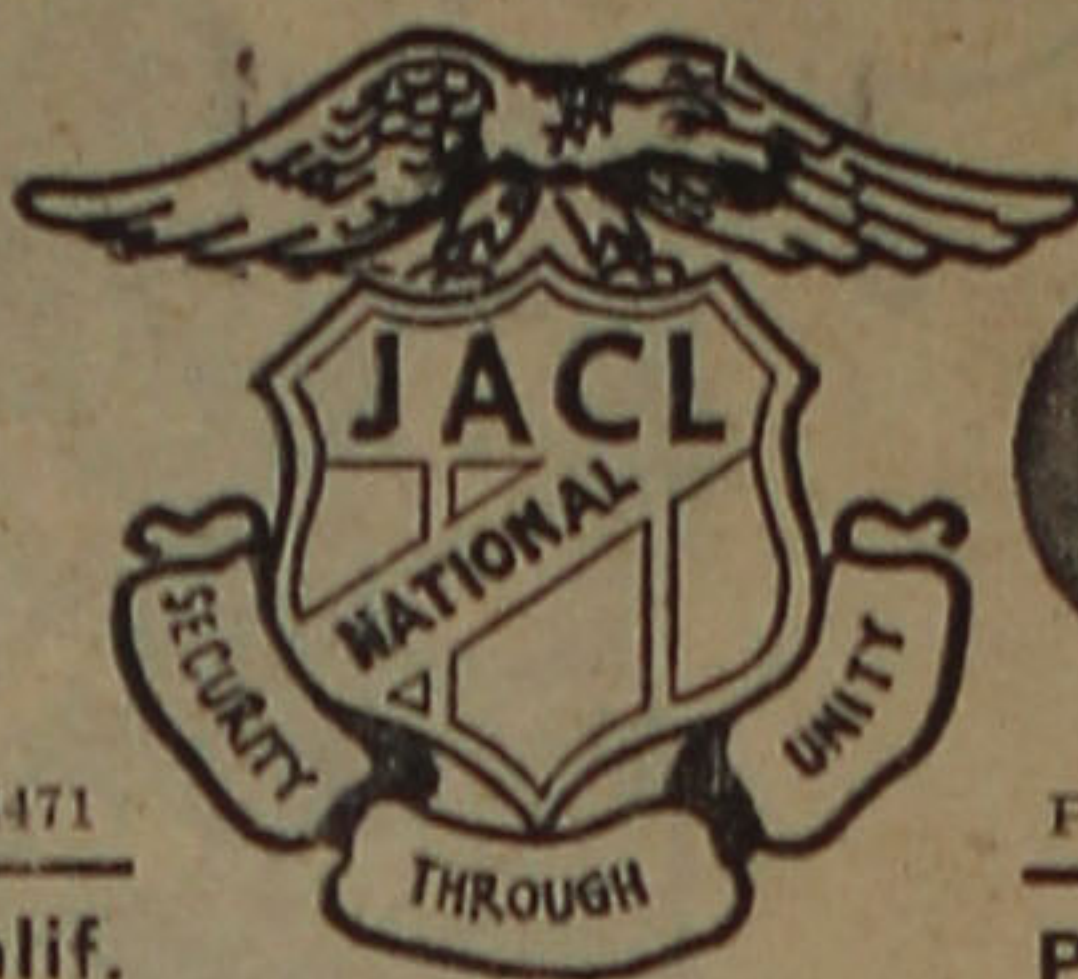


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COLUMN LEFT:

Time waning to pay due recognition

For several bienniums, JACL has honored individual Nisei who have been distinguishing the Japanese American community by their deeds of leadership as well as achievement. The organization has also bestowed similar plaudits and recognition to the member who has served his organization above and beyond the expected. These honorees are known as the "Nisei of the Biennium" and "JACler of the Biennium," respectively.

