

Is the \$1 subscription possible for PC?

(An Editorial)

Recommendation that the JACL national membership dues be raised \$1 a year to apply for subscription to the Pacific Citizen, the organization's official publication, was discussed and approved at the recent meeting of the Pacific Southwest District Council. This resolution will come before delegates at the forthcoming National JACL Convention in Salt Lake City.

It now becomes incumbent for the Pacific Citizen Board to render its views on this proposal so that JACL members can consider the matter and instruct their delegates accordingly.

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The PC Board, in determining costs on the "PC with membership" proposal, has seriously studied the possibility of providing the publication at a minimum cost to JACLers — fully aware that a well-informed membership is beneficial. Our annual income from subscription averages \$13,000. Of this, 80 percent comes from the JACLer who pays \$3 a year and from National Headquarters, which pays \$2.40 for each 1000 Club member. It means that \$10,400 of the subscription revenue is derived from the membership at the present time.

While space here demands that this be oversimplified, the PC Board has concluded that if the \$1 rate is instituted, it means an immediate loss of two-thirds income or close to \$7,000. It further estimated that if the \$1.50 rate, which has been recommended by the PC Board as a minimum cost to augment "PC with membership" and made known generally to JACL officials, the PC still stands to lose 50 cents and if the expected increase should be 5,000 members, the loss amounts to \$2,500 in addition to the abovementioned \$7,000.

The PC operates without National JACL subsidy at the present time. It is operating on the borderline, however, losing some years and making up on others. Thus, the combined operations may present an annual \$10,000 deficit, if the \$1 rate is asked.

All these factors were discussed at meeting by the PC Board with PSWDC "PC with membership" committeemen beforehand. Proponents of the \$1 rate were present and participated in the discussion, pointing out that a well-informed membership was worth the price and that National should finance the difference. Their hope that increase advertising would make up the difference was too optimistic a view for the PC Board to concede. And were all the commissions (about \$3,000 a year) paid to chapters were returned to the PC, a deficit still remains.

However, if the National Council is willing to underwrite whatever deficit the Pacific Citizen incurs, an assessment quota should provide for this contingency up to \$10,000 a year or two years. This amount may not be necessary, but since the National Council meets biennially, provision should be made for the anticipated loss.

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It is difficult to understand how anyone would recommend a program which is earmarked for a loss. If what the PC Board regards as an impossible situation is asked, the National Council should not expect it to perform a miracle. The responsibility must be shouldered by those who agree to such a policy.

A well-informed membership is necessary; however, the facts must be faced. The PC cannot operate each week at the \$1 rate. If it is desirable that every member be informed about JACL activities, some have suggested a monthly summary be made available at a nominal cost to the membership, thereby avoid the stress jeopardizing the finances of the Pacific Citizen or raise the chapter quotas. Whatever the alternative, if any change is to be made, they should be for improvement. The PSWDC recommendation appears un-

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Washington JACL office problems, pressures mooted

SEBASTOPOL.—A detailed report on the problems and pressures faced by the Washington JACL Office from many sources seeking to determine the attitude of the Nisei in this country was given Sunday at the Northern California-Western Nevada JACL District Council meeting here.

Mike Masaoka, the league's representative at the nation's capital, made a special flying trip to the West Coast to present his report at this second quarterly meeting of the group.

He pointed out that the JACL is now faced with the question of whether to expand its program by expressing opinions on matters dealing with international relations, especially between the United States and Japan.

Pressure Increasing

"The pressure has been especially heavy during the past two years," Masaoka declared.

He said that in line with the national policy of the JACL, stated in a policy statement on international relations, the Washington office has avoided taking a stand on such questions.

The policy adopted at a national convention several years ago and reaffirmed at each subsequent biennial convention recognizes the importance of better relations between the U.S. and Japan, but restricts the JACL from participating actively in matters dealing with international relations of this country.

With the JACL now recognized as the only representative organization of Japanese Americans, Masaoka and his staff are bombarded with questions on how the league stands on many matters of American relations with Japan.

Japan Knowledge Sparse

"We admit that we know little of Japan and only a little more about Japanese relations, but congressmen, government officials and representatives of other organizations think we know," Masaoka said. "And maybe we should," he added.

"The question now is should we change our policy now or maintain our hands-off stand," he de-

clared.

He pointed out that those favoring the retention of restrictive rules remind us that this policy before the war helped us win recognition as an "American" organization because our "hands were clean."

'Need Washington Office'

Masaoka said he believes firmly that there is a need for maintenance of a JACL office in Washington, D.C.

In 1952 when the major JACL legislative program was completed with the successful passage of the Walter-MacCarran immigration and nationality act, Masaoka resigned as full-time JACL representative there.

Since then he has been retained on a part-time basis.

He urged that all chapters discuss this question thoroughly so that the best solution can be reached at the National JACL convention in Salt Lake City this coming August.

"To make Japan understand the United States and the United States understand Japan is a definite contribution which the Nisei can make to America, but it involves risks," Masaoka declared, and added, "Are we, the JACL, prepared to take this risk?"

Yoshimura Nominated

In the regular district council business meeting, 22 of the 25 chapters were present. They reported a current membership total of 4,740 signed up in the district as compared to 5,497 of last year. NC-WNDC's chairman Akiji Yoshimura's name was placed in nomination by the district council for the office of National 1st Vice President.

A check of the chapters also indicated interest in the JACL Convention oratorical-essay contests. Several possibilities were mentioned by delegates who have until June 16 to submit their names. If there are more than six speakers, special area runoffs will be scheduled, it was added.

The NC-WNDC perpetual trophy for the San Francisco JACL Olympics will be presented to any JA-

CL-sponsored team, regardless of origin, it was announced. Heretofore, the award went to the district team aggregating the most points in the track meet to be held at San Francisco's Kezar stadium this coming Sunday.

The DC also commended members of the 15 Palo Alto area churches who placed an ad in a Palo Alto newspaper favoring non-discrimination in housing.

JACL CONVENTION PACKAGE DEAL AT \$20 READY

SALT LAKE CITY. — Maurea Terashima, registration chairman for the 15th Biennial National Convention, announced this past week that the advance registration package deal is now ready and all chapters have been sent the necessary information. The package deal will be \$20 and the total savings amount to \$10, it was stated. Basic registration fee is \$2.50.

As an added inducement for convention delegates to register early, the chairman stated that a chance on a grand door prize will be given with each advance registration.

Registration forms may be obtained through each chapter president and when filled out, can be mailed to Maurea Terashima, 38 South Fourth East, Salt Lake City 11, Utah. For those living outside the chapter areas, they may write direct to the registration chairman.

Assisting Miss Terashima on the central committee are Chiyo Morita, Dottie Mukai and Jane Imamura.

\$1/2-million claims awards for April set

(JACL News Service)

WASHINGTON. — The Japanese Claims Section awarded 99 evacuees \$526,141.51 in evacuation claims in April, the Justice Department informed the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League and the Committee on Japanese American Evacuation Claims.

The largest award was for \$65,000 and the smallest for \$75, to evacuees residing in Los Angeles and Dearborn, Michigan, respectively.

Organizations given awards were the Niland Farmers Association of Monrovia, California; Japanese Association of Walnut Grove, California, and the Tacoma (Washington) Japanese American Citizens League chapter.

April awardees are residents of California, Oregon, Colorado, Illinois, Washington, Pennsylvania, New York, Arizona, Ohio, Utah, New Jersey, Wisconsin, and the Territory of Hawaii.

Theology prof honored

CHICAGO. — Dr. Mitsuo Kitagawa, associate professor of theology at the Univ. of Chicago, was one of nine naturalized citizens honored by Adlai Stevenson in honor of the 50th anniversary of the founding of an organization for the protection of foreign born. The nine honored included men of the education, banking, architecture and legal fields.

TV show helps Momita flagpole fund scale top

"This Is Your Life", one of TV's most popular programs hosted by Ralph Edwards, featured for the third time in its long series a person of Japanese ancestry.

Harry T. Momita, Calipatria druggist who gained national fame shortly after a tragic auto accident which took the life of his wife and injured him seriously, was the honored guest of the show last Wednesday.

Only last year, JACL's Washington representative Mike Masaoka was similarly honored.

Momita, whose heartwarming story stirred America with syndicated stories and newsreel films, was brought to NBC studios in Burbank by Mayor Ed Rademacher of Calipatria on the pretense of visiting one of the NBC executives. Momita was unaware of the real purpose of the visit, which is the usual case with "This Is Your Life" honorees, until he was met in the lobby by Edwards and informed, "Harry Momita, this is your life!"

Surprise Registered

The greying Momita, still hobbling on a cane from the accident

of a few months ago, showed genuine surprise but after gaining his composure, carried on in a style befitting the most polished TV performer.

Many guests out of Momita's life paraded in front of the cameras including his two daughters, his son Milton, friends and neighbors.

The story of the memorial flagpole fund was retold by Edwards and at the conclusion of the program, the sponsors of the show donated a \$1,000 check to put the fund over the top.

For Momita, the program presented him with a color TV set and a new Edsel station wagon.

The audience was sprinkled liberally with Issei and Nisei faces. They had been informed early in the day of Momita's appearance. None gave away the secret of the honored guest.

It was truly a heart-rendering show. As Edwards stated after the program to the "live" audience, "We hope that this program will help make the people of America aware of what makes this country what it is today."

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From the Frying Pan

By Bill Hosokawa

Denver, Colo

STOCKS AND REAL ESTATE — George Inagaki of Los Angeles, one of JACL's elder statesmen, was in town last week looking appropriately prosperous as benefits one of Financial Industrial Fund's top salesmen. (FIF is a Denver-headquartered mutual fund and Inagaki was one of its representatives honored with a trip to the home office for an outstanding sales record.)

On his last night here, Tak Terasaki had some of us over to meet with George and debate the hazards of trying to fill an inside straight. It was generally agreed that the odds are against such a probability, although Min Yasui, attorney at law, demonstrated to the financial discomfiture of several that it is possible to come up with a natural flush in a game of five-card stud.

Inagaki noted that in spite of the recession a good many Southern California Issei and Nisei are investing in mutual fund shares, but real estate is still a popular buy. Reason, of course, is families. Nisei wives, like all American wives, hanker for a place of their own and pretty soon the couple has a house and a mortgage. A few years later, when the mortgage has been whittled down a bit, the urge comes for a better house. And so they sell their first home and are in the market for a roomier place in a nicer district.

Pattern's the same here in Denver among Nisei households. Among households all over the US of A, matter of fact.

HORROR AT THE ZOO — Among the small fry of our neighborhood, nothing of recent weeks made as much impression as the tragic story out of Washington wherein a small girl was clawed to death when she ventured too close to a pair of caged lions. The story was repeated in tones of delicious horror many times as otherwise nice little girls met and chattered.

