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Evacuation called 'tragic failure of principle by ass't U.S. attorney general

The Pacific Citizen is happy to reprint the speech prepared for delivery at the 15th Biennial national JACL convention last Monday at the recognitions banquet by Ass't U.S. Attorney General George C. Doubs. The address was made following the presentation of the JACL Scroll of Appreciation for his efforts in concluding the evacuation claims program. The text is as follows:

Salt Lake City

I accept with pride this award, which you may be assured shall always be cherished by me. I do recognize that it constitutes more than a recognition of my own contribution to the Evacuation Claims Program - it is in reality a tribute to each of the men and women of the Civil Division of the Department of Justice in Washington, in Los Angeles and in San Francisco, who for ten years so ably, conscientiously, and impartially have handled and determined the awards under the Evacuation Claims Program and are now bringing it to a successful conclusion.

Mr. Chairman and fellow Americans.

Although I am a long way from home tonight I do not feel a stranger here because I met many of you on my trip last year to the West Coast in my efforts to stimulate the claimants and their lawyers to assist our efforts to accelerate the program and I have had a helpful association at all times with your representatives, Mr. Mike Masaoka in Washington, Mr. Masao Satow in San Francisco and Dr. Roy Nishikawa in Los Angeles.

Attorney General William P. Rogers has asked me to extend to you his greetings, to express his own personal satisfaction with the unfailing assistance and cooperation accorded the Department of Justice by JACL and to wish this convention a successful meeting.

EVACUATION DAYS OF 1942

May I remind you of some recent history. In 1942 the War Department, acting under an Executive Order of the President, directed the exclusion of all persons of Japanese ancestry from the Pacific Coast of the continental United States, Alaska and a portion of Arizona. Of a total population of about 113,000 in this area, 110,442 persons of Japanese ancestry were removed to relocation centers administered by the War Relocation Authority, and for approximately two and one half years they were exiled from their homes. Of the total number evacuated 40 per cent were children under 21; 65 per cent were born in this country, were native born American citizens, yet no distinction was made between citizens and aliens. After January 2, 1945, they were permitted to return to the evacuated areas to pick up the ravelled ends of the life they knew before the forced evacuation. By the end of 1945 about half of them had so returned, the remainder scattering throughout the country, and thousands, who had joined the Armed Services of the United States, were serving with the Army of Occupation in Europe or Asia.

The evacuation orders of the War Department gave the persons evacuated desperately little time in which to settle their affairs. The governmental safeguards designed to prevent undue loss were belatedly instituted, were not effectively publicized among the evacuees and were never entirely successful. Merchants had to dispose of their stock and businesses at sacrifice prices. In a setting of confusion and hysteria, hurried | country and the maintenance and | sales were made of homes, fields, farms and personal possessions for a fraction of their value. A large number had to accept totally inadequate arrangements for the protection and management of property. Valuable leasehold interests were abandoned. Persons entrusted with the management of evacuees' real property mulcted the owners in diverse ways. Tenants were wasteful, failed to pay rent and even converted property to their own use. Even worse than property loss was the mental anguish of American citizens who temporarily were being treated not as citizens but as enemy aliens.

In the relocation centers the only income opportunities lay in Center employment at wage rates of \$12 to \$19 per month plus small clothing allowances; with the consequence that many persons were unable to continue the payments of life insurance premiums and some found themselves unable to make mortgage or tax payments. Life insurance policies

and substantial equities in property were lost.

The chief military justification for the mass removal of these American citizens was the war with Japan, the possibility of the existence of a disloyal element in their midst, the difficult military situation in the Pacific, the notion that the West Coast constituted a critical military area which increased uneasiness as to the possibility of espionage or sabotage, and the lack of time or facilities for individual loyalty screening. Yet the Nisei evacuated were not individually charged with any offense known to our law. Indeed, enemy aliens, who were believed to be "dangerous to the peace and security" of the Nation, had already been placed under arrest.

The tragedy of this unique governmental action was accentwated by the fact that there was no minority group in this country with a more admirable record of industry, obedience to law, civic responsibility and consistent loyalty to our great comminy than these citizens of Japanese ancestry. As Chief Justice James H. Wolfe of the Supreme Court of Utah observed on February 6, 1946 a Japanese American on the West Coast "had no more to do with the cause of the war with Japan than he had to do with an earthquake."

It is significant that there was not recorded throughout the war - before or after this war measure - any acts of nabotage or espionage attributed to those who were the victims of the forced relocation. The Nisei proved them-Continued on Page 4

IACL's Japan po

SALT LAKE CITY. - In order tions with Japan. that vital questions on international relations, especially those relating to Japan, which directly affect the welfare of Americans of Japanese ancestry can be duly considered, the Japanese American Citizens League at its 15th Bien: nial National JACL Convention Council Sessions overwhelmingly voted to discuss these matters on an issue-to issue basis as they arise.

Fifty-seven chapters approved this policy statement with only one opposed. A number of delegates because of specific instructions abstained from participating in the voting.

Debate on the position that the JACL should take on international relations revealed that in spite of apparent differences of opinion, there was actually unanimity as to how this particular subject should be treated.

Study Committee

After discussions which were spread over three days, it was the consensus that on major policy decisions based upon either actual or proposed congressional bills and actual or proposed governmental action that they should be referred to a study committee if the welfare of Americans of Japanese ancestry in this country is directly involved.

The study committee will be composed of a national chairman of the National Board, and each district council shall elect a committee chairman for its district who shall also be a member of the national committee: The term of office of the committee members shall be for a biennium period.

It was believed that this new approach would enable the JACL to consider all necessary action on an issue-to-issue basis in such a manner as to enable the organization to better contribute to the welfare of the group in this encouragement of friendly rela-

Sacramento chosen site of 1960 nat'l JACL convention

SALT LAKE CITY .- The city of Sacramento, with its mayor and chamber of commerce extendidng 15th Biennial National Convention In voting for treasurer, Clevesite of the 1960 national JACL convention.

Tak Tsujita, Sacramento delegate, read the messages and told of accommodations and chapter know-how in staging a convention.

Even emery boards packed in cellophane were given to delegates. On them was the bid: "Sacramento Next".

While no dates have been set, it was hinted that late spring or early fall (after the State Fair) would be considered favorably.

Delegates were also buzzing that 1962's convention could either be in Denver, Detroit or Seattle.

Buddhist minister

1954 Policy Amended The JACL policy statement on

international relations now reads:

"As an organization, most of whose members are Americans of Japanese ancestry, the Japanese American Citizens League hails the present era of good will existing between the United States of America and Japan. "As citizens of the United States, JACL members share with other Americans the hope that Japan will remain a steadfast ally in the Pacific, that Japan will become an even more potent partner in the community of free nations, that Japan will develop into a truly democratic bastion in Asia.

"At the same time, JACL envisions its primary responsibility

as one to its own membership, of continuing to promote the welfare of persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States as provided in the National Constitution and is the conviction that such activities make 'For Better Americans in a Greater America'.

Amended Portion

"However, because we cannot forsee the nature of the major questions or matters which may arise in the field of international relations which directly affect the welfare of persons in the United States each such question or matter, as it arises, should be studied and acted upon individually.

"JACL does recognize, however, that many of its members (Continued on Page 8)



Dr. Roy Nishikawa (left) of Los Angeles, 1956-58 national JACL president, congratulates his successor Shig Wakamatsu of Chicago. -Twilight Photo Service.

WAKAMATSU UNANIMOUSLY VOTED '58-60 NATIONAL JACL PRESIDENT

SALT LAKE CITY.-Shigeo Waka- placed on the ballot by the nommatsu of Chicago was unanimous- inations committee for 3rd v.p., ly elected president by acclama- won the post without competition, tion by delegates attending the

noisemakers and honked horns.

Akiji Yoshimura, NC-WN chair- and then re-elected unopposed. man, was the lone candidate for Ballots were used for the first 1st v.p. and was elected in the time in tallying for the 1000 Club

TORONTO. - Hawaiian-born min- The unexpected came for the a very unexpected turn of events ister, the Rev. Newton Ishiura, next post: 2nd v.p., with both Ken over incumbent Kenji Tashiro. has been assigned to the Toronto Dyo and Kango Kunitsugu from Dr. T. T. Yatabe, who has had Buddhist Church, succeeding the the PSW making last-minute with the privilege of installing new Rev. T. Tsuji, who assumes the drawals. Its DC chairman Dave national officers at every postwar new post of director of Buddhist Yokozeki was then nominated, but convention, read the same oath education in San Francisco. Rev. he also declined. A hurried cau- used at chapter installation cere-Ishiura was formerly a lecturer cus for a nominee ensued with To- monies at the recognitions banin Japanese at Yale University, ru Sakahara of Seattle, who was quet that evening.

of the Japanese American Citi- land delegate Joe Kadowaki rose zens League here last weekend. to say something for his candidate Presiding chairman of the Mon- William Sadatake but was deemed day session of the national coun- out of order and sat down. Charles cil, Dr. Roy Nishikawa read Waka- Nagao, EDC chairman, was recogmatsu's name and asked for fur- nized, believeing he would make ther nominations when Detroit del- a brief speech in behalf of Akira egate Charles Yata moved nomin- Hayashi of New York, incumbent. ations be closed and it was sec. But to the amazement of deleonded and carried. gates, Nagao withdrew Hayashi's A little pandemonium broke the name. Kadowaki got the floor nxet silence of the Hotel Utah Empire and said he was in conversation Room as Midwest and Eastern with his candidate that morning, District delegates who were the asking that his name be withmost obvious supporters, blew drawn. This impasse was shortlived as Hayashi was renominated

same manner-by acclamation. Chairman. Bill Matsumoto won in



From the Frying Pan

By Bill Hosokawa

(Our heartiest congratulations to our PC colleague for his selection as the 1956-58 Nisei of the Biennium. Bill asked that we hold this week's column for a special he wanted to do about last Monday night's award. But the mailman failed to deliver in time.—Editor.)

Denver, Colo.

SKINNY DOG STORY-Among the most devoted patrons of Denver's greyhound racing track are a number of Issei and Nisei. Like other optimists, they are lured by the prospect of winning a king's ransom on a two-dollar investment. Success, of course, doesn't come easily. Each bet must be preceded by intense study of the form charts and agonized soul-searching. Some bettors consult newspaper astrology columns before embarking on an evening of wagering. Others inject "science" into their calculations, taking into account such matters as condition of beast and track, the skill of the trainer, the quality of the opposition, past performances, the phase of the moon and other pertinent factors.

What it all amounts to, however, is that one bets \$2 that a particular skinny dog will be able to avoid any number of pitfalls and reach the finish line ahead of a bunch of other skinny dogs. This story has to do with one Nisei woman dog enthusiast, and how blind luck overwhelmed all her intense, scientific calculations.

Her interest on this day was the daily double in which the bettor tries to pick the winner of the first race and also of the second race. Now, picking one winner is tough enough but to hit two is a near impossibility. The rewards are correspondingly rich, which accounts for the appeal of this test.

By some mysterious process, she determined that No. 4 dog in the second race would win handily. But she was uncertain about the first race. She proceeded to "wheel" her dog, meaning that she bought tickets pairing No. 4 in the second race with No. 1 in the first race, No. 4 with No. 2, No. 4 with No. 3, and so on. The objective was to make sure that No. 4, in which she had infinite faith, would be paired with any dog that might win the first race.

