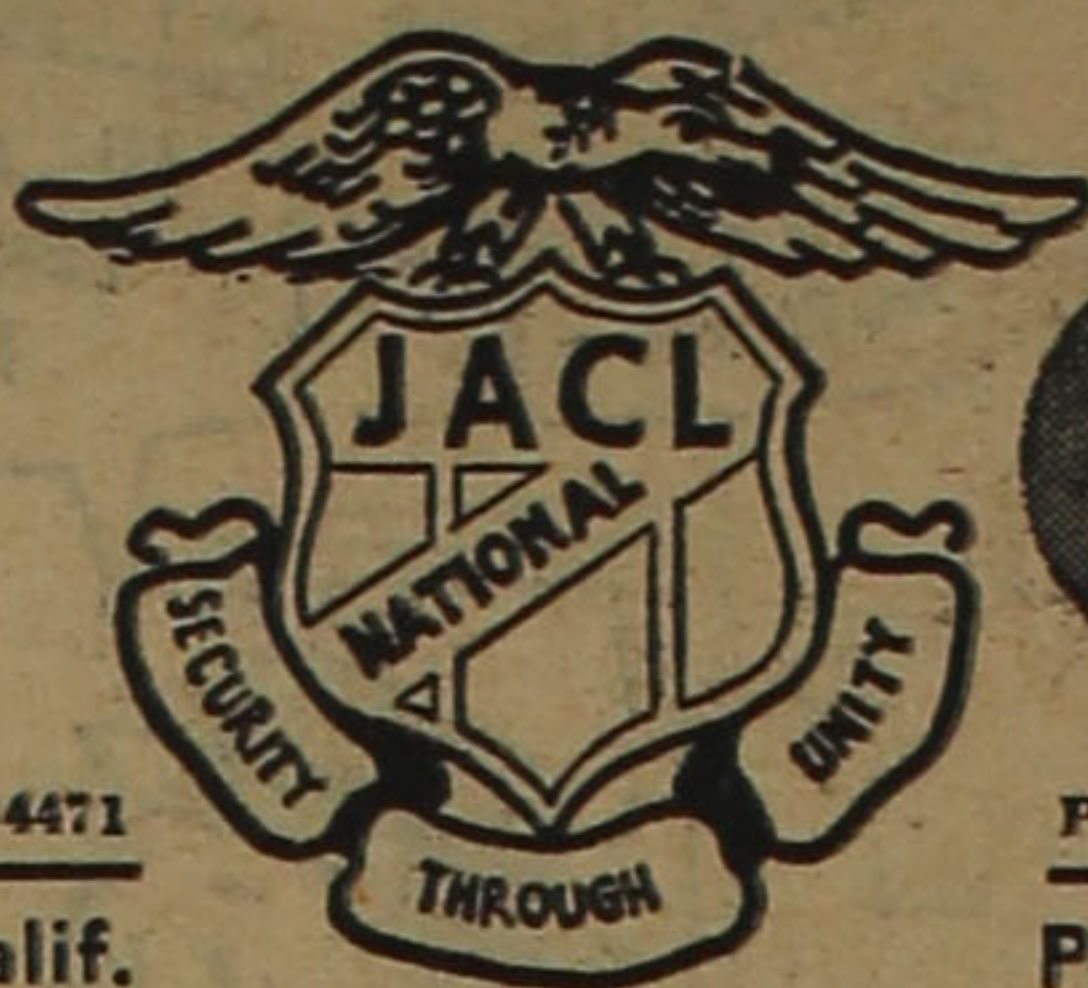


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## PSWDC confident 'PC-Membership' plan at \$1 increase will pay off

A source of pride to the Japanese American Citizens League is its official publication, the Pacific Citizen. Its history is just as illustrious as that of the organization it serves. Unfortunately, the weekly newspaper falls short of fulfilling its purpose of informing JACL members of current organizational news, because only a minority of JACL members subscribe to the publication.

Look at any national or local organization similar in size and/or nature to the JACL and you will note that its official publication is part and parcel of the membership. The axiom is widely acknowledged that the official publication in the hands of every member gives the member a feeling of closeness with the organization; and a greater appreciation of what the organization is doing becomes a determining factor in the member's inclination to renew his membership.

Too many people join the JACL with only a minute knowledge of what JACL is doing today. Too often they join with an attitude of obligation to the organization for its work in the past and not for what he JACL is doing today. Consequently, there is a tremendous drop-off in membership renewals. This is especially true of the chapters in large cities where members by the hundreds do not actively take part in chapter activities. But because of the concentration of population, these city chapters form the backbone of JACL membership.

For this and other reasons, the Long Beach-Harbor JACL chapter in November, 1957, presented a resolution recommending that a study be made on including the PC with membership at the lowest possible cost to members.

A committee from the Pacific Southwest District Council then made a thorough study of the proposal and came up with a resolution which proposed PC with membership with facts and figures showing that it was possible with only an additional dollar to the membership fee. The PSWDC unanimously passed the committee's resolution at its quarterly meeting in San Luis Obispo earlier this year.

The clinching argument was that assuming 12,000 members paid a dollar for a year's subscription to the PC, the deficit calculated was only about \$70 more than the deficit carried by the PC in normal operation in 1957. And this was figured conservatively, with no additions to the revenue from regular and Holiday ads. The only concession the committee asked from the members and chapters was that in view of the benefits derived from every member receiving the PC that the chapters relinquish their commissions from Holiday ads.

Comparing the 1957 income and expenditure table of the PC with the new proposal, based on 10,000 copies:

EXPENDITURES	1957	10M
Editorial .....	\$ 8,669.97	\$ 9,711.12
Business .....	6,536.64	7,246.56
Circulation .....	2,978.34	5,849.72
Production .....	14,129.44	16,382.57
Miscellaneous .....	373.99	430.66
TOTAL:	\$32,688.38	\$39,620.63
INCOME		
Subscriptions .....	\$13,117.47	\$18,000.00
Regular Advertising .....	8,353.64	8,353.64
Holiday Issue Advertising ..	10,194.88	10,194.88
Miscellaneous .....	117.69	100.00
Commissions .....	—	2,000.00
TOTAL:	\$31,783.68	\$38,648.52
DIFFERENTIAL .....	(\$ 904.70)	(\$ 972.11)

You will notice that under "Income", the figures for regular and Holiday ads are the same. However, the PSWDC committee felt that with a larger circulation, the PC could conceivably add new advertising and there is a strong possibility that it could operate in the black. Within its present scope of operations, the PC may continue to operate with an annual deficit, while this PC with membership proposal may be the boost needed by the newspaper to gain financial solvency.

The PSWDC proposal also includes a couples membership card system to facilitate chapter records as well as limit the mailing of PC to one per family; non-member subscription to be raised to a minimum of \$4 per subscriber per year; and subsidy by National JACL to meet any deficit.

There are many things that can be said of the advantages of this PC with membership proposal. True, national membership fees will be raised one dollar, but membership solicitation on the chapter level would be aided by the PC being included as a tangible evidence of membership. And an informed membership could not help but mean a stronger, healthier organization. Those who join JACL as a one-shot "I should join" arrangement may be more inclined to continue their membership after being exposed to the work of JACL, nationally and locally.

In addition, PC editor Harry Honda notes that chapter bulletins can be discontinued, if that is what the chapter wants (and many chapters feel that even a monthly mimeographed newsletter, involving the cutting of the stencils, writing of the news, not to mention the onerous task of sticking stamps, stapling, etc., is just too much work) and the columns of the PC can be used instead to notify chapter members of activities and events. Many chapters may want to continue their chapter newspapers, but the space nevertheless is available in the PC with the assurance that it will go every week to every member of the chapter.

No one can deny that PC with membership is an attractive package, and the committee feels that the raise in membership dues will be more than compensated in the many benefits that will accrue to the organization—benefits which may be intangible now but which the committee confidently feels will be quite tangible in the long run.

PSWDC PC with Membership Committee

## 24 candidates to be judged for 'Nisei of Biennium' recognition

Seven more candidates for the "Nisei of the Biennium" awards were announced this week as judging for the five finalists out of the 24 nominated began, according to George Inagaki of Los Angeles, national chairman of the JACL Recognitions Committee.

Four live in the Washington, D.C., area; two reside in Colorado and one in Seattle. They are: chemist Dr. George T. Furukawa, financial analyst Hisako Sakata, art director Jack M. Hirose, chemist Dr. Yoshio Sato, of Washington, D.C.; newspaperman Bill Hosokawa of Denver; Seiji Horiuchi, Brighton, Colo., recently elected national vice-president of the U.S. Jr. Chamber of Commerce and singer Pat Suzuki of Seattle.

"Nisei of the Biennium" awards, to be given at the 15th Biennial JACL convention recognitions banquet, Aug. 25, at Salt Lake City, are in recognition of signal success and meritorious accomplishment which have helped to advance the welfare of persons of Japanese ancestry.

### Dr. George T. Furukawa

Recognized as a leader of the low temperature thermodynamics laboratory of the U.S. Dept. of Commerce National Bureau of Standards, Dr. George T. Furukawa has improved in a comparatively few years the existing heat measurement techniques.

Dr. Furukawa, 37, of Washington, D.C., is being nominated for distinguished leadership.

A physical chemist, he has published accurate thermodynamic data on a fairly large number of pure substances which are of interest in many scientific and technical fields. It includes studies of rubber-like polymers and a number of important fluorine, boron and phosphorous compounds.

The past two years, he was on the board of directors of the Calorimetry Conference, a national organization of calorimetrists, and is participating in the planning of broad thermodynamic research programs and other professional activities.

He also has given himself gen-

erously to community affairs and in his quiet, unassuming manner and with the quiet thoroughness of a scientist, the Cupertino (Calif.)-born Nisei has coordinated and executed projects with surprising efficiency and success.

A relative newcomer to JACL, he is one of the most highly regarded members since joining the D.C. chapter in 1950. He served various cabinet posts and was elected president in 1953. The following year, he was appointed national chairman of the JACL Citizenship committee, a post which he has filled very ably, especially, as representative to the National Conference on Citizenship, sponsored by the Justice Department and the National Education Assn. each year.

As publicity chairman, he boosted the first EDC-MDC joint conference in 1955 when it was hosted by Washington, D.C., JACL. Many felt that through his efforts as publicist a record number of delegates from every chapter east of the Mississippi River attended. At this convention, Dr. Furukawa was elected EDC vice-chairman.

He is a graduate of Central College, Fayette, Mo.; was conferred his Ph.D. degree at the Univ. of Wisconsin in 1948, and was elected to the Washington Academy of Sciences.

### Dr. Yoshio Sato

Within the last decade, Dr. Yoshio Sato, 47, of the National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Md., has become a nationally and internationally known authority in the field of steroidal alkaloids.

Nominated for distinguished achievement, the Portland-born Nisei was well known through his work while at the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research in New York.

At the National Institutes of Health, he has been working almost entirely with the intricate structural problems of the two alkaloids tomatidine and solasodine. Tomatidine is a substance isolated from the tomato plant and when converted to a specific derivative, it can be used as starting material for the manufacture of sex hormones and various corticoids for pharmacological purposes.

At the present time, Dr. Sato is conducting a complex research which is expected to disclose new facts concerning the metabolism and interrelationship of the bile acid and cholesterol metabolism in man.

He has published over 25 technical papers and has patented his method of converting tomatidine to pregnenolone derivative.

A 1936 graduate of Reed College, he majored in organic chemistry for his master's at Oregon State College and was conferred his Ph.D. degree at the Univ. of Rochester in 1946. He is a member of the Sigma Xi and American Chemical Society, and is a chemist with the steroid section, National Institute of Arthritic and Metabolic Diseases.