Odd thing about their fascination is that today's children are quite casual about such matters as being blasted to death by a ray gun, or being mangled into oblivion in an automobile collision. I suppose that back in the pre-automobile days, out on the frontier when wild beasts were a normal hazard, stories of children being slain by lions and such were quite routine. And when a youngster was done away by a horseless carriage, the news was circulated in hushed and excited tones.

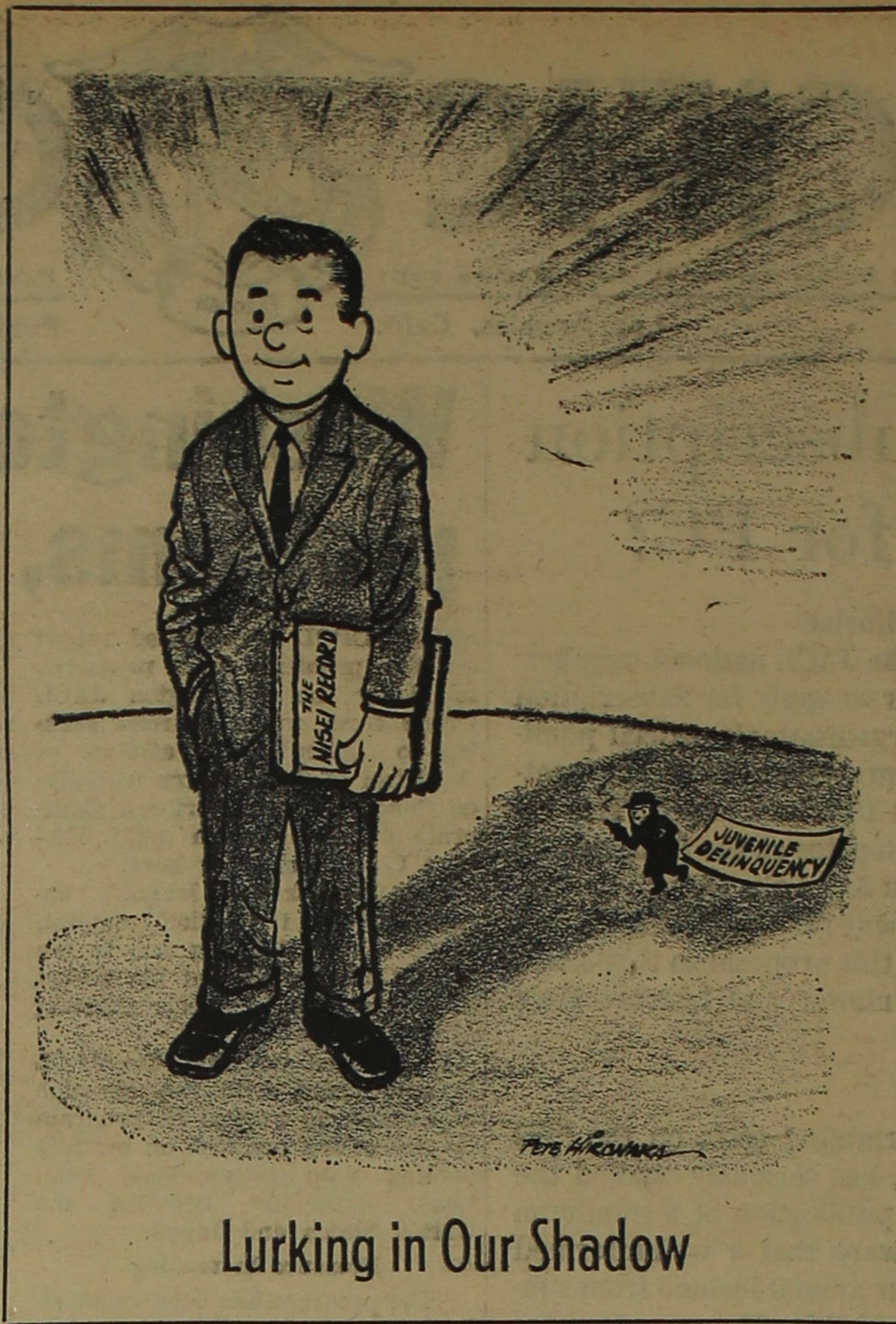
All depends what you're used to, I guess.

EAST WIND SIX — While on the subject of cars, I see by a Hong Kong dispatch that Communist China has produced its first automobile, a streamlined six-seater sedan named "East Wind." (Why anyone would need a streamlined car, allegedly able to make 80 miles per hour on the kind of roads China has, is a good question.)

As if in answer to the "dollar grin" featured by Detroit products, the Red Chinese car is reported to have a dragon emblem decorating the grill. And instead of a fishtail or fins the headlights and rear lights are designed in the form of Chinese lanterns.

The news dispatch doesn't explain what the automobile is called in China outside of the translation, "East Wind." Now the word "east" can be pronounced "To" as in Tokyo which literally is Eastern Capital. And "wind" is "Fu," as in taifu or big wind, a word which has been corrupted into "typhoon" in the English language. Using these pronunciations, East Wind becomes Tofu, which is also the word for soy bean curd.

Which recalls to mind that Henry Ford used to talk about making cars out of plastic-like material to be manufactured from the versatile soybean, one of the chief products of North China. And so the cycle is completed.



Lurking in Our Shadow



15th Biennial Underlines

BY RUPERT HACHIYA

Chairman, National JACL Convention Board
 Salt Lake City left before Convention!

SAUND ELATION

There is noticeable increase in the smiles of the convention board members this week. This happy feeling mirrored their feelings about obtaining Congressman D.S. Saund of California to be the featured speaker for the Recognition Banquet.

This man who holds a unique and distinctive place in our current American scene is a natural for our convention. With JACL on the threshold of tackling the question of its role in international relations, Congressman Saund with his Asian background, we feel, is the ideal person to highlight our convention.

Many thanks to Mike, our Washington Representative, for getting this speaker for us.

BUSY AS BEES

Dropped in at the Japanese Church of Christ Social Hall last Tuesday where Sue Kaneko, Elna Miya, Miki Yano, Josie Hachiya, Maurea Terashima, Amy Doi, Marge Nishikawa, Shiz Sakai, Rae Fujimoto, Tomoko Yano, Alice Kasai, Hatsuko Yoshimoto, being assisted by President Ichiro Doi and George Yoshimoto, were busy making beehives. We usually see the gals all dressed up so it was a refreshing change to see them in working clothes, slapping paste around - hammering, cutting rope, —plus the usual interesting lines of gossip. You'll note some of the fellows got into the act. Don't know if they're going to be invited back after their work was inspected — and much had to be redone!

PRE-REGISTRATION

Maurea Terashima, registration chairman, reports that Package Deal information was mailed this week. A lot of fun, excitement, good eating, dancing—has been packaged into this bargain price of \$20. A lot of first day confusion can be eliminated with pre-registration — so be sure to make Maurea happy by flooding her mail box right away. Remember, there're only 13 more weeks

GOLF COURSE PICKED

Chairman Jeri Tsuyuki reports that the Meadowbrook and Bonneville municipal golf courses have been selected for the National Golf Tournament. His Tournament Committee members are: Awards —Dr. Jun Kurumada; Handicap—Kay Terashima; Rules U.S.G.A.—Bill Mizuno; Scores—Ken Takeno and Fumio Kasai.

DO YOU FISH?

Those who like to trout fish, don't forget to bring along your rods. The Sunday outing set at Brighton has Silver Lake on the canyon floor and numerous other lakes can be reached by riding the ski lift. Fisherman Henry Kasai is working on having the Utah Fish and Game Dept. plant a truck load of trouts especially for the convention fishing. There is nothing more delicious than eating mountain trout outdoors right after catching them.

Dayton CL names chairmen for oratorical-essay fest

DAYTON. — The Dayton JACL chapter announced that the MDC Oratorical and Essay contests will be held in Cleveland over the Memorial Day Weekend. Co-chairmen of the affair are Mas Yamasaki and Dr. James Taguchi. First place winner will receive an all-expense trip to the National JACL Convention and a perpetual trophy will be given to the chapter winning three times. The trophy is being donated by Frank Sakada, 1000 Clubber and partner of Dorothy Lane Market in Dayton, in memory of his brother, Dr. Randolph Masao Sakada.

NISEI GETS COMMERCIAL FLIGHT ENGINEER LICENSE

SEATTLE. — Frank Tsuboi of Minneapolis, one of the few Nisei in commercial airlines field, received his flight engineer's license recently.

Tsuboi has been with Northwest Air Lines the last nine years.

PC Letter Box

LINE OF APPRECIATION

Editor: — My copy of the Pacific Citizen always contains at least one article and oftener more to which I think will surely respond by sending you a line of appreciation; yet somehow I never do. But this spring morning—summer is not quite here in New York—before my family or the neighbors are stirring, I would send you a kind of blanket acknowledgement of the pleasure and the inspiration which the publication which you edit brings me.

I cannot, as I would like in this letter and the time I have before leaving home on a field trip, single out the features and individual writers on your staff whom I would like to thank. It was Bill Hosokawa, Larry Tajiri and Mike Masaoka who really established me as a regular PC reader, but now I never fail to enjoy other special correspondents—and I feel almost personally acquainted with every regular columnist. And I never finish my paper without reading Mas Satow's report, if there is one in the issue (he writes every other week—Ed.), and any message from our officers—and I say "our" because I am a member of the New York chapter—and your own editorials. I do, at times, get behind in my reading, but usually on occasions, I always find a way to catch up.

Holiday Issue Suggestion

If you ever wonder why PC holds such an interest for me when pressure has crowded out most of my daily newspaper and other reading, I can only explain that it is partly because of the human quality of the reporting, and the fact of which I wish most of my fellow citizens were conscious, that PC is a unique and effective recorder of a segment of American history which is as fascinating as it is gratifying to me as a citizen. As I see it, our people of Japanese ancestry are writing a very special chapter in the history of our country which is marked by the utilization of the tools of democracy to advance their interests and not quite matched by any other group. It is this continuous thought that leads me to suggest for the next Holiday Issue, or if not the 1958 then the '59 issue.

Aside from the deep interest, or better said, concern, which I happen to feel for this group of Japanese ancestry, I am continually aware of the great value of our paper as a source of information and inspiration for the future scholars and especially the historians of American life and culture; and so I am thinking that in addition to what is being recorded so well as we go along, we should reach back occasionally, as we might in special issues, and pull together what we can, while we can, of the stories of the Issei. I am wondering if this subject would not be good for at least one Holiday Issue. I am not forgetting what has already been done in former numbers, but there is no danger of overdoing it, especially when we think of its contribution to history.

Archives Proposed

One aspect of this subject which I would like to see recorded and the sooner the better—would be the preparation of our Issei for citizenship. If we had not got these stories for PC, we should have them for our "archives"—if we have archives (and if we haven't we should; however this we can discuss at another time). But many of these stories would, it seems to me, make first class reading in the PC. Incidentally, this is something I have wished very much to write about, but have not been able to do it; hence my desire to see it done in some way.

