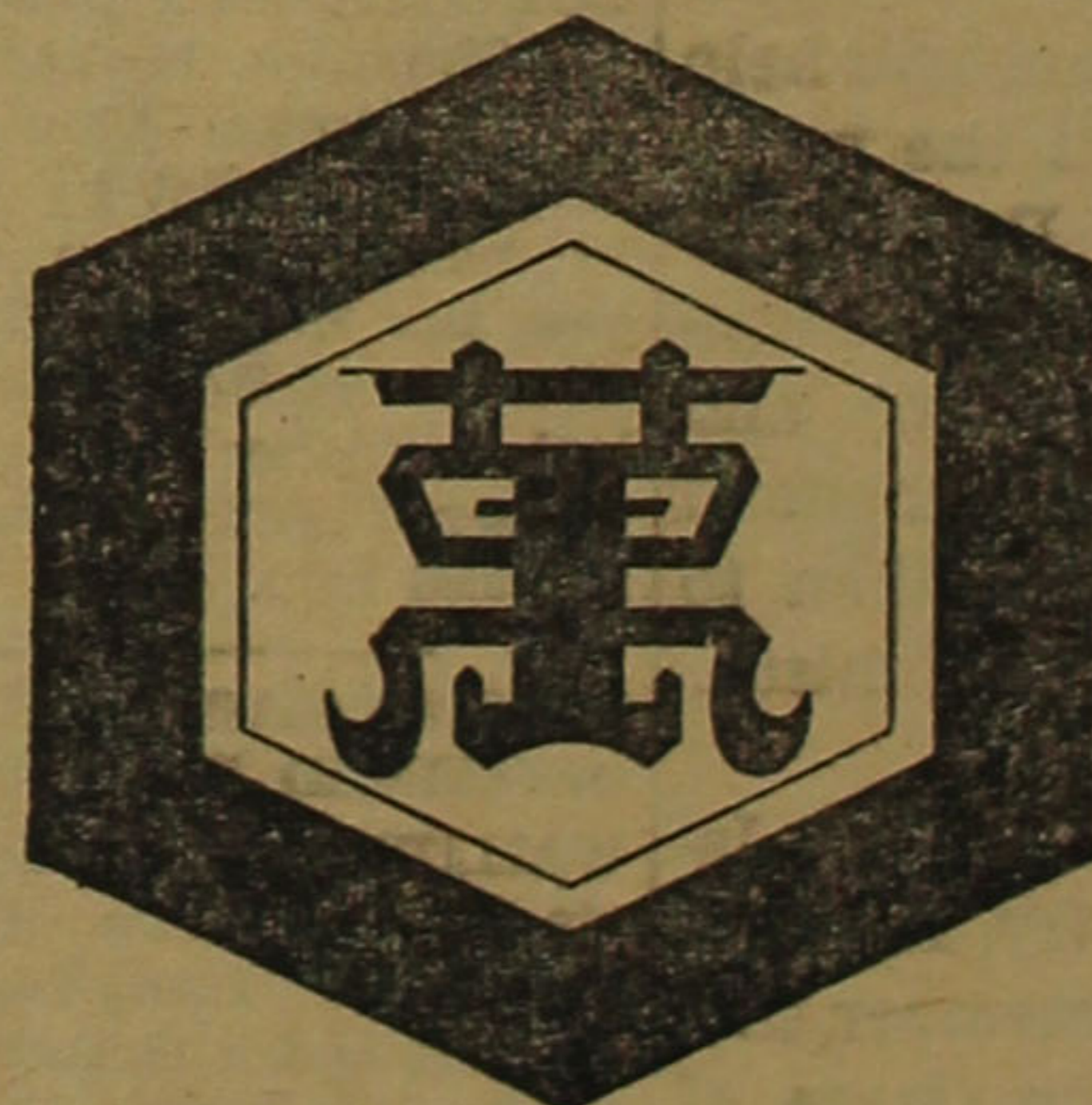
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LOS ANGELES NEWSLETTER

By Henry Mori

Sell JACL to Nisei

THERE'S CERTAINLY no fear of JACL ever turning into a mouthpiece for either the United States or Japan on matters regarding international policies on trade, culture, economy or politics.

We would be dreaming ourselves out of existence if we, at this early stage, ever gave inkling to our being a powerful group to be recognized as an international organization.