But for some unaccountable reason she skipped over No. 4 dog in the first race. Perhaps it was such a pig of a racing dog that she had no faith in its chances. The man who sold her the tickets noticed this omission. He called it to her attention. He overstepped the bounds of his role as ticket-seller and urged her not to leave this chink in the armor of her protection. But to no avail. Struck by an illogical desire to economize, she stood firm on her decision to skip the 4-4 combination.

Some minutes later, as she pondered the situation, she was plagued by a gnawing doubt. Just before the windows closed she hurried back to the ticket-seller and invested \$2 on the 4-4.

Of course, the 4-4 combination came in. It paid more than \$200. Trembling slightly, this Nisei woman of my acquaintance hurried back to the ticket-seller and tipped him \$20 for his insistence.

And this, in dog-racing circles, is known as scientific betting.

ADD INTERESTING JOBS-A few weeks ago several pacifists were arrested for trying to interfere with construction of the Atlas intercontinental ballistic missile launching base near Cheyenne, Wyo. Later, they were given a hearing by Justice of the Peace Tosh Suyematsu who found them guilty and fined them. Suyematsu lectured the defendants, named Theodore Olson, Arthur Springer and Ellanor Calkings, warning them sternly that attempts to undermine America's defenses could not be tolerated.

TOKYO ROSE — Frontier, a magazine of liberal thought published in Los Angeles, some months ago stirred nationwide interest in the federal government's efforts to deport Iva Toguri, convicted of treason as Tokyo Rose. Frontier feels that its story had no little to do with the justice department's decision to drop deporation proceedings against her. Now Frontier's editor, Phil Kerby, is asking a review of her case in hopes of getting her a presidential pardon.



Dangerous Corner

Gold Star Mother of World War II's Nisei CMH winner recall's son's heroism

HONOLULU. -Mrs. Nawa Mune- | made plans to become the owner |

circumstances Sadao did would mother said. have done the same thing, she As the small group inched for-Angeles recently.

Mrs. Munemori, accompanied pinning down the other men.

member of the famed 100th In- and rolled toward his men. fantry Battalion, the outfit to Without regard for his own which Sadao Munemori belonged safety," as his citation later read, at the outset of the war.

burden of the years clearly visible it exploded." on her face.

"Sadao," recalled the Gold Star at the cost of his life. on Pearl Harbor."

only World War II Nisei winner | But for Sadao that day never Tokyo judge was lenient on Cappy of the Congressional Medal of came. For on the night of April 5, Harada, who was fined 150,000 yen. Honor, said her hero-son, Sadao, 1945, only two days before the (\$416) and a suspended sentence. "only did his duty in giving his fighting ended in Europe, Mune- How lenient was he? life for his country." mori volunteered to go on a Any other soldier fighting under patrol near Seravessra, Italy, the Los Angeles.

added modestly upon arrival by ward, Mrs. Munemori was later Pan American Airways from Los told, the enemy opened fire on them, killing the squad leader and

by her son-in-law and daughter, Sadao grabbed some hand gre-Dr. and Mrs. Tom S. Tamura of nades and crept toward the enemy Los Angeles, spent two weeks with alone. He blew up two machine another daughter, Mrs. Albert M. gun nests and was returning to Yokoyama, 2026 Leiloke Drive. | the patrol when an unexploded Yokoyama, incidentally, was a grenade slipped from his hands

"Munemori jumped to his feet, A widow since 1938, Mrs. Mune ran down a hill and threw himmori is a tiny woman with the self on the grenade just before

Thus, his comrades were saved

Mother, "was a light-hearted lad Today Mrs. Munemori recalls of 18 when he enlisted in the the words Sadao wrote his brother, Army a month before the attack Isao, from the battlefields of Italy:

"Tell Mother I'll come home. He had just finished school But tell her the important thing (Frank Wiggins Technical School, is my duty to my country."

work. She has to keep in condi-

PC Letter Box

PC RENEWAL FROM JAPAN

Editor: . . . I am pleased to renew my subscription as I find the PC very invaluable in providing me information about the activities of the Nisei in the United States and about various legislation that might concern me.

After reading the paper thoroughly, I take it to the office (Pan American-Tokyo International Airport) where I pass it around to former Nisei residents now working for our company. As one boy says, he looks forward to reading it as he used to be a subscriber back in the States. Another boy, who is a member of the Toastmasters-only one in Japan as far as I know-says he finds good material in the editorials for selecting subjects to speak on. In his initial appearance as a speaker, his subject was "A Nisei". Another boy says he finds interest in scanning the Vital Statistics of former friends. And soso on, it passes from one Nisei to another.

MRS. SATOKO OGASAWARA Yokohama, Japan

(We'd like to call attention to the PC advertising running this week for new subscribers. And non-members intending to subscribe should do so immediately before the rate goes up to \$4; as being contemplated at the present time.-Ed.)

HOW LENIENT?

Editor: . . . in the Aug. 8 PC, mori, 71, Gold Star Mother of the of an auto repair shop some day. Tamotsu Murayama reports the

CURIOUS READER

(We understand violation of the Japanese foreign exchange control law can draw a threeyear jail sentence and fines up to the equivalent of \$9,600.—Edi-

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Prompt attention to this matter by our readers shall be greatly appreciated.

And at the age of 14 and weighand dancing experts predict a For instance she has to prac- ing 105 pounds she also has antice two hours a day. It is hard other worrisome problem.

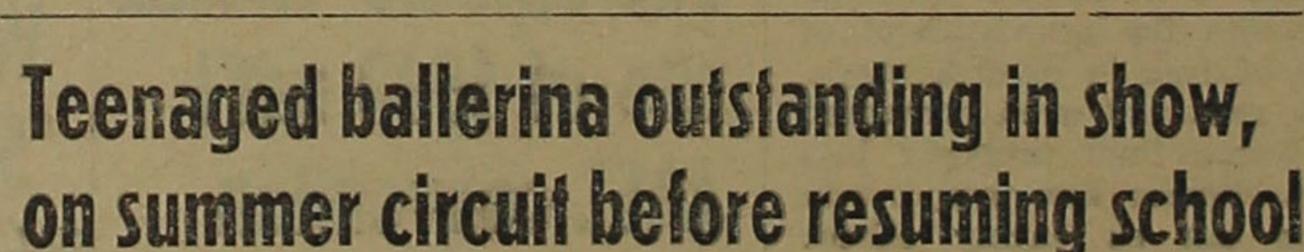
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SEATTLE. - A tiny Chicago bal- hopes to return to school in Chilerina, Sharon Konishi, who re- cago after playing the Iowa state cently performed in the Aqua Fol- route. She has a boy friend but lies here, is only 14 years old, does not write to him. A girl five feet tall and weighs slightly at the age of 14 who travels has over 105. But she is outstanding many other problems on her mind. great future for her.

Sharon was born in Arizona, then moved to Chicago which is her home when she is not on the road. She watched ballet on television, decided she wanted to be a ballerina.

For eight years, she took lessons in Chicago. She had dreams of being as good as Sono Osato. the Japanese ballerina who has done so well throughout the United States.

A year ago she went to a tryout in Chicago. Betty Gour, chorecgrapher, took one look at Sharon and hired her right on the spot.

"She catches on quickly," said Miss Gour proudly. "I knew 1 had something good there."

Sharon got a job dancing in the Chicago auto show. That was a year ago. Then she

went on the road with the Aqua Folies.

Sharon will be a sophomore and



Vagaries

By Larry S. Tajiri

Headliners in News, Sports

Bill Hosokawa, honored as the "Nisei of the Biennium" at the JACL national convention in Salt Lake Monday, leaves for the Orient in two weeks on special assignment from The Denver Post. Bill will do a series of articles for The Post on the news behind the headlines in the Far East, and his trip comes at a time when tension is heightening again.

Bill's last assignment in Asia came six years ago when there was a shooting war in Korea. He went across as the first war correspondent in The Denver Post's long history, them outstanding, all of them and covered the Inchon landings. His incisive reportage made Post headlines.

Bill Hosokawa came to The Denver Post 12 years ago after a stint on the Des Moines Register. He was named editor of Empire, The Denver Post's color roto weekly, in 1951 and he made the magazine possibly the best of the nation's locally-edited Sunday supplements. His articles also have been published by The Saturday Evening Post, American and Readers Digest. Since last year he has been assistant managing editor of his newspaper, the highest post held by a Nisei in U.S. journalism.

Speaking of honors, the Arizona all-star basketball and football games, held last Friday and Saturday in Flagstaff, Ariz., were dedicated to Bill Kajikawa. At halftime at Saturday's football game, Kajikawa, student and coach at Arizona State at Tempe for the past quarter-century, was called out to midfield to receive a watch as a symbol of the regard which his fellow Arizona coaches, from high schools and colleges, have for him.

We remember Bill from a long time ago, having grown up with him on the unfashionable eastside of Los Angeles. We were in the same classes at the Maryknoll school on Hewitt Street, and we learned our football in the concrete yard from Brother Theophane Walsh.

There was something about Bill which stood out even in those days. He could climb a fence faster, throw a football father than the rest of us. He was the best at whatever sport we played.

About the time Bill was of high school age his father, who had a barbershop on Mateo street, moved the family to Phoenix. Bill went to Phoenix Union and soon he was just about the best football and baseball player, pound for pound, in the state of Arizona. He made all-state teams in both sports and got an athletic scholarship to Arizona State College. For the Sun Devils Bill-5 feet 7 and 140 poundswas one of the smallest quarterbacks in college football, but he was a top field general and had deadly accuracy with his passing arm. He was cited on the "Little All-America" team one year-that was before the Sun Devils moved into the football majors. He also caught the eye of baseball scouts for his play at second base, and was offered pro contracts, but he decided to stay and coach at the school.

In the past two decades—with time out for service with the 442nd Combat Team-Kajikawa has been head basketball coach for nine years, and former head baseball coach and freshman football coach. For many years he also was assistant varsity football coach, and was chief scout for the Sun Devils. He resigned as basketball coach in 1957 to become head of the required physical education program for men.

Four seasons ago, Kajikawa was named Border Conference coach of the year when his Sun Devils staged a remarkable comeback after losing 11 of the first 12 teams. That was the year the team climbed from dead last to third, tion; invaluable liaisons with beating the arch-rival University of Arizona twice for the first time in 13 years. The second victory was a heartstopping 104-103 contest which is now Border Conference legend.

Kajikawa has just completed teaching in the summer sessions at Tempe. Next January he takes off on a sabbatical to complete his work for a Ph.D. at the University of Southern California.

Bill's wife, Margaret, works at the Tempe Branch of the First National Bank. Daughter Christine enters Tempe High In September, after receiving the citizenship award as the this brief review. The past is imoutstanding graduate in her junior high class. Carol, meanwhile, enters junior high this fall.

After nearly two decades of coaching, Kajikawa is one of the most popular personalities in Arizona athletics. Frank Michelbach, president of the Flagstaff Townjacks, sponsors of the Arizona coaches clinic, said it: "More important that the watch Kaji received is the vast number of friends he has counted over the years."

(Communications for Laryy Tajiri may be sent directly to his office-Drama Editor, Denver Post, Denver, Colo.)