Many, perhaps every chapter, could send us the right kind of material on these final achievements to citizenship, and once we have it in hand, we could probably find ways to channel some of it into other American publica-

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Vagaries

By Larry S. Tajiri

AMERICA'S FIRST ISSEI CITIZEN

Shigeaki Oka, the publisher of a weekly newspaper called The America Shinbun in San Francisco, has come forward with a suggestion which has considerable merit. Oka has ascertained that it will be exactly 100 years next month (June 30, 1858) when the first person of Japanese ancestry was naturalized an American citizen. The man was Joseph Heco, the castaway from Japan who was to become a man of considerable importance in the affairs of his native Japan and his adopted United States.

Heco was 13 years of age in October, 1850 when he went with a party of 17 persons on a sailing trip from his home in Hyogo prefecture to Yedo, now Tokyo. On their return the ship sailing was wrecked at Enshunada. Heco was picked up by an American freighter, the Oakland, and taken to San Francisco. He was befriended by a wealthy San Franciscan, Beverly C. Sanders.

Heco, perhaps the second Japanese of record to come to live in the United States—the first was Manjiro, the fisher boy who was blown to sea and rescued by a passing American ship in 1841—was baptized a Catholic in 1854 and took the Christian name of "Joseph."

Four years later, at Sanders' suggestion, Heco was naturalized. He thus became the first American of Japanese ancestry. The fact of Heco's naturalization was verified by Attorney Minoru Yasui of Denver who checked with the United States District Court of the District of Maryland. "The record still exists in the possession of the court," Yasui reported, "and discloses that Judge William F. Giles was presiding at the hearing, and that Thomas Spicer was the clerk of the court at that time."

In his years in the United States, Heco had many adventures, not the least of which was being arrested in Baltimore in February, 1862 on suspicion of being a Confederate spy. In fact, the Union officials who held Heco suspected him of not only being a Rebel agent but a very particular one, a general who had been traced to nearby Alexandria.

Heco, then 25, was in Baltimore after having visited Secretary of State Seward in Washington and having obtained promised of a job as an interpreter in the American consulate in Kanagawa, Japan.

Upon his arrest friends of Heco came forth to post \$25,000 in bonds for his freedom, and the young Japanese was set free and was thus able to visit the White House to meet Abraham Lincoln. Heco, the only Japanese to meet Lincoln, recorded his experiences in his diary under the date of March 12, 1862:

"We (he was accompanied by Secretary Seward) entered the President's office and found him seated in an armchair tilted back on to its two hind legs, with his ankles crossed over each on the desk in front of him and his spectacles up on his forehead. . . ."

"Allow me to introduce my young friend, Mr. Heco, a Japanese gentleman," Secretary Seward said.

"The President stretched out a huge hand, saying he was glad to meet one coming from such a faroff place as Japan. He shook hands with me very cordially, and then he made a great many inquiries about the position of affairs in our country."

Later, Heco recorded his impression of Lincoln in his diary: "The President was tall, lean, with large hands, darkish hair streaked with grey, slight side-whiskers and clear shaved around the mouth. He was dressed in a black frock coat. It was said he was a most sincere and kind person, greatly beloved by all who came in contact with him, and more especially by his party and his friends."

Heco also noted that he found Lincoln greatly preoccupied with the problems of the Civil War.

Heco returned to Japan an American in 1863, ready to take his position as interpreter to the American consulate. He was aboard the U.S. warship Wyoming at Shimonoseki when Capt. McDougal ran amuck with deadly effect against the batteries and warships of the warring Choshu clan. He stayed in Japan to play a part in the nation's emergence from feudalism. He learned of the plots and intrigues which undermined the Tokugawa ruling clan and led to restoration of the Japanese emperor. Heco, the first Japanese American, remained in the service of the U.S. government as an interpreter in Japan for many years and met the great men of the era, Kido, Okubo, Ito and Inouye, who shaped the destiny of an old nation grown young and vigorous again.

ISSEI BACHELOR WILLS \$2,000 FOR SHONIEN SPECIAL WELFARE FUND

The Shonien Child Welfare Center acknowledged this past week a \$2,122.27 bequest from the estate of Jenkichi Sairyō of Los Angeles who passed away on Jan. 13, 1957, while on a visit to Osaka.

Sairyō, 68, was a long time Los Angeles resident and a member of the Los Angeles Holiness Church. A bachelor, he had no relatives in this country, and worked as a gardener until his retirement and went to Japan in 1956 for an extended visit.

It was revealed that the Shonien trustees were working on plans to use the bequest to establish a "special fund" which would not be used for current operating expenses but would be designated for use in meeting special community child welfare needs, long term program development, and special capital expenditures.

'Dateline Tokyo' sold to Paramount

"Dateline Tokyo", an independent film produced for Allied Artists release by Nacirema Productions, has been sold to Paramount with the major studio planning to release it this summer, the Daily Variety reported last week.

The film was produced by Marvin Segal and Norman Herman and stars Michi Kobi and Richard Long. Financial arrangements were made by Allied Artists but the producers had the option to sell the film if arrangements were acceptable to Allied Artists. It was reported that on the basis of this movie, co-scripted and co-produced by Segal and Herman, the team may move to a major lot to prepare another original script.

Semanticist refused club membership

SAN FRANCISCO. — Local columnist Herb Caen had an item about semanticist S. I. Hayakawa in his San Francisco Chronicle feature recently.

The San Francisco State professor and distinguished author of "Language in Action" "applied for membership in the Marin Rod and Gun club—he's an ardent fisherman—and was turned down last week because of his Japanese origin."

"'Not quite accurate,' points out Word Expert Hayakawa. I was born in Canada."

"Either way, boocans to the Moron Rod and Gunsels," Caen added.

Bussei summer seminar lecturing staff announced

FRESNO. — Seminar chairman of the Buddhist Churches of America, the Rev. Hogen Fujimoto, announced this past week that the summer seminar will be held at the Asilomar Conference Grounds in Pacific Grove on Aug. 9 and 10. The seminar will present a well-balanced curriculum of fundamental courses on Buddhism, special lectures and discussion groups.

The courses of study will be graduated to enable all those attending the seminar to choose the courses according to their level of understanding.

The lecture staff will consist of English speaking ministers who will leave their respective church duties temporarily to attend the seminar. The Rev. K. Kumata of San Jose will lecture on the Teachings of the Buddha; Rev. S. Tsunoda of Denver will lecture on the Mahayana Developments of Buddhism, Rev. T. Unno of Los Angeles will give a lecture on The Beginnings of Jodo Shinshu, Rev. A. Takemoto of Los Angeles will present a lecture on the Tannisho, Rev. M. Fujitani of Portland will speak on The Influence of Indian Philosophy on Buddhism and Rev. T. Hirata of Los Angeles will speak on The Advanced Problems of Jodo Shinshu.

'58 PVT. BEN FRANK MASAOKA SCHOLARSHIP NOMINATIONS OPEN

SAN FRANCISCO. — Nominations are now being received for the 1958 Pvt. Ben Frank Masaoka Memorial Scholarship, it was announced by JACL National Headquarters, which administers the scholarship.

Now in its thirteenth year, the scholarship is an outright grant of \$200 given by Mrs. Haruye Masaoka in memory of her son who was killed in action with the 442nd Combat Team.

The Scholarship is open to Japanese American high school graduates of this year who plan to continue their education this fall. Nomination must be through the JACL chapters, but a chapter may nominate only one candidate. The deadline for chapter nominations is June 15. Candidates will be sent official application forms upon receipt of their nomination at JACL National Headquarters.

Thomas Yoneda of Sonoma County, now attending Stanford University, was the recipient of the 1957 scholarship from among 24 highly recommended candidates.

Supplemental Awards

Because of the large number of outstanding nominees last year, National JACL awarded four supplemental scholarships to Elizabeth Okayama, Chicago; Willie Sugahiro, Snake River; Frances Sumida, Portland; and Grace Takahashi, Gresham-Troutdale, upon the recommendation of the schol-

arship judges. JACL National President Dr. Roy Nishikawa indicated that these supplemental National JACL scholarships would be given again this year.

Past recipients of the Pvt. Ben Frank Masaoka Memorial Scholarships include:

- 1946 — Harry Abe, New York, and Toshiaki Mimura, Chicago.
- 1947 — Kaz Oshiki, Nebraska.
- 1948 — Joseph Tanaka, St. Louis.
- 1949 — Grace Taketa, Washington, D.C.
- 1950 — Ken Tokiyama, East Los Angeles.
- 1951 — Cherry Tsutsumida, Arizona.
- 1952 — Curt Sugiyama, Detroit.
- 1953 — Hideo Akamatsu, Twin Cities
- 1954 — David Yamakawa, San Francisco.
- 1955 — Seiji Itahara, Chicago.
- 1956 — Ted Sakano, Snake River.

Teacher-to-be wins scholarship

STOCKTON. — Marsha Nakawatase, 17-year-old Edison high school senior, who was already named a zone winner in the Bank of America's Achievement Awards Program won a \$500 scholarship last week in competition with 62 other nominees from throughout the country and Alaska.

Marsha is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Nakawatase of 209 E. Fourth and is the second Stockton student to win the national contest.

The scholarship is designed to aid outstanding students realize their intention to become teachers, according to C.M. Thompson, local manager of the sponsoring company, Consolidated Freightways, Inc.

All-Around Gal

Top student in her class of 275, Marsha is active in student government and is senior class president. She is also active in the California Scholarship Federation, the Future Teachers Assoc., school paper, glee club, band, history club and Girls Athletic Assoc. She is a member of the Edison all-star basketball team, an avid tennis player and a member of the Calvary Presbyterian Church choir.

YASHIMA'S LATEST BOOK CITED BY COMMITTEE

The Award Committee of the 27th Juvenile Spring Festival of Books has announced that Taro Yashima's newest book, "Umbrella", was named an Honor Book of the Year. This prize was given to five story books and five picture books selected from the juvenile publications of the past year.

The award dinner will be held sometime in May and Mrs. Anise Duff, Juvenile Editor of Viking Publishing Co. will attend as Yashima's representative, as Yashima will be unable to be present.



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of the European or Pacific and the Korean Conflict

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POINTING Southwestward

By Fred Takata

SOMETHING NEW IN THE PSWDC — This past week we were honored to have the privilege of installing the new cabinet of the West Los Angeles JACL Women's Auxiliary at Brands Restaurant in Mar Vista. Delicious steaks headed the menu. We were quite shocked to find that we were the only male in the whole crowd, but we suddenly realized that we never had it so good. We were really amazed at how the ladies conducted their meeting after dinner. A recommendation is made by one of the members, then there is a discussion with everyone talking in and at the drop of the gavel the decision is made. Believe me gentlemen, we could certainly learn a great deal on how to accomplish something by attending these Auxiliary meetings.