Due recognition in the form of a special JACL medallion and scroll describing their honors is presented during the main banquet of each biennial National JACL Convention. This year, it will be held on July 2 at Sacramento's El Dorado Hotel. The committee in charge of the selection of these personalities has set a May 15 deadline for chapters to submit nominations.

With this week's issue reaching most of our chapters within three or four days, it is plain to see that this deadline is just around the corner.

There are to be five finalists in the "Nisei of the Biennium" category — each to be singularly honored but one topping the list as the "Nisei of the Biennium." There is only one "JACler of the Biennium" award — but the judges on the past two occasions were unable to break a two-way tie, thus there have been co-holders of the "JACler of the Biennium" award.

Every chapter is urged to look about its own community, its organization, for someone deserving of nomination. The nominations, in themselves, render timely recognition of selfless service that should inspire others — especially our youth in need of guidance — and give public testimony of the kind of citizenship and performance that has improved the status of all persons of Japanese ancestry in America.—HH.



ELMER SMITH Dies Unexpectedly

Elmer Smith, author of 'JACL History' dies of pneumonia

(Comments by Mas Satow, Page 5) SALT LAKE CITY. — Elmer Smith passed away at Missoula (Mont.) Hospital where he was taken with pneumonia. His only sister, Grace Tobin, of 9497 S. 3200 East, Sandy, Utah, was called by the hospital, and managed to be at his bedside at the time of his death last week.

Elmer was teaching at the Univ. of Montana since last fall after resigning from the Univ. of Utah last year. Since his father's death last year, he had been very homesick. Shig Nagata had been sharing his home here.

Smith was the author of "Did You Know?"—the history of JACL which was published by the Pacific Citizen during the 1950-51 issues and reprinted in full in the 1955 Holiday Issue.

Known as "Elmermotto" by his JACL friends, he championed the cause of the Nisei during the war years. He was a staunch member of the Salt Lake City JACL.

Samuel J. Tobin, Elmer's brother-in-law, says his age was about 50. His wife, Grace, accompanied Elmer's body home for funeral being arranged this week.

Couple of years ago, he compiled a pamphlet on "The History of the Negroes in Utah". As a professor of anthropology, he was a great man for research and exposing facts.

Law enforcement groups balk at Cal. FEP's suggested guide to prehearing questions

The California Fair Employment Practices Commission last week moved to bring law enforcement agencies under tighter FEPC regulations.

It balks at exempting police from asking certain "prehearing questions" during interviews with applicants.

Instead, the commission instructed Edward Howden, division chief, to meet with a cross-section group of the state's 400 law enforcement agencies and explain how they can comply with prehearing etiquette.

Acceptable prehearing questions

Pat Suzuki takes leave of 'Flower Drum Song'

NEW YORK.—Elaine Dunn took over Pat Suzuki's role in "Flower Drum Song" here this week and will continue on to Detroit and then to Los Angeles.

R. Yamadera named for 'JACler of Biennium' honors

East Los Angeles JACL is nominating "a backbone of the chapter"—Roy M. Yamadera—for the Dr. Randolph M. Sakada Memorial Award, popularly known as the "JACler of the Biennium".

This announcement was made here this week by Dr. Roy M. Nishikawa, chairman, National JACL Recognitions Committee, who then reminded the nominations deadline is May 15. The award recognizes the most outstanding service to the organization of the past two years.

Yamadera was chapter president and chairman of the Los Angeles JACL Coordinating Council during the 1958-59 period. He also served on the PSWDC executive board, National JACL youth committee and co-chaired the 1959 National JACL Bowling Tournament in Los Angeles.

"We feel that he has earned the title through his many years of unselfish giving of time and energy to the organization," the chapter recommendation read. It pointed out Roy served each year in some chapter cabinet post since transferring from the Downtown L.A. chapter in 1953, participated in every special chapter project through the years and is best remembered for initiating the chapter recognitions program honoring local Issei in 1954 and serving as program chairman each year thereafter. He also singlehandedly solicited advertising for the Pacific Citizen Holiday Issue and national convention booklets during the past six years.

