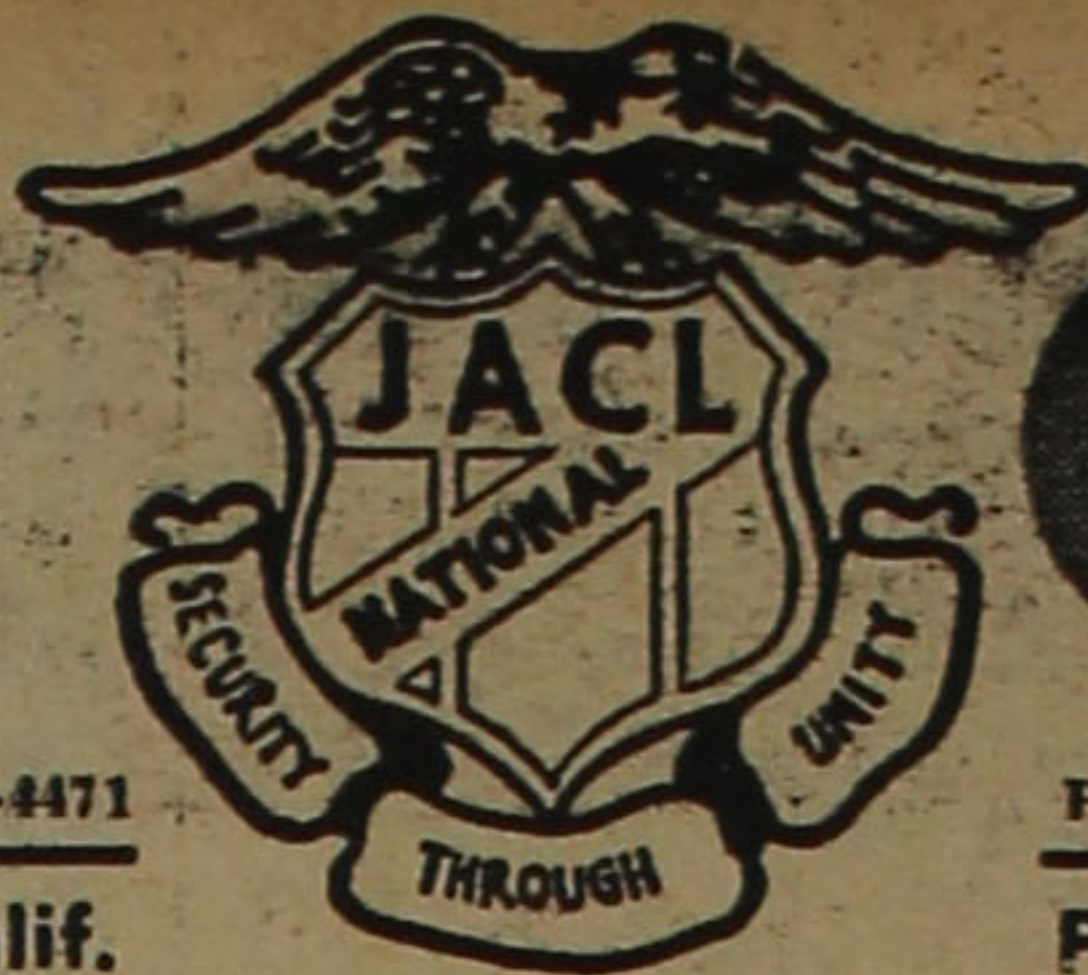


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## VERY TRULY YOURS:

Is our generosity making a difference?

The Pacific Citizen has been operating for five full years since its move to Los Angeles in October, 1952. We are still "in the black" financially, and our weekly circulation has grown from 5,000 to 5,800. But if we peruse the figures year-by-year, there were three years in which we were "in the red," so to speak. Net or (loss) figures follow:

1953	\$3,272.39
1954	(265.87)
1955	2,932.69
1956	(1,740.52)
1957	(904.70)

Income-wise, subscriptions in 1953 were the best with about \$14,400, dropping to a low of \$11,700 in 1955 and since then climbing to \$13,100 last year. Holiday ads were also tops in 1953 with \$12,500, otherwise fluctuating between \$9,400 and \$11,000. Regular ads were best in 1955 with \$10,100, but generally stand between \$7,000 and \$8,600 in the five-year period. Cost-wise, the PC spends between \$30,000 and \$33,000 each year.

As 80 per cent of our readers are JACLers, we publish this summary to give them an idea when everyone is figure-conscious in view of the income tax season.

In 1955, the PC effected a policy of providing \$1 commission on new subscription in addition to the already established 10 per cent commission on renewals with hopes that chapters would be encouraged to solicit as wide a readership among their members. While the circulation improved slightly, the 1955 subscription income dropped \$1,200 as compared with 1954. Both 1956 and 1957, however, showed a slight improvement over the 1955 figures at \$13,000.

So, it appears the 1955 circulation commission policy has been well-taken by the chapters. If PC with Membership is adopted by the 1958 convention, then very likely chapter commissions on circulation — new and renewal — will be suspended altogether except in instan-

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## Primary JACL mission to help Nisei reiterated

SACRAMENTO. — A man who has been in JACL as long as Saburo Kido has (which is over 30 years now), it is inevitable that he reminisce as he did at the Sacramento JACL installation dinner Feb. 28. But out of the past, guideposts for the future are established and the wartime national JACL president reiterated what was in the minds of the organization's founding fathers of 1929.

"The fact that the JACL has been able to accomplish a great deal for the Japanese people was because it concentrated its efforts to the problems pertaining to persons of Japanese ancestry," Kido declared.

"The fact that the success was phenomenal does not mean that JACLers should have the gradiose idea that they can do the same for others," he cautioned. "We must not forget that we are a small minority. There is a limitation in our number. We cannot afford the manpower or the finances to try to solve the problems of others."

Asserting that there is still a great deal to do for the Nisei themselves, Kido explained, "We must not ignore the needs of our friends, but what I am trying to say is that JACL's primary mission is to look after our own group first. If we are successful, then our members will contribute to the welfare of others through their participation."

### Leadership Training

Of the many projects which JACL will chart at national conventions, Kido reminded that the "ultimate goal of JACL activities should be to train leaders." He predicted that the time of Nisei confining their outlook within the Japanese circle alone is going to be "a thing of the past".

Hopeful that Nisei leadership would enact bigger roles in the wider community, Kido felt JACL could play an important part

toward this end.

### Other Projects

Other projects which Los Angeles attorney and newspaper publisher suggested might be considered before the Salt Lake convention were (1) the immediate need of a Headquarters Bldg.; (2) support of the JACL endowment fund, not only by evacuation claim awardees, but by the membership at large; (3) wider readership of the Pacific Citizen; and (4) aiding the youth through Jr. JACL, scholarships, etc.

Kido said that "every chapter should become a booster of the Pacific Citizen," after recalling that it was started as a money-maker with profits belonging to National JACL. "I believe the publication can make a net profit, which will benefit the JACL treasury," he declared.

In the opening remarks, Kido hoped the chapter would be able to keep its pre-war Sacramento leaders as staunch supporters, even though many have retired from chapter activities.

In his reminiscing moments, that covered the period of JACL history between 1942 and 1945, he asked that JACLers not forget its staff of that time when many started at \$75 per month; Mike Masaoka, George Inagaki, Teiko Ishida (now Mrs. Mickey Kuroiwa), Larry Tajiri and Hito Okada who rendered free services. He also paid tribute to Scotty Tsuchiya and Joe Grant Masaoka, who were field representatives.

They had labored during the years "when it was not popular to be known as a JACLer." Kido even recalled the time when JACL was seriously considering disbanding.

### Installation Dinner

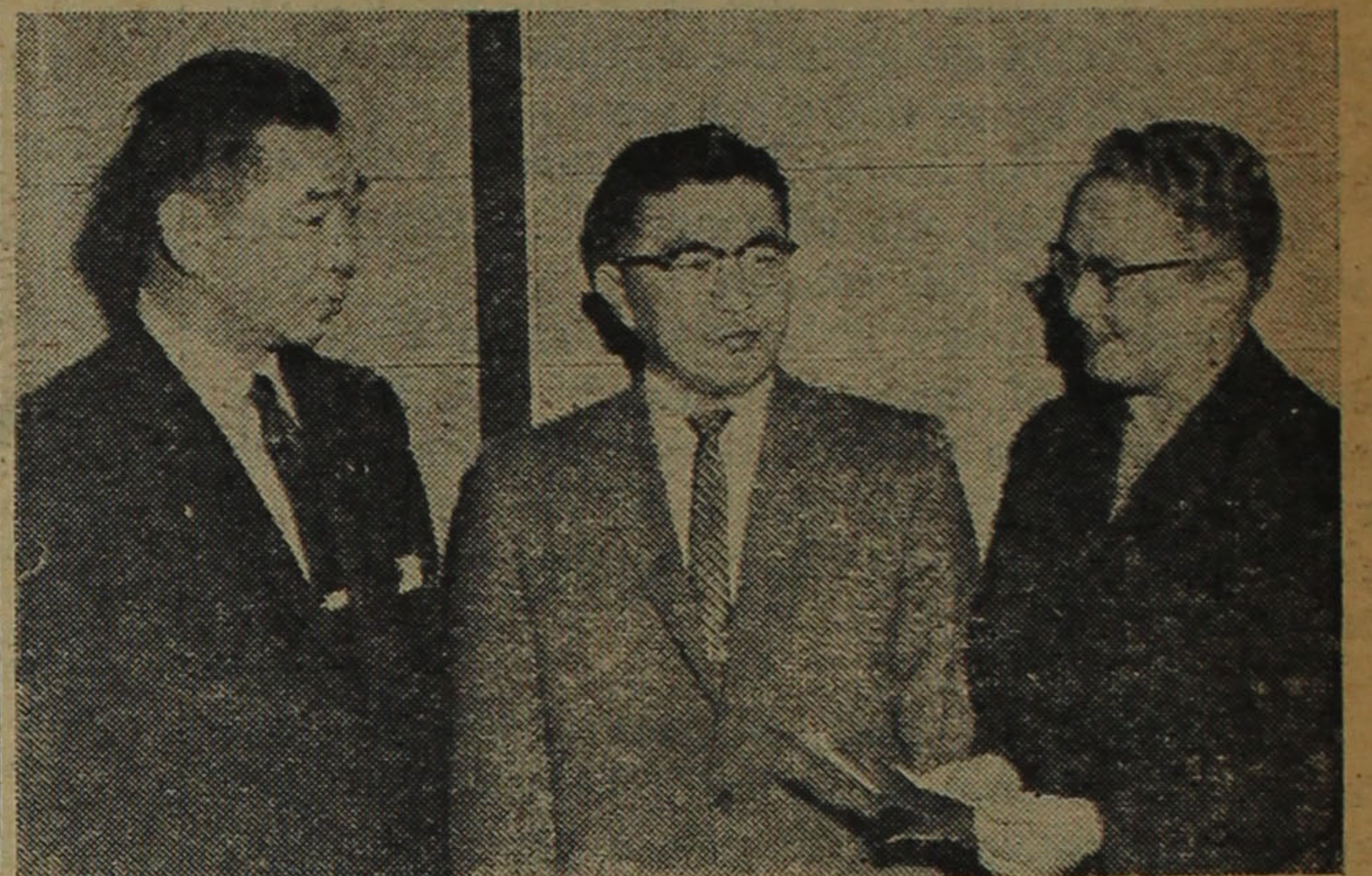
The installation dinner was attended by over 200 people, including Mayor Clarence Azevedo of Sacramento and many visiting digni-

ties. It was deftly chairmanned by Dean Itano, who managed to keep the program moving and entertaining.

After the dinner, a private showing of Nacirema's latest motion picture, "Dateline Tokyo", was arranged. The comments of various people after the showing was well-received, according to Marvin Segal, Nacirema official, who accompanied Miss Michi Kobi, the Sa-

cramento-born Nisei who was a guest of honor at the dinner and is starring in the film.

President Kats Murakami and the 1958 cabinet were installed by Akiji Yoshimura, NC-WNDC chairman; while Mamoru Sakuma, immediate past president, was presented the pearl-studded JACL pin by Masao Satow, national JACL director. Bill Matsumoto headed the dinner committee.



Mrs. Clara Goering, Tacoma city councilwoman, installs Dr. John Kanda (center) as president of the Puyallup Valley JACL. At left is out-going president Thomas Takemura.

## Councilwoman swears in Dr. John Kanda as president of Puyallup Valley JACL

BY ERNEST UNO

TACOMA. — New officers for the Puyallup Valley JACL were installed recently at the Golden Dragon Cafe in Tacoma. Outgoing president, Thomas Takemura, serving as master of ceremonies called on City Councilwoman Clara Goering to install the 1958 officers. Presently serving as the chairman of the Tacoma-Pierce County Advisory Council for the Washington State Board Against Discrimination, Mrs. Goering expressed her keen interest in JACL activities and thanked the chapter for its active participation in the affairs of the Advisory Council.

Elected to serve for the coming year are Dr. John Kanda, pres.; James S. Masugi (Tacoma), Toru Kuramoto (Fife), Pete Sasaki (Sumner-Puyallup), v.p.; Mrs. Kats Fujita, cor. sec.; Miss Yoshiye Jinguji, rec. sec.; Yosh Fujita, treas.; and Kaz Yamane, delé.

Guests in attendance at the annual dinner included Tak Kubota, Seattle chapter president, Toru Sakahara, PNWDC 2nd vice chairman; Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Saari, and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Tanner.

### Negro History Topic

Tanner, a local Negro attorney, has served as president of the Tacoma NAACP and is the president of the Northwest Area NAACP. He spoke on the history of the Negro in the U.S. and the problems of slavery that has led to the "subjugation and degradation of human beings."

Daichi Yoshioka, long time CLer, was called on to present the 1000 Club Life Membership pin to George Ota. As an added attraction following the dinner and program, the film "This Is Your Life" was shown.

President-elect John M. Kanda, M.D., recently began practice in Sumner. A native of Seattle, he is married to the former Grace Oshima of Lodi, Calif.