### Jack M. Hirose

Activities and accomplishments of Jack M. Hirose of Washington, D.C., in the field of advertising and his wide participation in civic and fraternal organizations were pointed out in his nomination for the distinguished community leadership award.

As one of the founders of Art Continued on Page 7

## DR. NISHIKAWA DECIDES NOT TO RUN FOR OFFICE

Dr. Roy Nishikawa, 1956-58 national JACL president, of Los Angeles is not accepting a Southern California draft movement to run a second term, it was announced this week.

The draft Nishikawa-for-President spokesman, Tom T. Ito, veteran Pasadena JACler, this week revealed that Dr. Nishikawa has definitely refused to run for another term of office, thus bringing to an end eight years of continuous service on the national board, six years as national treasurer and the last two as president.

"In justice to his family and to his profession, he is retiring from the office of national president because of the tremendous demands upon his time that the position requires," Ito explained.

Ito, who is spokesman for the group of PSWDC chapters already endorsing Nishikawa and Ken Dyo, who was nominated for national 2nd vice-president and is still in the running, said: "Although we are sorry to have Dr. Nishikawa take himself out of the race, we feel that his personal wishes should be respected."

Ito added that Dr. Nishikawa has given his unqualified personal endorsement for Shig Wakamatsu of Chicago for president and Dyo for vice-president.

"We will now concentrate on getting Ken Dyo elected national 2nd vice-president," Ito vowed. "We feel that he is one of the best qualified men in the Pacific Southwest District Council. From the standpoint of experience, proven ability, devotion and loyalty to JACL, there are few nominees who are as well qualified as Ken Dyo."

## FOUR PIECES BY PASADENA SILVERSMITH OSAKI READY FOR STATE FAIR EXHIBIT

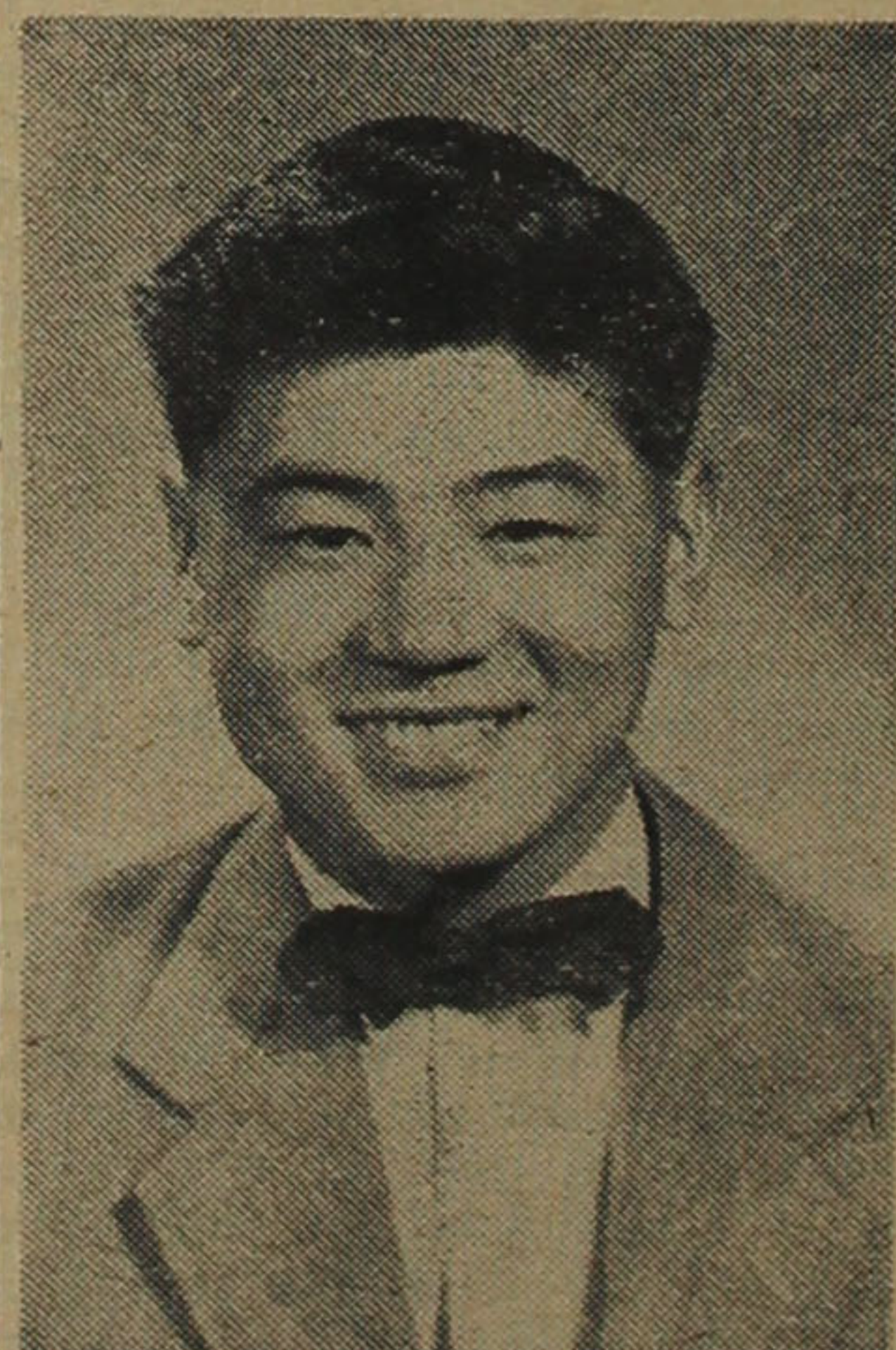
SACRAMENTO. — Outstanding handwork by the Pasadena Nisei silversmith Harry A. Osaki has again been accepted for display at the California State Fair and Exposition here Aug. 27 to Sept. 7.

According to Mrs. Florence M. Doe of Visalia, fair art show director, 550 entries of ceramics, jewelry, metal work, hand-blocked textiles and woven textiles were received and 118 of them have been chosen for display.

Four entries from Osaki, nominee for the 1958 "Nisei of the Biennium," to be exhibited are a gold and pearl ring, gold and diamond ring, sterling pearl pendant in the jewelry class and a turkey dressing spoon in metal work.

## URGE DELEGATES CARRY TRAVELER'S CHECKS

SALT LAKE CITY. — The 15th Biennial convention board is urging delegates bound for Salt Lake City this coming week to bring traveler's checks. The board has decided upon a policy of not cashing personal checks.



Ronald Inouye, straight "A" student at American Fork (Utah) High School, and nominated by the Mt. Olympus JACL, is the 1958 recipient of the Pvt. Ben Frank Masaoka memorial scholarship. There were 23 topnotch high school graduates from all parts of the county considered for the scholarship. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Yukus Inouye.



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## From the Frying Pan

By Bill Hosokawa

Denver, Colo.

**NO UPRAISED EYEBROWS**—Solicitous Caucasian friend asks if Nisei run into housing or restaurant discrimination on their summer vacation travels. Far as I know, they don't nowadays. But they did encounter many a 110 per cent bigot during the war years. Some folks thought they were bringing victory nearer by refusing to serve Nisei wayfarers (some in U.S. army uniform) a meal.

On our recent 5300-mile trip to the West Coast and back, we didn't encounter so much as an upraised eyebrow. Seems our travelers checks were as good as anybody else's.

**ADD IMPORTANT JOBS**—Denver's Urban Renewal Authority this week named J. Robert Cameron its executive director, and Floyd Tanaka his chief deputy with title of senior planner. Tanaka had been acting director of the authority for more than a year while the qualifications of some 50 applicants for the top job were studied.

Provided the taxpayers authorize the money, the authority will spend 20 million dollars in the next half dozen years tearing down slums, rehabilitating sub-standard areas. Tanaka started as an architecture student at the University of Denver, got interested in city planning, served as city planner at Colorado Springs before taking on the Denver assignment.

And Taiji Kashino reminds us that Mrs. Michi Terasaki must hold some kind of Nisei record by having served on the secretarial staff of five Colorado governors. If my recollection is correct, they would be Lee Knous, Walter Johnson, Dan Thornton, Ed Johnson and Steve McNichols—four Democrats and one Republican (Thornton). Politicians may come and go, but civil service goes on almost forever. Michi's spouse is Tak Terasaki, Mile-Hi JACL stalwart, pharmacist and perennial toastmaster.

**PROGRESS?**—For more than a decade the Mile-Hi JACL chapter has published, more or less regularly, a bright little monthly newspaper called The Bulletin chronicling the activities of various townspeople. Sometimes the volunteer editors had a rough time getting an issue together, but they always managed to publish.

A few days ago subscribers were surprised to receive an abbreviated two-page issue with a stark warning: Unless readers cooperated by turning in news items, there would be no future issues of The Bulletin.

From the editorial viewpoint, no news was not good news even though Denver Nisei, as is their summer custom, are running themselves ragged with fishing trips, golf, bowling, picnics, parties, and entertaining visitors from less favored climes.

**HELP WANTED**—Can anyone tell us what makes cucumbers bitter? Wife, who has an uncomfortable habit of being right, insists that cucumbers become bitter because they haven't been watered enough. Consequently our cucumber patch is being inundated this weekend.

Issei lady I once knew had a sure-fire way of drawing the bitterness out of cucumbers. She would slice off the end, then rub it vigorously over the cut for a few moments. She insisted this bit of hocus-pocus worked, and so far as I can remember, she never did serve any bitter ones.

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## 15th Biennial Underlines

BY RUPERT HACHIYA

Chairman, National JACL Convention Board

**Salt Lake City** honored as wartime National Sponsor at the Recognition Luncheon; Prof. Elmer Smith, U. of Utah anthropologist who wrote the "Did You Know" about JACL; former governor Herbert B. Maw, the first and only governor who wrote to Congress in behalf of ADC; former mayor Earl J. Glade who has been especially close to the Japanese with the Peace Garden Project; City Commissioner of Parks, who stood alone in his vote against prohibiting of issuance of business license to the Japanese during war years; Dr. A. Ray Olpin, University of Utah president; Dale Peak, chmn. of Civil Rights Commission of Utah; Adam S. Duncan who was a one man crusader during the last state legislature on Civil Rights Bill; Tracy Welling, chmn. of Utah Assn. of U.N.; Paul Cracroft, Executive Secretary of the University Alumni Board; Albert B. Fritz, Pres., NAACP; Marcel Tyrel, composer of music to the "JACL Hymn"; Dan B. Shields, district attorney during war years whose sympathetic views toward the Japanese were greatly appreciated; Miss Lucy Rigby, Naturalization Examiner, known to the Immigration Dept. as "Mother Rigby of the Japanese Citizens"; Claude T. Barnes, an old time attorney who has served the Japanese from the beginning of the community as adviser and intimate friend to many; Mrs. Ab. Jenkins, widow of the former Mayor Ab. Jenkins, world famous as the "Speed King", holder of many world auto speed records, and one who openly and cordially welcomed the National Headquarters to the city during relocation, and many others too numerous to mention at this time. But you will meet them all at convention where we can better introduce them and have you meet them personally.

**Famous Idaho Potatoes:** Last week, Joe Nishioka of Idaho Falls, first vice-chairman of IDC, came to town and informed us that he has 500 pounds of choice U.S. No. 1 Idaho Russets in cold storage awaiting use for the national convention. Since we do not have any place here in Salt Lake to store so much for so long, we are asking Joe to keep them up there for us until convention time. In the meantime, negotiation has been made with Hotel Utah to prepare the potatoes for our main Convention Banquet and possibly couple of other menus. In other words, we're going to be treated to some famous Idaho food, thanks to Joe.