This past year, he was instrumental in starting the East Los Angeles JACL scholarship program at Roosevelt High School and is now interesting other Nisei groups in the Eastside to participate in similar programs at other high schools of the area.

Born in Oakland, Yamadera is a sapphire pin winner, one of the founders of the Japanese American Youths, Inc., a local community group to help combat juvenile delinquency, and currently serving as its president and directing its community education department. He is also active with International Institute, where he has spearheaded many projects for the teenage members.

The award winner will be announced during the 16th Biennial National JACL Convention being held June 28-July 2 at Sacramento's El Dorado Hotel. Judges will be the members of the National JACL Board.

are contained in a draft guide to be issued all employers, employment agencies and labor unions.

Exhaustive Investigations

Police officials had requested they be permitted to ask an applicant if his name had been changed and where he was born, on grounds they make exhaustive prehearing investigations.

There was opinion in the commission, however, that this would open the door to complaints from other employers seeking similar exemption.

The commission's two-day session here last week ended after hearing Fred Routh, director of the Michigan FEPC and one of the leading authorities in the field.

About 40 Negro longshoremen made a surprise appearance to complain about alleged discrimination on the Los Angeles-Long Beach waterfront.

FARM CO-OP MANAGER NOMINATED FOR 'NISEI OF BIENNIUM' AWARD

A spearheader in whatever undertaking, Buddy T. Iwata of Livingston has been nominated for the "Nisei of the Biennium", JACL's most coveted award in recognition of signal success and meritorious accomplishment which have helped to advance the welfare of persons of Japanese in America.

The nomination was disclosed this week by Dr. Roy M. Nishikawa, chairman of the National JACL Recognitions Committee, in charge of selecting five finalists for this honor. The finalists will be named at the forthcoming National JACL Convention to be held June 28-July 2 at Sacramento's El Dorado Hotel.

Nominated for distinguished community leadership by the Livingston-Merced JACL, of which he has been a member since 1956, Iwata is manager of the Livingston Farmers Assn., a Nisei cooperative. He has spearheaded the participation of the group in local and statewide affairs with the result that Livingston area Nisei enjoy an "enviable prominence". Demand for local Nisei to serve as leaders in community clubs, school boards, grand juries, service clubs and other activities has been ever-increasing, it was explained.

Represented Farmers

In the course of his business duties, Iwata is on the Allied Grape Growers board of directors, statewide wine-producing cooperative. He represented the farmers in the Allied negotiation to merge with United Vintners, a \$40-million nationwide sales organization. Able to achieve terms favorable to the farmers, his ability was recognized for he is now an officer on the United Vintner's board of directors.

Buddy's influence is felt in many other areas of activities. He is a member of the Merced County advisory committee to the State Farm Placement Bureau and statewide committee of Marketing Order.

3rd Nisei veterans reunion dates set

HONOLULU.—The third Nisei Veterans Reunion will be held here next year, June 10 to 17.

Approximately 600 veterans and their families from the mainland United States are expected to attend. Reef Hotel will serve as reunion headquarters. Post-convention tours of Hawaii, Maui, and Kauai are also included.

The 442nd Veterans Club is taking the leadership in planning the reunion, assisted by Club 100, MIS Veterans Club, and 1399 Veterans Club. Participants will include all Japanese American veterans and friends.

Royce E. Higa, executive secretary of the Oahu Health Council and member of the 442nd Veterans Club, is the general chairman.

UNION CITY'S NISEI MAYOR TURNS OVER POST

UNION CITY.—J.A. Ratekin was elected to succeed Tom Kitayama as mayor of Union City at a meeting of the city council here recently.

The Nisei carnation grower and 1000 Club member of the Eden Township JACL was the first mayor of the city following its incorporation last year. He remains with the City Council.