The JACL was born with an aim to fight for justice, and equality for persons of Japanese ancestry. It will remain as such as long as we have immediate problems facing us in the field of race relations.

There are still many—even in the state of California—who believe that all Nisei originally came from Japan. We still have those who ask twice why it was that alien Japanese have been without their citizenship this long.

It's been our humble opinion—and probably this won't set too well with some of the members—that we are far from home in solving race problems at the domestic level to worry about what's taking place between the land of our birth and our ancestral country.

Think of the uncomfortable situation a Nisei couple finds itself when they are refused purchase of a home of their choice, because of their racial background.

There is no denying that a racial tag is always put on a Nisei wherever he gets involved in politics, even at the local level. The first thing a candidate would ask is: how many votes does your 'group' have? We simply don't vote as a bloc but there that question is always popping up.

The successful campaign of the JACL to gain naturalization rights for Issei marked a giant step for the organization to be looked upon as a well-knit group.

For its big strides in legislative accomplishments, led by Mike Masaoka, the JACL has enjoyed tremendous publicity in prestige the last decade.

The next common sense thing to do, as far as the JACL is concerned, we believe, would be to sell the organization's aims to more Nisei and the community at large.

The JACL merely stands to protect the rights and privileges of persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States. With the job so well done in the postwar years it would be foolhardy to jump off its traditional track of "hands-off" policy when it comes to international matter.

No one, so far, has come out and said "we will", either.

LIKE GEORGE IZUMI, who is president of the Master Bakers Retailers Association of Los Angeles and the lone Nisei member of the organization, Su Igaue enjoys similar status as head of the Los Angeles chapter of the California Society of Professional Engineers.

Su was recently installed to serve for one year as president. He, too, is the only person of Japanese ancestry in the group of some 150 registered engineers. Igaue operates a heating and plumbing shop at 1422 Beverly Blvd. Back in 1948 when he was resettled in New York, Igaue took out a patent on an electro-mechanical device, known as an actuator for airplane use. He said the "stuff" isn't good any more, what with great advancements made in flying the last decade.

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L.A. Nisei fellows
'much nicer', says
Hawaiian visitor

HONOLULU.—Los Angeles Nisei boys are "much nicer" than their Island counterparts, according to a local lass just back from a visit there.

Eighteen-year-old Elaine Reiko Higuchi, Hawaii's 1957 Miss Ohina, was a guest of the Li'l Tokio's 17th annual Nisei Week Festival.

She said the boys she met there dressed neatly (no baggy Aloha shirts hanging out), were well mannered and spoke differently.

As Miss Ohina, Elaine won the roundtrip to Los Angeles and a college scholarship.

Elaine said she was too busy having a wonderful time to be homesick on her first Mainland trip.

She lists visits to Las Vegas, where she won and lost a jackpot, Tijuana, and Warner Brothers movie studio as highlights of her tour.

During her two weeks in Los Angeles, she stayed at the recently-completed mansion of Mr. and Mrs. George Nakatsuka in nearby Pasadena.

Elaine is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Seiya Higuchi of 60 Circle Drive, Wahiawa.

Army installation
named for Nisei hero

HONOLULU.—For the first time anywhere, it is believed, a U.S. military installation here has been named after an American war hero of Japanese descent.

The training area of the Army Reserve Training Center at Fort De Russy has been named Kuroda Drill Field in honor of Staff Sgt. Robert Toshio Kuroda, a member of Co. H, 442nd RCT.

In recognition of his heroic actions on the field of battle at Bruyeres, France, on Oct. 20, 1944, Sgt. Kuroda was posthumously awarded the Distinguished Service Cross. This was on the eve of the 442nd RCT's rescue of the 36th Division's "Lost Battalion."

He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Toyoichi Kuroda of Aiea, Oahu. His elder brother, PFC. Ronald Haruto Kuroda of the 100th Infantry Battalion, also won a DSC. Two other brothers, Wallace Haruso and Joseph Toshiyuki, also served in the U.S. Army during World War II.

Dedication of the field was held Sept. 28, followed by a luau at the Fort De Russy Armory.