He spent two years with the 442nd prior to his returning to the Univ. of Washington where he received his B.S. degree in Zoology, and was graduated from the St. Louis University Medical School in 1954. He is serving as the secretary of the Sumner Active Club and is a member of the Phi Rho Sigma

medical fraternity. He was active in the St. Louis JACL during the four years he attended medical school and was vice-president of the Puyallup Valley chapter last year.

During World War II, Dr. Kanda was in Co. L, 442nd RCT. In 1946 he was a member of the Seattle Nisei Vets. He is an avid fisherman and hunter when he can get time away from his practice. A member of the First Methodist Church of Sumner, he belongs to the Methodist Mens Club of that church.

Vice-president Masugi, representing Tacoma, is a naturalized citizen and with his wife Mary and son Ken resides in Tacoma. Jim has been a member of JACL for several years and served as social welfare chairman for the last two years. He is secretary of the Tacoma Nikkeijin Kai and the Tacoma Buddhist church.

Sasaki, vice-president representing the Puyallup-Sumner area, has been a member of JACL for 15 years. He resides in Orting, with his wife Yae (nee Yamaguchi) and two children, Alvin (12) and Karen (7). Pete is a member of the Orting Lions Club and the Crocker Grange.

Fujita, treasurer, is an active member of the Fife Lions Club and Fife PTA. He is the vice-president of the Fife district, Tacoma Buddhist Church, responsible for the Sunday School in his area. His main claim to fame is a bowling average of 182, landing a 37½-pound steelhead salmon and harvesting 75 pounds of matsutake.

### MOMITA FLAGPOLE FUND PASSES HALFWAY MARK

CALIPATRIA. — Business firms and individuals continue to send in their contributions for the Helen Momita Memorial Flagpole Fund, which has passed the \$2,000 mark in late February.

The big thermometer erected on a pillar in front of the Calipatria post office has passed the half-way mark of 92 feet. The flagpole will stand 184 feet high—the tallest American flagpole—to assure the Stars and Stripes flying at sea-level.



Bill Matsumoto (right) of Sacramento JACL, welcomes Michi Kobi, starring in Nacirema's "Dateline Tokyo," and Marvin Segal, Downtown L.A. 1000er and Nacirema official at the chapter's 1958 installation dinner. —Photo Courtesy Sacramento Bee.

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## From the Frying Pan

By Bill Hosokawa

Denver, Colo.

**SPRING FEVER** — A warm Colorado sun has been melting what remains of the last snowfall. There is the unmistakable feel of spring in the air today even though every Coloradan knows that much more severe weather lies ahead before the flowers bloom. This is a fine day for loafing, watching the offerings of television, and letting others write this column.

For instance, there is Herbert Warren Wind, an associate editor of Sports Illustrated, who has just completed a notable two-part story on sports in post-war Japan. In his second instalment, in the March 3 Sports Illustrated he has a few paragraphs of particular interest to the Nisei.

**THEIR FLESH AND BLOOD** — Wind writes: "When one looks down on the ball field from the stands these days, he notices . . . the players are a lot bigger than they were before the war, both taller and heftier. Where the average Japanese major leaguer once stood about 5 feet 5 inches or 5 feet 6, today he is almost three inches taller.

"This increase in size is not limited to the Japanese athletes. Most young Japanese are several inches taller than their parents, and there are more than a few lissome girls who have attained the hitherto unheard-of height of 5 feet 6. A radical change in the national diet accounts for this, for the age-old repetition of rice and fish, fish and rice has since the war been replaced by a balanced diet emphasizing more fruits and juices, more meat, more green vegetables, more dairy products. In some schools milk is provided daily for the kids.

"Behind this drastic departure in diet lie the American Nisei, the sons of Japanese immigrants. When they arrived in numbers in Japan with the American forces, they shook the citizenry and made them question their thinking as did few other aspects of the unfortunate war. A Japanese, in his confusion and misery, might rationalize that the defeat had been brought about by the Allies' greater manpower and productive capacity, and might buoy himself up temporarily by retreating to the ancient propaganda that the Japanese were a divine and superior race.

"It just didn't stand up, though, when he saw the Nisei, tall, husky, hardy fellows, as big as other American boys, a different breed from their ancestors. 'There is something wrong somewhere with our ideas,' the awed Japanese said to himself and his neighbors, 'if our own flesh and blood flourishes better in a foreign country than at home.'

**BEG TO DIFFER** — Mr. Yoshio Aoyama is a Japanese technical expert who is on hand to make sure that all is authentically Japanese in the current Metropolitan Opera's presentation of Puccini's "Madama Butterfly." A good thing, too, because some of the things stage companies have done with Japanese customs have been scandalous.

But on one point, a good many Nisei girls are likely to differ with Mr. Aoyama who was quoted as follows in a story by Jay S. Harrison appearing recently in the New York Herald Tribune: "Westerners always try to show Japanese walking with short, mincing, frequently little steps. But that is quite contrary to the Japanese way. We take normal steps, which are small because our legs are short. But the mincing movement comes only from China, where the feet are bound and make it impossible to take normal steps."

How many Nisei girls have found it possible to take "normal steps" on the rare occasions when they've decked out in kimono an dobi?

Wouldn't be decent, now, would it?

## PC Letter Box

(The Pacific Citizen welcomes letters. All letters must be signed and addressed, though names may be withheld upon request or pen-names used instead. Briefer they are, the better. All are subject to condensation. We assume no responsibility for statements in letters.)

### RIGHTS AS AMERICANS

Editor:—Regarding the front page of Feb. 28 PC, if Dr. Nishikawa wants to be a "cultural bridge" let him be one by himself, or go out and form his own group of "friends of Japan". As a loyal JACL member, I deeply resent anyone trying to impose something on our group that doesn't belong. The JACL goal is to fight for our rights as Americans.

ATSUKO KUSUDA

Editor:—Although I am not a member of JACL currently, I strongly concur with my wife (above letter). Nisei can and should participate in affairs as Americans, and should have feelings and concern for ALL peoples, not just for those who are "related" by accident of birth.

PAUL H. KUSUDA

Madison, Wis.

### SACRAMENTO, I LOVE YOU

Editor:—On behalf of Michi Kobi and myself I want to take this opportunity to publicly thank the members of the Sacramento JACL for the many courtesies that were extended to us in Sacramento while we were their guest last weekend.

The warmth and friendship of the greetings extended to Michi Kobi, a Sacramento girl, were truly inspiring. I know that Michi will always treasure the key to the City of Sacramento given her by Mayor Azevedo.

Saburo Kido delivered a most moving speech in which he recounted the history of the JACL during the dark days of the war. His speech was most favorably received by all and I am sure that many of the Hakujuins in the audience were impressed with his message.

I cannot begin to list all the people who in so many small ways made our stay in Sacramento a memorable one. However, I should especially like to thank Bill Matsumoto, Kats Murakami, Mamoru Sakuma, Dean Itano, Toko Fujii, Percy Masaki, Henry Taketa, and Dr. George Takahashi, for their many kind considerations.

After our short stay in Sacramento I can only say that it is high time someone improved upon the phrase "Southern hospitality" and spoke of "Northern hospitality." Sacramento, I love you.

MARVIN SEGAL

Hollywood.

### GOOD JOB

Editor:—Your publication surely does a good job of communicating. Some of the editorial comment and articles of news interests have been especially helpful in better acquainting me with JACL viewpoints on civil rights. Particularly a good impression is made by the very reasonableness of the arguments and the statements of fact presented.

Mrs. Henry Kasai (of Salt Lake City) was kind enough to enter a subscription for me. Accordingly, I am deeply appreciative.

E. DALE PEAK, Chmn.  
 Governor's Civil  
 Rights Committee  
 Bountiful, Utah

### DITTO, MRS. NOMURA'S

Editor:—With this release I shall be turning over my post as publicity director to my successor, Bebe Horiuchi. Mrs. Emi Nomura (of Twin Cities JACL), whose letter appeared in your PC Letter Box, fully expresses my feelings.

When racing to keep up with the news it sometimes felt like a ball of doom hanging over my head—but, must admit I shall miss this association. Many thanks to you and your staff for your cooperation — without which, I am sure, the Detroit coverage would not leave me swimmingly delighted.

KAY MIYAYA

Detroit JACL



Installed on Lincoln's birthday by Lily Okura (left) secretary to the national board, were the 1958-59 officers of Omaha JACL (from left), Kaz Ikebasu, pres.; Mike Watanabe, 1st v.p.; Mrs. Sato Yoden, 2nd v.p.; Mrs. Mary Misaki, cor. sec.; Mrs. Lucille Kanamine, rec. sec.; and Barbara Lawson, treas. Missing is Mrs. Gladys Hirabayashi, meb.-at-large. — Ishii Photo

## Kaz Ikebasu to head Omaha JACL group, only chapter with two-year office term

OMAHA.— Lincoln's birthday was the day chosen for the biennial installation dinner for the Omaha JACL at Kay's Restaurant. James Egusa was toastmaster.

K. Patrick Okura introduced the speaker for the evening, Police Chief Harold C. Ostler, who spoke on the present and future operations of his department.

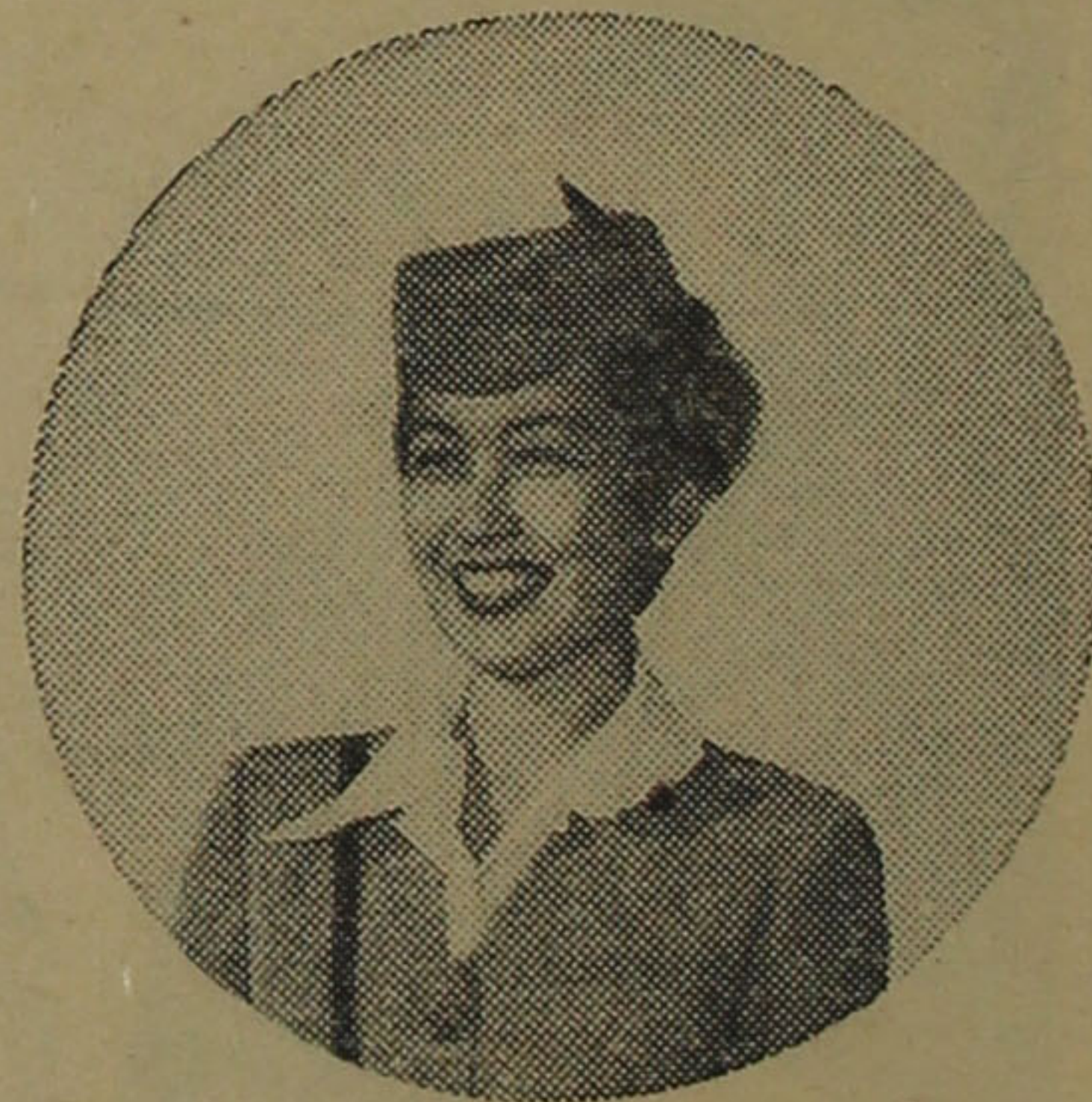
Mike Watanabe, new 1st v.p., entertained with a solo, "The House I Live In", accompanied at the piano by Nachi Matsunami.

### DEL. BURNS NOMINATES NISEI TO NAVY ACADEMY

HONOLULU.—Delegate John A. Burns has nominated Alan E. Yabui of Lahaina, Maui, and Paul M. Matsui of Makawao, Maui, for appointments to vacancies at the U.S. Naval Academy.

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## NOTES FOR ISSEI STORY

(The Pacific Citizen is happy to have Eiji Tanabe, ex-newspaperman and Japanese language instructor during the war years at Ann Arbor, Mich., compile a sketch that may prove worthwhile in the final writing of the "Issei Story" that has been authorized by the 1956 National JACL Convention. The "Issei Story" will serve as a tribute to the Japanese pioneers who came in big numbers at the turn of the century and will chronicle their struggles and successes. . . Eiji Tanabe also served on the National JACL staff, was a regional director here, and is currently operating the Far East Travel Service.)

BY EIJI TANABE

While the true "Issei Story" likely will be written by such outstanding journalists as Bill Hosokawa, Larry Tajiri or Togo Tanaka, it appears that the complete story will not be accomplished until the Issei are gone from the scene in about 20 or 30 years from now. The Issei Story is still alive—being enacted in its last stage today. In the meantime, a good part of the story can be recorded and when all the facts are in, the story can be assembled objectively.