Elected Lions president

ROBERTS, Idaho.—Speed Nukaya, Idaho Falls JACL 1000 Club chairman, was elected president of the Roberts Lions Club.

on Freestone Peaches, Livingston Community Recreation Commission, chairman of both citizen's advisory groups to the local high school and elementary school, lay leader at the First Methodist Church, 1960 president of the Livingston Rotary and a five-year president of the Turlock (Nisei) Social Club.

A typical manifestation of his leadership in the community is the Livingston Swimming Pool project that had lain dormant for many years. Buddy agreed to head the committee last year, instilled a flow of fresh interest in it and today the fund drive is nearly finished.

1000 Club Member

Iwata is a 1000 Club life member, active in JACL from 1940 when he was director of the Stanislaus County JACL. He assisted in various fund campaigns while a Chicago JACler between 1947-50, signed up the most members in a 1951 Chicago chapter contest and was vice-chairman of the NC-WNDC in 1958. He is also a life member of the Stanford Alumni Ass'n (class of '39).

During the war years, he taught at the Univ. of Colorado and was associated with the Office of War Information at Denver. He is married, has two children, and lives at 1211 Second St., Livingston.

Sansei killed in automobile mishap

GARDEN GROVE.—Jane Fumio Shinoda, 17-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mineo Shinoda, was killed in an automobile accident early Sunday morning here. She was an active Orange County JAY member.

A car failing to make a boulevard stop struck the sedan in which Miss Shinoda was a passenger with five others. Four others were injured: driver Tomio Kanegae, Donna Ishii, Frances Yoshioaka and Robert Kubota. Joan Enomoto escaped injury. Driver of the other car was held on charges of drunk driving and manslaughter.

The group was enroute home from a dance in Long Beach, after cleaning up the hall and stopping for refreshments at a local drive-in.

DATES

MAY 13—Deadline for chapter nominations of candidates for 1960 Nat'l JACL scholarships. (See "Official Notices," PC Apr. 22, for details.)

MAY 15—Deadline for convention pre-registration, \$25 package deal; write to Mrs. Betsie Sanui, 1000 P St., Sacramento, Calif.

MAY 15—Deadline for nominations of "Nisei of the Biennium" and "JACler of the Biennium". Send to Dr. Roy Nishikawa, 234 S. Oxford Ave., Los Angeles (See PC Jan. 22 for details.)

MAY 18—Deadline for items to be inserted on Nat'l Council agenda, for constitutional amendment proposals. (Refer to "Official Notices," PC Apr. 29.)

MAY 20—Deadline for Convention 36-hole golf tournament entries, \$8 fee; write to 2224-10th St., Sacramento. (Refer to PC Mar. 18 for details.)

MAY 30—All district and chapter reports on 1960-70 JACL Planning due at Midwest JACL Office, 1200 N. Clark St., Chicago.

MAY 31—Deadline for entries in Nat'l JACL Essay Contest: "Our Role as Japanese American Youth in the Future of JACL" from 800 to 1,000 words, for youth 16-21 years old. Submit to Eugene Okada, contest chairman, 322 "O" St., Sacramento. (See PC Mar. 11 for details.)

JUNE 1—Extended deadline for Jr. JACL pre-registration, \$20 package deal; write to Jr. JACL Convention Board, 325-18th St., Sacramento. (See PC May 6 for details.)

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IN THE PUBLIC EYE

A postwar phenomenon—so far as the Nisei in California are concerned—is the growing number of Japanese Americans in general community service work; participating in responsible PTA capacities, assisting on charity drives, such as cancer, cerebral palsy, heart, veterans' rehabilitation, etc., and running for public office . . . In the Northern and Central regions of California, several Nisei have been elected to local school district boards of trustees in recent years. We have had two Nisei mayors, more recently a city treasurer was elected, and several have been voted to their respective party county committees. A Japanese name appears very conspicuous to the voter's eye, to be sure.