**Early Arrivals:** Although the convention is not scheduled to open until next Friday, Aug. 22, we are pleased to be informed that some of the "bosses" are scheduled to arrive early. They have volunteered to assist with last minute details as well as to arrange their preparations. Mas Satow is planning to be here Monday, Mike Masaoka will arrive late Tuesday evening, Roy Nishikawa and family will drive in Wednesday afternoon, while Harry Honda will join us early Thursday. Of course, Thursday, all of the National Board ought to be in for their meeting.

**Housing:** We hate to sound like the broken record, but after this week, the unreserved rooms will have to be turned back to the hotels and motels for the regular tourists. So if you do not yet have a reservation, the housing you desire cannot be guaranteed. In fact, the singles at Hotel Utah are all gone now, so delegates will have to share beds or take larger quarters. Motel Utah does not request down payment as do the other motels, and they are going fast.

**Chapter Public Relations:** The local chapter is going all out to invite many public figures to the banquet. Among them are Mrs. Burton W. Musser who will be

## PC Letter Box

### PC REPRINTS WANTED

Editor: Mas Satow suggests that I write to you concerning reprints of U.S.-Japan relations' articles by Mr. Saburo Kido and Mr. Harold Gordon.

National suggests that every member be given copies of both articles so that a wise decision can be made on this subject. The only problem is how to get the mimeographing done—there were some 8½ legal size pages. Our Cincinnati chapter does not have its own mimeographing equipment so this becomes quite an imposition on the parties that do our reproduction work. Therefore, I am wondering how much it would cost to have the P.C. reprint those articles. I am sure that there may be other chapters in the same predicament as us.

Cincinnati needs from 80 to 130 copies of the two articles. If the cost for reprints of the two articles for any number between 80 and 130 is not more than five dollars, please send us the reprints...

MASAJI S. TOKI

Cincinnati JACL

(In this connection, the Chicago JACL reproduced onto two 8X13½-inch sheets by the offset method both articles and distributed them to the membership several weeks ago. We do not know how many chapters were able to provide their membership with copies of the two memoranda, but it serves as an instance where "PC with Membership" would have eased the situation.—Editor.)

### MOST PLEASANT SURPRISE

Editor: One of the most pleasant surprises appeared in the Pacific Citizen (July 11). In a small article from Lawrence, Kansas, an Edward Okamoto was appointed by the Mayor, to the City Plumbing Board... The same Okamoto, relocated to that city during the war from Poston, Ariz., and worked as an apprentice for several years in the plumbing trade. When he finally applied for a license as a "Master Plumber", he was rejected time and again because of his racial ancestry. This was evident because many in the trade by this time had vouched for his efficiency. He still stuck with tenacious determination and finally resorting to influential aid as a last alternative, he received his license and it was the start of a success story.

Due to this determination to make good and overcome the discriminatory obstacles, today, he owns one of the city's largest plumbing businesses. Personable and well respected in the community, Ed, has shown to the American people and to friends across the oceans, that democracy will make mistakes, but also does amend them. It also indicates that Lawrence, Kansas, has matured with Democracy and found respect for human dignity and racial understanding. I'm very proud of Ed, for his accomplishment that actually affects all Americans of Japanese ancestry. But I am especially proud because he is my brother-in-law.

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**LANGUAGE SCHOOL CLASSES TO COMMENCE IN SEPTEMBER CHICAGO.** — The Midwest Buddhist Church, 1757 N. North Park, will commence Japanese language classes in September.





# Vagaries

By Larry S. Tajiri

## 'Flower Drum Song'

"Flower Drum Song," Broadway's biggest musical for the fall, already is something of a tribute to the talents of Nisei and other Oriental American performers. There was a time, not too long ago, when a Broadway impresario wouldn't have dared to cast an Oriental story completely with performers of Asian ancestry. But Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein, who are making C.Y. Lee's novel of love and legend in San Francisco's Chinatown into a musical drama, know by experience that the talent they need is available.

Rodgers and Hammerstein have used Oriental Americans in two of their biggest hits, "South Pacific" and "The King and I". In the latter they entrusted two of the leading dance roles to Yuriiko (Kikuchi) and Michiko (Iseri) who won the hearts of New York theatergoers for two years as they danced the ballet sequence, "The Little House of Uncle Thomas."

Yuriiko was one of the first to be contacted by Rodgers and Hammerstein when "Flower Drum Song" was still just an idea. Since then a number of Nisei have been hired as dancers and as members of the chorus after tryouts in Beverly Hills, San Francisco and New York. The two feminine lead roles, incidentally, have gone to Pat Suzuki, currently playing "The Wizard of Oz" in summer theaters, and Miyoshi Umeki. Several studios, including Warners', have been searching for the right story to accommodate Miss Umeki after her selection for "Best Supporting Actress" in the Oscar awards. Miyoshi's victory was for her playing of Katsumi in "Sayonara," in which she was involved in an interracial romance with Red Buttons.

Perhaps the remarkable thing about "Flower Drum Song," is that it is one story which does not hang upon an interracial love. Nearly every story transformed into a stage vehicle or a movie has had an interracial love theme at its core. This goes for "Madame Butterfly" of a half century ago and three movies which will be released in the next few months, "Barbarian and the Geisha," "The Wind Cannot Read" and "Dateline Tokyo." All this is well, of course, but it pegs the theater's interest in things Asian on a rather narrow base. But "Flower Drum Song" is an exception, and the author himself, Mr. Lee, is an Oriental American. This should make for some honesty in the portrayal of both people and places.

The setting is San Francisco's Chinatown, a community with two faces. One is the tourist's view—quaint, charming, a never-never land of exotic wonders. The others is that of the Chinese American, for whom, despite some of the compensations of the colony life, Chinatown represents the end result of social and economic discrimination.

Rodgers and Hammerstein, however, are not one to dodge issues. One of the things which made "South Pacific" memorable was the recognition of race hatred. Lieutenant Cable, the American, loves his Liat, the Tonkingese girl, but something in his background prevents him from asking her to marry him. He has learned prejudice from the time of childhood and he sings of it in a song which has more than the usual awareness of musical comedy lyrics for the facts of living, "You've Got to Be Taught." The sense of the lyrics is that children are born without prejudice and "you've got to be taught to hate a man . . ."

## THEATER'S AMAZING JOSH LOGAN

If Rodgers and Hammerstein have helped the Oriental American find his place in the theatrical world, another name to be credited would be that of Joshua Logan. Logan is one of the theater's amazing talents, whether as writer, director or producer. It was he who first saw a musical in one of the stories of James Michener's "Tales of the South Pacific," and got the stage rights. He and Hammerstein co-authored the libretto of "South Pacific."

Logan was born in the Deep South, on a Louisiana plantation, and his earliest memories are of the Negro nurse who helped raise him. In the latest (Aug. 19) issue of Look, Logan recalled his childhood:

"I was reared by a Negro nurse, Amy Lane. She was my second mother, the queen who ruled the back areas of the house, those permissive places where I was happiest. She loved me and nurtured me. Then, one day, I was told she couldn't eat with me or ride in the same railroad car with me. This is a guilty agony that all decent Southerners carry inside of them . . ."

In his Look piece, Logan noted Marlon Brando's "intense fear that we were doing a lightweight treatment of a theme about which he has a strong passion—race relationships." Writes Logan: "Every day, he'd pick up a script and say, 'How will the Japanese feel about this?' He (Brando) was like a detective. He went over every line, every prop, suspicious that someone was going to slip something in behind his back . . ."

It was Brando and Logan who determined that "Sayonara," the love story of the American jet pilot and the Japanese dancer, must have a happy ending. Too long the twain had not met.

Logan is currently involved in the production of a play which again involves an interracial love theme. This time it's about an English painter and the Chinese prostitute he meets in a Hong Kong bar. The dramatization is from Richard Mason's current best-seller, "The World of Suzie Wong."

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## Utah parents home from France, visited son's grave at Epinal cemetery

SALT LAKE CITY. — Mr. and Mrs. Thomas T. Ogawa of this city have just returned from a pilgrimage to their son's grave in France. Pfc. Edward Ogawa was killed in action while serving with the 442nd on Oct. 18, 1944, during the Vosges Mountain campaign.

Ogawa spoke of his efforts in reaching the Epinal American Cemetery and Memorial located 250 miles northeast of Paris in time for the May 30 Memorial Day Services. "Because of the government crises in France at that time, travel was difficult and restricted. We were pleased to be met at the cemetery by Sgt. and Mrs. Ryo Uchida, formerly of Ogden, Utah, and their children. They had also come to pay their respects to our son and to be present at the Memorial Day Services."

The Ogawas spent most of their time in Europe in Frankfurt, Germany, toured Italy and visited the Brussels Worlds Fair before returning home.

## EAST L.A. JACLER NAMED TO STATE DEMO COMMITTEE

Appointment of Mrs. Mary Oyama Mittwer, active East Los Angeles Democrat and writer, to serve on the State Central Committee of the Democratic Party has been announced by Assemblyman Edward E. Elliott of the 40th District.

"I believe it is the first time in which a local Nisei has been appointed on the state level," he said. In making his selections he has been seeking a cross-section of community leaders.

## San Diego carnival

SAN DIEGO. — The Ocean View Congregational Church will hold its annual bazaar on Aug. 31, featuring a program of Japanese movies in the evening and a barbecue chicken dinner.

## Rocco Siciliano, classmate of Masaoka, named to Pres. Comm. on Gov't Contracts

WASHINGTON. — Rocco C. Siciliano, Special Assistant to the President, has been designated to be White House liaison officer with the President's Committee on Government Contracts, the White House informed the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League.

Siciliano, who was formerly Assistant Secretary of Labor in charge of employment and manpower since the beginning of the Eisenhower administration until his appointment last September as Special Assistant to the President for Personnel Management, replaces Maxwell M. Rabb, former Secretary to the Cabinet and Presidential assistant.

When National President Roy Nishikawa and National Director Mas Satow were in Washington last May, they met with Siciliano, together with Mike Masaoka, Washington JACL Representative, who is a personal friend of the Salt Lake City born government official. Masaoka and Siciliano were on the Univ. of Utah debating team together prior to World War II.

The President's Committee on Government Contracts is responsible for eliminating racial discrimination and prejudice in the hiring and the upgrading of all Americans regardless of race, color, creed, or national origin, employed with companies holding government contracts. John Y. Yoshino, a prominent JACler, is one of the compliance officers for the Committee.

Siciliano, an honor graduate of the Univ. of Utah, received his law degree from Georgetown University Law School in Washington, D.C. During World War II he served as an Army officer in Italy, winning the bronze star for valor. He later served as personnel staff officer at the headquarters of American forces in Austria. He was named the outstanding citizen

of Italian descent by the Salt Lake City Junior Chamber of Commerce, served on the labor and public affairs committees of the National Constructors Association, received the first National Service Award Trophy given by the Utah Junior Chamber of Commerce, and the Colombo Award, an annual presentation by the Italian-American Civic Club of Maryland.

A member of the American Bar Association and the John Carroll Society, he was the legal assistant to the National Labor Relations Board and also assistant secretary and treasurer and supervisor of labor relations for a Des Plaines, Ill., oil company.

## SAN FRANCISCO OBSERVES 'HIROSHIMA' ANNIVERSARY

SAN FRANCISCO. — Commemoration of the 13th anniversary of the dropping of the first A-bomb upon Hiroshima at the First Unitarian Church here last week drew over 400—but only 15 of Japanese ancestry and none of them Nisei, according to Howard Imazaki, Hokubei Mainichi English editor.

He editorially criticized the Nisei, "who talk glibly of racial equality and social integration", yet ignored this community demonstration of world peace. "We wonder if they really and sincerely care for things they say are important in American communal life . . . We bow in shame," he added.