SAN FRANCISCO NISEI OPTIMISTS SET FOR FETE

SAN FRANCISCO.—The Japanese American Optimists here have scheduled their anniversary dinner-dance for Nov. 9 at the Scottish Rite auditorium. Night club entertainment and local talent surprises are being arranged, according to Frank H. Dobashi, party chairman.

Vital Statistics

BIRTHS

LOS ANGELES
DUFFEY, Earle (Hisae Iwai) — girl, July 3.
HAMANO, Tad (Midori Yoshida) — girl, June 15.
HIRASHIKI, George — boy, Aug. 13, Sierra Madre.
HOSHIZAKI, Ray I. (Lily Tsujimoto) — boy, July 3.
IMADA, Tadashi (Toshiye Nakagawa) — boy, June 29, Inglewood.
MATSUO, Hoover (Yukiko Yamaguchi) — boy, June 25.
ROSE, Darryl (Aiko Fukuda) — boy, July 2.
TAKAHASHI, Edward (Gladys Goya) — girl, June 27.

FRESNO

DOMOTO, Lyman — boy, July 24, Sanger.
KIMURA, James — boy, July 24, Parlier.
MIYAKI, Tom — girl, July 24.
TAKEUCHI, Harry — girl, July 20, North Fresno.
TOGASHI, Herbert M. — girl, July 23.

OAKLAND

KANESHIGE, Fred N. — boy, July 21.
SACRAMENTO
HIRONAKA, Kuni (Rose Asoo) — girl, Sept. 14.

YUBA CITY

SHIMIZU, Masaru (Mildred Asoo) — girl, Janine L., Sept. 11.

PORTLAND

KUGE, Dr. Toshi — boy Thomas A., Sept. 15.

SEATTLE

MIZUTA, Yoshito — girl, Sept. 16.
SAKO, Saburo — girl, Sept. 16.

MINNEAPOLIS-ST. PAUL

FUJIMOTO, George — boy Dale G., June 10.
MAEDA, Donald — girl Joan Marie, St. Paul.

OUCHIDA, Thomas S. — boy Mark S., Sept. 8, Minneapolis.

ST. LOUIS

HENMI, Richard — girl Carol Ann, July 13.

CHICAGO

HENMI, Ted — girl Karen J., July 17.

CLEVELAND

KUROKAWA, Jack (Yukiko Haruta) — girl Karen Kiyoko, Aug. 19.

OMURA, Matt (Sugako Suzuki) — boy Michael Isamu, July 29.

SAKAI, Ben (Miharu Akiba) — boy Bryan, Aug. 11.

DETROIT

KURODA, Frank — girl Susan M., July 7.

MORIOKA, Ted — boy John R., May 5.

OKIMOTO, Roy — boy Donald, May 5.

OKIMOTO, Saburo — girl Arlene Mie, Aug. 12.

SAKADA, Harry — girl Sharon, July 1.

SHIMASAKI, Alan — girl Laura Kimie, June 1.

TSUCHIYAMA, Sab — boy George J., June 22.

YOSHIDA, Hiroshi — girl Julia A., July 1.

NEW YORK
KOMINE, Dick (Ella Miyamoto) — girl Mona Mitsuko, July 31.

ENGAGEMENTS

KODAMA-MIYANAGA—Jean to James N., both Los Angeles.

WEDDINGS

ANDO-MATSUMOTO — Sept. 15, Alfred, Gresham; Alice, Portland.

EGUCHI-SHIBA — June 30, Katsuumi and Yoko, both Los Angeles.

FUKUMOTO-NAKAMOTO — June 30, Eiji, Compton; Setsuko, Sun Valley.

IHA-MIURA — June 22, James J. and Frances M., both Los Angeles.

KAWANO-SEKIYAMA — Sept. 8, Richard and Joyce, both Los Angeles.

KOWTA-YAMAGUCHI — June 23, Tadashi and Atsuko, both Los Angeles.

LINDSEY-OZAWA — June 22, Melvin, Honolulu; Patty, Pasadena.

OZAWA-KAWAHARA — June 30, Paul Los Angeles; Eleanor, Gardena.

SAKUMA-BABA — July 22, Shun and Yeiko, both of Minneapolis.

TAKESUE-YOSHIKAWA — Aug. 4, Edward I., Philadelphia; Edna, Honolulu.

TANAKA - MORIGUCHI — Sept. 14, Ken and May H., both Minneapolis.