But this may be curtailed if the directive from the 1958 California legislature to unify school districts by the 1963-64 school year is to be executed fully . . . There are approximately 1,700 different districts throughout the state's 58 counties. Proponents of unification feel these could be jelled down into 400 unified districts—thus eliminate the small, uneconomic districts, and correct inefficiencies. Opponents, on the other hand, feel unification will cost parents and local taxpayers control of their education . . . We shall not argue either side here, but, as we said, if the legislative directive is pursued—we shall miss seeing some of the Japanese names on the school district ballots up and down the state.

WITH THE NISHIKAWAS

'Tis not my diet to be talking about diet—but it is of gustatorial interest to report the lavish spread of Japanese as well as American food that would beckon any diet-conscious man to forfeit his calory-limits for the day. It greeted the many friends who last Sunday visited Dr. Roy Nishikawa's new office and huge two-story home at 234 S. Oxford in the Wilshire-Los Angeles area . . . When "Doc" served as national JACL president, we remember meetings at his old home on Jefferson Blvd., making it a point to arrive early for good seats in their tiny living room. These were cozy get-togethers. The much-bigger living room the Nishikawas have now, still has that relaxing touch his wife, Alice, has always engendered . . . This we know because "Doc" called an informal meeting of the national recognitions committee, now calling for chapters to nominate their "Nisei of the Biennium" and "JACler of the Biennium." It would assist the committee tremendously to let them know informally of persons they have in mind with necessary documents and letters following.

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DEADLINE EXTENDED

Here's good news for many of you chapters officers who got a late start in getting your delegates registered for the National JACL Convention here in Sacramento for that \$25 package deal.

Soft-hearted Mrs. Betsie Sanui who reported that we should be a good hearted chapter and ought to extend the pre-registration deadline to show that typical California spirit. And you know how women are—you gotta have it their way—so, despite the fact many chapters have already pre-registered their respective delegates and friends, host chapter Sacramento will extend the deadline to May 15!! The original deadline was set for May 1, but an additional 15 days are being allotted. Don't forget, all delegates who are pre-registered are eligible for the special drawing to be held during the Convention Mixer. The Mixer is slated for Wednesday, June 29.

Received a very nice letter from Tom Ioka up in the Mile-Hi city of Denver, Colo. Ioka supports the Mile-Hi chapter and is the brother-in-law of Oski Taniwaki, who is the current chapter president there. Ioka reports that many Denverites are planning to attend the National Convention here in Sacramento. Most are, Ioka reported, planning to drive down with their families. Welcome to the coast, Tom. The National Convention Board assures loads of fun, travel and special activities.

MAIN SPEAKERS

As already publicized earlier, the

Japan investment
office in L.A. moves

The Nikko Kasai Securities branch office is now located in new offices at 235 E. 2nd St. and features a board with up-to-date quotations of 160 "blue chip" Japanese stocks.

The beautifully decorated new office has a typical Japanese customer counter with glass-topped separated sections, a library with complete information on Japanese stocks and commerce, in addition to a conference and meeting room and general office areas.

Nikko Kasai, with head offices in San Francisco is the only company on the West Coast specializing in handling Japanese securities. The Los Angeles office was established four years ago.

two foremost speakers for the two of the many series of banquets scheduled for our Convention are these distinguished gentlemen. Congressman Daniel Ken Inouye will address the Recognitions Banquet, which is also the main Convention banquet scheduled on Saturday, July 2. Master of Ceremonies for this affair will be our own public relations man Attorney Henry Taketa.

Dr. Koto Matsudaira, who is the United Nations Representative from Japan, will be the main speaker of the Pioneer Banquet. This one is scheduled for Wednesday, June 29. Another attorney, Mamoru Sakuma, will handle the emcee reins.