The "Hiroshima Day" program included transpacific telephone greetings between San Francisco Mayor George Christopher and Hiroshima Mayor Tadao Watanabe. Mayor Christopher expressed American regret for the suffering brought on the people of Hiroshima and said San Francisco was happy to know the once-devastated city has been rebuilt completely.

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## The National Director's Report

By Masao Satow

### Nat'l Council Delegates

San Francisco

With the names of official delegates from half our chapters already reported, indications are that we will have a good strong group with a nice balance between veteran convention goers and new faces. The following are in addition to those already acknowledged: Berkeley—Satoshi Otagiri; Contra Costa—Marvin Uratsu and Dr. Yoshiye Togasaki; East Los Angeles—Roy Yamadera and Frank Okamoto, (Alternate) Ritsuko Kawakami; Hollywood—Miwa Yanamoto and Mike Suzuki; Idaho Falls—Bud Sakaguchi and Fred Ochi; Long Beach Harbor District—Dr. David Miura and Sue Joe; Oakland—Marie Sato and Kazuko Yamada; Mt. Olympus—Lou Nakagawa and George Tamura, (Alternates) Shigeki Ushio and Bob Mukai; Omaha—(Alternates) Kaz Ikebasu and Mrs. Robert Nakadoi; Orange County—Harry Matsukane; Salinas—Tom Miyana; Salt Lake City—Ichiro Doi and Alice Kasai, (Alternates) Shig Kanegae, Rose Kanzaki, Rae Fujimoto, Grace Kasai, and Tomoko Yano; San Jose—Harry Ishigaki and Betty Ichishita; Seattle (Alternate) Harry Kawabe; Sequoia—Satoru Yamada; Snake River—Dr. Ken Yaguchi and George Sugai; Stockton—Dr. David Fujishige; Tulare County—William Ishida; Washington D.C.—Jack Hirose and Hisako Sakata, (Alternate) Toru Hirose; West Los Angeles—Dr. Milton Inouye.

We deeply appreciate these loyal JACLers who give up their vacation time to participate in the necessary discussions in formulating our national policies and program. As in previous conventions we will be fighting against time. The National Council sessions always pose the dilemma between doing justice to all the items on the agenda, at the same time, give delegates ample opportunity to air their views. Unfortunately, unlike Congress, we cannot turn back the clock. This is why the participation of delegates in the various National Committee meetings is so important. We hope the 16 hours of National Council meetings are sufficient to complete our agenda. Should extra time be required, we are prepared to continue the final session through Monday afternoon, although this means pushing the meeting of the new National Board into Tuesday morning.

National Board Secretary Lily Okura will handle the publicity for the National Council items, working with Convention publicity Chairman Alice Kasai. Blanche Shiosaki will continue to assist the Convention Board in coordinating things during the Convention, and Fred Takata will see that the National Director does no slip up on a lot of details. The National Council proceedings will be in the good hands of Daisy Uyeda via stenotype.

The Salt Lake Chapter deserves tremendous credit for its fine spirit in hosting the 15th Biennial, coming to National JACL's rescue when no bids were submitted. If the thousands of man and woman hours in preparation and attention to detail under the leadership of Chairman Rupert Hachiya and Chapter President Ichiro Doi mean anything, this Convention will be as fine a national gathering as we have had.

### NORTHERN CALIF. - WESTERN NEVADA

The recent third quarterly meeting of the NC-WNDC hosted by the Sequoia Chapter continued the fine reputation of this district for good meetings, interest and participation, thanks to the direction of Chairman John Enomoto and President Tom Yamane. A preview of National Convention discussion items was followed by the inspiring speeches of eight young people vying for the right to represent the district at the National oratorical finals. All the speeches reflected a good deal of research and thought about JACL, and we were particularly impressed with the very constructive program suggestions offered by these young people.

With San Mateo Chapter reporting more members than last year, the NC-WNDC total membership is boosted to an all time high of 5,744. Central California and Intermountain DC's also show a higher cumulative total.

### NATIONAL JACL SCHOLARSHIPS

We trust the National Council will come up with a definite program of National JACL scholarships to supplement the Pvt. Ben Masaoka Memorial scholarship which JACL administers. We are long overdue on this. The Scholarship judges this year have recommended four supplementary matching scholarships as a starter. Our thanks and appreciation to Teiko Kuroiwa, Victor Abe, Fred Hoshiyama, Dr. Kazue Togasaki, and Tak Yatabe, who for three years now have had the unenviable task of choosing a winner out of the topnotch graduates nominated by the chapters. So close was the competition this year, the judges had to go into great detail, weigh the degree of difficulty of the candidates' curricula against each other, and came out in terms of fractions of credit points.

### JACL 300 BOWLING AWARDS

Congratulations to Ted Kawamura and Tetsuo Nakagawa, both of Honolulu, to whom we have sent our gold medals in recognition of perfect 300 games in competition. These presentation will be made in Hawaii by Sho Torigoe, member of our National Advisory Board on Bowling in keeping with our policy that bowlers in Hawaii who have participated in our annual National Tournament will be so recognized. Tiny Tanisawa, Eden Township JACL-er, shot a perfect game just the other day, but in trying out his new ball in a practice game.

### SAD NOTE

On the eve of our 15th National Biennial, we sadly extend condolences to the family of Tak Nogaki upon his untimely passing. Tak was chairman of our 4th National Biennial in Seattle in 1936 and contributed much to National JACL during its formative years. He was currently a member of the New York Chapter Board.

## FULL DAY PLANS FOR YOUTH AT CONVENTION SET

SALT LAKE CITY. — "The 15th Biennial JACL National Convention Board is deeply grateful to the young people of the Salt Lake Chapter for the part they are playing to make the convention a success," Rupert Hachiya, convention chairman commented today. "They are capably handling the Convention Mixer, the Saturday Night Social and the Convention Hi-Co Dinner."

The Convention Hi-Co (High School and College) Dinner, slated for Saturday, Aug. 23, 6 p.m., at Harman's Cafe, 250 West North Temple, will be a gathering of the young people from all over the country attending the convention plus the young people from the Salt Lake area, according to Hachiya, with Emiko Tokunaga and Alice Sekino, both Univ. of Utah students, in charge.

The co-chairmen pointed out that the 15th Biennial features an almost full day's program devoted to the youth for Saturday, Aug. 23. Beginning with luncheon which will feature the oratorical contest, the youth will be invited to attend the national council session, which has scheduled Youth and its relationship to JACL as a topic for delegates. This is followed by the Hi-Co dinner and the Saturday Night Social, both being presented by the young people of the Salt Lake chapter.

Reservations at \$2 per plate are being accepted now for the Hi-Co dinner by committee members. Iwao Nagasawa will be toastmaster. An informal program with participation of youth from other areas is being planned.

Youth delegations from Sacramento, Los Angeles, Idaho Falls, Delano, Dayton and elsewhere have been assured. To be guests at the young people's dinner will be the seven oratorical contestants and Mrs. Sue Joe of Long Beach, chairman of the National JACL Interim Committee on Youth Activities.

Committee members serving with Misses Tokunaga and Sekino are:

Michiko Sanada, Hiro Iwasaki, reception; Carl Inouye, poster; Tomio Mitsunaga, fin.; Kim Nishijima, Jean Terashima (Salt Lake), Ruth Yamasaki (Brigham), Elaine Mitarai (Payson), Alice Kuroiwa, Kiyo and Marie Miya (Layton), Shinji Ichida, Koji Inouye (Ogden), reservations.

## Convention Delegates, Alternates appointed by over 40 JACL chapters

SAN FRANCISCO. — Forty one JACL chapters have designated official delegates and alternates for the 15th Biennial National JACL Convention, meeting Aug. 22-25 at Salt Lake City, according to National Headquarters.

Remainder of the 84 chapters, which constitute the national organization, is expected to name theirs in time for the first day of convention.

The list, as of Aug. 12, is as follows:

Berkeley: Kolchiji, Satoshi Otagiri. Chicago: Dr. Frank Sakamoto, Hiro Mayeda, (alt.) Joe Sagami, Earl Nakano. Cleveland: Joe Kadowaki, Masy Tashima. Contra Costa: Marvin Uratsu, Dr. Yoshiye Togasaki. Dayton: Dr. Ruby Hirose, (alt.) Frank Sakada. Denver: John Masunaga. Detroit: Charles Yata. East Los Angeles: Roy Yamadera, Frank Okamoto, (alt.) Ritsuko Kawakami. Florin: Bill Kashiwagi. Fresno: Fred Hirasuna. Hollywood: Miwa Yanamoto, Mike Suzuki. Idaho Falls: Bud Sakaguchi, Fred Ochi. Long Beach Harbor District: Dr. David Miura, Sue Joe. Milwaukee: Sat Nakahira. Mt. Olympus: Lou Nakagawa, George Tamura, (alt.) Shigeki Ushio, Bob Mukai. Oakland: Marie Sato, Kazuko Yamada. Omaha: Richard Takechi, Mike Watanabe, (alt.) Kaz Ikebasu, Mrs. Robert Nakadoi. Orange County: Harry Matsukane. Parlier: Sue Miyakawa, (alt.) Norman Miyakawa. Placer County: George Hirakawa. Pocatello: Novo Kato, Bill Yamachi, (alt.) Masa Tsukamoto, Bobby Endow, Ronnie Yokota. Portland: George Azumano. Puysallup Valley: Dr. John Handa. Reno: Buddy Fujii. Sacramento: Tak Tsujita, (alt.) Dr. George Takahashi. Salinas Valley: Tom Miyana.



Getting into the national JACL convention mood are some 100 Salt Lake JACLers at their annual family outing at Lindsey Gardens, where they enjoyed an outdoor barbecue feast. To "sell" the convention, it was tagged as the "Pip, Pip, Hurray" rally. "PIP" are initials to the convention theme: Past Is Prologue.

—Terashima photo.



## Thousand Club Notes

By Kenji Tashiro

Orosi, Calif.

A couple of months ago we were counting the weeks until Convention. Those weeks have, figuratively, all flown by, and now only one more week remains until we convene in Salt Lake City for what promises to be another stimulating convention. We are looking forward to renewing acquaintances with many of you there.

The honor roll listing of Thousanders in good standing for publication in the Convention program booklet is now closed. We are pleased to report that an all time high of some 1,280 names will be on this listing. Anticipating there will be a few more memberships coming in prior to the Convention, we are exceedingly hopeful that we may enlist the support of the 1,300th Thousander sometime before adjournment of the Convention. This all time high is the result of the enthusiastic recruitment campaign of such persons as George Mita, prexy,

and Paul Saito, 1000 Club chairman, and their cohorts of the Snake River Chapter who were out canvassing until the evening of the deadline date of July 31. Paul Saito phoned at the late hour of 11:30 p.m. that night to report nine new and renewal memberships. Fortunately, I was working late that night preparing the 1000 Club report for the Convention, but I wouldn't have mind being called out of bed to accept this kind of report. Our goal of 2,000 active Thousanders would be an accomplished feat in very short order if all chapters displayed this kind of enthusiasm.

Life memberships have been coming to the fore in recent weeks. The latest to take this means of expressing their continuing loyalty and concern for JACL are Edward J. Ennis, counsel to the Washington Office and long-time supporter of JACL, who has converted his 9th year membership to life; Dr. John Koyama of Gardena; and Miss Kenko Nogaki of Washington and Kay Teramura of Snake River who have joined for the first time. To these good JACLers we extend a special thanks. We now number some 50 memberships in this category.