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Text of Dr. Nishikawa's keynote address to Convention

The text of the "Past Is Prologue" keynote address given by Dr. Roy Nishikawa, national JACL president, is as follows:

National JACL President

came to Salt Lake City as a spelled out-all cut and dried. If will be more important than everdelegate of the newly-formed so, it is my unpleasant duty to Nevertheless, some delegates re-Southwest Los Angeles Chapter to dissuade you from such notions, gard this convention as a sort the 10th Biennial National JACL There are no easy and complete of a critical period-a kind of Convention. At that time, little answers. There are no panacea, crossroad—and I suppose it is, but did I dream that a decade later. Anything of value that we may I would return once again to this beautiful city as your National President or that I would be assigned the responsibility of making the keynote address at a time when it is more important than ever to decide in which direction JACL will go.

Since the Salt Lake City Con vention of 1948, we have had other National Conventions, all of marking milestones of progress and almost all of them extolling the theme of looking ahead, of planning for the future—always stressing growth and development and never for a moment being content to rest upon past laurels.

In 1950 in Chicago, the theme was "Blueprint for Tomorrow"

In 1952 in San Francisco, the theme was "Homecoming"-and what a wonderful homecoming that was! For during the convention itself, we received the good news from Mike Masaoka that at long last our parents would no longer have to bear the stigma of aliens ineligible for citizenship.

In 1954 in my home city of Los Angeles, the convention theme was "New Horizons". One of the "New Horizons" discussed there related to international relations. In fact our current Japan-America affairs policy was written there. And, I understand that there is a possibility that this question will be discussed again at this convention. On this question, I am told that if you are not worried or confused about it, perhaps you don't understand the situation!

We were back in San Francisco in 1956 and the convention theme was "Changing Perspectives". And for this year, your Convention Board has selected the theme, "Past Is Prologue".

Meaning of Theme Past is Prologue. What does this mean?

The past can be simply defined as that which has gone on before -and those of you well acquainted with JACL's past know of its brilliant accomplishments-accomplishments which seemed improbable if not impossible a decade ago: Compensation for enforced evacuation; citizenship for Issei; stay of deportation of deserving aliens and their American-born families; repeal of alien land laws; much progress in the elimination of discrimination and prejudice; effective local, regional, and national public relations and educacivic, fraternal and social welfare and governmental agencies and organizations. In short, during the war we were merely tolerated. But today, we have won for ourselves, our parents and our children, the status of first class citizens.

So much for the past. Surely I have not done justice to it in portant. But the future is far more interesting and far more challenging. We must live in the future—not in the past. The Past, after all, is Prologue. What does prologue mean?

Prologue can be defined simply as a preface or as an introduction. In other words, the convention theme recognizes that what is past is merely a prelude or an introduction into the future. Once again, as during the last decade, we are looking forward and planning a head. And, of course, this is as it should be.

JACL's Future

What then, is in JACL's future? This question is not an easy one to answer. The world of the future is a world full of uncertainties. This question raises such problems as: What course do we take? What policies do we adopt? What programs and activities do we sponsor? Where are we going and why? These are fundamental questions.

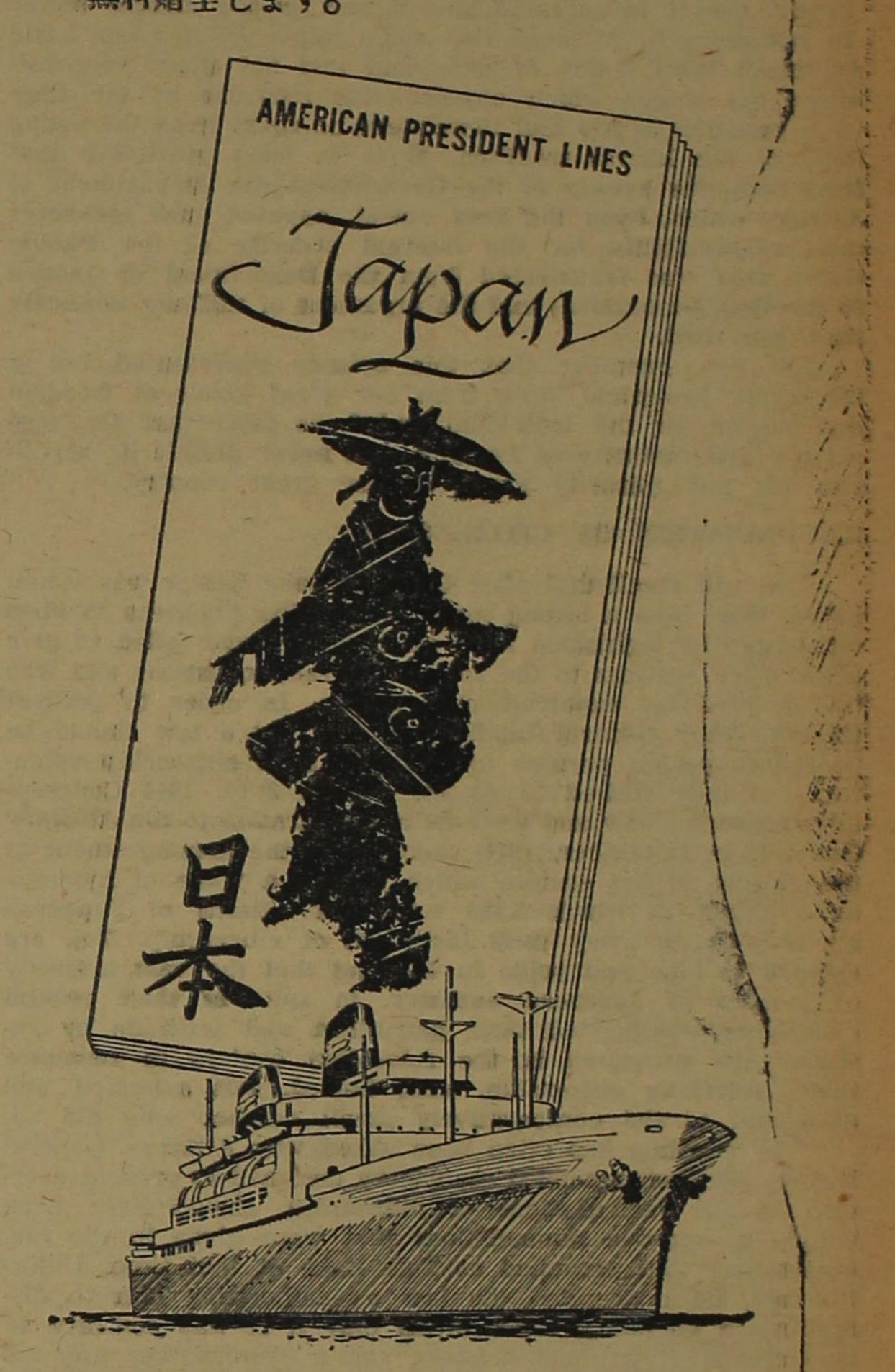
Some of you delegates may have come to Salt Lake City as-

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accomplish here will be the result of hard work and our best think-- ing. And when you get back to By DR. ROY-M. NISHIKAWA suming that all of the answers your home chapters and must to our future problems will come implement whatever we decide, It was in 1948 that I first out of this convention—all neatly hard work and your best thinking

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アメリカンプレジデント船からの素晴しい お知らせ! 貴方の御手許に美しい最新版の 「日本への御旅行の手引」を御届けしましよう。 和英兩文で書かれた此の新しいガイドブック さへあれば貴方のお知りになりたいあらゆる 事項が直ぐ判り、待望の訪日御旅行をてよなく 樂しいものにする事でせう。 未だお手許に此 のガイドブツクが無かつたら直接下のクーボ ンを御送り下さるか最寄の旅行案内社に御申 込み下さい。即刻素晴らしい御旅行の伴侶を 無料贈呈します。



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selves to be loyal to the traditions of this country, manifesting remarkable patience, self-restraint and fortitude throughout of the period of their exile. That loyalty was later given concrete expression in the high percentage of voluntary enlistments in the Armed Forces of this country by those of Japanese ancestry of eligible age which even exceeded the of the decisions which may be asking, is JACL failing us? Let nation-wide percentage and in the valiant exploits of the 442nd | made at this convention, I expect Regimental Combat team, composed entirely of Japanese-Americans, the most decorated combat team in the war.

I have no doubt that history will record that this tragic and unprecedented episode violated the most fundamental which she has been active in the standards and traditions of individual dignity and personal freedom for which our country stands. History will further record that this oppressive measure was not a military necessity but constituted a tragic failure of principle by the executive power in accomplishing it and by the judicial power in sustaining it. Although the action taken violated our basic problems which are brought about American legal policy of individual and not group responsibility, the voices which opposed this measure at the time were pathetically few and there were no roars from the young lions of the liberal tradition. It is at least gratifying that there was one agency of the Government-the Department of Justice-which, from the very outset, opposed such measures until responsibility for the internal security of the Pacific Coast area was transferred from the Department of Justice to the War Department and the argument of military necessity then prevailed.

Let us remember that this episode represented but a temporary hysterical lapse from our great ideals of freedom and justice for the individual and have faith that the conscience and maturity of America will never permit its repetition for any minority group of our great country.

RENUNCIATION OF CITIZENSHIP

You will recall that after the Tule Lake Center was established there was a strong movement in the Congress to strip citizenship by legislation from all evacuees who failed to give affirmative answers to the so-called loyalty questions and who had applied for expatriation to Japan. In order to prevent this, Attorney General Biddle proposed that a law should be passed to permit persons to renounce their citizenship voluntarily if they wished to do so, and in July, 1944 Congress adopted such a law and gave its administration to the Attorney General. In December, 1944, there came the announcement of the closing of the centers which set off a wave of hysteria as a result of which 5,790 American citizens of Japanese ancestry threw away their birthright of citizenship. You are entitled to take just pride in the fact that the vast majority of persons of Japanese ancestry, in spite of their painful experience, manifested their patriotism and fortitude by resisting the pressures in the relocation centers to renounce their American citizenship, and, indeed, felt ashamed and disda nful of the comparatively small number who did so.

The question has often been asked why Attorney General Biddle, who recommended machinery designed to prevent coercion in the renunciations of citizenship, should have been willing to approve renunciations that were given in the circumstances that prevailed at Tule Lake at that time. Unfortunately, he interpreted the law as authorizing him to disapprove a voluntary renunciation only if it was contrary to the interest of national defense, and a renunciation was not a coerced one even though it was a product of the treatment which the renunciant had received at the hands of the Government under the evacuation program. In other words, unless the renunciant was at the time acting in fear of immediate physical injury, his renunciation was deemed to be voluntary, and was then accepted and approved as not contrary to the interest of national defense.

In 1949 the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit rendered its admirable opinion in the Murakami case holding that, where the mind of individuals had been conditioned by hardships such as those imposed by evacuation and detention in relocation centers and by property losses such as those experienced by persons of Japanese ancestry and where they had a reasonable basis for feeling that the country of their birth had deprived them of their rights of citizenship merely because of ancestry, then it was not necessary that they be in fear of immediate physical punishment or danger to deem their renunciation of citizenship as coerced.. It was enough for restoration of citizenship that they feared at the time that they would be driven from the centers into hostile communities in which they would not be able to make a living and in which they might receive discriminatory treatment.

This decision was not appealed by the Department of Justice to the Supreme Court but was accepted by it as a valid enunciation of the law applicable to this unusual situation. The Attorney General announced that he would not require claims to restoration of citizenship in litigation to be tried in court and the Department of Justice would act upon the the terms of a fair interpretation of the Murakami decision.