Seriously speaking, this new auxiliary has a very fine program, and are already very active in the community. Besides helping their chapter with their program, the Auxiliary is a member of the Co-ordinating Council of the community, made up of various organizations, and have made many plans to improve the community. We know that this new group, with such enthusiastic members, will really set an example for other Chapters in the PSWDC, which are planning similar set ups in their own chapters.

The WLA Chapter has quite a unique situation with Mrs. Milton Inouye serving as their first Auxiliary president, and "hubby" Milton serving as Chapter president. We know they'll see eye to eye! The other newly elected officers are Mrs. Chuck Shishido, v.p.; Mrs. Kiyoshi Sonoda, rec. sec.; Miss Suki Uyeno, cor. sec.; Miss Yuki Sato, treas.; and Miss Barbara Nishi, hist.

We certainly want to thank the ladies for a real enjoyable evening, and a real historic one at that, since this was the first installation of an auxiliary in the PSWDC, and the very first time that we had dinner with 22 charming women at one time (Amen)

7TH ANNUAL NISEI RELAYS — Once again the Los Angeles JACL Co-ordinating Council is sponsoring the annual Nisei Relays to be held June 1 at the Rancho Cienega Stadium. Over one hundred boys are signed up with many more entries expected before meet time, which indicate that this will be the biggest relays held to date. Teams are expected to invade the Southland from the north, and should really add color to this annual event. We also feel with the calibre of boys entered this year, many long standing records will fall.

We certainly want to express our appreciation to the following airlines, which come through each year to help us out on this annual event. This year as in the past Northwest Airline, Pan American World Airways, and Japan Air Lines, have donated flight bags to be given to record breakers at this meet.

The Nisei Relays queen will be selected this weekend, with the queen and her court serving as official hostesses for the meet. We were quite delighted to be informed that we would be one of the judges, along with the Chapter presidents of the co-ordinating council. The co-ordinating council is made up of five of the local chapters, Downtown LA, Pasadena, East LA, Hollywood, and Southwest LA, and is open to any of the other Chapters in the PSWDC interested in participating in various community affairs.

This year the meet is being handled by two capable chairmen, Dr. Bob Watanabe and Arnold Hagiwara, who have been with the meet since it was first inaugurated back in 1952. We know that all of the local JACLers and friends will have a real bang-up time coming out and watching this thrilling meet.

BREEZING AROUND — Regional office secretary Blanche Shiosaki and Flo Wada of the Pasadena Chapter were speakers at a Career Day program at Fremont High School, sponsored by the local Urban League. They spoke on the opportunities and qualifications in the clerical field . . . Mike Suzuki, (Hollywood) will be guest speaker for the human relations class at the Whittier College on May 28 . . . By the time this column is printed, Harry Tak Momita (Imperial Valley) will have been the star of the May 21 "This is Your Life" program . . . At the recent ELA Chapter, Emerald Ball, Miki Tsuboi was introduced to the crowd of 700 attending the dance as their candidate for the Nisei Week Festival . . . We certainly want to thank Sue Embrey and George "Horse" Yoshinaga, for doing such a splendid job on the PC, while Harry was on his honeymoon . . . We want to express our deepest thanks to the Hi-Co Conference for the beautiful steel filing cabinet donated to our office . . . We hear that Danar Abe of the Hollywood Chapter is really nuts over listening to airplanes and choo choo trains . . . Seven charming gals will be dressed in kimonos for a charity affair this weekend, according to Roy Yamadera of ELA. The gals will be Matsumi Mitsunaga, Kiku Mitsunaga, Florence Wada, Miki Tsuboi, Sumi Takemura, Yaye Karasawa and Jeanne Inouye.

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realistic and dangerous. It would be better to forget about "PC with membership."

These views are expressed because the PC Board desires the chapters to consider this question seriously before the national convention. If those who propose the \$1 rate can justify their position, then the membership is entitled to know the other side — especially when a huge deficit (possibly \$10,000 a year) has been claimed.

HOLLYWOOD CHAPTER VOTES 'NO' ON JACL IN U.S. - JAPAN AFFAIRS

The Board of Governors of the Hollywood JACL chapter has voted against the JACL involving itself in the area of international relations between the United States and Japan.

It was the feeling of the group that there was still a big job for the JACL to carry out in terms of the general welfare of the Japanese Americans in the United States.

The members felt that there was still a question as to whether the JACL could make any meaningful contribution, even if desired, in the field of international relations.

1000 Clubbers

Art Ito, former chapter president, received the JACL's Special 1000 Club pin for his tenth year as a member.

The Hollywood chapter has a total of ten members who are 1000 Clubbers. They are Noboru Ishitani, fifth year; Danar Abe, Charles Kamayatsu, Miwa Yamamoto and Robert Kato, fourth year; Kenneth Sato, and Mike Suzuki; third year and Paul Kawakami and Hideo Izumo, first year.

Hollywood area young people who attended the Hi-Co Conference had a lot of fun from the reports received by those who attended. Allan Kumamoto was special delegate and others who attended were Pat Ishitani, John Shinno, Kazuko Sumi, Linda Kusudo, Naomi Sugimoto, Barbara Watanabe and Megumi Fukushima.

Spaghetti Dinner

The recent spaghetti dinner held by the Hollywood JACL was enjoyed by more than 50 persons. Bridge and games preceded the dinner. Films on Mexico and Japan were shown after dinner.

Those who assisted in the successful dinner and program were: Kay and Hide Izumo, Hiro Kunitake, Seiko Ishimaru, Matsie and Clark Harada, Miki Fukushima, Peggy Saito, Nami and Mike Suzuki, Mits Aiso, Grace and Nob Ishitani, Margaret Zumwinkle, Miwa Yamamoto, Nancy Kuwata, Terry Tsubota, Masa Shimizu, Fumi Hyosaka, Nobie Saito, June Toribuchi, Fumi Iwasaki and Charles Kamayatsu.

Sonoma County JACL bowling league ends winter season, awards dinner scheduled

SANTA ROSA. — The Diamond Meat Market bowling team, winner of the second half of the winter league, took three straight games to defeat Empire Eggs, winner of the first half in the playoffs for the championship of the local JACL winter league. Bowlers comprising the championship team included Greg Hamamoto, Henry Jeung, Frank Sunada and Mits Tsujihara. The Diamond Meat Market team won the local winter league championship previously in 1956.

Local league president Johnny Hirooka announced the high three game series was won by Mits Tsujihara with a 613 and the high individual game was won by Jack Otani with a 254. The most improved bowler award was won by Jim Miyano.

The winter league was composed of 8 teams with 35 bowlers.

The annual awards dinner has been set for the Green Mill Inn on June 4 at 7 p.m. Reservations for the dinner may be made with any of the bowling officials, it was stated.

New league officers elected for the 1958-59 season included: Kanemi Ono, pres; Jim Yokoyama, vice-pres; and Ed Ohki reelected secretary and treasurer.

Trojan alumnae scholarship to Nisei being offered

Applications for the Japanese Trojan Alumnae Scholarship are now available at the Univ. of Southern California, Room 328 in the Student Union.

Any student of Japanese ancestry now attending USC or will be attending in the fall is eligible to apply. These are the only requirements for application.

The completed forms of the application must be returned to the Scholarship Aid Office by July 15 deadline.

Further information may be obtained from Mrs. Scruggs at the Scholarship Aid Office, or Mrs. Helen Matsunaga, 1521 Fourth Ave., REpublic 5-8748.

Aquacade soloist

BERKELEY. — Tanako Hagiwara, a sophomore at the Univ. of California performed a solo number during the aquacade "Watercolors", which was put on last week by the U.C. Swim club.

Miss Hagiwara's solo was entitled "Mood Indigo". The program was held in the pool at the Hearst Gymnasium for women at U.C.

SANTA ROSA. — Bowling under Mills Patio, the Sonoma County JACL Bowling League women finished fourth in the Powder Puff Derby of the Santa Rosa City League. This is the first season that women members of the local group have competed in the city league. The same team has retained their third place standing in the third division of the WIBC tournament now in progress in San Francisco. Bowlers comprising the Mills Patio Team included Anne Ohki, Shiz Kawaoka, Beth Yamaoka, Mary Hamamoto and Suzy Hirooka.

FLORIN GRADUATES TO BE HONORED AT JACL DINNER

FLORIN. — The Florin JACL will honor graduates with a Dinner-Social on Friday, June 20, 7 p.m., at the "Lanai" Restaurant in Sacramento. Tak Saigo will be general chairman of the event.

Assisting Saigo will be Sam Kashiwagi, June Okamoto, Judy Gontan, Kae Nakamura and Hanna Yoshinaga. Music will be furnished by the Junior JACL.

Letter—

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tions. This is a longer letter than I intended, and I do not have time this early morning to make it more brief; for I must get out of bed for other things. But it does not call for acknowledgement or answer—it is just a suggestion, but an earnest one that has been on my mind for some time. It goes to you with my deep appreciation of the excellent contribution you, as editor, are making to my favorite family newspaper.

P.S.—I have just read in my May 15 PC of the visit we are to have with President Nishikawa and Director Mas Satow. I have cancelled a field trip to be present at this meeting. I did not know at the time that our president would also be here. It will be a fine event for our New York chapter.

ALLEN H. EATON

Crestwood, N.Y.
(Mr. Eaton is the well-known author of "Beauty Behind Barbed Wires", which sold out when it was first published in 1951, and again in 1955 when a second edition was printed. . . We personally feel in accord with Mr. Eaton's suggestion that the Issei Story is one that can never be overdone. And his ideas for the '58 Holiday Issue theme seem mighty inviting. —Editor.)



'1000' CLUB NOTES

SAN FRANCISCO. — Seventy-four new and renewal 1000 Club memberships were acknowledged at National JACL Headquarters for the first two weeks of May. It was recalled the highest monthly total was set in May, 1957, when 200 were signed. Prospects of surpassing the monthly high were hinted this past week.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Southwest L.A. — Mrs. Chiyo Tashima

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Downtown L.A. — George T. Aratani, Frank F. Chuman, Omaha — Robert Nakadoi.

NINTH YEAR

Chicago — Thomas T. Masuda, Hirao S. Sakurada, Gardena Valley — Kazuo Minami, Paul Shinoda, San Fernando — Sus Yokomizo.

EIGHTH YEAR

San Diego — Tsutomu H. Ikemura, Tulare County — Kenji Tashiro, Chicago — Dr. Newton K. Wesley.

SEVENTH YEAR

Omaha — Mrs. Masako Nakadoi.

SIXTH YEAR

Long Beach — Masao Narita.

FIFTH YEAR

Mile-Hi — Mits G. Kaneko, Seattle — Ray I. Kihara, Chicago — Dr. George J. Kittaka, Lincoln Shimidzu.