The Red Chimney is the place. The time and date - 6 p.m., Saturday, August 23. All 1000 Clubbers attending the Convention will be whooping it up that night at the traditional Convention Whing-Ding. Convention Whing-Ding Chairman Mas Horiuchi sez all is readiness. Queen Margaret Itami and Attendants Miss Penny Mifune and Miss Ruth Okawa will be present to give it a regal touch.

A good, snappy program is in store, featuring big Joe Kadowaki of Cleveland as the added attraction. If you've never seen Big Joe perform, you're in for the time of your life! You men had better tape your sides and the women wear their tightest girdles cuz you're liable to split your sides laughing.

So we'll see y'all at the Convention. Salt Lake City, here we come!

### Ondo planned for Long Beach carnival

LONG BEACH. — The Harbor community center carnival will be jointly sponsored Aug. 30-31 by the Japanese Community Center and local JACL with Dr. Kats Izumi and Allan Kobata named as co-chairmen.

Special attraction is the ondo dance under direction of Bob Komai. Practices are being held each Tuesday and Thursday, 8-9:30 p.m., at the center, 1766 Seabright Ave.

### Stockton's Mrs. de Carli resigns hospital post

STOCKTON. — Mrs. Marie DeCarli, coordinator of volunteer workers at San Joaquin General Hospital since December, submitted her resignation last week to the county.

Leaving her post Aug. 15, she said she plans to return to teaching. She was formerly on the staff at John Marshall junior high. Mrs. DeCarli is an active member and former cabinet officer of the Stockton JACL chapter.

### Kabuki instructor

KYOTO. — Hisako Matsubara, 23, daughter of the chief priest of Kyoto's Kenkunji and recent graduate of Tokyo's International Christian University, has been invited to lecture on traditional Kabuki and Noh dramas in the fall by the Univ. of Pennsylvania.





## VERY TRULY YOURS

By Harry K. Honda

### 'PC with Membership'

TOO MUCH HAS been said in agreement of the value of a more informed membership but there has been little in common trying to make it materialize . . . Mechanics of having every JACler receive a copy of the organization's official publication, the Pacific Citizen, are not difficult to surmount. The main problem has been one of economics—the cost factor that the membership must sustain . . . Over the years, the leadership has strongly urged the membership to subscribe. That effort can be weighed by the fact that about one out of three members subscribes today—at times, it has been one out of four.

At one time, members were entitled to a monthly publication from National Headquarters—a four page tabloid called the "JACL Reporter". It was suspended at the 1952 convention when the Pacific Citizen was mandated by the national council to become a "house organ" . . . The PC, which had become a national Nisei weekly newspaper in 1942, made the conversion, doing its best to serve the readers who subscribe because of national Nisei news coverage as well as JACLers who sought information about the organization on the national, district and even local levels.

DELEGATES TO THE 15th Biennial national convention next weekend at Salt Lake City will have an opportunity to pass on the proposal: "PC with Membership" . . . Several plans have been drawn up by various JACL district councils. The PC Board, under the leadership of past national president George Inagaki, has been meeting regularly in recent months to devise a method whereby the PC reaches every JACler with a minimum danger of chapters losing their membership because of increased costs or quotas . . . The PC Board, aware of the internal conditions of PC and JACL, has always believed "PC with Membership" should be effected on a self-sustaining basis.

When the Pacific Southwest District Council recommended its proposal of raising national dues from \$2 to \$3 to include PC for every JACL household, it was immediately described as unrealistic by the PC general manager Saburo Kido and the board. The PSWDC asked that chapters surrender their 20 percent commission of Holiday Issue advertising, that National Headquarters continue to pay \$2.40 for PC gift subscriptions going to 1000 Clubbers and that the \$1 increase in dues go towards PC subscriptions. Also recommended was a 50 cent increase for non-member subscriptions to \$4 . . . As proposed, the PSWDC estimates—if there are 12,500 members in 1959—show a loss which must be met . . . Believe me, PC is in no position to entertain any motion that indicates a net loss. Delegates will be handed a complete financial picture of PC, since it was moved to Los Angeles in late 1952, and the size of the PC purse for the first half of 1958 may come as a shock . . . How other district councils plan to initiate "PC with Membership" have not been made available to us for study.

IN THE MEANTIME, several plans have been in the PC Board "smokehouse" . . . One asks for \$1.50 raise in membership dues with a copy of the PC going every week to each member. To break even, we need at least 18,000 JACLers next year . . . Another plan is the same except that Holiday Issue advertising commissions are reduced in half to 10 percent. The break-even point is about 15,000. Both plans set non-member subscription rates at \$4 per year . . . A third plan (and this is complicated by the fact that special permission is required from the Postmaster General in Washington, D.C.) suggests a minimal fee (tentatively set at 70 cents a year) for a special JACL edition of eight pages once a month going to non-PC subscribing members. This issue, of course, will be a regular issue for PC readers, members and non-members . . . The Board's proposition is that this plan should be accepted at the chapter level—that is, those chapters which feel the membership needs a monthly link with headquarters through the PC and feel the additional fee is reasonable may subscribe . . . In a metropolitan area like Los Angeles where there are five chapters within the city limits, a JACler who wants to take advantage of this special plan may join a chapter which offers this feature, since it's conceivable all five may not vote for it. A problem would arise however, in areas where this choice of chapters does not exist. But we hope the minimal fee is attractive enough for all chapters to adopt.

If none of the above plans are feasible, then there is no alternative but to urge chapters expend a little more effort in obtaining advertising for the forthcoming Holiday Issue, since it provides the maximum with a minimum of effort . . . It is my personal belief that the PC, as it now appears, caters to as wide a readership as possible for the expenditures involved . . . Instead of cutting down on our paid columnists, as some have urged, to reduce expenses, we prefer the savings be sought in other departments to maintain a type of paper that has met the varied tastes of our present readership. Their support year after year is hard to ignore . . . As I see it, if "PC with Membership" cannot be launched, PC expansion for JACL's gain may be had by making it a competitive publication. It must try to become a publication every Nisei household in the country would want, reporting the significant, adding more human interest, praising the worthy, fighting injustices, being the first to report what's happening in JACL if possible and offering exclusively the commentaries of our distinguished Nisei writers across the land.



Adding an international note the Portland State College campus is a full-size Japanese flag represented by Chief Officer Yutaka Yamamoto (right) of the Japanese Merchant Marine training ship Kaiwo Maru, who holds an American flag presented by Dr. John Cramer, college president, who is holding the Japanese flag. Students of PSC have started a world-wide flag collection to be flown from the deck of their new college center. The Japanese flag is the first of its collection. Arrangements for the flag exchange ceremony was arranged by the Portland JACL and its affiliate, the Amiki.

—Portland Oregonian Photo by Verne Lewis.

## PC Letter Box: U.S.-Japan Question

### SHALL WE IGNORE HER?

(Cleveland JACL's well-edited newsletter this past week, as a prelude to its general meeting on the discussion of U.S.-Japan affairs, contained the following commentary by its pro-tem editor, George Ono.—Ed.)

Editor: The present controversy concerning the "involvement" of the JACL in U.S.-Japan relationship stems from questions as to what "involvement" entails.

On the one hand, proponents claim that "involvement" means no more than stating our position in matters relating to United States-Japan affairs. On the other hand, opponents fear "involvement" means active participation toward influencing legislation which do not have direct bearing on Americans of Japanese ancestry. To insure that the JACL does not actively press unsympathetic issues, the latter insist on a strict policy of "hands off" and silence on U.S.-Japan relationships.

Such a posture ill befits an organization of the stature of JACL. We, who have ancestral ties with Japan, are biologically identified with them. We cannot escape that other Americans expect us, as Americans, to have opinions on U.S.-Japan relationships, despite the fact that for many of us only our facial features may qualify us to do so. In this situation we are not peculiarly alone. Second generation Americans of Italian, Jewish, Irish, British, Greek, German, Lebanese and many other descents have assisted our country in its relationships with land of their ancestors.

However valid the premise, legislators and other officials assume that an organization like the JACL can assist in the continuation of good relationships between the United States and other countries.

If the organization maintains silence on questions of U.S.-Japan relationships and its members profess indifference or ignorance, interested parties will seek answers elsewhere.

The vacuum left by JACL's default will surely be filled and quite possibly by groups not quite so concerned about the welfare and well-being of Americans of Japanese ancestry. By association and not necessarily with agreement or consent, all of us will inherit the stand taken by such groups.

I, for one, have more faith that the JACL is the surest mechanism for "Better Americans in a Greater America" so far as we of Japanese extraction are concerned. What about you?

Cleveland JACL.

### MINORITY VIEWS NEEDED

Editor: Throughout the discussions on the question of U.S.-Japan relations there seems to lurk an ominous note of latent rebellion of various degrees. Judging from the various reported re-

actions, it seems that the question is charged with a certain amount of strong feelings, perhaps even with overtones of emotionalism. There is reason to believe that the stronger reaction is more likely to manifest itself if the present "hands-off" policy is liberalized, the force of the reaction depending on the degree of liberalization, if any. Perhaps this appraisal errs, is pessimistic and maximizes the concern. It is hoped so.

Whatever the outcome, I trust that the minority,—whichever it be,—will continue to look to the broad purpose of the organization, namely to better and foster the lot of the Nisei. I trust that they will be sufficiently sophisticated to remain in the ranks as a "loyal minority." Stated negatively, it is hoped that they will not react by withdrawing to the back-ground or, what is even worse, by terminating all relationships with JACL. Such a reaction, it is submitted, may be classed as "juvenile", the "sand-lot reaction" of "If-you-don't-play-the-way I-want-to, I'll-take-my-ball-and go home."

Divergent views in an organization lend vigor and vitality. Should those with opposing views withdraw, leaving the majority with a free hand, the organization can surely become stagnant. The greater the problem the more important it is for the minority to remain vigorous within the organization to make its views known, to continue to act as a check on the policies and activities of the only common organization which seeks to represent and protect our common interest.

If I may be permitted the luxury of an expression of a personal viewpoint on the question, it is to approach the problem by degrees. As a delegate from Philadelphia to the national convention I propose to vote accordingly.

One other point: It is further hoped that the question will be approached dispassionately without references to personalities or innuendoes of motives. Let us consider the problem objectively, on its merits. And, above all, "let's leave our marbles in the game."

WILLIAM M. MARUTANI  
Philadelphia JACL.

### JACL SHOULD HELP

Editor: I am a Nisei who has just returned after several years in Japan. I decided to write after reading the last copies of the Pacific Citizen in the Washington JACL Office, where I visited to discuss a problem that confronts my family, because I feel that those writing letters to the editors, that is most of them, have never been to Japan and are writing without realizing some of the facts involved.

I was a member of the JACL and active enough once to become a chapter president. I was at the National Convention 20 years ago

## Six nominees so far for 'JACler' award

Only six nominees are in the "JACler of the Biennium" race, which has its deadline today, according to George Inagaki, national chairman of the JACL recognition committee.

They are Roy Inouye of San Luis Valley JACL, Frank Chuman of Downtown L.A., Tak Momita of Imperial Valley, Harold Gordon of Chicago, Mrs. Sue Joe of Long Beach-Harbor District, and Tom Hayashi of New York.

The award will be announced and conferred at the official delegates' luncheon of the 15th Biennial JACL convention, Aug. 23, in Salt Lake City.

when Mike Masaoka was kicked out of the meetings because it was thought that his ideas regarding the kind of organization JACL should be were wrong. I was also at the emergency JACL meeting in Salt Lake City about Thanksgiving 1942 when many thought Mike was wrong about fighting for the right to serve our country in the armed forces. I dare say that many times in the past many may have thought that Mike was wrong in suggesting that JACL follow one course of action or another. But, I think that Mike's record in what he has recommended shows that he is more consistently right than wrong and that JACL and the Japanese people in America probably owe more to Mike than any single individual. I say that he is entitled to be heard and to be listened to respectfully before JACL's mind is made up on this very important question.