There are many records of the Issei in the Japanese daily newspapers, directories and annual reports issued by various Issei social and fraternal groups. Some books on the Issei (all printed in Japanese) are "commercial"—that is, a writer is paid to sketch the personality who does the paying.

To place the "Notes for the Issei Story" in proper perspective, an old copy of the Osaka Mainichi Shimbun telling of the original emigration of Japanese to the United States of 90 years ago shall be quoted freely.

### FIRST GROUP LEAVES JAPAN IN 1868

"On April 18, 1868, a merchantman flying the Union Jack steamed quietly out of the port of Yokohama for Honolulu. Aboard ship were 153 Japanese, all under 30 years of age, including nine women and one child," the Mainichi reported.

These Japanese were headed under a three-year contract for a sugar plantation in the Hawaiian Islands. These were the men that made history as the pioneer group of Japanese emigrants to foreign soil.

"Later in the same year, another group of 40 Japanese sailed from Yokohama for California and settled near Placerville, Calif. These emigrants were led by a Dutchman whose wife was Japanese and established what was later known as the Wakamatsu Colony near Coloma, Calif."

The Wakamatsu Colony derived its name from the town of Wakamatsu (now Fukushima prefecture), from where these settlers came. The group included farmers, carpenters, plasterers, doctors and even baby sitters. The story is even told to this day of a little girl by the name of Okei, who accompanied the settlers as a baby sitter for the Dutchman's family. She died three years later at the age of 19. A tombstone built for the hapless girl by one of the settlers still stands at Golden Hill on the outskirts of Coloma.

The story of Okei's grave has been told more than once in the Pacific Citizen. Its maintenance has been a project of the Placer County JACL chapter.

### MASS MIGRATIONS TO HAWAII IN 1885

After King Kalakaua of Hawaii stopped in Japan in 1881 while on a world-wide cruise, the records show that he requested the Japanese government to cooperate in sending Japanese laborers to Hawaii. In 1885, a group of 945 Japanese sailed for Honolulu aboard an American ship. They were the first emigrants to leave the country to work under officially recognized contract. In June of the same year, a second group of 1,000 came to Honolulu.

The arrangement between Hawaii and Japan was placed on a more legal basis with the signing of the 1886 Navigation Treaty, providing for Japanese workers in Hawaii. The Mainichi notes that between 1885 and 1894, a total of 29,132 Japanese migrated to the Hawaiian kingdom.

### VERY LITTLE MIGRATION TO U.S.

About the same period in history—the 1880s and 1890s Japan had very little emigration to the United States as compared with the tremendous influx from the European continent. Japan was still slumbering because of the 200-year isolationist policy of the Tokugawa Shogunate, which was in power. Even the opening of Japan by Commodore Perry in 1853 failed to jostle Japan awake to the world around her.

The U. S. census of 1880 only shows 148 Japanese nationals, who were principally students or political refugees who had been inspired by American ideals and liberalism. It was not until the late 1890s that the Japanese reached American shores in any great number when Japan began to face its overpopulation problem. By 1899, official Japanese records show 35,000 Japanese departed for the United States. When the U.S. annexed Hawaii in 1898, the Japanese in Hawaii accounted for 39.7 per cent of the total population.

### EMIGRATION TO OTHER COUNTRIES

To show how wide Japanese emigration at this time was, the Mainichi article adds that there were 700 Japanese in Peru, 90 in Bolivia by 1900. A group of 1,500 was sent to Luzon in 1903 to help construct U. S. Army roads and barracks.

The year, 1908, marks an important chapter in the history of Japanese migration. On April 28, 781 Japanese embarked from Kobe for Brazil, arriving at Santos after a 50-day voyage. Most of them were employed on coffee plantations near Sao Paulo, which today has become the most important landmark of friendly relationships between the two countries. More Japanese settled in Brazil in subsequent years and today, there are some 400,000 Brazilians of Japanese parentage. In June of this year, Brazil and Japan will celebrate the 50th anniversary of Japanese emigration at Sao Paulo.

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State Assemblyman Busterud (left) presents a framed resolution passed by the California Assembly on the occasion of the 30th Anniversary of San Francisco JACL to chapter president Jack Kusaba. — Hideo Shimaoka Photo.

## Calif. State Assembly honors San Francisco on 30th Anniversary

The San Francisco JACL which recently celebrated its 30th anniversary was honored this past month by having a resolution passed in the State Assembly congratulating the local chapter.

Assemblyman John A. Busterud, (R., 22nd Dist., San Francisco) was the author of the resolution which was unanimously adopted by the Assembly.

The locale of the 30th anniversary banquet Feb. 2 was in Busterud's district and he was present as a guest along with Assemblymen Caspar W. Weinberger, R., and Edward M. Gaffney, D.

These two legislators along with three other assemblymen from San Francisco, Charles M. Meyers, D., John O'Connell, D., and Phillip Burton, D., and 10 other assemblymen from throughout the state joined in sponsoring the resolution.

The other assemblymen were Don Anderson, L.A.; William Bidick, D., Stockton; Edward E. Elliott, D., L.A.; Myron Frew, D., Dinuba; William Hansen, R., Fresno; H.M. Kelly, R., Shafter; Thos. J. McBride, D., Sacramento; Don Mulford, Berkeley; Bruce Sumner, R., Santa Ana; and Gordon H. Winton, Jr., D., Merced.

Formal presentation of the resolution to Jack Kusaba, San Francisco JACL president, took place Feb. 26 in Busterud's office in the Russ building here.

The resolution read as follows: Whereas, the JACL, since its founding has been an important influence in bringing about of better understanding between those of Japanese ancestry in the United States and other American citizens, being instrumental in protecting, on the part of Japanese Americans, the basic constitutional rights and freedoms upon which this nation is built;

### SAN FRANCISCO:

#### 'CARIBBEAN HOLIDAY' THEME FOR BENEFIT HOP

The San Francisco JACL Women's Auxiliary will hold their annual fund raising dance on Saturday, March 15, at the Booker T. Washington Community Center, Sutter and Presidio Avenue from 9:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. "Caribbean Holiday" is the theme and will feature Walt Tolleson and his orchestra.

Co-chairman Sumako Fukumori and Hana Abe state that tickets may be purchased from Mary Hamamoto, Doris Horiuchi and other members of the Auxiliary at \$1, stagettes and \$1.50, stags.

Other committee chairmen are Mabel Iwata, refreshment; Emi Yokogawa and Bess Sonoda, decorations; Elsie Uyeda, hostesses. The proceeds from this dance will be used to purchase comfort items for the Japanese residents at Laguna Honda Home.

Whereas, the San Francisco chapter of the JACL has played a leading role in the organization and continued growth of the entire league; and

Whereas, this chapter has recently celebrated the 30th anniversary of its founding; now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Assembly

of the State of California, that the members thereof extend their appreciation for the fine work that has been accomplished in years past, offer their heartiest congratulations upon the 30th anniversary of the San Francisco chapter, and express their hope that the chapter will continue to promote better understanding.

## NAKAHIRA VOTED CHAIRMAN OF MILWAUKEE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Another chapter has changed its constitution to have its executives selected by a board of directors in lieu of a direct membership election of officers. The Milwaukee JACL membership unanimously amended its constitution at its year-end dinner-dance.

And elected to the board were Satoshi Nakahira, who was named chairman at its February meeting; Shiro Shiraga, Sachi Ishii, Jennett Tada, Chickie Ishida, Steve Kimura, Ken Teramura, Takao Naruo, Albert Popp and Ronald Minami.

Appointments and standing committee chairmen were named as follows: Shiraga, vice-chairman and Folk Fair chairman; Teramura, treas.; Miss Ishii, sec.; Mrs. Tada, social chairman and Bulletin co-editor with Miss Ishida; Popp, public relations.

Installation of the officers was held on Washington's Birthday at the Bavarian Club with MDC chairman Kumeo Yoshinari as installing officers.

The first membership meeting Feb. 13 featured Takechi Watanabe, executive director of the International Monetary Fund of Japan, who lectured on the "Condition of Peace and Liberty in 'Asia'" at Brooks Memorial Bldg., at Marquette University.

Nakahira, who hails from Sacramento, is employed by the City Engineers. The chapter bulletin noted that "summer will probably find that planting lawn and flowers around his new home".

Minami, an ex-Californian working as a mason for Fechner Bros. Contractors, is president of the Milwaukee JACL Bowling League.

### HAWAIIAN NISEI CITED BY JR. CHAMBER GROUPS

HONOLULU. — Several Japanese Americans were honored this past month by their respective Junior Chambers of Commerce for "distinguished service" in 1957.

Chiaki Kato, 32, chosen as "outstanding young farmer" in 1955, of Kona was cited by the Kona Jaycees. Kazutoshi Fujino, 35, public spirited postmaster of Honokaa, Hawaii, was honored by the Hamakua Jaycees. Also honored were Larry Tamanaha by Wahiawa J.C., George Akahane by Kailua J.C., and Douglas Sodehani of Maui J.C.

Other ex-Californians on the new chapter board include Teramura of San Jose, now a lithographer; Sachi Ishii of Gardena, a medical technician; Kimura, now plant supervisor at E. G. Artz, Inc.; while Mrs. Tada hails from Honokaa, Hawaii, and Miss Ishida from Seattle.

### CORTEZ:

## NC-WNDC Chapter of Year ready for '58

With a brief moment of basking in the glory of its 1957 NCWNDC Chapter of Year award by having past president Hiro Asai present the plaque and gavel to Mark Kamiya, the new president, the Cortez JACL got down to business of planning its 1958 season.

The old and new cabinet members met at Cortez Hall on Feb. 7 to map out a tentative program, which includes events for each month except July-September.

The family fishing derby opens tomorrow and will wind up April 30. The snow outing at Sonora will be either Mar. 15 or 22. Scheduled for the month are the community picnic at Hagaman Park in April, candidates' night in May, graduation outing in June at Lake Yosemite.

For October is another candidates' night, chapter nominations and social in November, election of 1959 officers and Christmas party in December.

At the general meeting in January, the proposed Ballico School budget was presented by Stanley Norton, principal.

The Cortez JACL bowling team, composed of Hiro Asai, Jim Yamaguchi, Kiyoshi Yamamoto, Karl Masuda, Mas Uyekubo and James Kajioka (alt.), won the first half-season title in the Turlock Jr. Major Bowling League.

### SERVICE AWARD MADE TO FRESNO ATTORNEY

FRESNO.—Jin Ishikawa, local Nisei attorney, was re-elected as one of the directors of the United Givers plan at its annual meeting last week. He also received a scroll of honor for his part in the 1957-58 campaign.



# Thousand Club Notes

By Kenji Tashiro

## CONCERTED DRIVE FOR RENEWALS

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Most all of our chapters during the early months of the year will be conducting their membership campaigns. Some chapters have already completed their drives. One in this category is my own home chapter, Tulare County. As reported by the Deacon in his column a couple of weeks ago, the Tulare County Chapter substantially increased its general membership and nearly doubled its 1000 Club roster. And this, of course, gives me sufficient reason to blow my horn for my own home chapter.

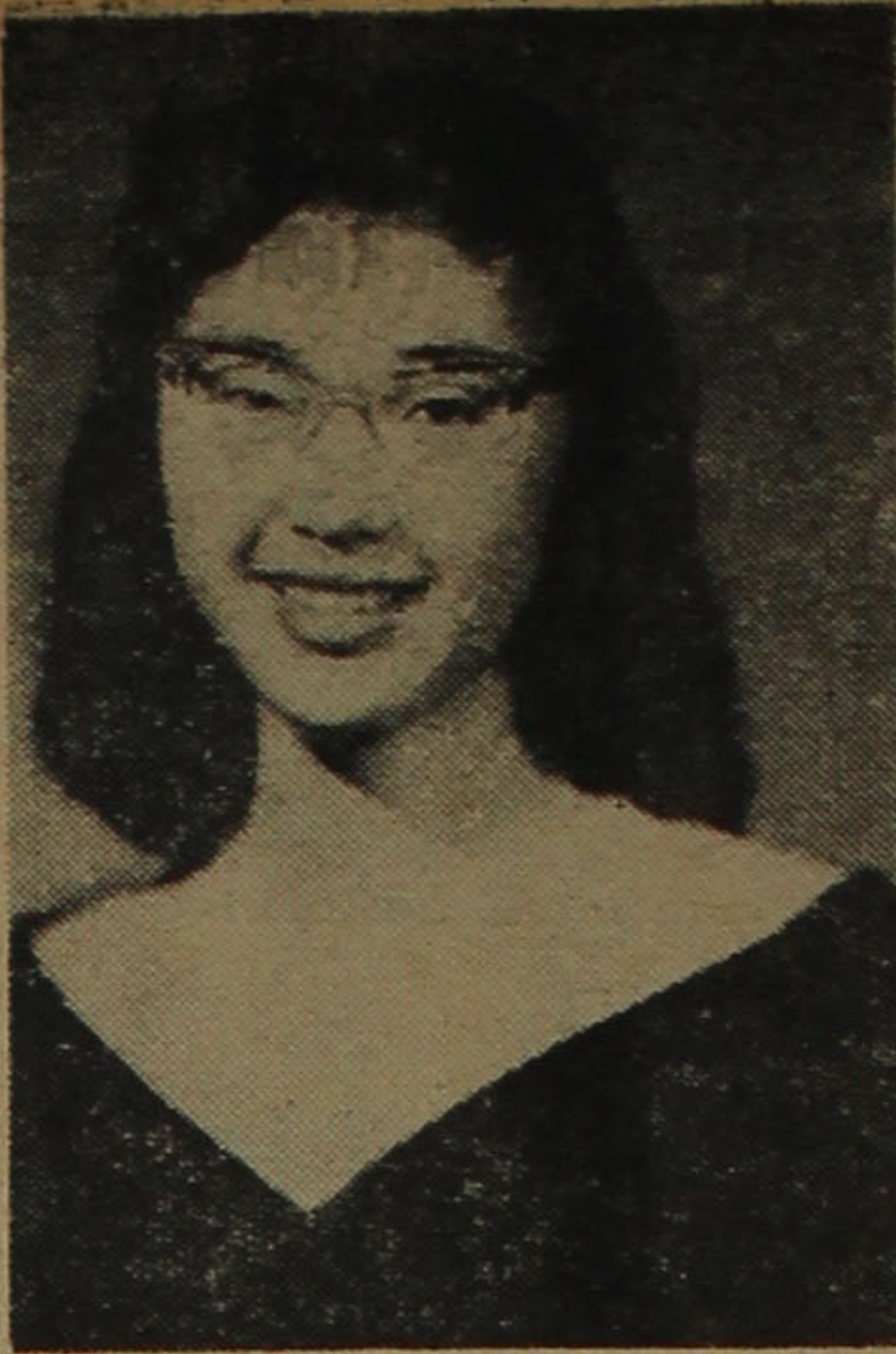
Under the leadership of Chapter Prexy Jim Matsunaga and 1000 Club Chairman Mike Imoto, the chapter signed up twelve new Thousanders to bring its total roster to 26. The thing which bears mentioning is that my colleagues went out on a concerted drive for new Thousanders without undue pressure or pleading on my part. It is this kind of wholehearted support which makes the job of a national officer a rewarding experience.