Stockton — Jack Matsumoto, Eden Township — Tetsuma Sakai, Cincinnati — Dr. H. James Takao.

FOURTH YEAR

Stockton — Yoichi Agari, George K. Baba, Shokichi Ishimaru, Sam M. Itaya, Kumakichi W. Kunimori, Mrs. Masuyue Tabuchi, Kazuo Ueda, Downtown L.A. — Annabelle H. Akita, San Francisco — Mary K. Hamamoto, Marysville — George H. Inouye, Chicago — Corky T. Kawasaki, Dr. Kenji Kushino, Shigeru Nakahira, Shigeo Yamada, Southwest L.A. — Dr. Shig Masuoka, Sam S. Miyashiro, Carl M. Tamaki, D.C. — Dr. Leo Nakayama (Brighton, Mass.).

THIRD YEAR

Chicago — Miki Hayano, Yoshitaka Tanaka.

San Diego — Henri Honda, Stockton — Frank Inamasu, Arizona — Ben Inoshita, Venice-Culver — Dr. Mitsuo Inouye, Long Beach — Tomizo Joe, Orange County — Jim S. Okura, New York — Murray Sprung, Downtown L.A. — Tom T. Tagami, Cincinnati — James M. Takeuchi, Tulare County — John E. Yamamoto, Berkeley — Mas Yonemura.

SECOND YEAR

New York — Toge Fujihira, Richard T. Hirai, Sakuo Iwasaki, George Shimoto.

Southwest L.A. — George Fujita, Tah Nomura.

Cincinnati — James H. Hashimoto, Chicago — Mike Hori, John E. Mertz, William T. Mitsuuchi, Charles Y. Yamazaki.

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FIRST YEAR

Long Beach — George Matsushita, Placer County — George Hirakawa, Dr. Kay Kashiwabara, Hiroshi Takemoto, Koichi Uyeno.

San Diego — Mike K. Iguchi, Chicago — Art Hayashi, Henry K. Okamura.

SOUTHWEST L.A. JACL TO SET OFF ANOTHER BANG AFTER 'FOURTH'

Another bang comes after the Fourth of July with Southwest L.A. JACL hosting the Pacific Southwest District pre-convention rally on Sunday, July 6, at the Los Angeles Police Revolver and Athletic Club, 1880 N. Boylston Ave. (in Chavez Ravine).

Festivities begin at 2 p.m. with a picnic, chaired by George Fujita, followed by a chuck wagon special geared for "chow hounds". PSW chapter delegates will convene for business at 10 a.m. Dancing will conclude the day.

The pre-convention rally precedes the 15th biennial to be held at Salt Lake City Aug. 22-25.

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Our three weeks vacation has come to a gentle stop and it's great to be back in harness till our next respite. Much has happened on the local front, but our column is to say "thanks" first to the kind friends in Chicago, Omaha and Salt Lake City where we chanced to meet with CLers.

In Salt Lake City, where convention chairman Rupert Hachiya is afraid to count the rapidly-fading number of weeks till JACL Convention time, it appears the convention board is not overlooking a single feature to make the Aug. 22-25 biennial a memorable one for those attending.

"Hospitality plus" is our way of describing the warmth and cordiality of these Intermountain folks have in store for conventioners this summer. It recalled the grim war years when JACL Headquarters, kicked out of San Francisco in 1942 by government edict in search of a temporary haven, decided upon the great Mormon capital, whose faith in Americanism was unshaken and greeted JACL to its wartime home.

We sat in a brief board meeting which outlined what needed to be done in the remaining 13 weeks. Chapter presidents can expect a flood of mail through June and July promoting the interesting sidelights. We hope contents are placed in chapter newsletters and presented, as well, at chapter functions — be they meetings, socials or picnics.

Meanwhile, \$20 package deal registration forms have been circulated. The deal represents a \$10 saving. The convention would appreciate as many early pre-registrations at this time; it gives them an idea of how many to expect and funds to handle the preparations.

We shall keep our readers advised on the convention in the making. Enthusiasm in Utah is already high. Now it's time to spread that fire across the land. As our national director Mas Satow stated, we also believe in having fun while working. Official delegates shall have their share, it seems, unlike previous biennials.

— Harry K. Honda.

**Sonoma County CL
pass previous year
membership mark**

SEBASTOPOL. — For the seventh consecutive year the Sonoma County JACL Chapter has succeeded in exceeding its previous year membership total with 297 members signed for 1958. From all indications this year's membership may surpass the 300 mark as one area is still unreported, stated Frank Oda, chapter president.

The successful membership campaign was conducted under direction of Greg Hamamoto, Riyuo Uyeda and Kanemi Ono. Assisting were the following members: George Kawaoka, Jim, Sam and George Miyano, Pat Shimizu, Tak Kameoka, Beth Yamaoka, Johnny Hirooka, John Arishita, Lloyd Ellis, Fred Yokoyama, Anne and Ed Ohki, Martin Shimizu, Harry Masuoka, Joe and Tom Furusho, Charlie Yamamoto, Yo Ono and Jim Murakami.

With the membership drive nearly completed plans for honoring the June graduates of this area will be made with Pat Shimizu and Beth Yamaoka in charge. Full details will be announced at a later date.

Distribution of tickets to members for the community picnic set for July 6 at Doran Park, Bodega Bay is also underway. Anne Ohki and George Hamamoto are in charge of the tickets.

**MENFOLK OF TULARE
AIM TO OUTFISH
YOUNGSTERS AT PICNIC**

VISALIA. — The menfolk who pride themselves as fishermen are vowing to do better at the second annual Tulare County JACL fishing outing at Sequoia Lake scheduled for Saturday, May 31, according to James Morioka, outing chairman.

Last year, a little girl caught the largest fish of the day to reap the grand prize. A family affair, prizes are again planned for both children and adults catching the biggest fish of the day.

The newly formed Tulare County Auxiliary will prepare the lunch and members were reminded to bring their own steaks for the evening barbecue. Hiro Mayeda will be chef.

**NINE ISSEI PIONEERS
FETED BY SONOMA JACL**

SEBASTOPOL. — With tabulation of the Issei survey completed, 101 Issei residing in Napa, Mendocino and Sonoma counties were honored at the NC-WNDC banquet last Sunday by the Sonoma County JACL Chapter.

Special recognition was tendered to the following Issei as being the eldest in this area. Suekichi Matsuda, 87, Petaluma; Saihachi Murakami, 85, Santa Rosa; Kisuoke Kai, 83, Santa Rosa; Ichitaro Shigematsu, 82, Sebastopol; Toyotaro Sueoka, 81, Petaluma; Kameju Kai, 80, Petaluma, and Mrs. Umeno Morita, 80, Sebastopol. In the category of early arrivals in Sonoma County, Waichi Matsumoto of Petaluma and Saikichi Fujihara of Sebastopol were also given special recognition. Both settled in Sonoma County in 1901.

Plaques were presented by Mike Masaoka. A tribute in Japanese was also rendered by NC-WNDC Chairman Aki Yoshimura. Entertainment for the banquet was provided by the San Jose Chidori band.

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**Thousand
Club Notes**

By Kenji Tashiro

900 THOUSANDERS FAIL TO RENEW

Orosi 1000 Club chairmen to take joint responsibility in seeing that a well planned and co-ordinated drive is carried out in their respective chapters during the next three months.

Although 1000 Club membership is voluntary and we realize an individual's economic position may change from time to time, it would seem that we are, figuratively speaking, missing the boat—not getting full return on the investment of our time and effort—if we do not earnestly strive to keep all of our Thousanders in good standing at all times after they have once joined and, in so doing, indicated their understanding and willingness to give this added financial support. So, this is forewarning to our delinquent Thousanders that an open season has been declared and they will be fair game between now and convention time.

As has been customary in the past, this year's Convention program booklet will again feature an honor roll of Thousanders in good standing. Deadline for this listing has been set as July 31. Heretofore, every time we have made a 1000 Club listing in the convention program booklet or the PC holiday issue, National Headquarters has received a number of letters from 1000 Club members calling to attention that their names were omitted, not realizing that we must of necessity have a cut-off date for practical considerations. Let this, therefore, serve as a reminder to our Thousanders whose memberships expire between now and July 31 that they must send in their renewals

It's later than you think! Only 13 more weeks until Convention. Time now to start getting the work schedule and finances in order to journey to Salt Lake City for the important date of August 22 - 25.

The rapid approach of the National Convention date has prompted us to review the 1000 Club record for the past year, inasmuch as we will be required to make a biennial report to the National Council. The examination of the records reveals some encouraging and perplexing signs. During the period of May 1, 1957, to May 1 of this year, a total of 249 new members enlisted their support in the 1000 Club. This is a notable increase, and it indicates that over-all our 1000 Club chairmen have been doing a pretty creditable job in recruiting new support. The perplexing thing, however, is that 119 Thousanders failed, for one reason or another, to renew their memberships during the same period. Moreover, what is more significant and of far greater concern to us is the fact that, since the inception of the 1000 Club ten years ago, some 900 Thousanders have failed to renew their memberships after having once joined for one or more years.

An analysis of this situation indicates that we need to place much greater emphasis on getting our membership to renew. As a consequence, we are asking all our chapters to cooperate with us on a special drive to get our delinquent Thousanders back into the fold. We are requesting all Chapter presidents and Chapter



Queen Margaret Itami, Snake River JACL's dream girl who was chosen 1958 Miss National JACL will be presented in two ballet solos at the Salt Lake JACL Graduates Dance May 31, at Memory Park Memorial Hall. Miss Itami will be accompanied by her mother during her one month stay in the JACL Convention City to take advantage of the school holidays to make her first official calls on the Governor, Mayor and Convention Headquarters. —Harano Studio.

prior to July 31 in order to insure their names being included in the honor roll. This deadline also applies to any new memberships.

We'll see you at the Convention. In the meantime, we trust all our chapters will give wholehearted support to this special drive. A successful campaign will be a tremendous moral and financial boost to both National and chapters alike.

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THE Northwest PICTURE

By Elmer Ogawa

TRADITIONAL GOLF RIVALRY RELIVED

The sports and athletic scene in Seattle has presented a many sided picture throughout the history of this community since the time, about 1903, that a group of Issei formed a baseball team and challenged the University of Washington.

We have somehow survived through the period, as we shall call it, of "athletic factions", when during the roaring 20s two rival clubs were formed to sponsor baseball, football, and basketball teams under the respective club names.

Intense hard feeling types of rivalries developed, which were stupid and destructive in that they were undermining the economic life of the little ghetto-like community which was hardset by matter of fact problems of existence. It got so that supporters of one athletic faction wouldn't patronize the businesses operated by members or supporters of the rival athletic club.

But the history of mankind and his community life presents an ever changing picture, and fortunately, some of the deplorable circumstances and attitudes of the distant past just die a natural death. Nothing that even resembles the old setup exists around here in this enlightened year of 1958.