In talking to Mike about this problem, though he feels deeply, he seems to have lost much of his old fight and spirit. He admits that this is an important issue for Nisei and JACL but he is willing to accept what the National Convention decides without putting up much of a fight, based on the principles involved, because he is "tired" and because he feels that a new generation has come forward in JACL whose orientation may be different from those with whom he "fought the war", as he put it.

This is too bad, because having been in Japan, I feel very strongly that we Nisei should do what we can to help the Japanese remain friendly to America. The Communists, the leftists, and others are doing their very best every day to put the United States in a bad light. Also, the "bad" name that the Nisei had in Japan before the war still remains.

If the Nisei and the JACL should come out actively in trying to help Japan and Japanese understand the United States, this alone, I think, would be very helpful in impressing the Japanese people. I know that that most Nisei don't know about Japan, but they do know about America. So, they can stress what America means to them. Also, when misunderstandings occur in the press about Japan, if the Nisei would help to correct them, they would help in promoting understanding and friendship.

I also find on my return to America that the people are more interested than ever in Japan. Because I look Japanese, they expect me to know about Japan. Many of them want to be helpful to Japan because they feel that Japan is a part of our international security system. Now, if these people who have no racial or cultural ties, want to help Japan, how can the Nisei deny that they are also helpful.

The kind of stand many Nisei are taking, from the letters to the Pacific Citizen, it seems to me to represent the same kind of selfishness that many west coast Nisei accused those in the Rocky Mountains and Midwest of when during the early days of the evacuation these Nisei said they didn't want the Nisei from the coast to come to their localities and spoil their good acceptance, that if the Nisei were dangerous to the west coast so that the Army had to move them, they were also dangerous to the Rockies. If the JACL

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## NISEI TEAMS CAVORT FOR FIRST TIME UNDER LIGHTS AT L.A.'S WRIGLEY FIELD

Twenty-three men in Li'l Tokio Giant and Nisei Trading uniforms scampered about the lush grounds of Wrigley Field in a Nisei Week special last week before 993 fans. The Giants won 3-2, cashing in two tremendous breaks that came from two successive wild throws by a great Trading shortstop, Ats Kajiwaru.

Nob Yonamine led the Traders, with 3 out of 4 trips. Ben Kimura, losing pitcher, lost a heart breaker in allowing two scattered hits. Winning chucker Yosh Arima was tapped for eight.

It was the first time in Wrigley Field history that two Nisei teams were permitted to meet on the diamond under the lights.

## OPENINGS FOR JACL GOLF TOURNEY FOUND

SALT LAKE CITY. — Jerry Tsuyuki, chairman of the 15th Biennial National JACL Convention Golf Tournament, announced this week that his committee will accept a few additional golf entries.

"Although the deadline has passed, there are still a few more starting spots available," he said, urging that all such late entries reach him before Monday, Aug. 18. The 36-hole tournament will be played at the Meadowbrook and Bonneville golf courses here.

Golf entry forms are available through chapter presidents, the JACL offices and through Convention personnel.

## Nisei Week golfer

A huge field of 278 golfers teed off for Nisei Week honors in four flights over a tricky Rio Hondo course last Sunday. George Ige, who won three years ago, repeated with a 71 gross, outpointing Bob Nishimoto's 72.

## ST. LOUIS CARDS TO BARNSTORM JAPAN

ST. LOUIS. — A 15-game schedule in Japan plus eight more in the Far East has been announced last week by Bing Devine, general manager of the St. Louis Cardinals, who have been invited by Yetsuo Higa of the Manichi newspapers of Japan. A contingent of 20 or 25 players including Stan Musial is expected to leave in mid-October.

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## U.S.-Japan —

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now turns its back on Japan, how do you think the Japanese people would feel. But, more important, how do you think it looks to the American people and to the congressmen and government leaders who have been so helpful to the Japanese people in this country the past several years.

After I talked to Mike I visited the Jefferson Memorial here in Washington and read one of his expressions of philosophy on one of the panels and it made me think of JACL's present problem.

"I am not an advocate for frequent changes in law and constitutions. But laws and constitutions must go hand in hand with the progress of the human mind. As that becomes more developed, more enlightened, as new discoveries are made, new truths discovered and manners and opinions change, institutions must advance also to keep pace with the times. We might as well require a man to wear still the coat which fitted him when a boy as civilized society to remain ever under the regimen of other barbarous ancestors."

G. T. W.

Washington, D.C.

## Nisei Bruin memorial

The Nisei Bruin memorial scholarship committee, which has aided 20 students during its period of operation, this week announced its fund was transferred to the UCLA Progress Fund.

The Nisei Bruin scholarship program began in 1949 to aid male Nisei students at UCLA in memory of students and alumni who gave their lives during World War II. Contributions were received from Uclans from various parts of the United States. The amount forwarded to the Progress Fund was \$236.14.

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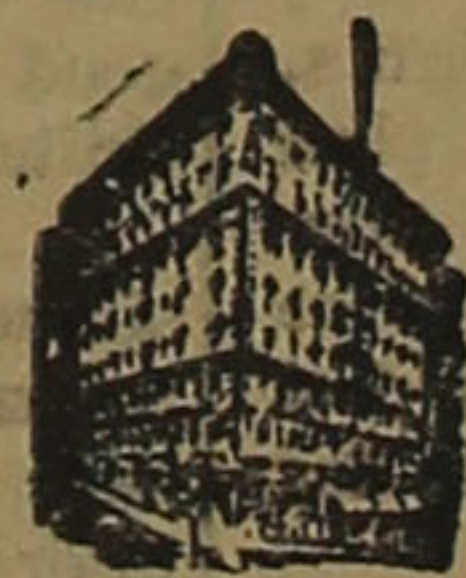


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## Tak Nogaki, 49, of N.Y. dies suddenly

BERGENFIELD, N.J. — Funeral services for Takeo Nogaki, traffic manager of Ralph Miller Company, were held here Aug. 4, in the Church of the Good Shepherd, Methodist. The last rites were read by the Rev. Dr. Robert Burbank. Burial was by cremation.

The 49-year-old former Seattleite died of a cerebral hemorrhage Aug. 1. He had been feeling ill for a few days and had remained home. The end came unexpectedly.

He is survived by his widow, the former Florence Matsumoto of Los Angeles, and five sons, Rodger, Warren, Bryan, Douglas and Randall. Also present for the services were his sisters, Mrs. Haruo Hashiguchi of Seattle and Miss Kenko Nogaki of Washington, D.C., and Kenji Nogaki, Irvington-on-the-Hudson, chairman of the board of the New York Chapter of the JACL. Also surviving are three other brothers, Mack, Kengo and Tod of Seattle.

Born in Seattle on May 8, 1909, he attended Franklin High School.

He was 1936 national JACL convention chairman in Seattle, a prewar Seattle chapter president and won the 1941 "Nisei of the Year" Yamagata Award. He came East in 1942 and moved to Bergenfield in 1943. His company, of which he became a department head, is a nation-wide chain of stores dealing in woman's apparel.

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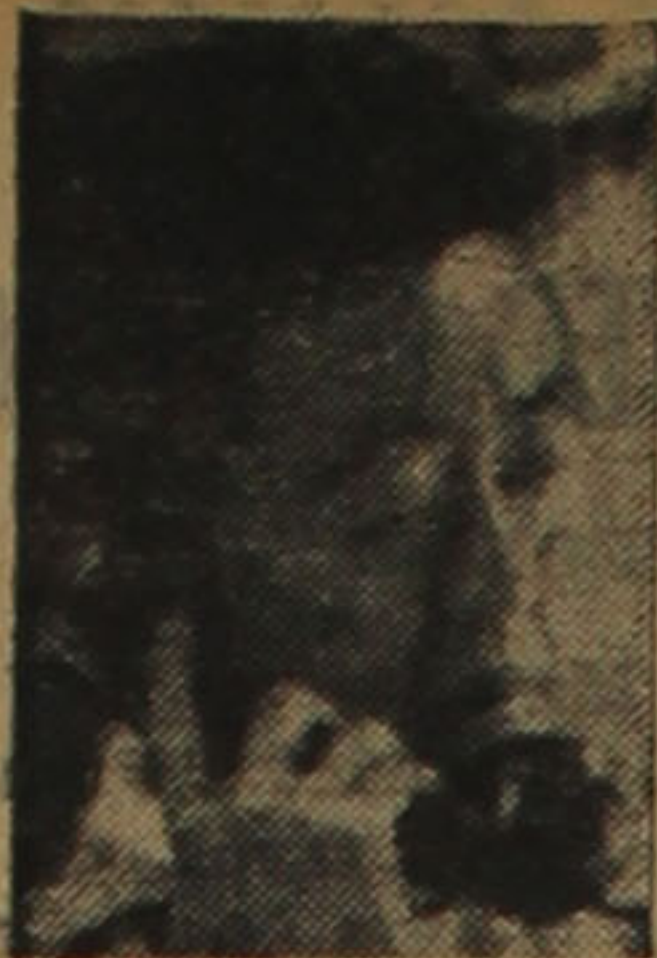
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## Los Angeles NEWSLETTER

By Henry Mori

### ONE OF THE BEST "FESTIVALS" ON RECORD

The 18th annual Nisei Week Festival was climaxed Sunday with marching units, colorful floats, and ondo parade in Li'l Tokio. Everyone seems to be in agreement that the Aug. 2-10 celebration was the "smoothest ever run" in the postwar history of the Nisei Week Festival. There might have been a more elaborate one before Pearl Harbor but none enjoyed the prestige and shower of compliments that came with this year's festivities.

Due credit goes to Matao Uwate, a cabinet member of the Downtown L.A. JACL, who served as general manager, and Norikazu Oku, merchant, who acted as chairman. There were many Southland community leaders who worked behind the scenes to make the festival a great success. The JACL contributed its share in getting queen candidates for the week's functions.

For the first time in the Festival's history, the coronation ball was held on a Saturday night. The swanky Beverly Hilton was the locale for the dance which drew some 2,500 persons—a lot of people in any social affair. It was the great task of the Nisei Memorial Post 9938, Veterans of Foreign Wars to sponsor the ball and a two-day carnival, which was conducted at the county parking lot on Weller St. later on in the week.

Probably the best Nisei Week Festival souvenir booklet to come out in many years was the one co-edited by William Hiroto and Kango Kunitsugu in which the Southwest L.A. JACL undertook to distribute. Kango's better half, Kats, was the staff writer, a very good reason why the publication was such success.

One of the difficulties about the parade needs to be ironed out. A problem in speed, how can the ondo dancers keep up with the drum and bugle corps so as not to leave a "gap" of long waiting for spectators standing along the street curbs? As ed Honda stated, "It's an impossibility since the corps step off marching while the ondoists take four steps forward and three steps back." All in all, however, there were several floats and two or three kimono-clad Samurai in a costume parade to keep the public occupied. The shishimai (dragon dance) and the jinrikisha operators were raising havoc with their antics.

Mr. Uwate, who had done a marvelous job, said after the Festival that "I have learned a lot about the mechanics to this program and hope to make a detailed report on it in the near future." He thinks there is plenty of room for improvement; something that other executives in the past have conceded but failed to place in writing.

Put into proper hands, the annual Festival can be a "good thing" both for the merchants and for the participants. Mr. Uwate seems to be closest to that answer.

By way of footnote, the Japanese American Optimist Club here had a nice "money-making" project going with their Good Humor truck in operation along the parade route. Some of the members took turns to drive the vehicle while the real Good Humor man sold the ice cream. If you'll pardon a worn expression: they were selling like "hotcakes."