I must also doff my topper again to the Sacramento and Parlier chapters for their continued excellent support of the 1000 Club. The Sacramento Chapter, in conjunction with its annual "Stars of Tomorrow" talent show, obtained the renewal of 55 Thousanders and also brought nine new Thousanders into the fold.

It was again our pleasure to be the guests of the Parlier Chapter Thousanders at their annual year-end Whing Ding. Here again some 24 Thousanders pledged their renewal and an additional two new Thousanders were added to the roster.

Robert Kanagawa, new CCDC 1000 Club Chairman taking the cue from the above-mentioned chapters, indicated at the CCDC meeting in Delano this past week that he is out to set a new high of 1000 Club members in all the CCDC chapters. As his first step to bring this about, he has called a meeting for all CCDC Chapter 1000 Club Chairmen for later this month to formulate plans for a concerted drive. Bob served two terms as CCDC treasurer and, therefore, is well acquainted with the importance of adequate finances in our JACL organization. His background in organizational work, particularly in serving as Chairman of the Sanger community booth in the Fresno District Fair during the past several years, indicates that we may expect a successful campaign in this area.

The notable success of these chapters gives further credence to our belief that there are still many among our general membership who are financially willing and able to give this extra support through 1000 Club membership. It is our earnest hope that all of our other chapters will take the examples set by these chapters as a cue to formulate and conduct a concerted campaign of their own, with particular emphasis on getting their delinquent Thousanders back into the fold.



Two candidates, Ikuo Fujimoto (left) and Nancy Ikeda, competing for "Miss Yellowstone JACL" honors are both turning 18 by summer. A coronation banquet at Rexburg tonight will decide the winner.

## Banquet locale for crowning of teenager to represent Yellowstone JACL as queen

Two young teenage candidates are competing for the Yellowstone JACL berth in the Miss National JACL—1958 queen contest to be staged next month at Salt Lake City. "Miss Yellowstone JACL" will be crowned at a coronation dinner tonight at a Rexburg, Idaho, restaurant.

The candidates are Ikuo Fujimoto, who will turn 18 in April, and Nancy Ikeda, who will be 18 in June.

Miss Fujimoto is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mataka Fujimoto, Rexburg; born here and a senior student at Madison High. She is 5 ft. 5 1/2 in., 122 lbs.; active in the

LDS Church, serving as organist, primary teacher and sports director. She is a member of the school's pep club and vice-president of the Bob-Cadettes, a marching drill team. She likes music, sports, dancing, sewing and reading.

Miss Ikeda, born in Terminal Island, Calif., is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ikeda of Rexburg, and a senior student at Madison High. She is 5 ft. 4, weighs 110; a member of the LDS Church and likes sewing, cooking, reading and sports. She holds offices in the Future Nurses Club, Pep Band and Science Club.

## IMPERIAL VALLEY CHAPTER NAMES LONGTIME SUPPORTER TO TOP POST

The Pacific Southwest District Council at its February quarterly meeting greeted its 19th chapter, Imperial Valley, with two delegates, Dr. Frank Nishio of El Centro and Tak Momita of Calipatria, attending.

This past week, ballots were in the hands of the Nisei in the county with the following nominees: Harry T. Momita, pres.; Dr. Frank Nishio, 1st v.p.; John Kido (Niland), 2nd v.p.; Ike Hatchimonji (Niland), sec.; and Shozo Yamashita (El Centro), treas.

The ballot carried a simple but effective statement pointing out the need of a JACL chapter to the Nisei of Imperial Valley as follows:

"In the interest of closer relationship among ourselves, we have organized a Japanese American Citizens League of Imperial Valley. We wish to invite each of you to join with us and get better acquainted.

"The Japanese American Citizens League has three stated purposes.

### Promote Welfare

"The first of these is to promote and protect the welfare of persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States consistent with our democracy. This includes working to eliminate all discriminations, legal, social and economic, which in any way prevent Americans of Japanese ancestry from realizing

their fullest capacities and making their particular contributions to the life of this country.

"Secondly, JACL is concerned that Americans of Japanese ancestry fulfill their citizenship obligations to this country and in their respective communities. JACL serves to train its members for leadership and participation in the affairs of the larger community in cooperation with the fellow Americans, and to open up channels whereby such active participation is made possible.

"Finally, JACL strives to carry on a continuous program of public relations in behalf of Americans of Japanese ancestry in order that an increasing number of our fellow Americans will be aware of our rightful place in American life."

### STOCKTON:

## Dr. Dave Fujishige heads Stockton JACL

Dr. David Fujishige was installed as president of the Stockton JACL at its annual dinner meeting Feb. 23 at House of Murphy.

Municipal Judge Bill L. Dozier was installing officer at the event. Also sworn into office were A. Umino, 1st v.p.; Ted Ishibara, 2nd v.p.; Hiroshi Morita, treas.; Chizuko Kaneishi, cor. sec.; Yukie Shinoda, rec. sec.; Mrs. Mitsie Baba and Mrs. Mitsie Kamimura, social; Mrs. Alice Tsunekawa, his.; Fred Dobana, pub.; Mas Ishihara and Ted Wakabayashi, sgts.-at-arms, and Sam Itaya, del.

Dr. Harold S. Jacoby, chairman of the department of sociology at the College of the Pacific, was the principal speaker. His talk was on his teaching experiences at Japan's Yamaguchi university.

Dr. Fujishige is succeeding Lou Tsunekawa as leader of the local chapter. A graduate of the University of California School of dentistry, he had served as an Army dentist before opening his office here.

### SAN JOSE:

## Chapter sponsors class in flower arrangement

A series of modern flower arrangement instructions and demonstrations sponsored by San Jose JACL at the JACL Bldg. here began last Monday.

Mrs. Urushihara of Japan, who has been giving demonstrations at the Sakura Gardens in Mountain View, has been secured by the local chapter for this series.

Mrs. Alice Tatsuno and Mrs. Mary Yamamoto are co-chairmen for the series.



## '1000' CLUB NOTES

SAN FRANCISCO.—There were 51 new and renewal 1000 Club memberships acknowledged for the second half of February, JACL Headquarters announced this week, for a monthly total of 114. The current active membership stands at 1,226 as compared with 1,229 (an all-time high) as of Jan. 31, 1958. The latest 1000ers are as follows:

- NINTH YEAR**  
San Francisco — June Fugita.
- EIGHTH YEAR**  
San Francisco — Yasuo W. Abiko, Dr. Tokuji Hehani.
- SEVENTH YEAR**  
Mile-Hi — William K. Hosokawa.  
Philadelphia — William M. Marutani.  
Downtown L.A. — David Y. Nitake.
- SIXTH YEAR**  
Santa Barbara — Caesar Uyesaka.
- FIFTH YEAR**  
Idaho Falls — Albert Brownell.  
Philadelphia — Susumu "Sim" Endo.  
Dr. Mitsuo S. Hirata, Mrs. Teru Nakano, Yosuke Nakano, Mrs. Fuku K. Thurn.
- San Diego — Martin L. Ito, George Y. Kodama.
- Twin Cities — Thomas T. Kanno.  
San Francisco — Yukio Kumamoto.
- FOURTH YEAR**  
San Diego — Moto Asakawa, Ainosuke Esaki, Dr. Shigeru Hara, Hiomi Nakamura.
- Chicago — George Ikegami.  
Idaho Falls — Todd Kuwana.  
Ben Lomond (Ogden) — Minoru Miya, Tomio Yamada.
- Long Beach — George Mio.  
Imperial Valley — Tak Momita.  
Philadelphia — Ben Ohama.  
Cleveland — William Sadataki.
- THIRD YEAR**  
San Diego — Hachisaku Asakawa.  
Philadelphia — Shoji Date.  
Chicago — H. Earle Hori, Dr. Arthur T. Shima, Kay Sunahara.  
Long Beach — Frank T. Ishii.  
Sequoia — Hiroji Kariya.  
Orange County — Roy Kobayashi.  
Coachella Valley — Toshio Sugimoto.  
Ft. Lupton — Dr. George H. Uyemura, Mrs. Margie Uyemura.
- SECOND YEAR**  
Chicago — Ned Akimoto.  
San Francisco — Kayo Hayakawa.  
Philadelphia — Mrs. Chiyo Koiwai, Dr. Eichi K. Koiwai.
- Cincinnati — Yoshio Shimizu, Ben T. Yamaguchi.
- San Diego — Bert M. Tanaka.  
San Benito County — Joan T. Teshima.
- FIRST YEAR**  
Oakland — Frank H. Ogawa.  
San Benito County — E. Sam Shiotsuka.  
Sequoia — Tom Yamane.

### SAN FRANCISCO:

## Get-Acquainted Mixer at Park-Presidio 'Y'

A get-acquainted mixer of the San Francisco JACL will be held tonight at the Park Presidio "Y", 18th Ave. near Geary, from 8 p.m.

New members are expected to join in these festivities, as the friendly hostesses, Betty Namikawa, Kathy Asano, Kiyo Okamoto, Molly Shiraki and Elsie Uyeda will be there to welcome them as well as meet the new Board and officers.

A variety of mixers devised by Kathy Reyes promises not only loads of fun, but also a wonderful way to make new friends.

Tats Sumida, general chairman, said that Rosemary Bruce, the Arthur Murray dance studio gold medalist, will show the latest dance steps. Other talented entertainers are being secured by chapter president Jack Kusaba.

Lucy Adachi with her committee will serve the tasty refreshments. This event is free to all 1958 JACL members. Non-members will be assessed 75 cents.

Yo Hironaka, 1958 membership chairman, will be at the door to enroll new members. A business meeting will be held to round out the evening.

### IDAHO FALLS:

## Idaho Falls pioneers honored by chapter

Issei pioneers of Idaho Falls were honored at a smorgasbord dinner at the White Elephant Supper Club Feb. 28 by the Idaho Falls JACL.

A program of Japanese dances, skits, vocal and musical numbers was presented with Mrs. Misa Haga in charge.

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five years at \$12,500.  
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from \$9,400 to \$11,000.  
The 20 per cent commis-  
sion went into effect in  
1954, which accounts for  
the decrease, after a 10  
per cent policy of 1953.

However, we feel the  
chapters made good use  
of the commissions. It  
was our way of acknowl-  
edging the support they  
had given through the  
year. It was also incentive  
to help National JACL as  
PC was and is still sub-  
sidizing Headquarters  
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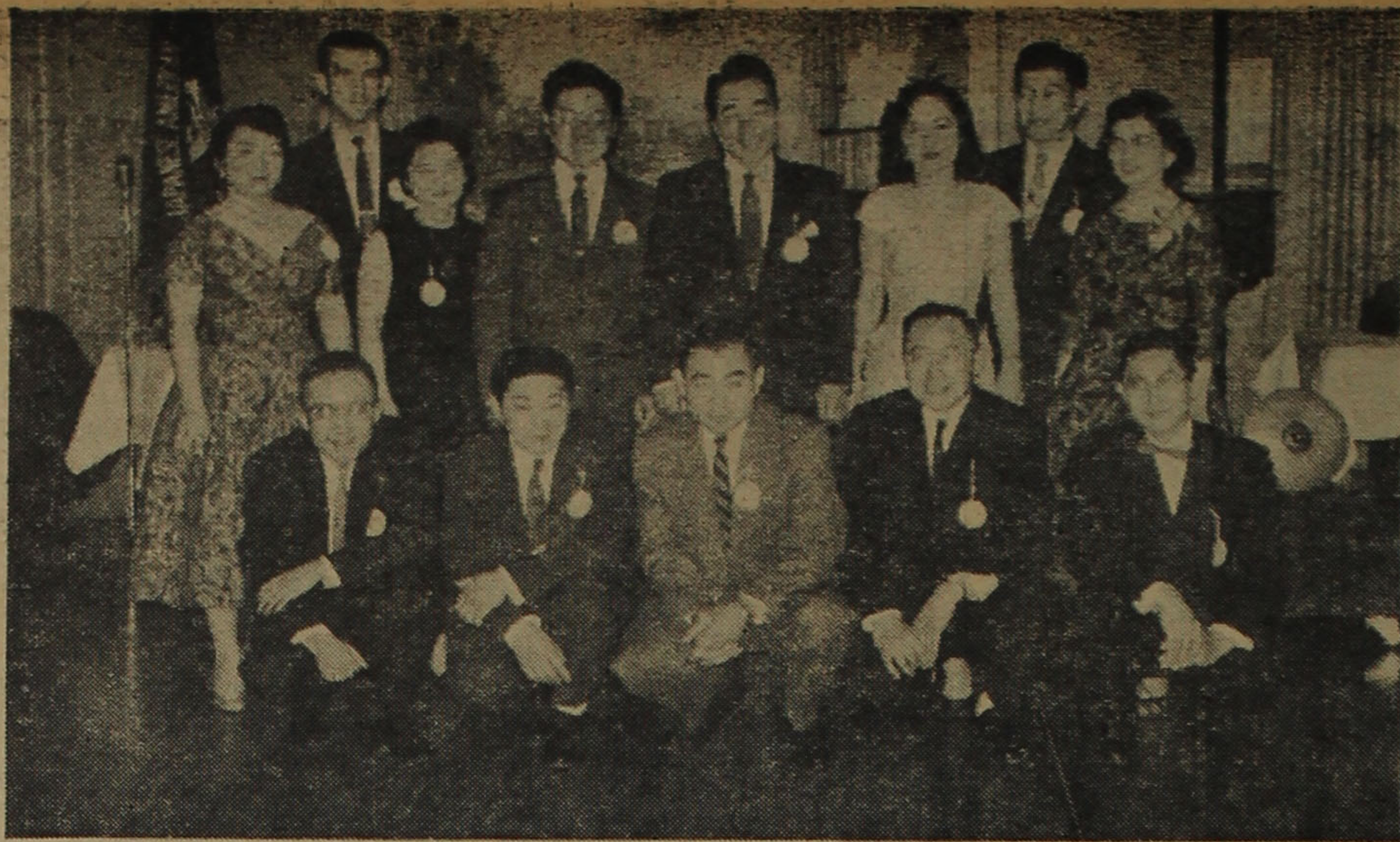
The regular display  
ads obtained by the PC  
office had its best year in  
1955 at \$10,100. Other-  
wise, that income ranges  
from \$7,000 to \$8,600 in  
the five-year period. Only  
when this increases will  
PC be in a position to add  
pages.