The most traditional sports rivalry we have now is a contest between golfing gentlemen. It started twenty years ago, and come to think of it, the originators and big percentage of the participants are hard core JACLers.

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The Yamaguchis, father Tad, and Kay, and Min, run the North Coast Importing Company. The Kashiwagi brothers, "Shiang" and Mits run a complete men's clothing enterprise which is not unknown, even in L.A. In 1938, the Y's and the K's challenged each other to a little golf competition; four players on each side. The original players are still upholding the tradition, although this year there were 36 players on each side.

The rugged old timers are Kay and Min Yamaguchi, Frank Hattori, and George Okada. The other camp was represented by Shang and Mits Kashiwagi, Frank Nagamine, and "Sparky" Kono.

In 1939, when the second season came around, the Yamaguchis mentioned the fact that father Tad plays golf also; so the entry list was increased to eight on each side. That's the way it has been growing ever since.

Funny thing about this traditional rivalry; no one remembers the record of wins or losses throughout the years, or anything like that. It is only since the past four years, when the players chipped in for a cup, that box score records were kept.

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Allowing for no competition during the war years, this year is about the 15th time that the two groups have met, and as always, the score was close. The Yamaguchi North Coasters won by nine points to take the cup away from the Kashiwagis. The contest was held on a course about 40 miles from Seattle, at the foot of picturesque, rocky, towering Mount Si, near the Stevens Pass highway, Route 2.

Father Tad Yamaguchi 71, is the oldest player in the annual event, and always shows a consistent potential in the scoring column. Second oldest player is George Shimizu, 68, who with a club handicap of 12, frequently grosses under 80.

Erv Furukawa is a former Kashiwagi player who keeps in touch with the boys, we suspect with the nostalgia of a Seattle visit in mind just about tournament time.

This year, champs from each club, Dr. Bill Takano (K) and Kuni Nakamura (Y) broke the par 72 with a 71 each. That Takano is a practicing orthodontist, and Nakamura is a graduating dental student, is purely coincidental—ha; please forgive the lousy pun.

In talking to Shang Kashiwagi, we found that the future of Seattle golfing is indeed bright. There are some high school (Sansei?) golfers who played this year. They consistently shot in the low 70's in school competition, but perhaps tightened up a little (not too much) in this years competition with the adults—but "Watch the rising generation" Shang says.

Each side to this annual event has a waiting list of sharp competitors ready to get into the annual hassle. Sometimes at midnight, substitutions are made when a player with seniority suddenly finds he can't make it. It happened this year.

Only thing holding back the growth of this traditional classic is that the committee (composed of the previous year's losers) finds it hard to get a course for a Sunday morning with enough teeing off time.

Over 100 athletes anxious ready for June 1 thriller

BY GEORGE YOSHINAGA

Led by the defending champion Hoboes' 31-man squad, over 100 athletes have filed their entry forms at deadline time for the Nisei Relays slated for Sunday, June 1 at Rancho Cienega's spacious oval.

The long list of athletes sparkles with names of the brightest Nisei and Sansei thinclads competing today in prep, JC and college ranks.

This bumper crop of standout athletes should insure one of the most entertaining meets ever put together by the Nisei Relays committee.

Nearly every event on the 23-event card is expected to produce spine-tingling competition with the possible exception of the shot put where one man stand head and shoulder above his competitors.

Fowler Shotgun Star

Tom Sano, the greatest Nisei weightman of all time, will be gunning to make a shamble of the present meet mark. He could accomplish this feat during warm-up throws.

The 6-1, 214-pounder is the California Collegiate Athletic Association champion. He competed for Fresno State College and put the iron ball well over the present mark with a 16-pound shot. The Nisei Relays utilizes the standard high school 12-pound pellet.

Flicking the 12-pound ball, Sano should reach the 56 or 57-foot mark!

While Sano's feat may draw the raves of the fans, another entry in the meet may steal some of the limelight.

Vic Mitsuno, the lad who was short-changed last year in the "quartermile run" will be out to make amends this year. Last year, the LACC runner turned in a 48.6 clocking for the 440. So astounding was his feat that the committee measured the course and found it to be 40 yards short.

Quarter-Miler Mitsuno

This year, however, if Mitsuno duplicates the same clocking, no one will question it as the speedster has a time of 48.6 while competing for LACC in a meet against Compton. This is without a doubt the fastest quarter ever turned in by a Nisei. Mitsuno also has a 1:58.6 in the 880. This makes the former Marshall High star the first Nisei to break both the 2 minute and 50s barrier in the half and quartermile events.

Annually, the feature attraction of the Nisei Relays is the 100 yard dash. This year will be no exception.

This year's field may be the fastest ever put together by the meet.

It will feature the first meeting between two gridiron greats—Dennis Ekimoto of Antelope Valley and Larry Iwasaki of Fresno State College. Both can ramble near the 10s mark, as Ekimoto has been doing for his school this past season.

Many 100 Dashmen

Despite their fancy stepping on the cinder, this pair will be pressed to the limit by a whole

host of fine century men including defending champion and record holder Bobby Kameoka. Kameoka has not been competing actively this past season but still should be considered the top threat in the race.

Others are Beebee Kataoka, Bob Lee, Eddie Shimada, David Ito and Mas Miyano.

A defending champion who will attract a great deal of attention will be Franklin Sumi, who as a mere 14-year-old last year, won the mile run with a stirring stretch run. Now a year older, but still a youthful 15, Sumi will try to repeat under the colors of Orange County.

The mile record will not be in jeopardy but the Hoboes feel they have a man who will beat Sumi this year. However, Sumi will remain the sentimental choice of the fans in the four-lapper.

Junior Division

The Junior Division should, as it did last year, provide its share of scintillating performances as new youngsters make their initial appearance in the Relays.

Shiraga hurls Fresno J.C. to 17-5 win over State

FRESNO. — Harvey Shiraga was the pitcher for the Fresno Junior College Rams in their 17 to 5 win over the Fresno State College junior varsity recently. He allowed only one run during the six innings that he pitched.

Shiraga started on the mound and permitted the State College nine their run in the second inning. Fresno JC ball players brought in three runs in the top half of the second and nine in the fourth to make a runaway of the game. Shiraga was take from the game in the seventh inning with Joe Gibson finishing the game.

Sanger High pitcher

SANGER. — Mike Tonai of Sanger high school was the winning pitcher in the Central Sequoia League baseball game May 9. Sanger defeated Kingsburg high by a 7-5 score.

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Approximately half of the entries are in the Junior Division. In team competition, the Central Cal contingent along with the Orange County and West Los Angeles squads, should give the Hoboes a stiff test.

Athletes who still wish to enter the meet may do so by paying the 50 cent penalty along with the regular entry fee of \$1.

1964 Olympics at Tokyo regarded as possible site

TOKYO. — Avery Brundage, chairman of the International Olympic Committee, has pinpointed Japan as a possible site for the 1964 games.

"It is quite possible," he said after arriving here for the four-day 100 conference which was held last week.

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Los Angeles NEWSLETTER

By Henry Mori

PARKING METERS IN CIVIC CENTER

A major problem of any business section is the lack of adequate parking space for patrons and Li'l Tokio is no exception. The few near First and San Pedro Streets are not enough to accommodate the many patrons here.

Last fall when the local Japanese Chamber of Commerce circulated a petition to have the city install parking meters in the area, some of the merchants objected and the petition was dismissed. This week, however, the City Council ordered 550 meters to be placed in the Civic Center area including First Street between Hill St. and Central Ave.; and San Pedro St. from Central Ave. between First and Jackson Sts.; First to Aliso Sts.

Li'l Tokio merchants in favor of parking meters hailed the order as a boon to the patrons who hop via automobile. Installation of the meters was not on the strength of any Japanese C. of C. request, but a City Hall measure for civic center enterprises and services.

EAST L.A.'S NISEI WEEK CANDIDATE

East Los Angeles JACL's fourth annual Emerald Ball went into the records as another successful evening with over 600 attending the dance at a westside ballroom. It also served to introduce Miki Tsuboi as the Chapter's candidate in the 1958 Nisei Week queen contest. Born in Tacoma, Wash., she is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Iwaichi Tsuboi, and is employed as secretary at Eiji Tanabe's Far East Travel Service.

JUVENILE DELINQUENCY FOLLOW-UP

So Calif. JACL regional director Fred Takata had one of those busy Friday afternoons last week when he chaired the second meeting of community leaders, who are mapping concrete measures to stem juvenile delinquency among the Nisei-Sansei after being aroused by the recent killing of a by-stander by a gun-toting teenager.

Kenji Ito, JCC president, voiced the urgency in the matter when he said "This is no time to be laying the pipes; the fire is here!" Many Issei parents are asking their Nisei offsprings, now the parents of the Sansei: "We took great pride in raising you to become good citizens. How is it that you can't do the same with your children?"

Should the Nisei blame themselves or can we blame the changing times? No one had the answer at Friday's meeting.

ON THE FAMILY FRONT

Our second heir-apparent to the Mori Million crashed a May Dance at Bennett's school the other day. Dana, 2½, joined the school children in all kinds of merry dancing and parading. Then, the woman principal approached Dana and whispered into his ear. He scurried back to Mom and there he stayed until the program was over, so we were told . . . That's what you call real discipline. We like to learn that formula of what the principal said to him.



windy
wendy

By Wendy Watanabe

MDC Convention at Cleveland

CHICAGO. — The hustle and bustle of conventions are in the air, and for the Midwest JACLers, host chapter Cleveland (not to be outdone by anyone) is spreading out its welcome mat to all JACLers and friends to attend the Midwest District Council meeting over the Memorial Day weekend at the Hotel Statler. The meeting will be keyed to its theme, "Ready for Count Down," to tie in with the "new age," according to convention chairman Gene Takahashi, and the formation of a Midwest Junior JACL District Council is their goal.

Conventions and meetings serve a two-fold purpose. Mainly, they are where leaders of the organization converge to chart the future course of JACL's program and policies. But there are other reasons why boosters come in droves to these conventions — to these booster delegates, it means a chance to see the organization "in operation," a chance to make new friends, opportunities for reunions, and good fellowship.

Cleveland, one of the nation's largest manufacturing centers which has nevertheless retained its warm friendliness, has a host of wonderful offerings for all convention-goers. Delegates (if they can find the time) will delight in discovering G.E.'s unique Nela Park, or perhaps a visit to the Rockefeller Park to see a chain of lovely gardens known as the Cleveland Cultural Gardens sponsored by sixteen nationality groups and dedicated to the culture represented by them and to peace, or even still, a fascinating trip on the Cuyahoga River boat to view the panorama of the city spreading back from the water-front.