At this rate of success we can observe the Silver Anniversary of the Nisei Week Festival in 1965 with some sort of anticipation.

Now that the hoopla is over we suddenly feel old again.

### WASHINGTON NEWSLETTER: by Mike Masaoka

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restrictive and legalistic interpretations were handed down, such as on agricultural crops, management expenses, and fair rental values, for instance, JACL asked the Congress for clarifications through appropriate amendments and was rejected on these items.

It is axiomatic that claimants are never satisfied with the amount they are awarded.

In the case of this program, however, it should be recalled that Dillon Myer, Director of the War Relocation Authority that supervised this evacuation, in testifying before congressional subcommittees considering this legislation more than a decade ago, estimated that not more than ten million dollars would be paid under its provisions. That already more than 35 millions have been awarded is, we think, a commentary on the spirit that has motivated those who have administered this difficult program to its completion.

JACL properly honors two men who in their efforts to help a once persecuted and prosecuted minority have demonstrated the noblest traits of Americans who respect and live by the law.

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## Biennium awards —

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Designers, Inc., Hirose is regarded as a pioneer in this area in the field of advertising and display contracting. Starting as a three-man partnership in 1950, the commercial art studio is a well-established and flourishing concern today.

Among the numerous assignments, two are outstanding. They are "Exhibit for Better Packaging," sponsored by the Post Office Department and the ingeniously designed "People's Capitalism Exhibit" for the U.S. Information Agency. The latter was taken on a national and international tour, showing a 3-D aspect of American life and home.

Very busy too in civic and fraternal life, Hirose acted as art show chairman for the Advertising Club of Washington, D.C.; is on the board of directors for the Chillum Castle Holding Corp., a Masonic organization; and was a recipient of the Hats Off award of the DeMolay in 1956 in recognition of his enterprise and services. As a Lion, he is convention chairman of the club; as a Mason, he has served as president of the Grand Lodge School of Instruction and is now chanter with the Alma Temple Shriners; and is a member of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce.

When JACL was in the organizational stages in Washington, D.C., Hirose was among the first to voice support and was chairman of the organizing committee in 1946, then serving in various capacities. He was elected chapter president for 1958. Between 1947-51, he was national chairman of the JACL Arlington Cemetery Committee.

### Seiji Horiuchi

Nominated for distinguished community leadership is Seiji Horiuchi, 33, of Brighton, Colo., "a local boy who's made good in a big way." Five years ago, he was elected president of the local Jr. Chamber; today, he is a national vice-president of the organization and his friends are many who say he'll go right on to the top. He is currently responsible for the awards portfolio in the U.S. Jr. Chamber of Commerce board and in charge of J.C. activities in Colorado, Montana, Wyoming, North Dakota and South Dakota.

As chairman of the Brighton Agricultural Institute, he compiled an outstanding record of service and was later named state agricultural chairman for the J.C.'s. He organized and conducted Colorado's first Outstanding Young Farmer program and as Brighton J.C. president led the group to its successful bid for the Giessemer Award, as the outstanding local organization in the state.

Horiuchi was also honored with the outstanding state chairman award in 1954 and the outstanding state vice-president award in 1955.

Head of research and development for Organics, Inc., a fertilizer manufacturing firm, Horiuchi is also supporting community service groups and taking active roles in the JACL, Community Chest and Brighton's Japanese American Association (1957-58 president). He is a member of the Brighton Chamber of Commerce, First Methodist Church (on board of directors for both groups), and the Colorado Visitor's Bureau.

A graduate of Colorado State University and postgraduate student at the Univ. of Minnesota, the prominent Colorado Nisei served as language translator during World War II. He was vice-president of the Mile-Hi JACL in 1955.

### Hisako Sakata

Regarded as one of the top Nisei women in government service, Hisako Sakata of Washington, D.C., has been nominated for the Distinguished Leadership Award. The Wyoming-born Nisei went to Washington in 1944 to take a civil service position as clerk-stenographer in the U.S. Public Health Service. She has risen step by step to her present position as financial management analyst (GS-11) and chief of the fiscal procedures and control section in the Bureau of State Services, USPHS.

In recent years, her role as an

expert in fiscal procedures has received increasing recognition. As section chief, she has worked with experts in the study of special problems relating to financial management and development of policies and procedures. Her latest assignment concerned with revision of the bureau's allotment pattern, and staff leadership in conducting a pilot study to develop an integrated accounting system.

Miss Sakata is also active in JACL affairs. Since joining the chapter in 1952, she piled a record of continuous service, serving as vice-president for two terms and more recently chaired the EDC quarterly meeting here in May. She is also a contributor to the chapter D.C. News Note.

She was awarded the Alpha Alpha chapter "Girl of the Year" award from the Beta Sigma Phi, an international organization dedicated to service to others. That she was chosen from among 300 others indicated the signal honor given her this year.

A communicant of the Episcopal Church of the Epiphany, she participates in many church activities. She did much to extend its work in the mission field, particularly helpful in furthering and creating an understanding of the cultural life in Japan, the country chosen for group study for 1957-58.

### Bill Hosokawa

A respected newspaperman for years, Bill Hosokawa of Denver is the ranking Nisei journalist in America as assistant managing editor of the Denver Post.

Nominated for distinguished community leadership, the Seattle-born contributor to the Pacific Citizen was appointed to his new post early this year after serving as executive news editor for a year. Prior to these assignments, Hosokawa was editor of the Empire magazine, the Post's Sunday supplement which has become a highly-regarded regional news-magazine with sparkling covers in full color. In 1956, he was elected president of the American Association of Sunday Feature Editors.

Hosokawa first joined the Post in 1946, has worked on the Des Moines Register, edited the Heart Mountain Sentinel, the Singapore Herald and the Shanghai Times before Pearl Harbor and began his writing career on Jimmie Sakamoto's Japanese American Courier.

A journalism graduate from the Univ. of Washington in 1937, he is a competent, versatile journeyman at the trade, having been one who has operated the linotype, the press, and even folded and help mail the papers during his newspaper career of some 20 years.

### Pat Suzuki

Pony-tailed Pat Suzuki, candidate for the distinguished achievement award, has been in the public limelight in recent months since her first records by RCA-Victor hit the music counters across the country.

The California-born Nisei has captured the hearts of many who find her song style easy to take and enjoy. Much more can not be said of her as she has been steady "copy" in the Pacific Citizen in recent months.

She began her singing career in a Seattle night club three years ago and is now heading for New York to sing in a new Rodgers and Hammerstein musical, "Flower Drum Song" (see Larry Tajiri's column today). She was in a "Teahouse of the August Moon" touring company as an understudy, landing in Seattle for assignment when she stumbled into Norm Bobrow's club and offered a sample of punchy, vibrant singing to land a spot on the show.

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### May Awardees

The 92 who received awards in May are:

Yoshio Joe Inouye; Louise M. Brooks, as guardian of minor children of George Goya, deceased; Midori Tamiyasu; Carl Tsurugi Nakashima; Kensaku Murata; Keigi Asamen; Iwao Wada; George Yamamoto; Raku Abe; Arizona Buddhist Church; Yasuta Kageyama; Takayoshi Koga; Hisashi Kumagai; Livingston Farming & Produce Co.; Torachi Ambo; Takao Frank Okada; Tom Awoki; Kisa Hashimoto; Heizo Oshima; Rose Mariko Shinoda; Heizo Oshima, as executor of the estate of Fred Oshima, deceased; Minoru Shinoda; Mary Aiko Shinoda; Henry Shigeru Shinoda;

Takiko Shinoda; Minoru Akagi; Maki M. Yamada; James Yoneo Miyamoto; Richard Toshio Miyamoto; Dolly Hanako Miyamoto; Shinano Migaki; Toki Kataoka, as executrix of the estate of Taiji Kita; Harry T. Shibata; Sennemon Tsunekawa; Kinu Sasaki; Kamato Ota; Thomas Kenji Miyamoto; Masataka Frank Zuma; Misako Ohama; Torayoshi Maida; Sadao Sasaki; James Hirasaki, as executor of the estate of Anko Hirasaki; Asako Maida Tokuno; Junko Maida Kimura; Kane Maida; Meriko Maida; Nobuichi Tsutsumoto;

California Flower Market, Inc.; Hawley Haruo Kato; Yonemon Marui; Minoru Nitta; Hitoshi Nitta; San Pedro Vegetable Growers Cooperative Association; Kiyo Nagano; Lily Miyamoto; Mariko Mary Miyamoto; George Matsushita Naruse; Misao Naruse; Naotaro Ito; Tsuruko Ito; Sadagoro Hoshizaki; Mike Domoto; Hiro Takeuchi; James I. Ito; Mary Hayashi; Iwao Aoki; Umajiro Okiyama; Toshio Nakato; Yoshikazu Tan; Takuo Nishimura; George Y. Hura and Masayo Hura; Giichi Yoshioka; Harry Takashi Korematsu; Ronald I. Shiozaki;

George K. Mukai; Ruth Ikemi; Gen-ta Nii; Hajime Inouye; Louis K. Ishino; Harold Hershiner, as executor of the estate of Hirotaro Nakagawa, deceased; Shio Uetake; John Y. Okubo; Masayuki Doi, as executor of the estate of Shoichi Doi, deceased; Seattle Chapter, Japanese American Citizens League; Henry Mitarai; Yoshiharu Nagamura; Claire Bach; Masao Yamamoto; Martha Sayoko Miyamoto; and G. T. I. Investment Co., Inc.

### Partial List for June

The 56 who received awards up to June 20 are:

Fujiiko Ono Watari; Takeyo Mutow, as distributee of the estate of Kichitaro Mutow; Takeyo Mutow; Utaka Akagi; Frank T. Iseri and Haruko Iseri; William N. Tatsuda; Tamotsu Katsuda; Asakichi Tambara; Shinobu Sakuma; Takashi Sakuma; Atsusa Sakuma; Akira Sakuma; Masamoto Matsumoto; Shigemori Narahara; Wakako Domoto; Toichi Domoto; Alice Domoto; Isami Nakao; Peter Isao Yoshitomi; Dorothy C. Matsumoto; Jack Y. Matsumoto; Iwao Hara;

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## Washington

NEWSLETTER

BY MIKE MASAOKA

### National Recognitions

Washington, D.C.

**ASSISTANT UNITED STATES** Attorney General George C. Doub, who directs the Civil Division of the Department of Justice, and Section Chief Enoch E. Ellison, who administers the Japanese Claims Section in the Civil Division, will be honored at the Convention Banquet of the forthcoming 15th Biennial National Convention of the Japanese American Citizens League, Monday evening, Aug. 25, at the Hotel Utah in Salt Lake City, Utah.

They will be presented with hand-embossed scrolls of appreciation for their efforts in connection with the evacuation claims program, whose administrative phases will be concluded before the end of the year, exactly a decade after Congress enacted the remedial statute for the benefit of Americans of Japanese ancestry arbitrarily removed by military fiat from their homes and associations on the west coast in the spring of 1942. They will be the only ones receiving national recognitions at this Convention.

They will join the illustrious citizens who have previously received this high honor: President Eisenhower, Secretary of the Cabinet Maxwell M. Rabb, Secretary of State Dean G. Acheson, Secretary of the Interior Oscar L. Chapman, Senator Pat McCarran, Congressman Francis E. Walter and Walter H. Judd, motion picture executive Dore Schary, and writer-director Robert Pirosh of "Go For Broke" fame.

**THE BASIC STATUTE**, the evacuation claims law, was signed by President Truman on July 2, 1948, following unanimous passage by both the House of Representatives and the Senate, authorizing the Attorney General to receive and to adjudicate certain claims arising out of the evacuation of 1942 for real and property losses suffered as a direct consequence of that evacuation. By the Jan. 3, 1950 deadline, more than 24,000 claims for almost 130 million dollars had been filed.