TANAKA-NAGASAWA — June 22, Thomas, Artesia; Masaye, Whittier.

TANAKA-SETO — June 29, Francis, National City; Patsy M., Torrance.

TSUCHIYA-OHNO — Sept. 7, Albert T. and Sakiye, both Minneapolis.

YAGYU-HASEGAWA — Sept. 12, Paul and Becky Y., both Minneapolis.

YAMAGUCHI-FUKUDA — June 30, Henry T. and Margaret, both Los Angeles.

DEATHS

ABE, Chikayo, 69: Los Angeles, Sept. 4 — (h) Hirsuke, (s) Yukio, (d) Mrs. Toshiko Iwasa.

HIGA, Booby J.: Los Angeles, Sept. 8 — (p) Mr. & Mrs. George, (b) Kenny, Jerry Raymond.

HORIUCHI, Saki, 63: Gardena, Aug. 26 — (h) Jusaku, (s) Shigeharu, Tom Frank A., (d) Jennie Tenma.

IKAWA, Eizo, 84: Los Angeles, Sept. 2 — (w) Kiku, (s) Mike.

ISHIWATA, Waka, 59: Los Angeles, Sept. 2 — (h) Ginzo.

KANAMORI, Mitsu, 68: Los Angeles, Sept. 14 — (h) Kumataro, (d) Senko Kanamori, Patricia Watanabe, Bernice Taga, Kuniko Miyamoto, Masumi Isago.

KIUCHI, Patrick, 3: Los Angeles, Aug. 23 — (p) Mr. & Mrs. Thomas, (s) Genevieve.

MARUYAMA, Motosuke, 81: Los Angeles, Aug. 23 — (w) Rui, (s) Bud Frank, (d) Mitsuye Kono, Michiko Harano, Miyeko Mukoyama, Ayako Tofukuji.

OGURA, Mitsujiro, 68: Watsonville, Sept. 3 — (w) Tsumae, (s) Toshie, Taku, (d) Shiyuko, Sonoko Wakimoto, Mitsue Matsuoka, Aiko Hanami.

SUGIMOTO, Yoshie, 60: Los Angeles, Aug. 24 — (s) Kazuo, Takeo, (d) Fusaye Yoshida, Kiyu Yamaguchi.

SUZUKI, Kumeyo, 73: Los Angeles, Sept. 4 — (h) Masashi, (d) Ukichi Kubota, Eiko Suzuki.

TASAKA, Kinpei, 73: San Luis Obispo, Aug. 29 — (d) Mitsuko.

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Bits & Bites

(This column hopes to be a little more than a purely "personal" type of writing. We have seen names in the news and some have been gracious enough to add a little bit more, so we're biting at tid-bits like these for the entertainment of our readers. Contributions are welcome, but we'll need the extra "bits" for our "bites." — Editor.)

Chiduyo Yaginuma, nee Imoto of Orange County, and now of Naperville, Ill., 35 miles west of Chicago, is completing her third year as leader of the Cheery 4-H, regarded as one of the most active in DuPage County, and represented their county at the Illinois state fair last summer. Her daughter Naomi was part of a nine-girl troupe which staged a novelty dance routine that earned them first prize in the Share the Fun festival at the state fair. Girls wore cleaner's bags with a drawn face over their head, the chin coming down to their waistline, a plaid shirt and loud green bow tie and tennis shoes which came above the ankle. As a surprise finish, the girls break through the bag.

Sam Ishikawa, who has served as JACL regional director in Southern California, is now assisting on a part-time basis as New York JACL representative. Office (565-Fifth Ave.) is shared with several other enterprises, serving to maintain JACL's contacts with national organizations, radio-TV and press outlets there.

"Benchwarmer", conducted by Kango Kunitugu, is a column which came to JACLers' attention last week, pleading for non-intervention by the organization in U.S.-Japan affairs. It was first a strictly sports commentary (as the name readily suggests), dating back to the prewar years when Kango attended Los Angeles Polytechnic High School and published a mimeo sports magazine with Joe Kumagai for the students... Poly High, now relocated in San Fernando Valley, is the alma mater of past PC editor Larry Tajiri, the first Nisei to edit the school paper Optimist.