MIXER TOPICS

Joe Matsunami is in charge of the first Convention social event and has he got the jitters. He is also the official delegate for the Sacramento JACL Chapter and I wonder if our own chapter didn't forget to pre-register him. I hope so. Anyway, this gent is in charge of the Convention Mixer, which will have some sort of a Hawaiian theme. This event will be held in the spacious El Dorado Room (holds 1,800 people!) and television-radio personality Bill Rase and his 12 piece orchestra will provide the music. Matsunami said, "For the menfolks, Hawaiian shirt and slacks are fine." He continued, "for the women folks, perhaps muu-muus or Hawaiian blouse and skirts will be very fine." He also wanted to let us know that this affair will be informal.

JUNIOR JACL

Details have been received from Sandra Sunada, who is in charge of publicity for the Jr. JACL's Youth Program, which will be held in conjunction with the main National Convention, that pre-registration for members of the junior group has been extended to June 1 instead of May 16 as previously announced.

The Youth Program will be staged on two days and can be enjoyed for \$18 plus \$2 registration fee, which includes many of the main conventions activities of five days such as two banquets, outing and the Sayonara Ball. There will be Western Dance at the Outing. The youths will have its own semi-formal dance at the El Dorado Room with Eddie Halter and his orchestra providing the music to the "easy-like" rhythms the young members prefer.

Chuman appointed
by Gov. Brown to
consumer aid group

SACRAMENTO. —Attorney Frank F. Chuman of Los Angeles was among 15 appointed by Governor Brown to serve on the citizens committee to advise Consumer Counsel Helen Nelson this past week. The committee will meet quarterly.

The new state group will keep an eye on fraudulent and misleading practices perpetrated against housewives and the general buying public.

Chuman said that any person who feels he is being bilked should notify the Consumer Counsel through his office.

"We learned previously that some of the Japanese American housewives were being charged an exorbitant price on a water softener by an unknown dealer who promised 'something for nothing' upon submission of additional clients from the purchaser," Chuman noted.

The new appointee said the committee meets at intervals to study credit finance abuses, high interest rackets, loan charge mismanagements and purity in milk and its price control.

SHOPKEEPER LOSES \$2,500
AS SHOPLIFTER SNEAKS
AWAY BLACK ENVELOPE

Shoplifting is nothing new to Mrs. Suye Ueyama, proprietor of Bunka-Do arts goods and book store in Li'l Tokio. But two Sundays ago, someone pilfered her black envelope containing \$2,500 in currency that had been placed below the cash register.

The valuable documents that were in the envelope were recovered when they were returned to the Bank of Tokyo by a finder.

She told police that she kept extra cash in the envelope and leaving a small amount to carry on her business in the register. She had to make a change for a customer who made a small purchase with a \$20 bill. She then reached for her long black envelope. Completing the transaction, she then served another customer and a few minutes later returned to find the envelope missing.

VFW Post 9938 elects

Art Katayama was inducted as commander of the Los Angeles Nisei Memorial VFW Post 9938 here this past week.

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By the Board

By Akiji Yoshimura, Nat'l 1st Vice President

With the 16th Biennial looming hard ahead and the obligations of a National officer weighing heavy on our conscience, we undertake this final, frantic effort to "face up to the future" (1960-70 Planning). We do not presume to offer any "crystal ball predictions," nor do we claim credit for any originality in the ideas hereinafter expressed. Neither is it our intent to find fault with views already held and made public, which may be contrary to ours. Space and time will limit any attempt to detail our reasons, but rightly or wrongly, "in these we believe."

That, our representation in the nation's capitol must be maintained and vigorously sustained. We can ill afford, now or at any other time, to excuse ourselves from the Washington scene and abandon our interest and concern in the affairs of our nation. Without the Washington office (and the National Headquarters) we become so many disjointed parts, denied a collective voice and lacking in stature, resources and effectiveness. We submit, moreover, that the "watch dog role" so often associated or assigned to the Washington office is negative and too self centered, and does not accurately or adequately describe its true function. We, who have been fortunate enough to be on the mailing list of the Washington representative and read with care the weekly "Washington Newsletter" in PC, are well aware that JACL has a legitimate and real interest beyond the narrow confines of the welfare of persons of Japanese ancestry. We hope that Japanese Americans, either as a group or as individuals, will not cause to be created the public image "that now that our immediate and selfish goals have been attained, we shall close shop and go home."