When I became Assistant Attorney General in charge of the Civil Division in May 1956, I found that citizenship restoration was being denied when the Civil Division believed that it could successfully defend the claim under the technical legal decisions rendered. After carefully reviewing this problem, I recommended to the Attorney General that there should be a liberalization of the standards applied and in case of any doubt the presumption should be in favor of the applicant. Attorney General Brownell approved this proposal and prompt action was taken implementing the new liberalized standards.

But this was not enough. Even after the announcement of the revised, liberalized standards, we found that our pro-

Continued from Page 3 here. The situation reminds me Only National Nisei Group of the story of the person who

continue to play ball. In other the United States. words, to carry on. Regardless In moments when we feel like that by and large, JACL will continue to function in all of the ways and in all of the fields in

This is not to discount the importance of possible new fields such as international relations or the shifting emphasis on various by changing conditions. And this does not mean that JACL should drift aimlessly but rather, that she should constantly seek to im-

Greatest Work Lies Ahead

predict that the greatest work of then, must be made now. JACL lies ahead of it, not behind certain fundamental factors which we must keep in mind. These factors are not new, they are not original. Some of you have heard me express them on many provious occasions.

But, I do believe that these factors remain fundamental-not because I say so-but because they apply to all of us not only as Japanese Americans but as Americans and as enlightened citizens of this world.

What then, are these fundamenare five).

Heredity Factor

First, we must remember that we can never quite escape our heredity.

Nor is it desirable to do so. Heredity is something which we inherited from our parents, and which we will pass on to our children and to our children's children. Because of its basic nature, heredity has posed for us in the past most of our major problems including the indignities of forced evacuation and incarceration. In the future, it may once again pose problems which are both unique and difficult.

In speaking of the problems posed by his heredity and his early environment, George Washington Carver, the famous Negro scientist who was born the son of a slave and who lived in a lone room shack said, "I have had the advantages of disadvan-

tages." A paradox? No. What Carver meant was that supreme effort and character were needed to overcome the problems posed by his heredity and environment. We in JACL too, have had the advantages of disadvantages. The pioneer Mormons who settled this area no doubt had the advantages of disadvantages. Can we escape our heredity? We can try to run away from our heredity but eventually we shall find that there is no place to hide. The best thing we can do about our heredity is to accept it, be proud of it, and to make the most of it. This is basic.

Second, we should become more aware of the dangers of apathy and complacency. This could become one of the major internal problems which threaten the national organization. The false thinking that "our work is all through" can become the Achilles' heel leading to JACL's downfall. The bitter lessons of the past

have been wasted if we forge! for a moment that the price of freedom and justice is eternal personally, I expect no revolutions vigilance and unremitting effort.

All of JACL's work cannot be went around questioning people: glamourous, exciting or challeng If you had only one day to live, ing. Let's face it; much of the what would you do? work is ordinary, time consuming One person said he would get tedious and sometimes frustrating. drunk; another said, I'd live it Immediate and striking results up while I had time; still another are not always evident. And it said, I'd try to make it up to is at this point, when we are all of the people that I have tired and our spirits are low that ever wronged. And finally, a we need the faith and confidence priest, who was playing ball with that only a vision of the "Big some children was asked what he Picture" can give. Let us not forwould do, and after some thought get for a moment that JACL is said: Why, I expect I'd continue the only nationwide organized to play ball. group dedicated to the promotion In regards to the future of and protection of the welfare of JACL, I believe that we shall persons of Japanese ancestry in

> us ask instead, Are we failing the JACL?

We should endeavor to instill in by Dr. Liebman describes well our youth all of the qualities we the responsibilities that we have hold dear in our heritage and to our youth and to the coming promote and support even greater generation. opportunities for them in scholarship, leadership and good citizenship. We should teach them something of the history of the Japanese in America and make them aware of the unique problems faced during wartime so that there will be no inclination for prove her programs and activities. our youth to take for granted policies may make for conservathe wonderful status that all of I do not have a crystal ball us enjoy today. Perhaps there is and I believe I would be pre- no problem as to short term sumptious to anticipate the actions leadership within our national orof the National Council. Yet based ganization. But looking ahead 15 upon the experiences and lessons to 20 years from now, we see of the past and with full con- that today's youth will become fidence in the leaders and mem- tomorrow's leaders. Adequate probers of JACL, I unhesitatingly visions for JACL's future leaders

And so our National JACL Orait. In determining our future torical and Essay Contests, our course, I believe that there are National JACL Scholarship and our National JACL Youth Program will become increasingly more important every year. But, even more important, will be how we can implement our youth program on the local chapter level. And this responsibility rests upon all of you delegates.

Shaping the Future

thor of "Peace of Mind" and a grow, develop and progress-for tal factors? (I believe that there very great and very good man, these are lifetime tasks. And, eswho has said:

we must have the ability to live

in the long term instead of short term values . . . Life will not perish with us; humanity will not die when we die. Culture will not disappear with our generation. We can live only with the resolve to make our best contribution to whatever culture shall survive we are the ancestors of an unpredictable, creative, aspiring human society yet in the making . . . Constantly, without our knowing it, we are the sources of infection for good or evil. We are the carriers of health and disease the divine health of courage and nobility or the demonic disease of hate and anxiety Our emotions, our moods, as well as our words and our deeds penetrate human life and make those who come in contact with us either the beneficiaries or the victims of our presence on earth. What we are today, helps determine the shape of tomorrow."

The Third basic factor is this: This then, so beautifully stated

The fourth basic factor is that we must learn to adjust and adapt to changing community, national, and world conditions. Adaptation is the primary rule for survival: For plant, for animal, for man, for any organization or any country. A rigid adherence to past tism and safety yet at the same time may stifle or blind us to the creative opportunities thrusting themselves upon us. It seems to me that flexibility is preferable to rigidity. That liberalism is preferable to isolationism. That great visions are preferable to ultraconservatism arising out of fears and apprehensions.

Adaptation Fundamental

We must resist the easy tendency to drift along and the possible temptation to preserve the status quo because it means less effort and less trouble. We must never become so narrowly concerned with local chapter problems that we overlook the "Big Picture" in JACL. With soulsearching honesty, let us examine our weaknesses and our strengths Speaking of our youth and our and our motivations. We should responsibilities to them reminds strive not for the status quo, but me of Joshua Loth Liebman, au for constant improvement. Let us pecially in today's dynamic world, "Not only in our personal lives to stand still, is to take a step but also in the life of humanity backward. Adapt or die remains Continued on Page 5



Rupert Hachiya, 15th Biennial convention chairman, extends greetings at the Opening Ceremonies, standing underneath a brown and gold colored sign spelling the Salt Lake convention theme. Sitting in the rear are Mas Yano (left), ceremonies chairman, and Ichiro Doi, chapter president.

VERY TRULY YOURS:

Delegates should not be restricted in voting

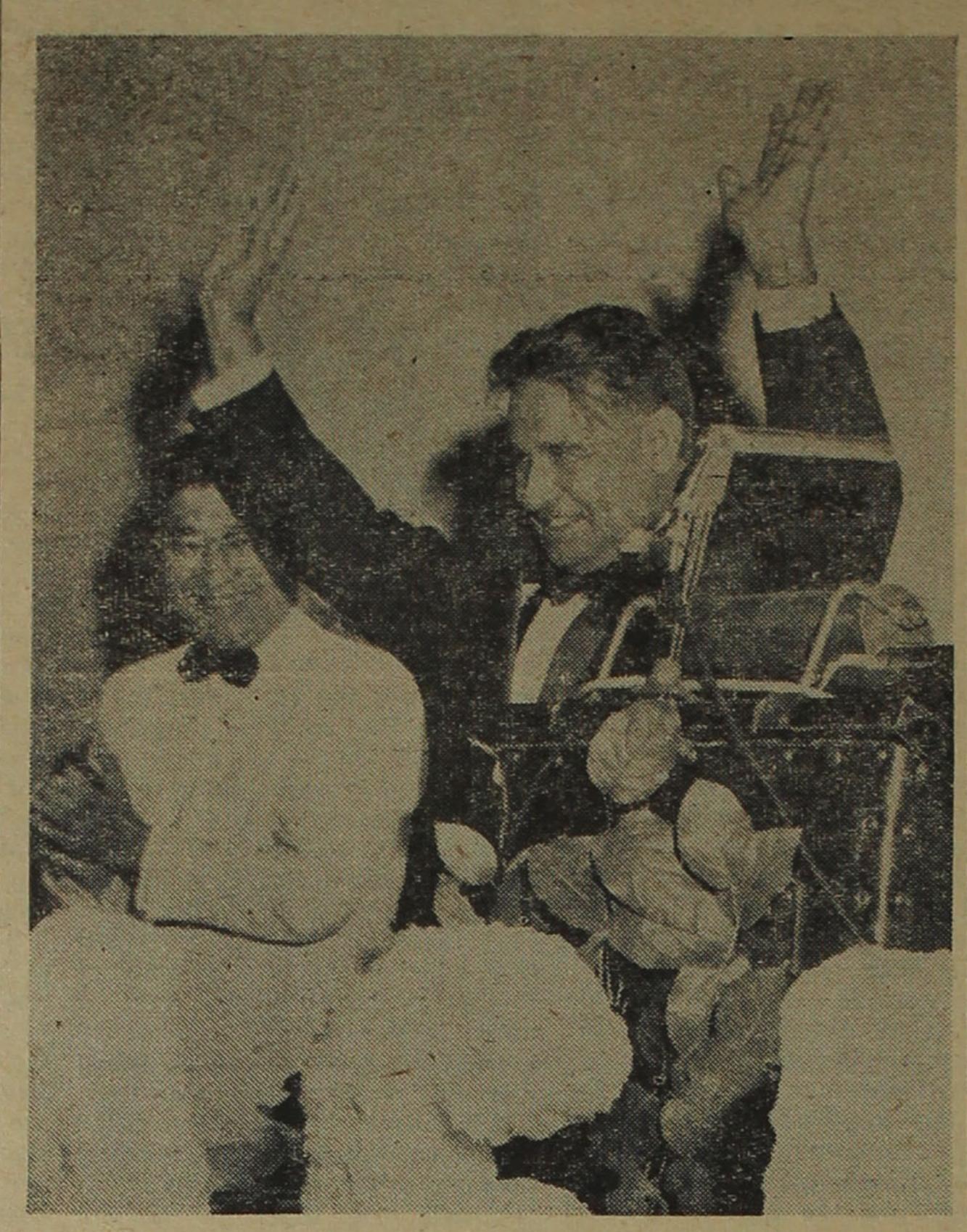
Clarification of JACL's policy on U.S.-Japan was the issue that provoked the most interest at the 15th Biennial convention. It was a subject that the vernacular newspapers and press associations were most interested.

What was regarded as two extreme views, when it came time to discuss it on the floor of the national council, actually appeared to be the same as both camps were in agreement with the substance — that unless the welfare of persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States were directly involved, the JACL as an organization would not intervene. What was clarified was the implementation of the basic JACL philosophy on international relations by making it specific that questions of a major controversial nature would be studied by a committee of national composition.

The manner in which the delegates ascertained their decisions occupied one of life's fundamental rules. nearly six hours of the vided each delegate who say. The meeting of various ideas under one roof was the amalgam to evolve clarification.