And the PC office, in  
the meantime, is vigor-  
ously mapping its own  
campaign to bolster the  
regular ads, which can  
offset whatever "losses"  
attributable to chapter  
commissions. The rates  
are nominal (\$2 per col-  
umn inch on the open  
rate, discount if contract)  
if businessmen are inter-  
ested. And with PC cir-  
culation still rising each  
year, the advertiser  
stands to gain.

This has been our first  
opportunity to review  
PC's five-year financial  
picture as our accountant  
Sho Iino, turned in the  
1957 figures last week.  
Were it not for chapter  
support with Holiday ads  
(about 30 per cent of the  
income) and subscrip-  
tions (about 40 per cent  
of the income), the JACL  
budget would have been  
increased. We remember  
the appropriations that  
were approved at conven-  
tions to make up the dif-  
ference before PC was  
moved to Los Angeles.

And had we kept a  
record of the commis-  
sions retained by the  
chapters, a clearer pic-  
ture of net earnings  
might be possible. But  
PC's generosity in allow-  
ing such liberal commis-  
sions may account for  
the three years of "loss-  
es" though actually JA-  
CL chapters have gained.

— Harry K. Honda.



TOP PHOTO: Serving on the 1958 Detroit JACL cabinet are (from left): front row— Al Hatate, John Miyazawa, Frank Watanabe, president Charles Yata, Ed Shinno; standing — Mrs. Hifumi Sunamoto, Stanley Malecki, Yoshiko Inouye, Paul Joichi, Dick Kadoshima, Bebe Horiuchi, Ray Higo, and Mrs. Janice Ouchi. LOWER PHOTO: And elected officers of the Detroit JACL Teens are Norman Sunamoto, Loraine Fujiwara, John Kimoto, Joan Sunamoto, Dennis Yata, Shirley Satoh, Jane Itami, Shirley Kinoshita and president Carolee Matsumoto. — Tom Hashimoto Photo.

**Detroit chapter, junior group cabinets installed jointly;  
two guests surprised with Japanese American Creed awards**

BY KAY MIYAYA

The first joint installation of De-  
troit JACL officers and the chap-  
ter-sponsored Detroit JACL Teens  
at the Northwood Inn dinner-dance  
Feb. 8 was witnessed by a record  
attendance of 150 members and  
guests.

Chapter officers, headed by  
Charles Yata, city civil engineer,  
were installed by Kumeo Yoshina-  
ri, MDC chairman. Other officers  
are Frank Watanabe, 1st v.p.;  
John Miyagawa, 2nd v.p.; Alfred  
Hatate, 3rd v.p.; Paul Joichi, rec.  
sec.; Mrs. Hifumi Sunamoto, cor.  
sec.; Ed Shinno, treas.; Yoshiko  
Inouye, hist.; Bebe Horiuchi, pub.;  
Ray Higo, Dick Kadoshima, Stan-  
ley Malecki and Mrs. Janice Ouchi,  
mems-at-lge.

A beautiful candlelight cere-  
mony conducted by Peter Fujioka,  
one of the founders of the parent  
organization, marked the first formal  
installation of the Detroit JA-  
CL Teens. Carolee Matsumoto was  
installed as president of the Teens,  
assisted by Jane Itami, v.p.; Joan  
Sunamoto, cor. sec.; Shirley Satoh,  
rec. sec.; Norman Sunamoto  
treas.; Loraine Fujiwara, hist.;  
John Kimoto, Shirley Kinoshita  
and Dennis Yata, mems-at-lge.

**Judge Main Speaker**

In his address guest speaker,  
Judge Wade H. McCree, Jr., 3rd  
circuit court, stated that in making  
a critical judgment of democracy  
one must look not to the majority  
but rather to those persons who  
constitute the minority for the  
minority group serves as the  
"yardsticks for Democracy". The  
minority groups in translating  
equality into intrapersonal rela-  
tions serve as examples for the  
majority. It is the responsibility of

the minority to show the way to  
better the majority standards of  
the nation.

In a surprise presentation Japa-  
nese American Creed Awards were  
made to Mrs. Fern S. Gunkel,  
activities director of the Interna-  
tional Institute, who is affection-  
ately referred to as the "Mother"  
of the Japanese American group,  
in appreciation of her warm  
friendship and keen interest since  
the earliest wartime arrivals to  
Detroit; and to 1000 Clubber, Judge  
Theodore R. Bohn, for true friend-  
ship and helpful counseling through  
the years.

Immediate past president Mrs.  
Miyoko O'Neill, presented the  
President's Pin to retiring presi-  
dent Yoshio Kasai.

"Malaguena" was the piano se-  
lection rendered by Mrs. Terry  
Yamasaki. She later accompanied  
Kenneth Okamoto in the violin  
selection, "Czardas".

Deft recoveries marked the ad-  
libbing of toastmaster Minoru To-  
gasaki as noted by Judge McCree.

The Rev. Russell Lincoln, Bir-  
mingham Unitarian Church, gave  
the invocation.

Also attending as guests were  
Dr. Morton Sobel, Wayne State U.  
instructor in Human Relations and  
Director of the Anti-Defamation  
League, Mrs. Sobel, and Mr. and  
Mrs. Edward Grabowski.

Dancing to the smooth rhythms  
of Chris Carl's orchestra conclud-  
ed the congenial evening expertly  
co-chaired by Yoshio Kasai and  
Paul Nakamura.

The beautifully designed pro-  
gram was the work of Hideo Fu-  
jii. Other committeemen were Se-  
tsu Fujioka, Roy Kaneko, Sud Ki-  
moto, Mariko Matsura, Art Ma-

tsumura, Betty Mimura, Walter  
Miyao, Kay Miyaya, Kenneth Mi-  
yoshi, George Nagano, Am Omura,  
Miyoko O'Neill, Minoru Togasaki,  
Jean Ushiro and Frank Watanabe.

Members of the old and new  
cabinets of the chapter met with  
Kumeo Yoshinari at the home of  
Yoshio Kasai for a breakfast meet-  
ing the following morning.

**SAN MATEO:**

**CHAPTER INVITED TO  
AAUN-UNESCO DINNER**

The San Mateo JACL joined  
other church groups, civic organi-  
zations, PTAs and service clubs re-  
cently at a dinner sponsored by the  
Sequoia chapter of the American  
Association for the United Nations  
and Peninsula UNESCO com-  
mittee.

The groups and individuals who  
helped in furthering international  
understanding the past year were  
called upon to present brief sum-  
maries of the various projects.

The chapter has initiated an  
eight-week bridge class with Dr.  
Wilfred Hiura of San Francisco as  
instructor. It has been meeting on  
Wednesday nights, 7 p.m., at Turn-  
bull School since Feb. 26.

**PORTLAND JACLERS ON  
WORLD-WIDE TOUR**

PORTLAND.—Mr. and Mrs. Ta-  
maichi Yamada are preparing a  
round-the-world tour by air, join-  
ing a group leaving Los Angeles  
Mar. 14, according to George I.  
Azumano. With stops in Paris,  
London, Frankfurt, Zurich, Rome,  
Karachi, Bombay, Calcutta, Bang-  
kok and Hong Kong, they will ar-  
rive in Tokyo on Apr. 16.

**CLEVELAND:**

**Kadowaki selected  
Cleveland chairman**

A 16-man board headed by chair-  
man Joe Kadowaki, 4991 E. 88th  
St., was announced this week by  
the Cleveland JACL, which will  
host the Midwest District Council  
pre-convention rally on May 30.

Other members of the board are  
Gene Takahashi, civic affairs; Min  
Iwasaki, budget-finance; HARRY  
Kaku, Jiro Habara, membership;  
William Sadataki, 1000 Club and  
legislation; Masy Tashima, Mrs.  
Yoshiko Parker, George Ono, pub-  
licity; Henry Tanaka, Mrs. Yo-  
shiko Baker, welfare; George Ono  
and Robert Fujita, constitution;  
Toru Ishiyama, Ken Asamoto, pro-  
gram; Aiko Tanaka, rec. sec.; and  
Mrs. Helen Ono, cor. sec.

**WATSONVILLE:**

**SHIG HIRANO PRESIDENT  
OF WATSONVILLE JACL,  
INSTALLATION TOMORROW**

Shig Hirano was elected presi-  
dent of the Watsonville JACL and  
will be installed at a dinner-dance  
tomorrow night at the Resetar  
Hotel.

Guest speaker of the evening  
will be Mrs. Vic Rugh, it was an-  
nounced this week.

The other chapter officers cho-  
sen for 1958 who will be installed  
are: Tom Murakami, 1st v.p.;  
Masato Tsudama, 2nd v.p.; Fumi  
Sugidono, sec.; Annette Shirachi,  
cor. sec.; Tom Sakata, treas.;  
Toshi Matsushita, asst. treas.;  
Richard Yamamoto, pub.; Frances  
Sukekane, hist.; Bill Mine, del.;  
Tom Tao, alt. del.; Dr. Clifford  
Fujimoto, 1000 Club.

A number of JACL members of  
neighboring chapters are expected  
to join the local Nisei at this event.

The dinner and dance will cost  
\$3.50. Dancing will start from 9  
p.m. with a local orchestra. Ad-  
mission to the dance alone will be  
\$1.50 per couple.

**LONG BEACH:**

**Hostesses named for  
chapter big dance**

Past chapter president Tomizo  
Joe was named master of cere-  
monies of the Long Beach-Harbor  
District JACL installation dance  
on Saturday, March 8, at the  
Long Beach Fireman's Clubhouse,  
3259 Pacific Ave.

Guest vocalists Mas Hamasu and  
Dorothy Iseri will share the spot-  
light with George Atsumo's com-  
bination band. The dance music,  
furnished by Marlene Hada,  
dance chairman.

A bevy of Harbor lovelies will  
serve as hostesses. Among them  
are Helen Kobata, Eiko Morikawa,  
Virginia Iwata, Hiromi Shimono,  
Meriko Toma, Joanne Yomogida,  
Jane Kim, Kay Matsumoto;

Nancy Omatsu, Michi Kawano,  
Dorothy Iseri, Sadako Kusaba,  
Ellen Hachiya, Eiko Kusaba, Pa-  
mela Morikawa, Michi Kataoka,  
Judi Sakimoto, Grace Ichikawa,  
Alyce Tsubochi, and hostess chair-  
man Peggy Tanaka promises more  
will be in attendance.

Other committeemen include  
Barbara Miura, ticket distribu-  
tion; Dr. Kats Izumi, refresh-  
ments; Mas Narita, gen. arr.;  
Joanne Yomogida, transp.; Mar-  
tha and Kaz Takade, reception;  
and Martha Morooka, pub.

**GILROY:**

**Mar. 30 picnic date**

The Gilroy JACL will hold its  
12th annual picnic on Sunday,  
March 30, at Uvas picnic grounds.  
It was announced. Shig Yamane,  
Moose Kunimura and Tak Shiba  
are chairmen for this event.

**EX-DELANO JACL PRESIDENT  
HEADS COMMUNITY GROUP**

DELANO.—The Japanese Com-  
munity Association of Delano has  
re-elected Dr. James Nagatani as  
president, who has served as head  
of the organization for the past  
several years.

# 500 BOWLERS, FRIENDS CROWD PRE-TOURNAMENT MIXER

BY ELMER OGAWA

SEATTLE. — Five hundred bowlers and friends crowded the Colony Club in relay fashion between the hours of 7 p.m. Monday and 2 a.m. Tuesday to get this week's National JACL Bowling Tournament off to a lively start.

It did not appear that attendance was hurt nor were spirits dampened by the regrettable absence of Pat Suzuki, which was announced late last week. A fine show was put on, however, headlined by bearded bass-baritone Don Garrard, and very very umphy blonde singer Connie Lee. She was so deluged with leis after the first number, there was never a doubt that this party was on its way. The regular Colony band was at its best, too.

Most enthusiastic praise went to chef Paul N. McCumber who is living proof that it does not take a Parisian sounding name to make food which puts the Colony way up on the list of Seattle's finest eating places.

The lavish smorgasbord was no paper plate deal to be balanced on the lap. There were no paper plates, and bowlers good naturedly took turns at the table space, up

stairs and down. Here is what they had in heaping confusion: roast young tom turkey, baked Virginia sugar cured ham, barbecued salmon a la Colony, rice and shrimp special (chef's own), tossed green salad (4 dressings), rolls, and coffee.

### Recording Commitments

Pat Suzuki was unexpectedly called out-of-town at the last minute before this week's bowling and social festivities.