Former Hawaiian residents in the San Diego JACL hosted a Little League club from Aiea, Hawaii, recently by treating the youngsters to a big luncheon spread and tour of the famed San Diego Zoo. Hosts were Mr. & Mrs. Paul Shimizu, Mmes. Joe Yoshioka, Moto Asakawa, Bob Yokoyama, Min Nakamura and Bert Tanaka... 'Twould be interesting one of these days to see how many CLers hail from the Islands. We'd start with Sab Kido, one of the co-founders of JACL.

Active Detroit JACLer Mrs. Yosh Morita was the subject of a nice story by garden editor June Hicks of the Detroit News last month. She demonstrated the effectiveness of evergreens for fall season flower arrangements rather than having to wait till Christmas... She is the former Ayako Hamaguchi of Los Angeles, attended the San Francisco JACL convention in '56 and her combination of pine, accented with green quince fruit and white clematis in a tall container won her a blue ribbon at the Michigan State Fair competition. She took three other blue ribbons, thus winning the Detroit News annual garden department sweepstakes award in her "first big try." Her doctor-husband, who teaches at the Wayne State University medical school, was stationed in Japan where Mrs. Morita took up flower arrangement in earnest.

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WASHINGTON NEWSLETTER

By Mike Masaoka

Tragedy of Little Rock

Washington, D.C.

LAST WEEK, AS the crisis in Little Rock continued into its second month, the big news was that Russia had launched successfully the first earth satellite into space.

That spectacular achievement merely served to underline, especially in view of the Little Rock situation, just how far man's scientific advances have outstripped his progress in human relations.

There is tragedy in the Little Rock affair, for it points up that even in the United States there is racial prejudice and bigotry.

THOUGH THE PUBLIC press, and certainly the propagandists for America's enemies, have played up the use of federal troops in the Arkansas capital, there are other more significant aspects that ought to be emphasized, particularly to those in foreign lands who do not understand the meaning of Little Rock.

There is, for instance, the fact that what is happening in Little Rock is an example of democracy at work.

To begin with, there is no censorship of the press, radio, or television. The facts are being revealed in even their ugly realities for all the nation and the world to see.

Troops are being used, not to crush a racial or ideological minority, but to uphold the law and to protect the rights of Negro Americans to attend integrated public schools.

Proponents of "white supremacy" are being shown that the rights of all Americans, regardless of race, color, creed, or station in life, will be enforced, even against the governor of a sovereign state.

Notice has been served on the rule of the mob that federal troops will be used to prevent its irresponsible machinations.

In a sense, too, Little Rock is a milestone dramatizing the great and steady progress that the American Negro is making toward complete acceptance and full citizenship. Less than a century ago, he was only a slave. Less than a quarter of a century ago, it was the law that sanctioned segregation. Today, even though his life is still too circumscribed to be pleasant and dignified in all respects, the Supreme Court has unshackled him from the bonds of "separate but equal facilities" in public education, from racially restrictive covenants in housing, from enforced segregation in interstate transportation, etc. And the Government, on the national, state, and municipal levels, has advanced his opportunities for economic and social gains. And, in Little Rock today it is federal troops that are being used to assure nine Negro school students of the right to attend Central High School.

Whether the hate-mongers and the segregationists like it or not, Little Rock is a symbol of the coming new era when Negro Americans will be accepted on their individual merits, and not discriminated against arbitrarily because of the color of their skin. This new era may be several years away as yet, but as surely as the President saw his duty and responded to it, so our fellow citizens of Negro ancestry will soon enjoy their birthright as free-born Americans.

VIEWED IN THIS light, it is only fitting and proper that the President of the United States be applauded and supported in his determination to use whatever force is necessary, including troops, to preserve law and order and to uphold and defend the Constitution against all enemies, foreign and domestic.

In Little Rock, the enemies of the Constitution are, unfortunately, domestic. They are citizens of the community and of the state. There is a real question, however, as to whether the majority condones the lawlessness that called for such unequivocal action on the part of the President. But, as long as even a single citizen, regardless of his position or race, threatens to take the law into his own hands, so long will it be necessary for the Chief Executive to enforce the law, as interpreted by the Supreme Court, and to preserve the peace.

AS ONES WHO, TOO, have suffered from racial prejudice and discrimination, Nisei Americans should be especially sensitive to what has taken place in Little Rock. For, Americans of Japanese ancestry recognize that in another place and at another time what happened, and is happening, in Little Rock may—and can—happen to us.