It is a tribute to the organization that delegates that would assess each point of view. The delegates did not come with has said in this regard: closed minds. But the point that should be made here is that it was regrettable that some chapters which instructed their delegates no leeway to change their votes had to cast their nays against their own personal conviction. While the next 1960 at Sacramento) is still distant, it would be wise to gain a lesson from this year's convention for chapters to allow discretion upon the delegate to exercise his good judgment in the manner of voting.

From this corner, the delegates all showed a common sense attitude. were careful to keep the for the welfare of all perNisei must help U.S. to win cold war in Asia, urges Saund



Congressman D.S. Saund (D., Calif.) greets delegates at the 15th Biennial National JACL Convention as its main recognitions banquet speaker. In the background is Mike Masaoka, Washington JACL representative, who introduced the first Asian-born congressman ever elected in the United States.—Twilight Photo Service.

NISHIKAWA ---

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The fifth and to me the most important factor of all is the council session. It pro-lidea of Service. Service is the basic reason for existence of the JACL. Without this concept of wanted to render their service at its core, JACL is observations to have his merely a shell, without substance, without meaning and without significance.

And without service, JACL will

"Is it not strange that we come into this world, not knowing where we came from and not knowing where we shall go ... Yet from the standpoint of daily life there is one thing that we know for sure: that men were placed on earth for the sake of other men."

Service Stressed

Greater than Einstein-the Greatest Teacher of all-Jesus of Nazareth has taught that man convention (to be held in | does not live by bread alone. That he who would save his life shall thereby lose it; that he who would lose his life—lose it for the sake of others-would thereby save it. Service, then, must be basic to JACL. JACL must continue as in the past, to serve our members, our fellow men, our communities, our country and our world.

well as weigh the topics In our own organization we re. JACL.

briefly the five basic factors we ought to remember in considering our future: First that heredity is inescapable; second, that we must overcome the natural tendency to become apathetic and complacent; third, our responsibility to our youth; fourth, the necessity for adaptation, growth and development; and last but not least, the idea of service.

JACL Slogans

eventually wither away like an that we have two national JACL and Asians were proud of the fact will not consistently support an heard these slogans often. Unfordid come with an attitude organization which is not basically tunately, there is a tendency in founded on the idea of service, human nature to discount phrases The greatest intellect of this which we hear too often. Instead generation, Dr. Albert Einstein of thinking about their actual meanings, some of us in our sophistication become blase and tend to think that slogans are ter the banquet, commented: mere cliches, mere catch phrases. I hope that JACL's twin slogans gories.

Security Through Unity is more than a slogan! This is something that many of us fought for, died for, and helped to make come true in our lifetime. Security through Unity has come to life and is a living fact today. But looking ahead, we see that Becoming Better Americans in a Greater American will ever prove challenging and inspiring to us Here is a slogan whose concept we shall never quite attain-for every advance that we make, there will be greater advances to be won ahead.

What about JACL's future? Let These are not mere high-sound. me say in all frankness that 1 ing principles. These are the most do not have the answer. And with practical principles extant. His. all due respect to Mas Satow and tory has proved that the great Mike Masaoka, they do not have men of this world were dedicated the answers either. Who does to service. In our own country, then? You do-all of you, delewe admire those most who served gates and members of JACL. In our country best: George Wash. the final analysis, each of us by ington, Abraham Lincoln, Thomas his interest, concern and effort organization intact as Jefferson and many, many others helps to determine the future of

spect and admire most those men Whither JACL? The choice bewho served JACL the most: Dr. longs to each of us. The Chalsons of Japanese ances. Thomas Yatabe, Mike Masaoka lenge belongs to each of us. Hence try. For many, it was the Saburo Kido, George Inagaki, Mas it behooves us to face the future idea that what is good for Satow and many, many others with confidence, wisdom, courage, Service, then, and men dedicated patience and faith. By so doing all persons of Japanese to service have been the keynote we can make the convention ancestry in America of JACL's past brilliant history theme, "Past is Prologue", meanwould be good for JACL. In the future, also, service must ingful and fruitful in our lives be our keynote.

—Harry Honda. In conclusion let me review yet to come. BY HARRY HONDA

SALT LAKE CITY .- After JACLers decided to study U.S.-Japan affairs as they affect persons of Japanese ancestry on an "issueto-issue" basis, they were told by Congressman D. S. Saund "to help win the millions of hearts in Asia and Africa".

The main banquet speaker of the 15th Biennial national convention was given a standing ovation as he concluded a 35-minute extemporaneous speech in which he made these points:

1. Humbled by the fact that he was the first Asian ever elected to the U.S. Congress, he added, "but I don't want to be the last; I want one of you to join me".

2. His election was a "tribute to the Californians of the 29th Congressional District (Coachella and Imperial Valley) and all the people of the U.S. for sending an immigrant Hindu to Congress."

3. The Nisei are good sportsman -"never found better anywhere else" - and sportsmanship is a strong American characteristic.

4. There's no second best in this game of Cold War. "If we don't The 31/2-hour recognitions dinwin, there won't be another one ner began with introduction of one . . . It is important that we must of the longest headtables in JACL win the hearts of millions in Asia | convention history - 37 including and Africa."

Nisei Can Do Job

"No one can do a better job than you and I," declared the Hindu-born legislator from Imperial Valley. "Tell the American story to them—the people of Asia and Africa," he urged.

What the United States needs is public relations in Asia. The U.S. has the best salesmen in the world, but hasn't done anything in Asia. "That's our trouble. We are comfortably unconcerned on what the rest of the world thinks about the United States."

As a one-man subcommittee for the House last year, the man who felt very much at home with over 350 Oriental faces before him admitted to the Asians that there was racial prejudice against them in America, but it has changed.

While the turnout in Japan, In-Finally, all of you are aware dia, Manila, etc., was stupendous untended vine which dies from slogans: Security Through Unity that Judge Saund was elected, he lack of nourishment. Intelligent and Becoming Better Americans personally believed that this milland perceptive men and women in a Greater America. You have ing manifestation was their high esteem still held for American institutions.

He found there was still "a lot of respect and goodwill for the U.S. in Asia."

JACLer Comments One JACL chapter delegate, af-

"Why, his speech was international relations' all over again," will never fall into these cate. referring to the keynote and banquet speeches made in 1956 and the current problem of whether JACL should take a more active role in winning the cold war, especially that aspect which con-

Dr. Roy Nishikawa (left) hands JACLer of Biennium medallion to Mrs. Sue Joe of Long Beach. Similarly honored for the past

biennium was MDC Chairman Kumeo Yoshinari of Chicago. Mrs. Joe's outstanding work with youth and leadership in the community merited JACL's most coveted award.

cerns the position of Japan in the free world.

toastmaster Shigeki Ushio, Sen. Arthur V. Watkins and Sen. Wallace F. Bennett, Asst. U.S. Atty. Gen. George C. Doubs (whose remarks are reprinted in full in this week's PC), Enoch E. Ellison, and past national JACL presidents Dr. Thomas T. Yatabe, Saburo Kido, Hito Okada and George Inagaki, and ex-Gov. H. Maw.

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By Elmer Ogawa

"HIANDS ACROSS THE SEA' PROBLEM

Seattle

this is being written during this all-important JACL convention weekend at Salt Lake City with so many very important events, discussions, elections, and decisions in the process of development, we stay-at homes feel somewhat out of the picture, and without a thing to say.

A significant, information packed, extra convention newsy PC will be rolling off the presses this week, an issue which we feel sure is eagerly awaited. Without a doubt, the individual reports of individual chapter delegates will draw unrestricted attention in most locals, when the chapters next convene.

For instance, Seattle chapter delegates, President Takeshi Kubota, and (now 2nd nat'l veep) Toru Sakahara were given pretty much carte blanche at pre-convention meetings of the board. Several detailed and intricate questions came up in relation to the problems that are being worked out this weekend, and the delegates were advised to weigh the developments and use their own judgment.

It was a fine vote of confidence in the delegates, who in our opinion have a bit of the virtue of leaning toward the conservative. In connection with the comments on delegates, alternate Harry S. Kawabe, the 68-year-old Alaskan entrepreneur and art connoisseur, is an Issei who thinks and acts like a 35-year-old executive.

Since turning in the previous column, your reporter had quite an interesting chat with a wheel of the Nisei Veterans Committee here. Principal discussion was about the "hands across the sea" problems (we'll call it) concerning matters of policy, as it concerns public relations, economic, and social affinity with official and unofficial representatives of the old

country. The discussion was pretty much a duplicate of the discussions made in the local chapter. Was asked if I knew of the official Vets policy. Oh, yes, it's pretty iron clad and one hundred six and seven-eighths all American-anyhow, over

100 per cent. The representative of the independent vets organization seemed well acquainted with the exact problems that confronted the JACL. To get back where we started, all of us stay-at-homes, not only JACLers, are interested in what the news of the convention will be.

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cedures for restoration were not being invoked and that literally hundreds of renunciants were taking no action in order to obtain a restoration of their citizenship.

Accordingly, last year I made a much publicized trip to Chicago, Los Angeles, San Francisco and Seattle, and at public meetings with counsel and their clients, I emphasized the importance to all renunciants of Japanese ancestry of taking prompt action to obtain the return of American citizenship while the administrative machinery remained in existence. I also explained the little known procedures available to that end. The results were gratifying. There followed a flood of applications for restoration of citizenship and relief has now been extended to more than 3,000 of the original 5,790 renunciants. Of the total number of renunciants, 4,308 have now applied for citizenship restoration and of that number only a small number -370 - have been denied; 367 applications now remain pending for action. I hope that JACL will urge those of the 1,458 renunciants, who have not applied for citizenship restoration, to do so in order that their cases may be administratively determined.

EVACUATION CLAIMS PROGRAM

As to the Japanese Evacuation Claims program, we have greatly accelerated the disposition of cases by adopting more expeditious procedures. Of approximately 26,000 claims, including reopened claims, all have been processed and adjudicated at this time with the exception of the small number of 109. Our San Francisco office was closed on June 30, 1958, and I am hopeful that Attorney General Rogers may be able to announce within the next six or eight weeks that the Evacuation Claims Program has been concluded.

You will recall that the Evacuation Claims Act, approved by the Congress on July 2, 1948, and administered by the Civil Division of the Department of Justice, required that all claims be adjudicated according to law. It prescribed procedures requiring formal findings of fact and opinions of law incident to each adjudication and a formal written record was required of all proceedings including hearings open to public inspection. There was no appeal from the Attorney General's decisions and he was given at that time on power to compromise claims.

Under the adjudicative power of the original Act awards were made as to only 745 claims, the sums allowed totalling \$1,700,000, only 3 per cent of the total claims. This unprecedented statute presented many difficult and far-reaching problems of interpretation, which had to be resolved before expeditions processing became possible. These were decided in the adjudicating opinions, issued in mimeograph form as Precedent Decisions and mailed to all attorneys of record and others having value and significance far transcending the comparatively small number of claims directly involved.

It was not until August 17, 1951 that Congress amended the Claims Act to authorize the Attorney General to pay, in the settlement of a claim, a sum not to exceed \$2500, or three-fourths of the amount of the compensable items of the claim, whichever was smaller. Under this limited compromise authority the Department of Justice was successful in expeditiously processing a vast number of small claims. At the end of the calendar year 1953 approximately 18,000 claims had been acted upon. Because most of the remaining Continued on Back Page

Seabrook lass wins JACL oratorical

SALT LAKE CITY .- One of the most inspiring moments of the 15th Biennial was found in the oratorical contest Saturday where three young men and four young ladies-all in their teensspoke on "What JACL Means to Japanese American Youth."