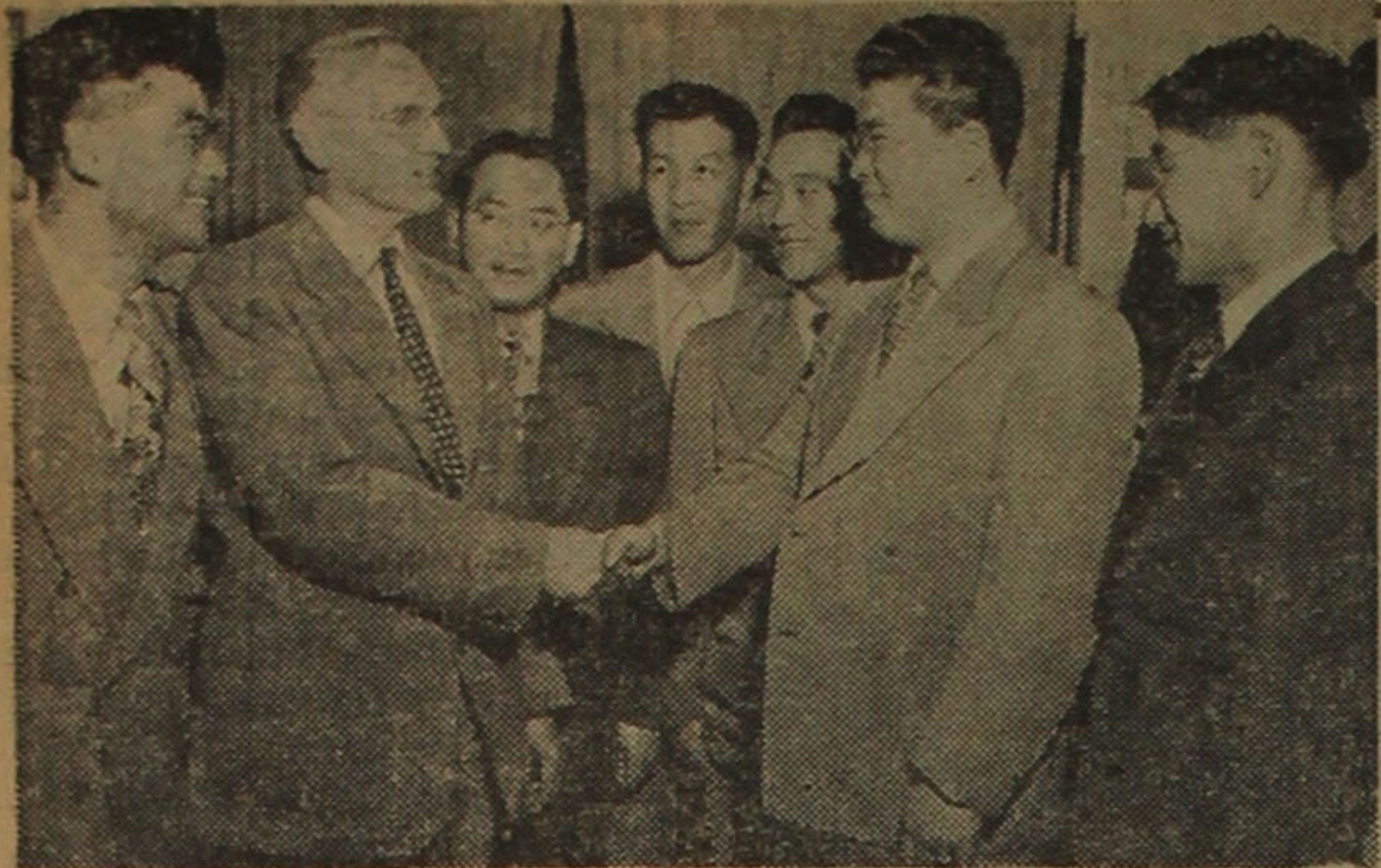
Contractual commitments to do

the last of a series of cinema recordings with Frank Sinatra kept her in Los Angeles March 3-4-5. Then it became imperative to attend the first national disc jockey's convention in Kansas City rest of the week.

March 10 to 14, she will be on the Jack Paar TV show, each night.

March 25, it's the George Gobel TV show.

As for other following dates—let's not get too far ahead on this thing.



Royal Brougham, Post-Intelligencer sports editor, meets with members of the Boeing Clippers which sparked the fight to eliminate the ABC "white males only" clause in 1949. They are (left to right) Hiro Nishimoto, Floyd Yamamoto, Fred Takagi ('58 JACL Bowling Tournament Director), George Tanagi, Tommy Namba and Tak Asaba. Courtesy: Post-Intelligencer.



## THE Northwest PICTURE

By Elmer Ogawa

### THE 1947 BOWLING PICTURE

The JACL annual bowling tournament originated in Salt Lake City in 1947, which at the time was the home of this publication and the national headquarters of the Citizens League.

At a time when Nisei were not admitted to sanctioned tournament play, the new idea of bringing as many teams as possible to an annual pin meet, was a much needed stimulus to a gloomy situation. To a special group of enthusiastic bowlers, this tournament provided a means to compete for a championship title.

Although originated in years of adversity as far as bowling is concerned, the JACL tourney acquired a special tradition of its own. And there is something especially significant about bringing the 12th annual event to Seattle, now that the competition is in its eighth year under official sanction of the American Bowling Congress.

It was in 1949 that Tak Shibuya, Tom Namba, Floyd Yamamoto, "Mud" Tsujikawa, and Herb Furuta formed a team in the Boeing Airplane Company League, little aware that their team the "Boeing Clippers" would be the center of attraction in a dramatic nation-wide movement to rescind the "white male only" clause of the ABC constitution.

First off, the Boeing League voted 582-26 that the "Clippers be officially accepted as members in the Boeing League" in defiance of national regulations. The Seattle Bowling Association concurred. The ABC was quick to come back with the inevitable answer, and pointed out that the entire Boeing League would be barred from all competition, "if you bowl in the same league with a certain team, even if its members are loyal Americans with brilliant war records."

Royal Brougham, sports editor of the Seattle Post-Intelligencer had in the meantime been making forceful comments, and asking pointed questions in his nationally famous sports column, "The Morning After."

But when the ABC ultimatum reached Seattle, R.B. fired both barrels. The next morning, a front page editorial with picture of the Clippers appeared under a bold face head which asked, "HOW COME." Following R.B.'s editorial the wire services helped to focus national attention on the issue.

Result: In May, 1950, in national convention at Columbus, Ohio, the ABC voted to rescind the clause. Jack Bunsey, president of the Boeing League was the one who made the motion and it was seconded by Phil Connolly, past president of the New York Bowling Assn.

Prior to that time, sporadic attempts had been made to bring the reform, but it was Royal Brougham, veteran newsman and a perennial friend of minority groups, whose prestige and reputation as a champion of fair play, had what it takes to force a breakthrough.

### P-I SPORTS EDITOR ROYAL BROUGHAM

Royal Brougham first went to work for the Post-Intelligencer as an office boy in knee pants in 1910. During the War I period and in the early twenties was a writer whose byline was well known on the sports pages. For those early days Nisei breaking into first team sports, he was a friend always with an encouraging word. A line, a paragraph, sometimes more for such names as Jimmie Sakamoto, Munyo Maeda, Anky Arai, Sakai Arai, Taniji Nakagawa, Johnny Funai, and "Sparky" Kono to mention a few. His circle of friendship among athletes and non-athletes has multiplied a hundred fold throughout the years.

Brougham's mileage in covering sports events would stretch almost 15 times around the world. Olympic games, continent hopping, are routine. In one week, he covered the "Poughkeepsie" rowing regatta, a championship heavyweight fight, and an all-star ball game.

Noteworthy also is his great energy in encouraging the Little Leagues and other youth sports programs. Also noteworthy is the fact that busy sports editor Brougham is a Sunday school teacher, regular. He told us that is unusual among sports editor.

It is perhaps adding extra words to say that this sports editor and commentator sincerely crusades for fair play and the right of all athletes to engage in competition irrespective of race, color or religion.

In speaking of this 12th annual bowling competition now being played off in Seattle, he said, "The Nisei are to be congratulated for their courage, energy and sportsmanship. In bowling as in other sports, they have done a big job, and this is a big thing."

Well, need we say that the Nisei are proud to have old friend R.B. as guest of honor to the bowling awards banquet this Saturday?

## Sanger Cler plans \$250,000 bowling alley, planning commission OKs request

SANGER. — The local planning commission has approved a zoning change request to enable Henry Kebo, Capital Market owner, to construct a \$250,000 bowling alley here. Final action by the city council is required before construction can start on the north east corner of Sanger Ave. and the junction of "O" St. and Academy

Nearby residents of the adjoining R-1 section had signed a petition approving the change.

The proposed building, Kebo explained, is planned to hold 16 alleys and will include space for a fountain and eventually for a restaurant.

If a bar is installed in the structure, it will be closed off from the alleys, thus allowing entrance to the lanes for juveniles and those under 21.

Kebo told the planning commissioners that he had purchased the lots, which total 100 in frontage, with the understanding that they were zone C-2 (commercial).

City Planner Early Ingram then explained that research had disclosed that in 1949 these lots were commercially zoned. However, the planning board then recommended

that the area be made into a strictly residential area and these lots were among those rezoned at that time.

Kebo, a member of the Sanger JACL, hopes construction can start in time to accommodate leagues in September. It would be the only bowling house here.

### FUJIYAMA WATERS USED TO CHRISTEN NEW PLANE

Using the traditional shiraki, long-handled dipper, pretty kimono clad Ayleen Ito, poured some sacred water from the snows on Mount Fuji last week over the gleaming nose of the newest of Japan Air Lines' new fleet of DC-7C's to christen it "City of Los Angeles."

The ceremony took place at the Douglas Aircraft at Santa Monica where Yoshito Kojima, JAL vice-president for the American region, accepted delivery of the big airliner for his firm.

Miss Ito is the eldest daughter of Kenji Ito, L.A. Nisei attorney and president of the Southern California Japanese Chamber of Commerce.

### FRESNO:

## Month-long drive for members on

BY JOHN KUBOTA

Things will be busy for the next two months for Fresno JACLers, who are already in the midst of their membership drive that began this past Monday.

Ben Nakamura, chapter president, appointed Seiichi Mikami, Hugo Kazato and Mo Nakamoto as membership co-chairmen. Dr. George Suda is assisting in the week-long campaign for 250 members.

A welcome party for new and old members will be held Mar. 8 at the local Congregational Church. Sumi Murashima and Setsu Hirasuna are in charge of the food, Paulo Takahashi and Dr. Sumio Kubo in charge of program and entertainment. Ken Mayeda will be emcee.

Dr. Suda, 1000 Club chairman, is being assisted by Mike Iwatsubo and Rikio Yamamura.

Three women named to revitalize the chapter auxiliary are Fusa Mikami, Michi Nishio and Tomiko Ishikawa.

The chapter will oversee its first community-wide picnic at Kearny Park on Sunday, April 27, 10 a.m., with Ken Mayeda as coordinator. Named to the committee were Kenji Uyemaru, arrangements; Jas. Sera, Marcus Doi, tickets; Neva Saito, prizes; Roy Sato, refreshments. The picnic committee will meet at the Fresno Methodist Church on Mar. 10.

### Planning director

WAILUKU, Maui.—Robert O. Ohta, assistant Kauai county engineer, began his new duties as planning director for the Maui County planning and traffic commission this week. A registered structural engineer, he was graduated in 1942 from the Univ. of Hawaii in civil engineering.

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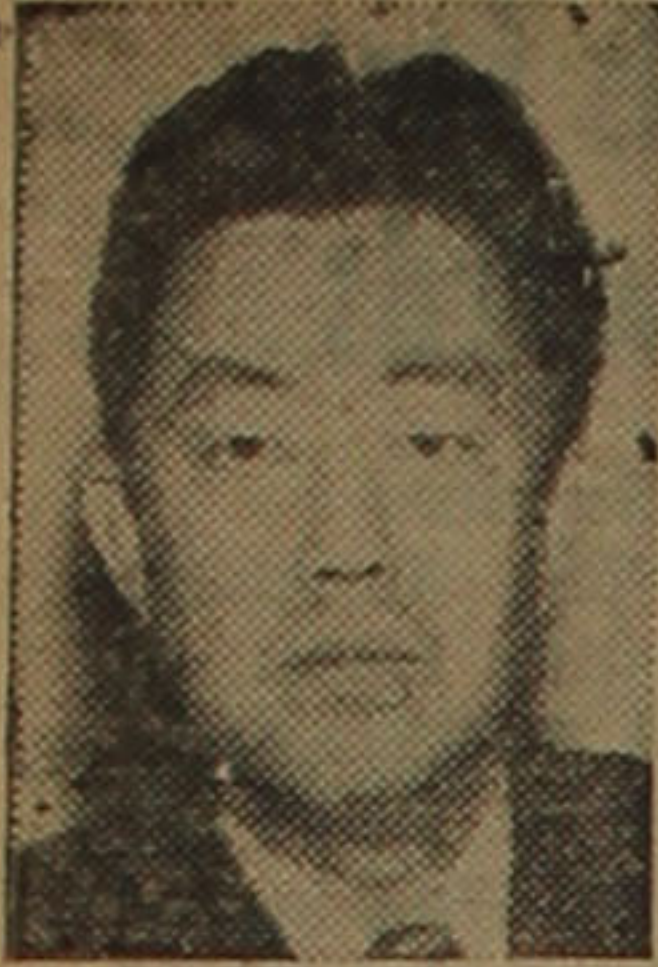
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Los Angeles NEWSLETTER

By Henry Mori

ALL-CITY MUSIC FESTIVAL

It would seem that Sansei students are better equipped scholastically and are more possessed of talent to integrate in community-wide activities. The latest is the development of an all-city school orchestra in which three Sansei are part of the 125-piece unit. They include Marshall Tan, oboe, of Dorsey High School; Yoshi Williams, cello, of Los Angeles High School; and Patricia Sumi, violin, of King Junior High School.

The group will perform in a citywide music festival Mar. 14 and 22 in the Shrine Auditorium as part of the Music Educators National Conference Convention to be conducted in Los Angeles, Mar. 21-25. More than 8,000 are due for the convention, the first to be held here since 1940. Participating will be leaders in music education, general education, and related fields from all parts of the United States and from some foreign countries.