Should such an eventuality ever again occur, it is most reassuring to know that the President of the United States can—and will—call out federal troops if necessary to protect our rights and our privileges, as well as our limbs and our lives.

Seventeen years ago, the Supreme Court declared that the detention of loyal Americans in war relocation centers was unconstitutional. In anticipation of that decision, the Army rescinded its evacuation and exclusion orders of 1942.

There were many alarmists and others who predicted that the return of Americans of Japanese ancestry to the west coast would result in bloodshed and vigilantism.

The then Governor Earl Warren, now Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, whose role in pre-evacuation days was not so commendable, called a meeting of the district attorneys of California Counties and ordered them to protect the returning Japanese. In public announcements, he made clear that as chief executive of the state he would enforce law and order.

How different was his attitude from that of Governor Orval Faubus of Arkansas, and how different the results?

With only a minimum of difficulties, Japanese Americans returned to their former homes and associations. There were a few "shots in the night", a few homes that were burned. But, because the state's law enforcement agencies, bolstered by local authorities, acted swiftly and decisively, the need for the use of federal force never developed.

Such is the contrast, and the lesson, to be learned from Little Rock and the return of the Japanese to the west coast after a war in which the enemy happened to look like the returning residents.



Ex-Cleveland Nisei wins Rome Prize for music composition from Intern'l Institute

CLEVELAND.—Former Cleveland resident Higo Harada has been awarded the Rome Prize in Musical Composition, it was learned this past week. The fellowship is awarded through the International Institute of New York, covering a two-year period of study at the American Academy at Rome.

Each year, the academy offers a limited number of Rome Prize fellowships for students and artists capable of doing independent work, awarded on evidence of ability and achievement, and open to U.S. citizens for one year beginning Oct. 1. If desired, the fellowship may be renewed for a second year. Though there is no age limit, the academy aims to award young persons of outstanding promise.

The fellowships carry a \$1,250 annual stipend, round trip transportation between New York and Rome, studio space, residence at the academy, and an additional travel allowance.

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Each Rome Prize winner in musical composition is given a studio with a piano in a secluded part of the academy grounds, where he is at liberty to compose as and when he pleases. He is under no pressure to write a set number of pieces or to write in any style. Once a year, usually in the spring, there is a concert of the fellow's

Cler in chromite mines development company

SALT LAKE CITY.—Formation of Western Chrome, Inc., with development of chromite mines in Siskiyou County in northern California, was announced this week with former Republican Gov. J. Bracken Lee as president.

Mas Yano, local Nisei attorney and former JAACL chapter president and currently serving as vice-chairman of the Intermountain District Council, is secretary of the new firm, which has filed a registration application with the Securities and Exchange Commission for sale of 300,000 shares of \$1 par stock.

Whereabouts sought

RENO.—The whereabouts of Hal Haruo Shiota, about 36 years old, born and raised in Spokane, Wash., last heard from in 1949 when he wrote from Green Bay, Wis., is sought by his brother Norman, now a local resident, and parents in Spokane. Information may be forwarded to Fred Aoyama, 1725 Grandview Ave., Reno.

work before a specially invited audience.

Harada, before going to Rome, studied at the Cleveland Institute of Music, where he earned his master's degree in musical composition. While studying here, he won second prize in a national contest sponsored by the Broadcast Music, Inc., of New York.

With the money he won in the BMI competition, Harada went to Paris and studied independently under Rene Leibowitz. While in Paris, the young composer was awarded the Harriet Hale Wolley fellowship, an award made to four people studying the arts in Paris.

32 donors add to CL endowment fund

An additional contribution in the amount of \$1,945.64 to the National JAACL Endowment Fund was acknowledged this week by Dr. Roy M. Nishikawa, national president. The contributions were received from 32 grateful recipients of government checks for evacuation losses. In making the public acknowledgment, Dr. Nishikawa reaffirmed JAACL's pledge to continue to protect the welfare of persons of Japanese ancestry in this country.

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 - Bank Interest \$2.16.

WATSONVILLE NISEI SOLDIER OF MONTH

WATSONVILLE.—Army Pfc. Akio Idemoto of Watsonville was recently named Soldier of the Month for the 31st Medical Group in Germany. He is clerk for the group's 2nd Evacuation Hospital in Bad Krenznach.