Each speaker, representing their particular district council, was warmly applauded by a full house of some 350 and as Mas Yano, national oratorical and essay contest chairman, chose to comment after the last speaker sat down: . . . I'd hate to be a judge of this contest."

The decisions of the oratorical contest were read by Pat Okura of Boys Town, Neb., on the judging panel. The first name mentioned was Darryl Sakada of Dayton, O., for third prize; then, Nancy Kubo of Long Beach, second, and Pauline Nagao of Seabrook, N.J., a very surprised but happy champion.

was attending the convention as EDC chairman.

While the judges were deliberating, the essay contest winner was announced with Nancy Fujita of Petaluma, Calif., with second and third place prizes going to Julia Kiyoguchi of Salt Lake City and Grace Endo of Midvale, Utah. There were 12 essays entered, according to Elmer Smith of the contest judging staff.

Mike Masaoka presented the 1958 Pvt. Ben Frank Masaoka memorial scholarship to Ronald Inouye of American Fork, Utah, adding that for the first time in 12 years, his mother, donor of the scholarship administered by National JACL, was extremely glad to know that at last someone the Masaoka family personally knew for a long time had won.

The text of the winning speech follows:

BY PAULINE NAGAO

League has been the Moses of the Nisei, for just as Moses led the strates its community spirit by Israelites out of Egypt and slavery undertaking many philanthropical so JACL has freed the Japanese projects. One of these is the fa-Americans from the bonds of big- mous Chow Mein Dinner held

securing equality for persons of ceeds are donated to worthwhile Japanese ancestry, JACL has been community enterprises. Last year instrumental in the repealing of the profits became a part of the racially restrictive laws. Largely fund for an ear, nose, and throat through the efforts of the leaders clinic in the new Bridgeton Hosof this organization, the Immigra- pital Annex. This year a sum was tion-Nationality Act was passed donated to the hospital in Elmer, and the star which had seemed so another nearby community, and high suddenly loomed into sight cherry trees were given to the This star was the long-awaited Bridgeton City Park. In 1957, in American citizenship for our order to promote the principles of grandparents. On June 29, 1953 moral courage, brotherhood, servbecause the county courthouse ice, and good conduct, the Seawas too small to accommodate brook JACL established a citizenthem, 126 Issei, or First Genera- ship award to be given to both a tion of Japanese in America, be- grammar school and high school came United States citizens in the student. auditorium of the grammar school in Seabrook, New Jersey. This was the first and at that time the well for us, and we are grateful, largest single group of Japanese knowing the persecution and ever to be naturalized. At one hatred they have endured; for we time the American Legion na- have read of the forced mass evactionally opposed citizenship for uation of aliens and citizens of Japanese aliens. The Seabrook Japanese ancestry to the reloca-Chapter of the JACL had done tion centers surrounded by barbed an eminent job of public rela- wire fences and soldiers bearing tions, for these men and women guns. From our fathers we know had prepared for their naturaliza- about the splendid record of the tion tests in an American Legion Nisei regiment, the 442nd Regicitizenship school.

ter for the largest frozen food that questioned even the right processing plant in the world bet- of its members to give their lives ter known as Seabrook Farms, is in the awe-inspiring proof of that the community to which approxi- devotion. mately 600 Japanese American families migrated from many relocation centers in 1944.

Meaning to Youth

It would be easy to enumerate the contributions of JACL in language ennobled by elegant

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brook and the neighboring town security. ca, sought the guidance of JACL ceived by the Sansei. and through their local chapter are readily accepted anywhere nity is desirous and proud to have The Japanese American Citizens them as neighbors and friends.

The Seabrook JACL demonotry, prejudice and discrimination. every year attracting many from Founded for the purpose of the surrounding areas. The pro-

Story of Parents

Our parents have paved the way mental Combat Team, which had Seabrook, New Jersey, the cen- to prove its loyalty to the country

While all these past experiences of the JACL are indeed glorious, we must remember that the past is our prologue. It serves as an introduction of the life JACL wishes the younger generation to live; and the Japanese American Citizens League urges us to develop as good American citizens, to continue to live as our worthy parents have done in the past, and to actively participate in American affairs. And we, the youth, have already in part translated our understanding of this message through our action in the home, the school, and in the community.

First of all, in the Japanese American homes, there is love with a great respect for our elders plus a feeling of belonging. Since it has been proven in the many cases brought to court that much of the juvenile delinquency in this country is the result of insecurity in the home, I would like to state that in the records Pauline's father, Charles Nagao, phrases, but the true meaning of of Cumberland County, in which JACL to the youth of Japanese Seabrook and Bridgeton are loancestry is to be found in the cated, there is absolutely no recexamples of gracious living by our ord of a juvenile delinquent of parents, who through the JACL Japanese ancestry; thus, proving have worked earnestly to further that love plus a feeling of belongthe acceptance of ourselves in Sea- ing gives us a strong sense of

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of Bridgeton. This was no small Secondly, in the schools many task, for when the people of of the Sansei, or the Third Gen-Bridgeton first became aware of eration of Japanese in America, these bronze-skinned, slant-eyed have proven themselves outstandindividuals who looked so much ing students. This year in our own like the enemy overseas, their Bridgeton High School 20 Japanminds were immediately filled ese Americans graduated in a with suspicion. Realizing that only class of 354 pupils. About fifty through unity could security be per cent of the awards went to obtained, the Nisei, or Second Japanese Americans, and the ma-Generation of Japanese in Ameri- jority of the scholarships were re-

Finally, the youth of Japanese set out to prove themselves worthy ancestry have contributed much Americans. Their success lies in to the community in which they the fact that in the Bridgeton live. They have participated in the area, Japanese American families various activities of their different churches, they have joined such they choose to live. The commu- organizations as the Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts, and they have by their good conduct raised the standards and the ideals of others around them.

> Through our deeds we have shown what JACL means to us, for only because of the devoted and untiring efforts of this organization, can the Japanese American youth stand with head erect and firmly say, "I am proud that I am American of Japanese ancestry."

Indeed much has been accomplished, but there is much yet to be done. Just as Joshua continued in the steps of Moses and led the Israelites into the promised land so we, the young people, must carry on in the footsteps of our noble parents. Even though an aura of complacency free from prejudice now exists, we must when the time comes, join the JACL in order to help safeguard its accomplishments and to initiate policies that will help make this an even greater America.

This then is what the JACL means to me as a representative of the Japanese American youth. It means remembering the dignity and integrity with which our parents faced adversity; it means respecting the wisdom of the visionaries who organized the JACL; and finally, it means accepting with willing hearts the responsibilities of leadership that someday we may live in a land in which all men are free, a land unblemished by bigotry, and a land "where we may walk in peace and dignity."

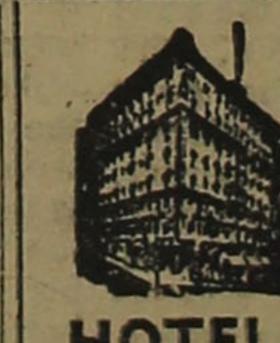
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By Henry Mori

Downtown Los Angeles JACL past chapter president, attorney Kei Uchima, has won an interesting land case involving a retired Issei farmer, Kumeji Inai of Westminster. A 78year-old Okayama native, he first came to the United States in 1907. After working on the railroad and on various farms he saved enough for a down payment on a 15-acre plot 20 years later in Chino. He farmed for 10 years and then rented his property to one of his neighbors. They continued to produce on Inai's land until 1956 when the plaintiff (Inai) asked for a conveyance of the land. The other party had refused thus forcing Inai to file suit.

The two-year-old litigation apparently has come to an end this week when Superior Court Judge A.D. Mitchell of San Bernardino county rendered a decision in favor of Inai.

The defendants contended, according to Uchima, that since Inai had "been out of touch with his property for almost 20 years he had lost his rights to the land." Furthermore, under the now defunct California Alien Land Law. Inai never had title to the land, the defendants' counsel W. David Etchason reasoned.

However, Judge Mitchell sustained the position taken by Uchima that although the legal title was in the name of the defendants the true and equitable ownership of the land was in the plaintiff's. The land was bought for \$450 per acre by Inai in 1927 and worth \$2,000 per acre now.

ISSEI REGISTERED NURSE RETIRES AFTER 30 YEARS

Take it from registered nurse, Mrs. Ai Hanafusa, working in any one establishment for three decades is a long time indeed. But time has not worn off the enthusiasm the veteran murse has for her profession. At 65 she became the first nurse of the Japanese Hospital to retire. However, after a six month leisure visit to Japan she hopes to resume her duties part-time on the old home ground.

Two Sundays ago she was honored at a house party by the entire hospital staff of 75 members for her faithful contribution and service the last three decades. She recalls the moving day of the Japanese Hospital from the old Turner St. building, near Li'l Tokio, in late 1929 to the present site at East First and Fickett Sts. "I helped to put up the curtains," she reminisced.

Despite her busy schedule, she and her husband Jitsuo found enough time to attend citizenship classes at Roosevelt Adult Evening School and were naturalized two years ago.

\$100 ANNUAL C. OF C. GRANTS FOR STUDENTS

It is good to see the So. Calif. Japanese Chamber of Commerce take interest in the future citizens of persons of Japanese ancestry. Last week the board of directors announced it is awarding 10 annual scholarships to deserving students who show exceptional ability in their field. Each grant will be worth \$100 and outstanding graduates and undergraduates of high schools and universities in the area will be eligible.

Meijiro Sato has been designated as chairman of the committee with George Kuniyoshi and Junichi Yoshitomi, vicechairmen; Ryohei Iwamoto, Kiyoto Nakaoka, treasurers; Eiji Tanabe, English publicity; and Katsuma Mukaeda, Chohei Kondo, Victor Ikeda and Frank Kurihara. Kenji Ito, who is

C. of C. president, and Paul Takeda, secretary, are ex officio. The question here now is: who's going to select the grant winners each year?

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First Year at Air Force Academy 'very rough,' like a whole year of college initiation-but Cadet Takahashi all for it

HONOLULU. - "Very rough" is He spent a month's leave and in the books. When the academy cinct summation of his past year. Here's the Iolani School gradu-Colorado.

BIRTHS

LOS ANGELES

ARAKAKI, Eugene Y. (Ellen L. Ishi-

FONG, William A. (Eiko Ishii)-boy,

FUJITA Hiroshi (Elsie K. Okuma)-

FUJII, Kazumi (Gladys Kawai)-girl,

FUKUJI, Henry I. (Eloise T. Takaezu)

GORDON, Anthony T. (Junko Kotani)

HAUN, Charles K. (Yoshi Iwase)-boy,

HAYASHIDA, Martin - girl, May 8,

HIROTO, Will S. (Yuri Hayashi)-boy,

HO Jhon C. (Ishi Mitori)—girl, May

HORI, Masanori (Teruko Murakami)-

ISERI, Sunao (Kazuko Yamamoto)-

ISHIZAWA, Noboru (Catherine S. Mo-

IWAKIRI, Brooks H. (Sumi Tamura)-

KANDA, Mamoru E. (Kiyoko S. Iino)-

KASHIWAGI, Masaji (Hideko R. Uru-

KAZUNAGA, Sakai (Betty A. Oka-

KIKUCHI, Walter O. (Jean E. Mura-

KUBOTA Shizuma (Mary M. Kubota)

KUBOTA, Yoneo J. (Teruko Kubota)-

LOUIS, Henry (Sueko Fujioka)-boy,

MARUYA, Soto (Fumiko Yamamoto)-

MATSUMOTO, Bobby R.-girl, June 1

MIMURA, Howard T. (Sachina Naga-

MINATO Takeshi B. (Hideko Kimu-

MINODA, Paul M. (Grace H. Inouye)-

MIYATA, Junji (Yoshiko Nakamura)-

MIZUHARA, Gary S. (Janet E. Oka-

MIZUO, Thomas M. (Mary H. Hama-

MUKAI, Kenneth H. (Sally T. Kado)-

MUSTARI, Atilio L. (June M. Tana-

NAITO, Nohmi (Chiyeko Ota)-girl,

NAKAGAWA, Shigeichi (Miyoko Ya-

NOGAWA, Tom T. (Emiko K. Monji)-

OKUMOTO, Charles S .- boy, May 6

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SAKATA, Thomas T. (Aiko Kakiuchi)

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May 26, El Monte.