The adjudicative procedures, however, were so slow and cumbersome that only a few cases were being completed each year, so in August, 1951, Congress enacted an amendment authorizing the Attorney General to compromise and settle all claims up to three-quarters the amount of the compensable items, or \$2500, whichever was less. In the next five years, more than 20,000 claims were compromised and settled, leaving the larger and more difficult claims to be adjudicated. Early in July, 1956, the Congress further amended the law to provide that the Attorney General might compromise and settle all claims up to \$100,000, without requiring the deduction of 25 per cent of the amount of compensable items for this expeditious handling, authorizing a judicial alternative to the Court of Claims for those with claims larger than \$100,000 and those dissatisfied with the Government offer, and recognizing the eligibility of claims postmarked prior to the Jan. 3, 1950 deadline, profit and non-profit corporations and organizations, and internees whose losses were the direct result of evacuation and not of internment, provided that the claims in the latter two categories were timely filed in the first instance.

It is under this final amendment that the program will be completed in its administrative phases before Dec. 31, 1958.

**ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL** Doub is responsible for the speed-up that will allow the completion of the program this year. His personal conviction that the wartime evacuation was both unnecessary and unjustified has contributed to his humane attitude towards this program. His determination to see its conclusion not later than this year resulted in his personal visits last spring to Chicago, Los Angeles, San Francisco, and Seattle, with Mr. Ellison, to discuss with his field staff and evacuees and their attorneys the problems slowing up the program. The successful completion of this claims program will be the first that our Federal Government has ever instituted and closed—to our knowledge—so this in itself represents a kind of tribute to the character of the man to be honored by the JACL.

According to Washington's JACL representatives, had Mr. Doub been in charge of the program for the Government since the beginning it would not only have been completed much sooner but the legal interpretations might have been far more generous.

**SECTION CHIEF** Ellison has been in direct charge of the program almost since its inception. He has served under four Assistant Attorneys General and four Attorneys General in the ten years he has been associated with the work. The Assistant Attorneys Generals were H. Graham Morrison, Holmes Baldrige, Warren Burger, and, of course, Mr. Doub. The Attorneys General were J. Howard McGrath, James P. McGranery, Herbert Brownell, and the current William Rogers. Coincidentally, the first two in each of the listings served in the Truman Administration, with the latter two in the present one.

With his assistant, Paul Grumbley, Mr. Ellison has been responsible for the successful processing of, up to the end of fiscal year 1958 (June 30, 1958), 24,100 claims authorizing awards in the amount of almost 35 and a half million dollars. With less than 200 claims left, they are confident that they can "work themselves out of their jobs" long before the end of the year.

**THERE IS AN** understandable feeling among many evacuees that they did not receive as much as they were entitled to. But, the administrators have been as generous as they thought the law allowed them to be, stretching their interpretations to the extent, for example, that the white women wives of evacuees could be considered as "persons of Japanese ancestry" for the purposes of being awarded compensation for their evacuation losses.

On the other hand, when what were considered to be

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## Nat'l JACL to honor Justice Department officials for Evacuation Claims program

Department of Justice officials who are responsible for the successful completion of the evacuation claims program will be honored by the Japanese American Citizens League at its forthcoming 15th Biennial Convention in Salt Lake City next week, George J. Inagaki, chairman of the National JACL Recognitions Committee announced.

Assistant United States Attorney General George C. Doub of the Civil Division, and Enoch E. Ellison, chief of the Japanese Claims Section, of the Department of Justice will be honored with embossed scrolls of appreciation at the Convention Banquet on Monday evening, August 25, Inagaki said.

Assistant Attorney General Doub is responsible for completing the administrative phases of the program by the end of the year. Mr. Ellison has been in direct charge of the program for the ten years that the congressionally approved project has been administered by the Department of Justice. Both visited Chicago, Los Angeles, San Francisco, and Seattle last spring in order to expedite the program. At that time, they met with many JACL officials and others concerned with the program.

Time Appropriate

Inagaki, who as immediate past

National JACL President and the founder of the Committee on Japanese American Evacuation Claims is intimately acquainted with the subject, declared that it was appropriate that ten years after the program had been approved by Congress, JACL was honoring those responsible for the program.

He also announced that Mike Masaoka, Washington JACL representative, who has worked with both honorees throughout the life of the program, will make the presentations at the Banquet.

"Although many claimants may not be satisfied with the amount of their awards, nevertheless Assistant Attorney General Doub and Section Chief Ellison are entitled to the thanks and appreciation of the Japanese American minority for their humane administration of a most difficult program," Inagaki said. "The law as passed by Congress was not as liberal as it might have been, and the Government administrators had to do the best they could under the circumstances. That they have awarded more than \$35 million dollars when the congressional committees considering the bill ten years ago were told that only ten millions would be paid under its terms is a tribute to their understanding of the nature of the evacuation in 1942."

## RECOGNITIONS BANQUET TO CLIMAX 15TH BIENNIAL CONVENTION AUG. 25

**SALT LAKE CITY.** — "The presence of our nationally prominent guests presages a truly climactic Convention Banquet," Rupert Hachiya, chairman of the 15th Biennial National JACL Convention, commented today.

"We will have the honor of having the colorful and renowned Congressman Dalip S. Saund, the first person of Asian ancestry to serve in the Congress of the United States as our main speaker. We anticipate that his message will be of great pertinence to Ameri-

cans of Japanese ancestry," Hachiya added.

Miss Sue Kaneko, Convention Banquet chairman, announced that the two senators from Utah, Arthur V. Watkins and Wallace F. Bennett, will give their personal greetings to the group as well as the two congressmen, William A. Dawson and Henry A. Dixon.

"In addition we will be honored," she added, "to have with us Assistant Attorney General George C. Doub and Chief of the Japanese Claims Section Enoch E. Ellison of the Dept. of Justice. They will be receiving recognition awards from the national organization for their services in connection with the Japanese American evacuation claims program."

### "Biennium" Announcements

The Aug. 25 dinner program also features the eagerly awaited announcement of the "Nisei of the Biennium" awards as well as the installation of the officers of the National JACL for the coming biennium.

Among honored guests are Governor George E. Clyde of Utah and Mayor Adiel F. Stewart of Salt Lake City.

Shigeki Ushio, past chairman of the Intermountain District Council, will be the toastmaster of the evening with special introductions of the Congressmen and Senators by Mike Masaoka, Washington JACL representative.

Members of the Convention Banquet Committee are:

Mmes. Tom Aoyama, Ichiro Doi, Rupert Hachiya, Frank Koda, Jun Kurumada, Yosaku Miya, Harry Nishikawa, Fred Sumida, Nick Tasaka, Roy Watanabe, and Mas Yano.

## FINAL COMMITTEE ACTION FOR HAWAII STATEHOOD BILL THIS YEAR SEEN

**WASHINGTON.** — The House Interior Committee approved the Hawaii statehood bill by a 22 to 4 vote last week but Rev. Leo O'Brien, (D., N.Y.) chairman of the territories subcommittee, said he considers it futile to attempt further action this year.

He predicted early action in the next congressional session and final enactment of the bill within 12 months.

The committee rejected a last-minute effort by Rep. John R. Pillion, (R., N.Y.) to require a plebiscite in Hawaii on whether its voters desire statehood.

Voting against the bill were Pillion, Rep. Walter Rogers, (D., Tex.) Rep. J.T. Rutherford, (D., Tex.) and Rep. James B. Utt, (R., of Santa Ana, Calif.).

## FRESNO MOTION ON JAPAN ISSUE ADOPTED IN CCDC

BY GEORGE BABA

**SELMA.** — Majority of the Central California District Council chapters are in favor of the Fresno JACL motion on the question of JACL policy on U.S.-Japan affairs.

The Fresno JACL resolution, accepted by the majority present, will be recommended at the national convention. It reads, in part:

"... that in general, JACL retains its present policy of non-involvement in international relations except as to those matters directly affecting Japanese Americans residing in America, and as to these matters, a committee be formed to study them and make recommendations to the National Board. A two-thirds affirmative vote of the National Board shall be required before JACL shall become involved in matters."

At a very well attended meeting Aug. 6 here at the Selma Japanese Mission church, the pro and con of U.S.-Japan affairs were presented by various CCDC leaders.

James Matsumura, Tulare County chapter president, opened the meeting by reviewing the memoranda reprinted in the Pacific Citizen by Saburo Kido, representing the position JACL should not intervene in international affairs, and by Harold Gordon, proposing that JACL should liberalize its present policy and help free Japan within the orbit of free nations.

Speakers from various chapters were called upon to render their personal opinions. The Issei, whose opinions were being sought on this question, were present but were unable to advise since they claimed they were only attending to learn more about the issue at hand.

A bid to have the district council take an official stand on the question failed as several chapters felt they were not ready to make a definite stand.

## CALENDAR

- Aug. 17 (Sunday) Venice-Culver — Community picnic, Centinela Park, 11 a.m.
- Aug. 16 (Saturday) East L.A.-Long Beach — Joint luau party, Kono-O-Hawaii, Anaheim.
- 15TH BIENNIAL JACL CONVENTION Salt Lake City Hotel Utah, Convention Bq. Aug. 21 (Thursday) Reception for National Board at Reception for National Board, Hotel Utah, 8 p.m.; Betty Gikui, chmn. Aug. 22 (Friday) Issei Recognition Dinner, Lafayette Room, Hotel Utah, 6-8 p.m.; Rev. S. Aoyagi, chmn. Opening Ceremonies, New Auditorium Hotel, 8:30-10 p.m.; Mas Yano, chmn. Get-Acquainted Mixer, New Auditorium Hotel, 10 p.m.-1 a.m.; Mary Ujifusa, chmn. Aug. 23 (Saturday) Golf Tournament; Jerry Tsuyuki, chmn. Official Luncheon, Lafayette Room, Hotel Utah, 12-2 p.m.; Frances Takeno, chmn. Nat'l JACL Oratorical Contest, Lafayette Room, Hotel Utah, 2-4:30 p.m. Mas Yano, chmn. Youth Forum, Junior Ballroom, Hotel Utah, 4-5:30 p.m. Hi-Co Dinner, Harman's Cafe, 250 W. North Temple, 6 p.m. 1000 Club Whing Ding, Red Chimney, 6-9 p.m.; Mas Horiuchi, chmn. Evening Social, Hotel Auditorium, 9 p.m.; Kuni Kanegae, chmn. Aug. 24 (Sunday) Golf Tournament. Convention Outing, 12-5 p.m., Brighton Resort; Toshi Odow, chmn. Bridge Tournament, Brighton Resort; Bill Mizuno, chmn. Artist's Retreat, Brighton Resort; Fred Ochi (Idaho Falls), John Mizuno, co-chmn. Fishing Contest Brighton Resort. Outing Dinner-Dance, Old Mill Club, 6 p.m.; Mt. Olympus JACL, Lou Nakagawa, pres., chmn. Aug. 25 (Monday) Recognition Banquet, Hotel Auditorium, 6-9 p.m.; Sue Kaneko, chmn. Sayonara Ball, Hotel Auditorium, 9-12 p.m.; Shiz Sakai, chmn. Aug. 30 (Saturday) Orange County—Chapter luau, Kono Hawaii, Anaheim. Aug. 30-31 Long Beach—Community carnival. Aug. 31 (Sunday) East Los Angeles—Fishing derby aboard "Island Clipper." Sept. 12-14 Chicago—Weekend at Forest Beach. Sept. 13-14 East Los Angeles—Overnight Outing, Presbyterian Conference Grounds, Big Bear Lake. Sept. 14 (Sunday) Portland—Bazaar.