APATHY TOWARD SACRIFICES OF NISEI GIs HIT

(JAACL News Service)
WASHINGTON.—Traditional Nisei Soldier Memorial Day will be observed this year on Sunday, Oct. 27, national chairman Ira Shimasaki of the Arlington Cemetery Committee of the Japanese American Citizens League announced.

Although the principal ceremonies will be held at Arlington National Cemetery, near Washington, D. C., on Oct. 27, chairman Shimasaki reminded all JAACL chapters throughout the nation to conduct services in honor of the Nisei heroes of World War II and Korea.

"As the years go by, there is a tendency to forget the supreme sacrifice made by so many of our fellow Nisei that the suspicions and prejudices against Americans of Japanese ancestry might be forever removed from the public mind," Shimasaki said.

"And yet, the very fact that we can forget is testimony to the effectiveness of their sacrifices, for no longer are we Americans of Japanese ancestry unwanted citizens and no longer are the privileges and opportunities of this great land denied to us. The least we can do to show our appreciation and gratefulness for the lives they gave is to put aside a few minutes on Sunday, Oct. 27, to pay tribute to them that made all this possible for us and our posterity."

This annual observance, instituted in 1948 at the National JAACL convention held in Salt Lake City, is to honor the Nisei war dead who by their sacrifices made possible the welcome acceptance of all Americans of Japanese ancestry in this country today. The Sunday closest to Oct. 30, when heroes of the now famed 442nd Nisei Regimental Combat Team rescued the "Lost Battalion" of the 36th Texas Infantry Division in the Vosges Mountains of northeastern France, near Bruyeres, in 1944 was designated as Nisei Soldier Memorial Day.

Nisei heads L.A. group of professional engineers

Su Igauye, member of the Los Angeles chapter of the California Society of Professional Engineers since 1950, was installed as chapter president last month.

A 1941 graduate in mechanical engineering from Univ. of Southern California, he is the lone Nisei in the local group and has urged other Nisei to join. Over 30,000 registered engineers in the United States compose the organization, dedicated to elevation of professional engineer standards.

CALENDAR

- Oct. 12 (Saturday)
 - Pasadena—Benefit Japanese movies.
 - Monterey — Shower of Stars talent show.
 - East Los Angeles — Dinner-dance, Scully's Restaurant, 7:30 p.m.
 - Southwest L.A. — Bridge tournament, St. Mary's Episcopal Church hall, 8 p.m.
- Oct. 12-13
 - East Los Angeles — International Day, International Institute, 1 p.m.
- Oct. 13 (Sunday)
 - Philadelphia—Bazaar.
 - Salt Lake City — Auxiliary skatefest, Normandie rink.
- Oct. 18 (Friday)
 - Hollywood—General meeting, Shonien, 8 p.m.; Y. Clifford Tanaka, spkr.,
- Oct. 18 - 19
 - Sonoma County—JAACL Bowling tournament, Santa Rosa Bowl. (Entry deadline: Sept. 30.)
- Oct. 19 (Saturday)
 - D.C. — Fairfax Dinner.
 - Eulare County—Talent show, Lindsay Memorial Bldg., 7:30 p.m.
 - Long Beach — Dinner-dance, Lafayette Hotel.
- Oct. 26 (Saturday)
 - Detroit — Teen Club Hallowe'en benefit ball, Fisher "Y", 9 p.m.
 - San Jose — Potluck supper-social, Onishi Hall.
 - D.C. — Election meeting
 - Pasadena — Hallowe'en party.
 - San Francisco — Golf tournament, Sonoma CC.
 - San Francisco — Auxiliary Fall Fashion-Luncheon; Mark Hopkins Hotel, 12 n.
- Oct. 27 (Sunday)
 - Sonoma County — Nisei Memorial Day service.
 - Berkeley — Children's Hallowe'en party Berkeley Y, 2-5 p.m.
- Nov. 2 (Saturday)
 - Sacramento — 1000 Club Luau, Lanai Restaurant.
- Nov. 2-3
 - NC-WNDC — Biennial district convention, Sacramento JAACL hosts.
- Nov. 6 (Wednesday)
 - Seattle — Election meeting, 1414 Weller St.
- Nov. 8 (Friday)
 - Chicago — Election meeting.