Planned convention activities include a Koffee Klatsch, Smorgasbord, 1000 Club Whing Ding, Junior JACL social, Luncheon at Cleveland's famed Halle Brothers department store, oratorical finals, Workshop clinics, and of course the convention banquet and ball, and more — tennis, bridge, bowling, golf, and sightseeing!

In the words of Chicago's amiable Chairman, Dr. Frank Sakamoto, it's up to us to make ours a worthy organization. We must each contribute our time and talents — and attending our conventions is one way to do this. You'll find the convention things over all too soon. Come join the convention band-wagon — we hope we have the pleasure of meeting each of you! Your MDC officers and your host convention chapter have planned this conclave with you in mind, so that all conventioners will leave Cleveland a more enlightened, stimulated, and wonderfully entertained person!

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS

LOS ANGELES
ASATO, Morio (Lillian M. Okuda) — boy, Mar. 28.
CHU, Hai C. (Yasuko Chikko) — girl, Mar. 19, Sherman Oaks.
FAVATELLA, Joseph (Chizuko Nagatugi) — boy, Mar. 27.
HASHIMOTO, Shigeyuki (Yoshiko Kiyosaki) — boy, Mar. 19, Long Beach.
HATANAKA, Kiyoshi (Mieko Kobayashi) — girl, Mar. 20.
HIGA, Masaru (Shizue Ito) — girl, Mar. 27.
HIRANO, Takji (Beatrice E. Niya) — boy, Mar. 22.
HIROSE, Yuji G. (Shizuko Shinto) — boy, Mar. 25.
HOSOZAWA, Tadayuki (Misao Honda) — boy, Apr. 1.
IMOTO, Yoshio (Mary Ito) — girl, Mar. 25.
ISHIDA, Paul S. (Esther Kim) — boy, Mar. 30.
IWASAKI, Isamu — boy, Mar. 27, Long Beach.
JOKAKI, Robert (Sally Suyeyoshi) — girl, Mar. 20.
KAKIBA, Masashi (Kathryn Yoshida) — boy, Mar. 21.
KAWAI, Waichi (Teruko Yokushiji) — boy, Mar. 20.
KITAGAWA, Chisato (Yayeko Higa) — girl, Mar. 19.
KOMURO, Thomas (Yuki Nakamura) — boy, Mar. 20.
KONDO, Ronald (Janice Honda) — girl, Mar. 18.
MAKI, Charles (Evelyn Ogata) — girl, Mar. 17.
MARUYAMA, Thomas Y. (Grace C. Kawata) — boy, Mar. 22.
MASAOKA, Shigeo (Tsuyako Kane-shima) — boy, Mar. 31, Gardena.
MASUMOTO, Toshio (Michiko Taira) — boy, Mar. 30, Pasadena.
MATSUMURA, Shigeru (Yeiko Takehara) — girl, Mar. 16.
MINAMI, Michinori (Jane J. Shioji) — girl, Apr. 1, Gardena.
NAGAOKA, Mike M. (Yoshiko Enomoto) — boy, Apr. 1.
NAKAMURA, Arthur (Chiyoko Ogata) — girl, Mar. 26, San Pedro.
NAKANISHI, James I. (Yukie Suzuki) — boy, Mar. 22.
NAKANO, Shigeo (Sumiye Tada) — boy, Mar. 27.

NAKANO, Shigeru (Sylvia Watanabe) — boy, Mar. 21.
NISHIKAWA, George M. (Kazuko Itomura) — boy, Mar. 28.
NOGUCHI, Ben (Kealoha Dagampai) — girl, Mar. 20.
OCHI, Shigeru (Virginia T. Inouye) — boy, Mar. 22.
OKAZAKI, Walter Y. (Lillian S. Kawamoto) — girl, Mar. 31.
OTSUKA, Yoshio — boy, Apr. 4, Long Beach.
SAGARA, Takakuma (Tamiko Koba) — girl, Mar. 19.
SAKURAI, Edwin H. (Irene E. Chen) — boy, Mar. 26.
SASAKI, Louis (Fumiko Kodama) — boy, Apr. 1.
SATO, Clarence Y. (Grace H. Fujioka) — boy, Mar. 9.
SHIGEKAWA, John M. (Elizabeth A. Sugino) — girl, Mar. 24.
SHIROMA, Gene (Betty Teraoka) — girl, Feb. 28.
TAKABAYASHI, Kiyoto (Haruko Morikawa) — boy, Mar. 20.
TAKATA, Richard (Shizue Kobayashi-gawa) — boy, Mar. 22.
TOGUCHI, Ben (Nora Arakawa) — boy, Mar. 21.
TOKUMARU, Toshio (Mary Hashimoto) — boy, Mar. 22.
TSUKIFUJI, Dick (Toshiko Iijima) — girl, Mar. 20.
TSUNETO, James H. (Jane Y. Moriwaki) — girl, Mar. 28.
TSUNODA, Joe (Helen Urabe) — girl, Mar. 16.
UNG, Ernest S. (Alice C. Kumasaka) — boy, Apr. 1.
UYEDA, James (Yoshiko Nakagawa) — girl, Mar. 20.
UYEDA, Kei (Pauline T. Wasano) — boy, Mar. 31.
WATANABE, Akira (Fuku Tominaga) — girl, Mar. 15.
WATANABE, Ichiro (Midori Kitazono) — girl, Mar. 17.
WATSON, Donald (Chie Miyama) — boy, Mar. 27.
YAMANE, Noboru (Michiko Ishii) — boy, Mar. 21.
YANO, Paul (Ukie Takehara) — girl, Mar. 22.
YATAGO, Shigeru (Evelyn A. Kanemaru) — girl, Mar. 13.
YORITA, Fumio (Tomiko Tanaka) — boy, Mar. 12.
YOSHIDA, Bert (Sadako Suzuki) — girl, Mar. 26.
YOSHIOKA, Yutaka (Shizuyo Hirao) — girl, Mar. 20.
YUMORI, Osamu (Terrie M. Takai) — girl, Mar. 15.

DEATHS

HAMADA, Sukeichi, 61: Los Angeles, Apr. 15.
HIGA, Kenji, 33: Sun Valley, Apr. 24.
HIRAI, Mrs. Fay N., 52: Los Angeles, Apr. 15 — (h) Kunzo, (b) Roy Tanimine, (s) Mmes. Matsuko Kodama, Shigeo Kodama.
KAJIKI, Niichi, 54: Sun Valley, Apr. 22.
KAKISHITA, Tomejiro, 87: Salt Lake City, Apr. 19.
KASAI, Hyhoei, 76: Los Angeles, Apr. 8.
KASAI, Jisaburo, 74: Los Angeles, Apr. 27.
KAWASHIMA, Tominosuke, 61: San Jose, Apr. 23.
HIGASHIDA, Bruce T., 6 mos.: Los Angeles, Apr. 12 — (p) Mr. & Mrs. Henry K., (b) Steven, Kunio, Randall.
NAKAGAWA, Mrs. Kuma, 62: Venice, Apr. 11.
NAKAJO, Masataka, 70: Los Angeles, May 6.
NAKANISHI, Seiichi, 78: Long Beach, May 10.
SATO, Fred S., 68: Gardena, May 8.

Episcopal Nisei present Japan pageant at rally

Southern California Episcopal church school students made an offering presentation of approximately \$15,300 for the missionary work of the Episcopal Church last Sunday afternoon at the annual Lenten Mite Box Rally held at Occidental Bowl of Occidental College.

The church school students of St. Mary's Church presented a pageant depicting the everyday life of church school students in Japan and a day at the Episcopal Home for Boys in Salina, Kans. The stories were told through pantomime, dancing and narration. Rev. John H. M. Yamazaki, rector of St. Mary's authorized the pageant and it was directed by Florence Kishida and Ellen Shibayama.

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SAN FRANCISCO. — A unique on-the-job training for a career in field of race and cultural relations was announced by the local Council for Civic Unity, the N.C. regional office of the American Friends Service Committee and Stiles Hall (U.C. YMCA), which has been provided a \$15,000 grant by the Columbia Foundation and the Fund for the Republic.

Three persons will be selected this summer by these three community agencies headquartered in the San Francisco Bay area.

Candidates for these "internships in intergroup relations" should have completed at least some graduate work or the equivalent in experience and salaries start at the junior professional level in each agency.

Applications should be made with one or more of the three agencies. Deadlines are June 16 for the Council for Civic Unity, 437 Market St., San Francisco 5; and for Stile Hall, 2400 Bancroft Way, Berkeley; and Sept. 1 for American Friends Service Committee, 1830 Sutter St., San Francisco 15.

A statement of the nature and extent of the candidate's interest in intergroup relations, a biographical resume including education employment experience, public activities and publications should be included. Interns selected will start work about Sept. 1.

INVESTMENT BROKER TALKS TO NISEI LEGAL SEC'YS

The Nisei Legal Secretaries Association had Y. Clifford Tanaka, investment broker with the firm of Shearson, Hammill & Co., as guest speaker for the dinner meeting held May 15.

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NEWSLETTER

BY MIKE MASAOKA

Civil Rights Roundup

Last week (May 17) marked the fourth anniversary of the historic decision of the United States Supreme Court outlawing racial segregation in the public schools. Last week also witnesses a number of singular events in the field of civil rights.

NEGRO CONFERENCE

For the first time since 1906, when a similar parley in Niagara, New York, gave birth to the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), Negro leaders of the nation were called to assess Negro problems and potentials by the National Newspaper Publishers Association, representing the Negro press. Meeting in the nation's capital, President Eisenhower counselled them to "patience and forbearance" in seeking equal rights a week ago last Monday (May 12). He described civil rights as "human problems, because they are buried in the human heart," and declared that "better and more profound education" must be depended upon more than the "letter of the law" in the anti-discrimination fight.

Almost without exception Negro leaders both attending the Conference and elsewhere criticized the President's advice. Thurgood Marshall, legal counsel for the NAACP and their attorney in the litigation before the Supreme Court on issues of segregation, retorted that "The whole racial structure in the South was created by law. It was the law, not the individual wishes, that kept Negroes and whites apart. And these barriers should be removed by law." Judge William H. Hastie of the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, the highest ranking Negro jurist in the country, declared that no society could afford to be patient "about the open violation of the law." Roy Wilkins, executive secretary of the NAACP, summed up the consensus in these words: "We have been patient and moderate and all we get for it is a kick in the teeth."

USE OF TROOPS

When asked at his news conference a week ago last Wednesday (May 14) whether he would again use troops as he did at Little Rock, Arkansas, to enforce school integration, the President did not answer directly, but he left reporters with the strong impression that he would, if need be.

"There is no person in this room," the President made clear, "whose basic rights are not involved in any successful defiance to the carrying out of court orders."

TIFFANY CONFIRMATION

Last week also the Senate overrode stident Southern objections and confirmed the nomination of Gordon Maclean Tiffany as staff director of the Civil Rights Commission 67 to 13.