ANOTHER FEP HEARING

County Counsel Harold W. Kennedy this week submitted to the Board of Supervisors an Equal Employment Opportunities ordinance which they ordered drawn to replace an original FEPC law proposed for adoption but not as yet passed. The supervisors will hold a public hearing Mar. 18 on the adoption of the new act proposed by supervisor Warren M. Dorn.

No doubt, a JACL spokesman will be on hand to testify in behalf of the law.

The recent establishment of the local regional office of the President's Committee on Government Contracts may bring on a new approach to the need for an act which outlaws discrimination in job opportunities based on race, color, creed or religion. As John Yoshino, compliance officer for the President's Committee, said on his west coast trip last month, there is much to be desired in a way of improvement in race relations among Californians.

READERS COMMENT

"I read your column every week," is a kind of a comment a columnist seldom lets by without a sheepish grin or a subtle "thank you, but . . ." reply. We usually accept it with an air of defensive complex, wondering what their next comment would suggest. The young attractive secretary at Far East Travel Service (plug for Eiji Tanabe) said she is our fan but thought "the picture didn't look like us." That was after we were properly introduced, of course.

We just didn't have the heart to ask whether the photo did justice to the real person or visa versa. However, Editor Honda has been hounding us to change the picture.

Another PC reader said she feels she knows all the columnists who write in the publication; especially, the Mori's since we harp about family doings quite frequently. That was a compliment, until we confessed that the fables of the Mori Million and Mori Mansion are told because a lot of times we have nothing much to write about . . . She said it was "those silly, little things which entertained her very much."

Ah, but those wonderful ladies . . .!

BIRTHS

**LOS ANGELES**  
FONG, Raymond W. (Akiko Ikezoe)—girl, Nov. 21.  
IKEHARA, Kenneth K. (Florence M. Nagafuchi)—girl, Nov. 24.  
IWASAKI, John (Teruko Nakasone)—girl, Nov. 24.  
TANI, Masao (Sadako Kozaki)—girl, Nov. 21.  
YADA, Richard Y. (Emiko Toyama)—girl Laren L., Nov. 30.  
YAKURA, David H. (Alice F. Wakabayashi)—boy, Nov. 20.  
YAMAGAMI, Hatsuo (Etsuko Kodama)—girl, Nov. 9.  
YASAKI, Joe J. (Jesie Omura)—girl, Nov. 29.  
YASUMI, Takashi (Fusae Tano)—girl Dec. 6.  
YOKOI, Tamiyoshi (Micko Hatada)—girl, Nov. 30.  
YOSHIDA, Jim J. (Kimiye Nomoto)—girl Jolene, Nov. 4.

**VENTURA COUNTY**  
McBRIDE, Edward J. (Kimi Yamaguchi)—Nov. 14, Simi.

**PLACER COUNTY**  
MAKABE, Wilson—girl Ingrid Louise Feb. 12, Auburn.

**TACOMA**  
UNO, Ernest—boy, Jan. 18.

**NEW YORK**  
ISHII, Eiji—boy Roger, Feb. 14.  
NISHIZAKA, John—girl Susan Takako, Feb. 15.

WEDDINGS

HISAMUNE-FUJITA—Feb. 2, Masaru and Catherine K., both Los Angeles.  
HONDA-UCHIMURA—Jan. 25, Masaru, Carlsbad; Mary M., Fallbrook  
KISO-MIYAGI—Feb. 2, Toshio, Los Angeles; Teresa T., Mexicali.  
KUWABARA-KUBO—Feb. 1, Harry Sacramento; Janet Los Angeles.  
MATSUOKA-HAYASHIKAWA—Jan. 25, James H. and Kimiye, both Los Angeles.  
MIYAUCHI-OUCHI—Feb. 1, John J. Los Angeles; Margaret M., Fresno.  
SUZUKI-NAKAGAWA—Dec. 21, Daniel and Louise A., both Los Angeles.  
TANIGUCHI-SUMI—Dec. 21, Sumio

Claims —

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Watanabe; Tomihiro Kishaba; Goro Yorita; Oliver Nishimura; Ben Shichiro Ogomori; George S. Ikuta; Peter Shinoda; Yoshiye Tanino; Hideko Ozaki; George Hagiwara, special administrator of the estate of Sumi Hagiwara Nagata, deceased; Henry Takeshi Suzuki; Tamotsu Kumasaki; Henry Takeshi Nishiyama; Tomi Kaji; James Heizo Kaji; Hugo Kaji; Lily Kaji Hirata; Michiko Kobata; James S. Masuda; Sam Masuda; Megumi Shinoda, M.D.; Mizuo Sekijima; Wheeler Park Japanese Language School and Old Gilroy Road Language School.

December Awards

Claimants given awards in December are: Richard Satoru Hazemoto; Mildred T. Hazemoto; Hiroshi Shimizu; Kaichi Nishima; Eiji Tomita; Yoshimatsu Hamanaka; Akiyama; George Nakamura; Helen Tokiko Jonokuchi Edmund Mamoru Jonokuchi; Kiku Yamaguchi; Ben Tokuichi Motoyama; Sho Komai; Kaoru Mori Seno; Yae Ansa; Kozo Furukawa; Fred Masaiichi Kataoka; George R. Ohashi; Bernice K. Ohashi; Tatsuichi Hashimoto; George Shihei Shitamae; Kuma Yamashita; Tomokichi Sakaguchi; Yoshimi I. Tsujimoto; Joshiga Tsujimoto; Seikichi Yoshizumi; Dorothy Katsu Shimomura; Hary H. Komatsu; Joe Y. Uyeda; Arthur N. Uyeda; Kinuye Yanagi; Satsuo Yanagi; Teruko Togami Yamashita; Tom Taira; Suelo Kimura; Los Angeles Homba Hongwanji Buddhist Temple; Kazuo Nishi; Tommy T. Ogura; Chiyoko Tayama; Fred M. Tayama; Sanger Buddhist Church; Yoshiko N. Iwata; Susumu Togasaki; Fred Toru Takagi; Kenny C. Iwata; Buddhist Church of Isleton; Kikumatsu Togasaki; Denyn M. Ando; Aki Kinomoto; Kikutaro Hashimoto; Yoshiko Togasaki; Uojiro Morisumi; Masanobu Miyasaki; Hary Shigeaki Hayashino; Stockton Theatres, Inc.; James M. Hasegawa; Yoshihisa Nagai; Robert I. Shinoda; John J. Iwaoka; Kiyoharu Aburano; Tadao Jim Kimura; Yoshimi Umemoto Yamasaki; Fumiko Mitsuechi; Zetsuo Hikida; Oliver Yoshikazu Kinomoto; George T. Nishimura; Matsushige Oshiro; Khan Komai; Nippon Club; Kuneo Jack Sakai; May T. Mayeda; George Norikane; Kenji Norikane; Kiyoshi Norikane; and Minoru Norikane.

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TANOUYE-NOGUCHI—Jan. 18, Noboru and Aiko, both Fallbrook.  
TOKUNAGA-MAEDA—Dec. 25, Takeshi and Merie M., both Los Angeles.  
YAMASHITA-AOYAMA—Feb. 2, Joe Y., West Los Angeles; Shizuye, Pasadena.  
YASUI-MACHIDA—Dec. 21, Robert K. and Miye Arlene, both Los Angeles.

DEATHS

ARIYASU, Toyotaro, 75: Los Angeles, Jan. 9.  
FUJIMOTO, Hichizo, 80: San Fernando Jan. 16.  
FUJINAMI, Yuriko, 38: Compton, Jan. 7 — (h) Tadashi, (s) Masaru, Terumasa, Don (d) Hatsumi, Fujiko  
HASHIMOTO, Koroku, 57: Los Angeles, Feb. 12.  
HAZEMOTO, Suyematsu, 90: San Juan Capistrano, Feb. 2.  
IMAI, Hatsujiro, 77: San Fernando, Feb. 6.  
INABA, Inosuke, 84: Los Angeles, Jan. 22.  
KAMON, Tsuneichi, 71: Los Angeles, Jan. 28.  
KONDO, Sasaichi, 71: Los Angeles, Jan. 20.  
NOZAKI, Matajiro, 69: Los Angeles, Jan. 14.  
MAEDA, Takaichi, 69: West Los Angeles, Dec. 27.  
MATSUOKA, Bert S., 26: Pasadena, Jan. 12 — (p) Mr. & Mrs. Kenichi, (b) Asao.  
MATSUMOTO, Kotaro: Cincinnati Jan. 1.  
MATSUSHIMA, Gensaku, 72: Los Angeles, Jan. 6.  
MORIKAWA, Yuriko, 20: Long Beach, Dec. 28 — (p) Mr. & Mrs. Richard, (s) Eiko, Pamela, Edwina, Phyllis, (b) Rachird Jr.  
NAKAMOTO, Mrs. Ino, 74: Los Angeles, Jan. 2.  
NAKAMURA, David T., 9 mos.: West Los Angeles, Jan. 29 — (p) Mr. and Mrs. Tsutomu.  
NAKAUCHI, Kenji, 68: Los Angeles, Feb. 9.  
NAKAYAMA, John, 21½: New York, Feb. 14 — (m) Mrs. Tel.  
OKUNO, Misaku, 86: Los Angeles, Feb. 6.  
OSHIRO, Yuzo, 83: Los Angeles, Feb. 6  
SATO, Shika, 68: El Monte, Jan. 23.  
SUMIDA, Shizu, 75: Los Angeles, Jan. 9.  
SUZUKI, Hanshichi, 80: Santa Barbara Feb. 11.  
SUZUKI, Yoshiaki, 80: Los Angeles, Jan. 19.  
TANAKA, Hatsuaro, 68: Los Angeles Dec. 29.  
TAKAI, Tsuruki, 60: Hawthorne, Jan. 9.  
TAKAYAMA, Kensei, 68: Los Angeles, Feb. 3.  
TOMIYAMA, Kichiji, 80: Chicago, Jan. 21.

PSW JACL CREDIT UNION DISTRIBUTES 3½ PCT. DIVIDEND CHECKS

Dividend checks for shareholders in the Pacific Southwest JACL Credit Union were distributed at its annual meeting at the San Kwo Low last week.

Miwa Yanamoto, board chairman, had invited JACL chapter presidents in the Los Angeles area so that they may become aware of the JACL Credit Union services and be able to pass on information to their general membership.

Miss Yanamoto announced that the growth of the local JACL Credit Union has been steady and credited the growth to the insurance feature of the Credit Union—on both deposits and loans. This year's dividend rate was 3½ per cent.

Oakland cherry trees

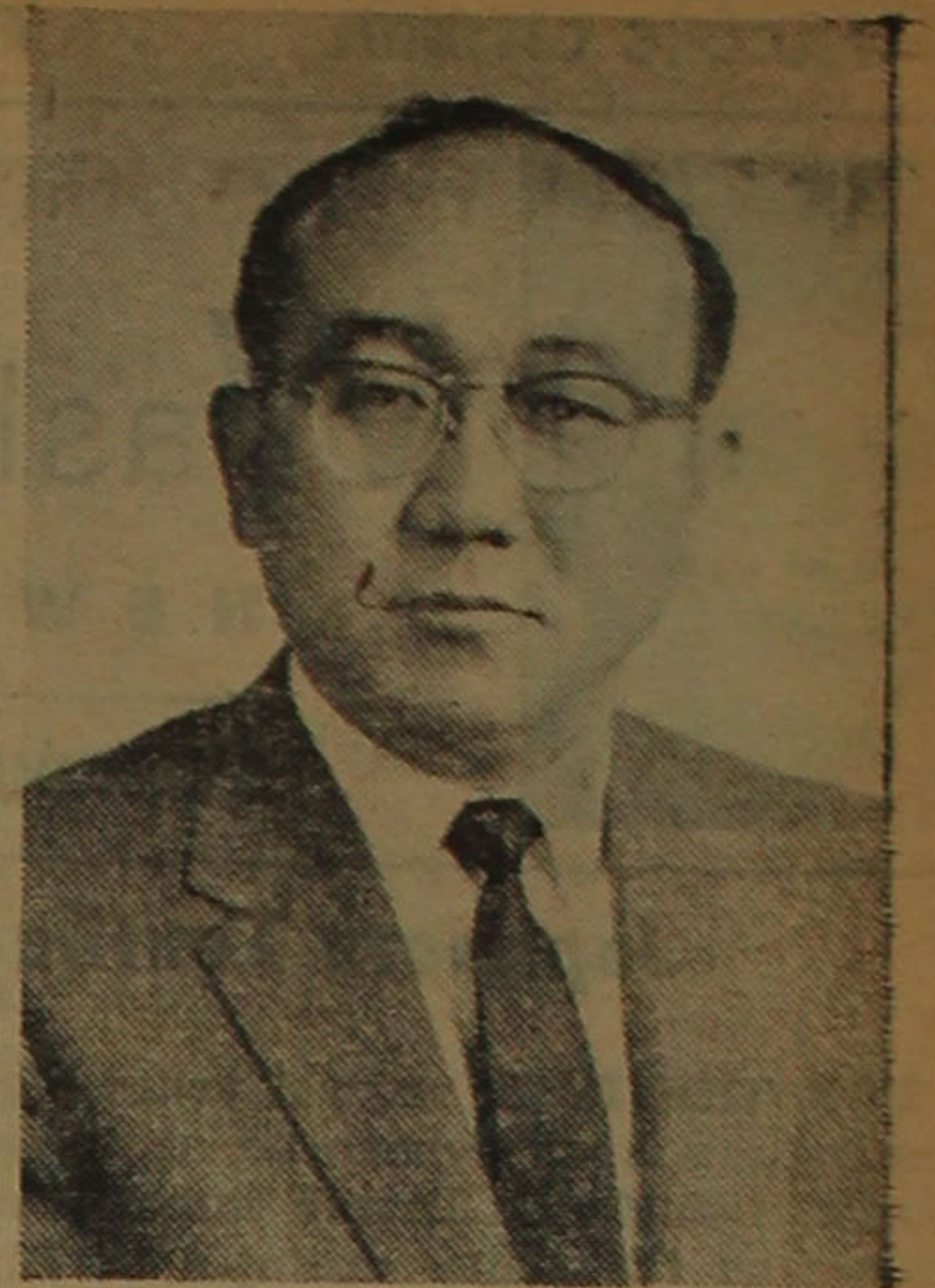
OAKLAND. — As part of the Lake Merritt beautification project, 50 flowering cherry trees have been planted near the Eastshore branch of the Oakland public library last week. They were the gift of the Eastbay Gardeners Association, an Issei-Nisei group.