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moto)-boy, Apr. 19.

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ro)-boy, May 17.

May 25, Sun Valley.

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moto)-boy, May 29.

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Pasadena.

Puhawai Road, is the only Con- initiation—the disciplianry variety. about the Air Force.

SHIMITZU, Takeo (Lily Nagata)—girl, May 18.

TSUJI Yasushi (Harumi Kitaoka)-

TSUJIMOTO, Benny T. (Yoshiko Na-

UYEDA, John T. (Louise T. Oki) -

YONAI, Joseph S. (Agnes M. Tanaka)

TASAKA, Arthur (Jane K. Kato)-

URIBE Frank F. (Fumiko Yamada)-

WADA, Takashi (Dorothy Y. Hayashi-

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PITCHER, Kenneth S. (Helen T. Aka- SAN JOSE. — Joanne Hisatomi

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Cadet Teney K. Takahashi's suc- was scheduled to return Aug. 26. said discipline, it really meant it. Eat At Attention

at the Air Force Academy in ate's account of his first year. "The hardest of all was eating at the academy: at attention. That meant staring The 20-year-old son of Mr. and "It was rough. Very rough. It only at the plate, chin in, soles Mrs. Torao Takahashi, of 86-148 was like a whole year of college back and answering questions

gressionally-appointed dele "The upper classmen not only "If you don't know the angate from Hawaii to the academy. could, but did, enforce everything swer, you had to leave and dig

> "So you can see how much time one had to eat. I lived mostly on chocolates the whole year and lost 22 pounds the first week-and-SUZUKI, Norman K. (Abigail I. Mi- a-half.

> "From 145, I slipped down to TAKAHASHI, Bab T. (Misue Yama-123, which is still my weight. Part TANI, Yasuo J. (Lorraine H. Tome)of that was due to pressure. Life TANOUYE, David T. (Evelyn S. Shi- was so frantic I didn't have time to be homesick after the first TASHIRO, John T. (Martha A. Taka-

> > "I never left the four block confine of the academy. Now I can't get used to all this freedom.

> > > Lots of Study

YAMATE, George I. (Meiko A. Ega-"Taps was at 10 p.m., but many YOKOBATA, Tamotsu (Megumi Osaki) a night, especially during exams, I had to study under the covers, with a flashlight because they ex-YOSHII, Shieghisa (Toshiko Okazaki) pect you to study an hour a day for each hour of class and oneand-a-half hours for science and UMEMOTO, Henry S. (Keigo K. Niiya- math courses.

"The object of all this, of course, is to break you early if you're the type to break anyway.

"It was so rough at times I thought this was it, but managed to keep on because of my parents encouragement.

"Still, all in all, I'm for this system. I think it disciplines a person and builds character.

Second Year

contests. Publication of his writ-"Next year on, I expect it will be a lot better because I'll be as Reader's Digest and the Satur- in my second year. From here day Evening Post attest to his on, the stress is mainly on academics.

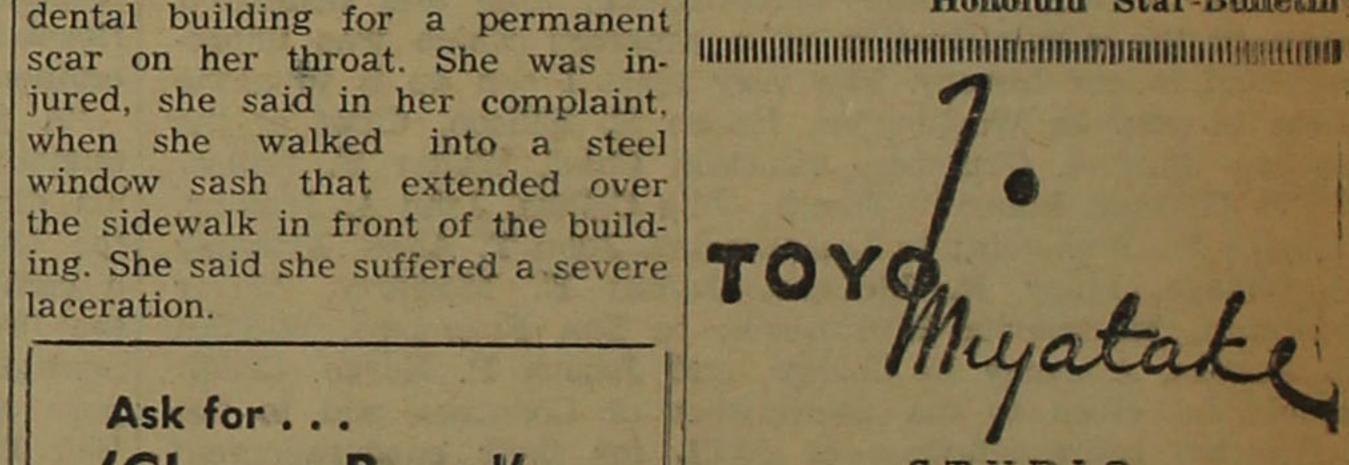
"Girls? Well, let's put it this way. I had three dates during the entire year. We can have dates for movies on Saturday only at the base. The girls get bored as the Nisei of the Biennium one of this.

> "But, despite all the aches and pains, I'm still sold on the Air Force as a career."

> Cadet Takahashi, who stands 5 feet, 6 inches and sports a crew cut a quarter-inch high, reports no incidence of racial discrimination at all.

> "I was really surprised. There was none of this at all," he said, pointing out that there was one other Nisei (Ben Furuta of Denver) at the academy

> > By Tomi Kaizawa Honolulu Star-Bulletin



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BY MIKE MASAOKA

Mike Masaoka, conductor of the Washington Newsletter, graciously surrendered his column space this week so that the Pacific Citizen could publish Mr. Doub's significant speech im full.-Editor.

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claims exceeded our limited compromise authority, little could

be done as to them during 1954 and 1955.

On July 9, 1956, Congress passed the Lane-Hillings Bill, which enlarged the Attorney General's compromise authority from \$2,500 to \$100,000 in a particular case and transferred the adjudicative function to the Court of Claims. Every claimant became entitled to a decision by that court when dissatisfied with the award of the Department of Justice. This bill also reopened approximately 2,500 claims which had been dismissed or partially disallowed under the prior law because the claimants had been interned as alien enemies.

For some reason that I have not been able to comprehend, the enactment of the amendatory legislation of 1956 did not appreciably stimulate the prosecution of claims. Accordingly, although a large number of claims were settled in 1956, these consisted principally of the reopened claims on which we had sufficiently complete information to take action. As a consequence, at the meetings last year in Chicago, Los Angeles, San Francisco and Seattle I urged more vigorous activity on the part of the claimants and their lawyers in the prosecution of their claims and the reasons such action was imperative. The results were astonishing and we are most appreciative of the strenuous efforts then made by counsel for the claimants to provide us with the information essential to the processing of claims.

Since then there has been such an intensive acceleration of this work that, as I have said, at the present time only 109 evacuation claims out of 26,346 (Includes 2,405 claims of alien enemy internees reopened and reconsidered under the July, 1956, Act.) filed have not been acted upon. As of June 30, 1958, the awards made aggregate approximately 35-1/2 million dollars. Of the total number of claims which have been disposed of not more than 3 per cent were dismissed.

The most significant tribute to the fairness with which the members of the Evacuation Claims Section of the Civil Division have handled claims under this program, involving innumerable difficult questions of fact and law, is that only one claimant, whose claim involved an amount within the compromise authority of the Attorney General, has elected to exercise his right to sue in the Court of Claims. The seven other cases in that Court involve sums far beyond our settlement authority.

Although some of the claimants have not been satisfied with the amount of their awards, I should like to recall that Dillon Myers, Director of the War Relocation Authority that supervised the evacuation, in testifying before Congressional subcommittees of the Congress concerning this legislation, estimated that not more than \$10,000,000 would be paid under its provisions. The fact that approximately \$35-1/2 millions has been awarded indicates the spirit motivating those who have administered the program.

I wish to pay public tribute to the members of the Evacuation Claims Section of the Civil Division of the Department of Justice for their indefatigable, able and dedicated work in the administration of a program which was unprecedented in our history. The very least I can do is to name them to you. In Washington, Enoch E. Ellison, Chief of the Section, Paul J. Grumbly, Assistant Chief, Walter F. Banse, | quarter of a century, he prefaced | SALT LAKE CITY. - Fourteen | Kazuo Sugimoto; Yukiyo Horigami; Eli A. Glasser, Mangum Weeks, Ollie Collins, John A. Jenkins, Charles M. Rothstein; in Los Angeles, John T. Allen, Attorney in Charge, Mary R. McLean, James E. Moriarty, Meyer Newman, Marguerite Richardson; in San Francisco, William H. Jacobs, Attorney in Charge, and Joseph P. Burke. Credit should be given to the committees of Congress and to the legislative representatives of JACL for their encouragement and assistance. The appropriation committees of the House and Senate in particular are to be commended, for even during periods when the pressure to curtail public spending was intense, these committees saw to it that ample funds were made available for the continuance of this work.

I am gratified to have had an opportunity to participate personally in the administration of this unique restitution program. It concludes a significant historical episode teaching us in a dramatic way that Americanism is a matter of the mind and the heart and not of ancestry or race. It teaches, too, that it is easier to proclaim our faith in great principles of individual freedom and justice than it is to adhere to them under the stress and strain of threatened danger. The vitality of our dedication to those principles is determined not in the summer of content but in the bleak winter of storm and peril.

We take pride in the fact that our country is composed of peoples of every race and so our emphasis must be upon the denominator common to all - citizenship and the legal rights of that citizenship and not national origin or race.

Surely in the twentieth century our standard may not be inferior to that of a Roman Emperor, written down and meditated upon by him 1800 years ago. Marcus Aurelius then defined,

"The idea of a polity in which there is the same law for all, a polity administered with regard to equal rights and equal freedom of speech, and the idea of a kingly government which respects most of all the freedom of the governed."

And finally, the tragic chapter which I have described suggests that when our great country has followed a mistaken policy, even under the pressures of wartime, it is not long before its conscience quickens and it affords recognition of the error by making restitution for the injury.

Top Nisei in U.S. journalism awarded 'Nisei of Biennium'

SALT LAKE CITY. - William Hosokawa, distinguished Japanese American journalist of Denver, Colorado, was awarded the Nisei of the Biennium Award by the Japanese American Citizens League last night at the League's Convention Banquet concluding a five day national convention at the Hotel Utah.