This nomination had been pending for almost three months. Confirmation will permit the new Commission, which was created by the Civil Rights Act last session, to start its work.

Although its six members—three Southerners and three Midwesterners—were confirmed several months ago, and operational organizations determined, its real work could not begin until after its staff director had been confirmed, because the law vests in him the principal executive and administrative responsibilities.

ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL

A related nomination—that of W. Wilson White to head the Department of Justice's new Civil Rights Division as Assistant Attorney General, also as established by last year's Civil Rights Act—remains bottled up in the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Southern members of the Committee, whose chairman is Senator James O. Eastland of Mississippi, an ardent champion of "white supremacy", have said that they want to have Mr. White appear before them again to answer certain questions. But, no date for such a hearing has been set as yet.

BOMBING OF SYNAGOGUES

Last week too saw the American Jewish Congress (AJC), convening in Miami Beach, Florida, calling on the Attorney General of the United States to direct the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) to investigate the bombings and attempted bombings of Jewish synagogues and community centers in Florida, Alabama, and North Carolina.

According to the AJC, six bombings or attempted bombings have occurred in the last six months. No arrests have yet been made. There is evidence suggesting the possibility, if not the likelihood, that these incidents are interconnected and that they are all the work of a single group operating in a number of states and calling itself "The Confederate Underground". It appears also that the incidents are connected with equally outrageous assaults upon the Negro community of the South and a particularly crude effort to intimidate a federal judge.

The consensus of expert opinion is that only intervention by the Federal Government, and particularly by the FBI, can prevent other dynamite assaults or lead to the arrest of those responsible for these criminal outrages.

SUMMARY

While it is conceded that the United States has taken some long steps toward equality for all of our citizens, there is still much to be accomplished in the field of civil and human rights.

During World War II, Japanese Americans were appalled at the apathy and indifference of most Americans to the violations of our civil rights by the military. Now that Japanese Americans are generally well accepted and enjoy a full measure of civil rights under the law, shall we ignore and remain indifferent to the outrages being committed against some of our fellow Americans because of their color and their religion and their efforts to secure for themselves equality and dignity?

Shutdown of claim offices in L.A., S.F. due; date unset

(JACL News Service)

WASHINGTON. — San Francisco and Los Angeles field offices of the Japanese claims section will be closed as soon as they have completed the processing of assigned evacuation claims, the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League was advised by the Dept. of Justice.

In reply to newspaper speculation that the San Francisco office would close its door early in June and the Los Angeles office in September, the Washington JACL Office was informed that no definite dates have been set, but that

as soon as the local offices have completed the processing of as-pected to be shut down.

Hope was expressed that the northern California office would be closed not later than July 1 and the southern California office not later than early autumn. The possibility of a few of the San Francisco office claims that are unsettled at the time of the closing being assigned to the Los Angeles office or to the central office in Washington was also mentioned, as was the plan to assign unsettled Los Angeles claims to the Washington office when that field

office is closed down.

This closing of the California offices as soon as possible is in line with the announced policy of the Justice Department to complete the administrative phase of the evacuation claims program by the end of the year.

When National JACL President Dr. Roy Nishikawa of Los Angeles and National JACL Director Mas Satow of San Francisco are in Washington this Memorial Day weekend, the Washington JACL Office announced that they will ask for a meeting with Assistant Attorney General George C. Doub of the Civil Division, Dept. of Justice, and chief of the Japanese Claims Section E. E. Ellison to discuss the final administrative phases of the evacuation claims program.

The program was begun ten years ago this summer when JACL sponsored legislation to provide some compensation for some of the losses suffered in the west coast evacuation of 1942 was enacted by the Congress.

Scout leader feied by Fresno groups

FRESNO. — Shunkichi Ego was honored at a testimonial dinner May 9, at the New Shanghai Cafe. The affair was sponsored by the Fresno JACL chapter, Boy Scout Troop 5, Sierra Nisei Post 8499, VFW and the Fresno Buddhist Church.

Ego received the Distinguished Service Award from the U. S. Junior Chamber of Commerce and the Silver Beaver Award from Sequoia Council of Boy Scouts of America for outstanding service to the Boy Scout and youth activities. During the dinner, Dr. Kikuo Taira and Gordon Day spoke on the awards. President of the local JACL, Ben Nakamura, presented the plaque in behalf of the four sponsoring organizations. Tadashi Mori, commander of the VFW, read the citation which is issued by the Department of California, VFW.

NISEI WEEK TALENT SHOW AUDITIONS ANNOUNCED

The first call is out for Nisei and Sansei talent for the forthcoming talent show to be held on Aug. 5 during Nisei Week. Mrs. Karie Aihara, chairman, has announced this week.

Mrs. Aihara is requesting all interested persons to contact her immediately as much planning will be necessary to "round out" the program. She may be reached at 9992 Lampton Ave., Garden Grove, or by telephone LEhigh 9-5210.

CALENDAR

- May 24 (Saturday)
 - EDC — Cabinet and business meetings.
 - Hotel Burlington, Washington, D.C.
 - D.C. — General meeting; Dr. Roy Nishikawa and Mas Satow, spkrs.
- May 25 (Sunday)
 - EDC — Cabinet meeting, D.C. JACL hosts.
 - San Francisco — JACL Olympics, Kezar Stadium.
- May 27 (Tuesday)
 - San Francisco — Political Rally.
- May 29 (Thursday)
 - New York — Installation-dinner meeting, Empire Hotel, 63rd and Broadway, 6 p.m.
- May 31 (Saturday)
 - Tulare County — Fishing outing, Sequoia Lake.
 - Long Beach — Issei Keiro-kai, Harbor Community Center, 6:30 p.m.
- June 4 (Wednesday)
 - Sonoma County — JACL Bowling League award dinner, Green Mill Inn.
- June 6 (Friday)
 - Pocatello-Idaho Falls-Yellowstone — Joint graduate's dance, White Elephant Supper Club.
- June 7 (Saturday)
 - Watsonville — Graduates barbecue, Sunset Beach Park, 6:30 p.m.
 - Puyallup Valley — Graduates dinner-dance.
- June 13 (Friday)
 - Philadelphia — General meeting.
- June 15 (Sunday)
 - San Francisco — Community picnic, Speedway Meadows, Golden Gate Park.
 - Berkeley — Community picnic, Camp Padre, Tilden Park, 1 p.m.
- June 20 (Friday)
 - Florin — Graduate dinner-dance, Lantai Restaurant, Sacramento.
- June 27 (Friday)
 - West Los Angeles — Benefit carnival Corinth Ave. Japanese School.

Nisei nuclear physicist to lecture at Japan institute as Fulbright scholar

LEMONT, Ill. — A physicist at the Argonne National Laboratory has received a Fulbright Grant to lecture and conduct research in neutron and reactor physics in Japan.

He is Dr. Walter Y. Kato, 819 S. Wright St., Naperville, Ill., and will be affiliated with the Japan Atomic Energy Research Institute, Tokyo, for ten months beginning in October.

Dr. Kato has been an associate physicist in the Reactor Engineering Division at Argonne since October, 1953. He previously was a junior research associate in the physics department at Brookhaven National Laboratory.

Dr. Kato, 33, was born in Chicago, but was graduated from high school in Seattle, Wash. He was awarded a bachelor of sci-

ence degree by Haverford (Pa.) College in 1946, his masters of science degree by the Univ. of Illinois in 1949, and his doctorate by Pennsylvania State University, in 1954.

His wife is the former Anna Kurata of Los Angeles, and they have one son, Norman S., 2.

Under the Fulbright Act, which was passed by Congress more than ten years ago, Americans carry out educational projects abroad and nationals of other countries come to this nation for similar activities. Part of the purpose is to promote better understanding of the United States in other countries.

Argonne is the United States' senior atomic energy research and development installation. It is located at Lemont, a suburb of Chicago, and operated by the University of Chicago under contract with the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission.

Wirin files suit to halt nuclear tests

TOKYO. — Four Japanese are among the 19 plaintiffs in law suits against the United States, Russia, Britain and possibly France seeking the permanent cessation of nuclear weapons tests.

Lawyer A. L. Wirin, attorney for the American Civil Liberties Union, told a Tokyo news conference the list includes famed U.S. scientist Dr. Linus Pauling and British philosopher Lord Bertrand Russell, Japanese Christian evangelist Toyohiko Kagawa, and three Japanese fishermen who maintain the tests interfere with their occupation.

The lawyer said another point in question is whether the United States has the right to block off huge chunks of the high seas for nuclear weapons testing.

During his one week stay in Japan, Wirin planned to discuss with scientists "damages from fallout as it affects the entire Japanese people, including effects upon food raised in Japan and consumed by the Japanese people."

'DOC' KITA'S DAUGHTER NAMED VALEDICTORIAN

SALINAS. — Christina Kita, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Harry Kita, 480 E. Romie Lane, was named valedictorian of the 1958 graduating class at Salinas Union High School.

The selection represents the highest honor a senior can receive for it marks the highest scholastic achievement in that class during four years of secondary education. She has a record of 34 A's and three B's. She was also active in extracurricular work, holding several offices on campus clubs, honor society, Girls League and Girls Athletic Ass'n.

Although indefinite, she plans to enter teacher training at Univ. of California at Berkeley.

NISEI SOLDIER KILLED IN EUROPE WAR GAMES

Hiro Kubo, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kiso Kubo, 2937 S. Bronson, was accidentally killed while participating in war games training in Europe, the Department of Defense advised parents this week.

Red Cross blood bank sustains life of 18-year-old student with kidney ailment

Each time he gets a transfusion, he receives the equivalent of five pints of whole blood — and gets four transfusions each day.

Battling against nephrosis, a kidney ailment, at White Memorial Hospital, 18-year-old Kenny Nishioka has been getting four transfusions of serum albumin, a blood derivative, every day.

According to the Red Cross Blood Service, which is providing the serum without charge, it takes five pints of whole blood to produce one unit (100 c.c.) of serum albumin.

Doctors at White Memorial say that when Kenny was admitted "he had an albumin level of 8 which is only about one-fifth of normal."

Improvement Reported

With his "albumin level" now nearing normal again, Kenny, who lives at 2518 Buckingham Road, is looking forward to his early re-

turn to City College, where he is majoring in mathematics.

Expressing his appreciation to Red Cross for providing the serum albumin when he needed it, Kenny recalled that he was hospitalized for nephrosis "back in 1955 when Red Cross provided me with 44 units of the serum."

Kenny guessed that in all he has had "the equivalent of more than 400 pints of whole blood."

"It's pretty wonderful when you realize that more than 400 individuals somewhere at some time gave their blood through the Red Cross Blood Service to help me in my fight for life," Kenny said, "I wish there were some way to thank them, every one."

Kenny's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Nishioka, are showing their appreciation by recruiting donors for Red Cross. So far they have produced 22 donors, Red Cross reports.