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Howard K. Renge Running for Judgeship

FOWLER NISEI INTENDS TO RUN FOR JUDGESHIP

FOWLER. — Attorney Howard K. Renge, has announced he will seek a bench on the Justice Court in Fowler Judicial District, in the coming June 3 elections. He will be the first Nisei in California to campaign in election for a judicial post. Judge Aiso of the Los Angeles was appointed by the Governor.

Many of the town businessmen have endorsed Renge. He was the Fowler JACL president in 1954, former vice-president of the Fowler Chamber of Commerce, presently a scout committeeman and ex-scoutmaster here and is a member of the Japanese Congregational Church in Fresno.

A member of the State Bar Association, Renge opened his practice here in 1953 and is entitled to practice before Federal District and appellate courts.

A native of Fowler, he attended Iowa Elementary School and Fowler High School. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of California in 1941 and his Bachelor of Laws degree from the School of Law at Fordham University in New York.

A veteran of World War II, he took basic training at Camp Wheeler, Ga., and was sent to the Japanese Language School at Fort Snelling, Minn. He served in Japan attached to General Headquarters, Supreme Allied Command for Allied Powers, Legal Section. While serving in this capacity, he assisted the prosecution in the Tojo War Crimes Trial. He was one of a selected few classified personnel allowed to enter Sugamo and Omori prisons to interview those charged with war crimes.

He is married and has one child. At Fresno WCC Assembly Center, he was associate editor of the "Grapevine" and instructor at Denison High in Jerome Relocation center.

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SAN DIEGO. — Mrs. Sayoko Tomiyama was re-elected president of the San Diego Jr. Matrons for 1958.

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# Washington

NEWSLETTER

BY MIKE MASAOKA

## Japanese Textile Imports

Washington, D.C.

**FOR THE PAST** several years, Japanese imports into this country have been denounced as threatening serious injury to domestic industries. Textile imports especially have been singled out as the prime example of Japan's "predatory" trade practices.

**DURING HEARINGS** before the House Ways and Means Committee on legislation to extend the Reciprocal Trade Agreements Act, these allegations against Japanese imports in general and textiles in particular have been voiced repeatedly by those who oppose continuance of the international trade policies that have guided our nation for the past quarter century, as sufficient reason for denying the requested extension or emasculating it with amendments to render it ineffective as an instrument to encourage liberal trade relations between nations of the Free World.

**WHETHER ONE IS** for or against the Reciprocal Trade Program, as Americans one ought to know the facts in relation to Japanese textile imports. As Nisei Americans, this is particularly true inasmuch as we ought to be able to provide the truth to those who may ask regarding them.

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**TOO OFTEN**, Japanese textile imports are used as a convenient, dramatic, and emotional "scapegoat" for all the ills of the domestic textile industry.

**THE FACT OF** the matter is that all Japanese cotton textile imports, for example, total less than two per cent of the total cotton textile production in this country. Moreover, since the current tariff schedules are so high as to effectively bar the importation of all except a few textile items, to blame this small trickle of imports for the troubles of one of the giant United States industries is rather unbecoming our traditions of fair play.

**THE DOMESTIC** textile industry historically is a "weak sister" in our economy. Competition from synthetics and man-made fibers, from mills in the Deep South displacing those in New England, liquidations for tax purposes as well as mergers for efficiency are among the actual explanations for the continuing plight of the American industry. Even if all Japanese imports were prohibited, these economic factors would not be effected.

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**IF JAPANESE TEXTILE** imports were such a threat to this country, how does one explain that since the end of the war only six textiles have been referred to the Tariff Commission by the domestic industry for relief under the so-called "escape clause" procedures that provide increased tariffs or quotas if an industry is "seriously injured" or faces such a threat.

**THE SIX ARE** gingham, velveteens, pillowcases, blouses, wool knit gloves, and Toyo cloth hats—not a formidable list to challenge an industry producing tens of thousands of items.

**AND OF THIS** six, all except velveteens were dismissed or rejected by the Tariff Commission or withdrawn by the domestic industry. In the case of velveteens, the President declined to act because of Japan's voluntary export control program.

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**AS IS WELL KNOWN**, in 1956 and again in 1957—this time for a five year period—at great sacrifice and hardship to her own industry, Japan imposed what has come to be known as the voluntary quota program to limit and control textile exports to the United States.

**THE OVERALL** quota was set for 235 million square yards of cotton textiles annually, considerably less than Japan's post-war high in exports to this nation. This overall limitation was broken down into five major groups or categories.

**SINCE THIS QUOTA** represented a substantial reduction in her previous exports, it is reasonable to expect that Japan would be able to fill her category and overall ceilings without difficulty. Yet, the first year record, based upon bills of lading, reveal that Japan was unable to fulfill her overall quota by about nine per cent, or by more than 20 million square yards.

**THE EXPLANATIONS** are that in reality Japan can send in only a relatively few textile items into this market that can compete with domestic output and that the category breakdowns, which were arrived at in negotiations with our State and Commerce Departments, do not reflect accurately the articles that Japan can successfully export to the United States.

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**THE LOW WAGE** argument is historic, yet if wages were either the sole or primary criterion for imports into the United States, how does one account for the fact that India, Hong Kong, Mexico, and other countries with lower wages does not export as much as does Japan. Also, how does one explain that the United States exports twice as much cotton textiles annually as the total of all Japanese imports into this country, and that in many third markets the United States outsells Japan in cotton textiles.

**WAGES ARE LOW** in Japan, but wages paid to the cotton export workers are the highest of all Japanese industries. With their fringe benefits, it is acknowledged that in terms of their economy the Japanese cotton textile worker is far "better off" than is his American counterpart whose wages are among the lowest here. In other words, this Japan labor is not exploited, nor is it "cheap" or "coolie".

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**ANY HONEST** evaluation should take into consideration that in cotton year 1956-7 Japan purchased almost two million bales of raw cotton from the United States—equal to the total output of South Carolina, North Carolina, Alabama, and Georgia. In return, she exported less than one-tenth of her raw cotton purchases in the form of textile products.



'Fill 'er Up!'

## Calendar of events for 1958 aimed at all age categories spells WLA 'service'

A complete calendar of events for West Los Angeles JACLers was announced in its recent chapter newsletter distributed to Nisei in its area as a prelude to the concerted membership drive now underway with chairman Joe Sase, 2nd v.p., in charge.

What transpired in February was noted in the Feb. 28 PC when it reported on its installation dinner-dance held jointly with the Venice-Culver JACL and formation of the first Auxiliary unit in the PSWDC.

The chapter will hold its first general membership meeting next Tuesday, Mar. 11, at the West Los Angeles Buddhist Church while the Auxiliary will hold its organizational meeting Mar. 17 at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Kiyoshi Sonoda.

The general meeting will feature a talk and movies on "Present Day Japan", film from the Japan Air Lines library. Applications for the deep-sea fishing trip for youngsters under 16 years of age will be made available on a first come-first serve basis with Richard Jeniye as events chairman. The trip is limited to the first 80 boys and 10 adult volunteers and is scheduled for the Easter vacation period.

Owner of the fishing boat Gentleman is donating this service. The boat leaves the Paradise Cove landing with skipper Jack Ward.

### Teen Age Program

Details will be announced for the teen-age social in April with Dr. Kiyoshi Sonoda in charge. The chapter will also sponsor three or four delegates to the Hi-Co Conference to be held Apr. 12-13 at the Pacific Palisades Presbyterian Conference Grounds. Applications from interested high school seniors and juniors are being solicited, it was added by Dr. Milton Inouye, chapter president.

An Issei appreciation night with Robert Iwamoto in charge is planned for May.

The teen-age social in June will honor graduates and the person with the best all-around record will be honored with a chapter plaque of recognition. Aki Ohno is chairman of the West L.A. JACL carnival set for June 28-29.

July-August are reserved for the pre-convention rally and national JACL convention at Salt Lake City, respectively.

### Pre-Election Affair

Regular meetings resume in September with politics as the chief topic in view of the November general elections. Frank Kishi, past president, will be in charge. A back-to-school party is also set.

Adult volunteers will be sought in October to accompany youth under 12 to the Los Angeles Rams football games on Sundays. Aki Niwa and Yosh Shimazu are to be in charge. The chapter will participate in the West L.A. Playground Hallowe'en carnival with Nobo Ikuta as chairman.

A nominations meeting scheduled in November will be chaired by Rose Honda. And a Christmas party is planned in December. And winding up the year will the installation dinner-dance for the 1959 cabinet on Jan. 17. Hobi Fujiu will be in charge.

With service to all age-groups as the by-word of the chapter, West Los Angeles JACL has attempted to meet the challenge one way or the other with its schedule of events.

### Membership Plea

"If you have not already received a knock on your door, you will be hearing from one of the chapter members soon," declared Dr. Inouye in the chapter newsletter. "While these people unselfishly give their time to canvass their given area for membership, many of us have a tendency to sit back and ask: What can JACL do for me?" Answers were partially indicated in the newsletter.

Also recalled were the past achievements of JACL—the alien land law fights, evacuation claims, etc.—but a stern caution for the future was made. "No one knows what to expect, but would it not be wise for a minority group likes our to have a strong JACL to be our watchdog for the future that may be detrimental to us?"

### 10-year Red Cross service pin awarded

BERKELEY.—David Yamakawa, Jr., of San Francisco was awarded a 10-year service pin last week by the American Red Cross chapter here. A senior at the Univ. of California and only 21 years old, he has been active since junior high school days. Upon graduation from Mission High School, he was chosen for the Pvt. Ben Frank Masaoka Memorial Scholarship, which is administered by National JACL.

### HIROSHI MIYAMURA VISITING LOS ANGELES

Hiroshi Miyamura and family of Gallup, N.M., are visiting Los Angeles this week, staying with his sister here. The famed Medal of Honor awardee has expressed an interest in staying in the Southland permanently.

## Justice Dept. lists 33 claimants for February awards

(JACL News Service)

WASHINGTON. — The Japanese Claims Section of the Dept. of Justice has awarded \$119,279.99 in the first three weeks of February to 33 claimants, the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League and the Committee on Japanese American Evacuation Claims was informed by the Attorney General.

It was understood that the reason for announcing these awards made up to February 21 was in order that they might be included in the next supplementary appropriations request to be sent to the Congress soon by the Bureau of the Budget and the Treasury Department. Usually, the Justice Department announces lists of awardees on a monthly basis.

The largest of the awards was for \$17,068.56 to a resident in Culver City, Calif. The smallest was for \$107.77 to an evacuee relocated to Idaho Falls, Idaho.

The 33 awardees reside in California, Oregon, Washington, New York, and Idaho.

Two non-profit organizations were on the list of those receiving awards last month. They were the Japanese Presbyterian Church of Seattle, Washington, and the Central Japanese Association of America of Los Angeles.

(This is the final installment of names of evacuee claimants who received their awards last year. Claimants who were authorized awards but not included on the list may write to the Washington JACL Office, 1217 Hurley-Wright Bldg., 18th and Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington 6, D.C., and request that their status be investigated.)

### November Awards

November awards are James H. Koyano; Karl Hakaru Taku; Tsugio Soga; Jack Niroku Shimonishi; Thomas Shimonishi; Tony Tomeo Shimonishi; Petaluma Showa Gakuen; Sadanosuke Kitayama, New Olympic Hotel Co. Minoru Takeuchi, trustee of Rafu Daishi Gakuen; Robert S. Hiratsuka; Toshiro Nabeta; James Masaru Imahara; Wataru Arakawa; Kazuji Tanikawa; Kazuo Tanikawa; Rinzi Manaka, Nihiko Yano; Chusuke Iha; Koho Nakamura; Roy Amimoto; Vincent Uyeda; Yoji Uyeda; Yaoko Uyeda;

Frank Ginzuke Yoshikawa; Yoshito Sera; Shigeki Matsumoto; Fred K. Nakagawa; Fred K. Nakagawa as administrator of the estate of Percy T. Nakagawa; Roy Y. Nakagawa; Rev. Tetsuei Katoda; Haruyo H. Ohara Masuda; Ikuta Higashiyama; Asayo Toyota, May Sono, Administratrix of estate of Frank Toyota; William T. and Toshiye Hiura; Zenshuji Soto Mission; Tomi Funabashi; Yoichi Funabashi; George T. Aratani; Kumazo Akiyama; Otto Yamaoka; Hatsuno Shintani; Suna Kinoshita; Kura Mafune; Katsuji Kushida; M. R. Kawachi; John Haruji Sato; Hongwanji Buddhist Church; Hiyakumatsu Kadoyama; Tetsuo Ted

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## CALENDAR

Mar. 8 (Saturday)  
Watsonville — Installation dinner-dance, Resetar Hotel, 6 p.m.  
Seattle — JACL Bowling Award dinner-dance, Olympic Hotel, Royal Brougham, spk.  
Mar. 8 (Saturday)  
Fresno — Welcome Party, Fresno Congregational Church.  
San Francisco — Membership Mixer.  
Orange County — JAY's dance, Downey Women's Clubhouse.  
Fireman's Hall.  
Long Beach — Installation dance.  
Mar. 10 (Monday)  
Fresno — Picnic Comm. meeting, Fresno Methodist Church.  
Mar. 11 (Tuesday)  
West Los Angeles — General meeting, Buddhist Temple.  
Reedley — General meeting (every 2nd Tuesday).  
Mar. 12 (Wednesday)  
San Mateo — Bridge class, Turnbull School Auditorium, 7 p.m.  
Mar. 13 (Thursday)  
Parlier — General meeting (every 2nd Thursday).  
Mar. 15 (Saturday)  
San Francisco — "Caribbean Holiday" Auxiliary dance, Booker T. Washington Center, 9:30 p.m.  
Cortez — Snow outing.  
Mar. 16 (Sunday)  
Chicago — Orientation Series, Olivet Institute; Harold Gordon, chmn.