Acknowledged as "Niseidom's highest recognition", the coveted award is made at the biennial conventions of the JACL following nominations of outstanding Nisei from among more than eighty chapters throughout the country, and the selection made by a panel of judges during the convention.

Assistant managing editor of the Denver Post, Hosokawa has had a career in journalism of more than a quarter of a century. A m o n g his prominent positions were editor of the Post's widely circulated Sunday magazine supplement "Empire Magazine" and serving as the Post's first war correspondent when he was assigned to cover the Korean War. His stories have been published in Reader's Digest, the Saturday Evening Post and other national magazines.

Hosokawa was selected from nominations. The other finalists represented the United States in competition; Dr. Iwao Milton Moriyama, Chief of the Mortality Analysis Section of the National Office of Vital Statistics in Washington, D.C.; Harry A. Osaki, renowed Pasadena, California silversmith and Boy Scout leader; and Tom Shimazaki, Lindsay, California rancher and prominent civic and community leader.

Text of Scroll

The complete text of Hosokawa's citation follows:

"WILLIAM HOSOKAWA-Journalist

"In this nuclear-space age, the accurate dissemination of information is one of the greatest responsibilities of those who would influence public opinion. The awesome decisions that must be made by the public relies heavily upon the accuracy and objectivity of the news it receives. This great responsibility has come to William Hosokawa with the attainment of eminence in the field of journalism.

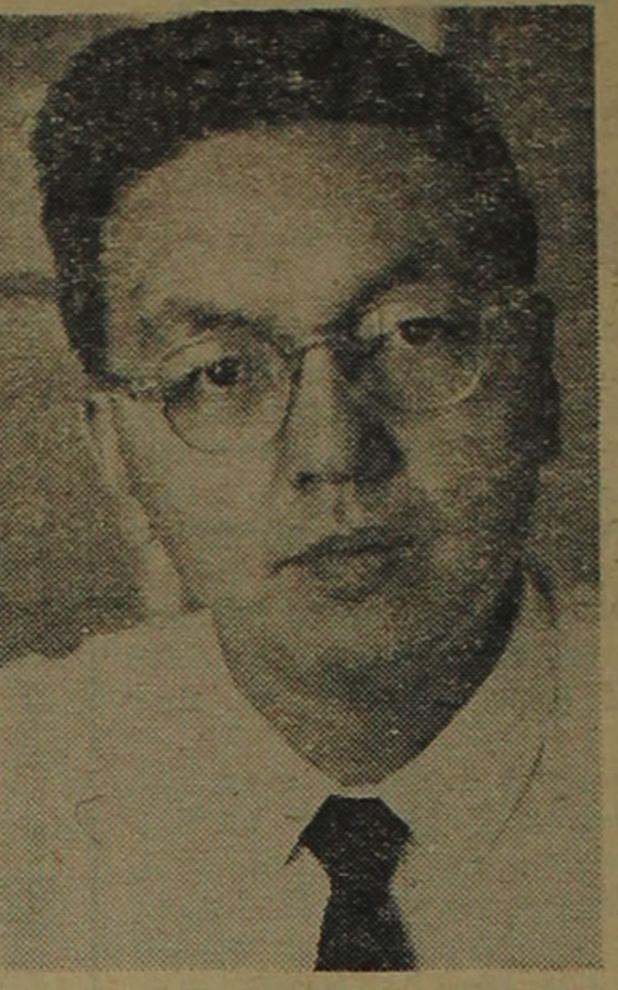
"A journalist for more than a his distinguished career while at the University of Washington as a campus scribe, and writer for the Japanese American Courier in gue were presented with the cov-Seattle. Newspaper work in Singapore and Shanghai before World War II was followed by his editorship of the Heart Mountain Sentinel, the peer of relocation center publications.

Iowa, Register in 1943, and in 1946, came to the Denver Post, until that time a rabidly anti-Japanese newspaper. Recognition of his high quality of work brought to two national JACL wartime him rapid advancement. He was progressively named editor of the Post's Sunday Supplement, its ex-

ecutive news editor, its first war

Continued from Front Page have a special interest and competence in Japanese-American relations. JACL urges such members to freely demonstrate their special concerns by participating as individuals in programs and projects that are calculated to improve Japanese-American relations.

"Moreover, JACL believes that its members have a legitimate interest in the so-called cultural heritage of Japan, the ancestral land of most of its members, and that efforts to explain this cultural heritage is a worthy contribution to the culture of this nation."



BILL HOSOKAWA 1956-58 'Nisei of Biennium'

correspondent assigned to cover 408 claimants with awards from the Korean War, and now its as- Feb. 7 to June 20 totalling \$2,317,sistant managing editor, third in 517.75 were to be beneficially afcommand of the largest newspaper | fected. between the Mississippi and the JACL and COJAEC joined in Pacific Ocean serving a giant successfully urging the Senate Appopulation area.

"Despite the enormity of his the House figures by adding the among five finalists out of an responsibility and high position, he sum of \$563,580.86 for 77 claimants original group of nearly thirty appreciates his background as a with awards from June 21 to July Nisei and as a citizen of his com- 22. The full Senate approved its were Tommy Kono, world cham- munity and his nation. Intimately Appropriations Committee amendpion weightlifter from Sacramento, aware of the dreams and aspira- ment and the House concurred. California and Hawaii, who has tion of the Nisei, he has been The money bill has been sent to an active participant and leader the White House for the expected Olympic Games and international in activities of the Japanese Amer- presidential signature. ican community. He has quietly All of the 485 claimants are exbut consistently contributed to the pected to receive their Government welfare of Nisei everywhere. He checks within a few weeks. has given much time in support | Largest of the awards added by of the Japanese American Citizens | the Senate appropriations Commit-League and is a regular contri- tee was for \$45,093, although there butor to its official organ, the were two others for \$40,000 each. weekly Pacific Citizen, as well as to the Denver Chapter's Mile-Hi were added by the Senate Appro-Bulletin. In 1958, he served as a resource leader for the 13th supplemental appropriations bill Annual Nisei Intermountain Collegiate Conference in Denver.

His active concern in civic matters has benefitted the Denver Chapter of the American Red Cross, the Central City Opera Association, the Mile Hi United Fund and the Governor's Conference on Youth Fitness in 1958.

tion include serving on boards and

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JACLers who have demonstrated long-time loyal services to the Japanese Americans Citizens Leaeted sapphire pin during the 15th Biennial National JACL Conven-

tion last Sautrday. They were: Betty Suzuki, Mile Hi (Denver) George Sugai, past IDC chairman Joe Saito, past IDC chairman, Snake River Valley; George Shiozawa and "He joined the Des Moines, Hero Shiosaki, Pocatello: Tom Miyazaki Kiyoshi Sakota, Haruo Yamasaki, Yellowstone; Dr. Kiyoshi Sonoda, Steve Yagi, Elmer Uchida, West Los Angeles; Arthur Ito, Hollywood; Harry Mizuno, Chicago; and Joe Nishioka, Idaho Falls.

Recognitions were further made sponsors from Utah "for upholding the principles of democracy' to Mrs. Burton W. Musser, Salt Lake City, and Arthur Gaeth,

newscaster now in Denver. After Mas Horiuchi, accompanied by Mrs. Sue Joe of Long Beach, rendered the JACL Hymn, a beautifully drawn and framed presentation of the score and lyr- | zuki; Otoichi Nishimoto: Taitaro Naics to the hymn were bestowed upon Miss Marcel J. Tyrrel, who wrote the music, and to Mrs. T. Marion Tajiri, who wrote the words.

The main awards for the luncheon were the announcements of Mrs. Tomizo Joe of Long Beach and Kumeo Yoshinari as cowinners of the 1956-58 "JACLer of the Biennium" and a special citation to Harold "Tokuzo" Gordon of Chicago, a non-Japanese who has done far more than most Japanese Americans for the welfare of persons of Japanese ancestry in America.

committees of the Associated Press Managing Editors, the Colorado Author's League, the Denver Press Club and serving as national President of the American Association of Sunday and Feature Continued on Page 7

WASHINGTON. - Congress approved, just prior to adjournment, \$2,935,098.61 for the payment of evacuation claims to 485 claimants who were authorized awards from Feb. 7 to July 22, the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League and the Committee on Japanese American Evacuation Claims reported.

As first approved in the House,

propriations Committee to amend

Claimants whose June awards priations Committee to the final considered by the last Congress

Henry Kosaku Okamura, administrator of the estate of Kenzo Okamura, deceased: Haruyuki Nagamine: Yoshio and Shigeno Fudetani; Emi Takayama; Mamoru Wakida; Tetsuo George Omori; Sumio Clifford Nakamura; Shinji Toda; Eisaku Yoshida; Henry Junzo Ishida: Shigeo Itami; Frank K. Hiura; Kimiko M. Hiura; T. M. Wurts. administrator of the estate of Henry His many professional affilia- i K. Sakemi, deceased: Yuji Kawabata. Chiyo Kanazawa, administratrix of the estate of Kinmatsu Kanazawa, deceased; Glenn G. Akai; Nobue Kawabata: Hiroto and Motoyoshi Hirabayashi: The Asia Co.; Tomejiro Kitabayashi: Takeshi Shibuya: Frank M. Okamura, president Grand Union Laundry Co.; Yuhachi Miyagai; Heiji Sugimoto and Mitsuye Sugimoto; Junzo Ishida: Kazumasa Hayakawa and Takako Hayakawa; Kimiyo Hayakawa; Shizue Okubo: Shizuka Fukuyama; Marjorie Nishijima, administratrix of the estate of Nochizo Horagami, deceased; Minoru Yamaguchi; George Tanaka; Minoru Kanazawa; Jackson Fish & Oyster Co., Inc.: Kenneth K. Hamai; Thomas Masuda; Kay Yamaguchi; and Tatsuyo Fuiii, as administratrix of the estate of eSi Fujii, deceased.

Claimants whose July awards were added to the final bill are: Tsuneo Chikuo, administrator of the estate of TCharles Chikuo deceased; Minoru Kushino; Harry Haruo Fujino, executor of the estate of Takesaburo Fujino, deceased: Waichi and Mitoko Yoshimura: Mary Y. Amano Minato; Thomas T. Yamamoto: Henry T. Kato: George Kimoto; Sumio Ujita; Shigetaka Yoshida: Mary Akiko Kimura; Buichiro Ogawa: Paul N. Makabe; Jozo Sugihara; Pacific Trading Co., Inc.; Keiji Saito:

Haruno Shioshi, administratrix of the estate of Tsuneta Shioshi, deceased; Shimayo Nishioka; Akino Kadonaga, administratrix of the estate of Hikoiichi Kadonaga, deceased; Yazaemon Abe; Ray T. Yasui; Takashi Inuzuka and Tomi Inuzuka; Frank S. Yanagimachi, administrator of the estate of Toshi Yanagimachi, deceased: Sumio Arima and Fujio Arima; Shinkichi Kiyono; John Yasuo Fukuvama; Jiro Yamaguchi; Genkichi Koishi; George Tokuda: Robert Y. Nakao: Nobuko Sukao: Sumio Nagamatsu: Futami O. Hayashi; and Robert M. Horiuchi.

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, Preshyterian Conference Grounds, Big Bear Lake.

Sept. 14 (Sunday) Portland-Bazaar.