That, PC with Membership is a must if we are to have an alert and informed organization. Realistically, however, we must resolve this problem on the basis of a subscription per household rather than the arbitrary system of a PC per member. Our reading habits being what they are and with competition from the local dailies, magazines and other national periodicals, it is not likely that chapters will endorse any plan which weekly clutters up (with apologies to the Editor for the use of the word "clutter") the house with two-four copies of a single publication. "Trial balloons" on the basis of PC per family instituted by certain chapters is a step in the right direction, but to be economically sound and at the same time achieve the desired end of informing the general membership, the plan must be adopted on a national scale.

That, our Youth Program, which takes many forms and presumably serves many and varying needs and age groups should be further encouraged if our 1960-70 planning is to be meaningful. The next decade should see many of our present Juniors JACLers and other youths assuming positions of leadership at all levels of the national organization. Whether they are active in their respective communities under the banner of JACL or not, it will be to the credit of the Citizens League that we recognized the need for preparing youth for the role of good citizenship. The age we live in, the generation to which we belong, does not alter or lessen the contributions we must each make to our community, state and nation. "Does JACL need Youth, or does Youth need JACL?" The answer to us is an obvious, "We need each other, and let's stop playing games with each other."

That, unfortunately once again, adjustments in our quota system are necessary if JACL is to operate on a sound (and harmonious) basis. Future changes should include incentive plans for chapters which have continually demonstrated a willingness to meet their financial obligations through an aggressive and planned program. In addition, the National Budget and Finance Committee should offer aids and ideas to help certain chapters which are finding it difficult because of local conditions to meet national assessments. We do not believe it becomes JACL nor is it fair to the National Staff to expect it to skimp unnecessarily in order to balance the budget with our curtailing services.

That, as Americans of Japanese ancestry we have a stake, interest or inescapable obligation (call it what you will) in the so-called area of "international relations." Like it or not, ready or not—our personal friends, our communities, state and nation expect that we are qualified to advise, interpret and participate in private and public programs involving Japan, whether in the seemingly harmless area of cultural exchanges and goodwill or the somewhat disturbing and touchy fields in which we feel insecure. "International Relations" means different things to different people, consequently there is a natural and understandable tendency to rather be "safe than sorry." We would propose a positive and selective posture, which makes it possible for JACL to make contributions in this area within the limits or our resources and skills without indiscriminately committing the organization to programs with which we are entirely unfamiliar. We need not apologize for our inadequacies, but indifference and retreat are something else again.

That, the national organization should be standardized throughout for uniformity and greater administrative efficiency. Our committee system should be reviewed and strengthened. The pure and simple "paper or one man" committees should be developed to its maximum potential and counterparts for each standing and special National and District committee should be provided for at the chapter level to insure an uninterrupted flow of information from top to bottom. In addition periodic meetings of these committees at the District level would be highly desirable for the purpose of exchanging ideas, consolidating information and evaluating progress. Too often chapter presidents (and meetings) are dominated by details of normal house-keeping nature which are best resolved by committees, consequently little time is available for original and imaginative discussions. Like the link in the chain, our national structure is only as sturdy as our individual chapters and every device and skill should be employed to strengthen and broaden its local programs.

Three Philadelphia JACLers discuss '60-'70 program emphases, intensive self-examination urged to secure better perspective

PHILADELPHIA.—Three panelists discussing JACL's program for 1960-70 recently at the Philadelphia JACL meeting offered specific recommendations which are likely to be considered at the forthcoming Eastern District Council session May 14-15 at Washington, D.C.

On the panel were Ben Ohama, past president and owner of a dental laboratory; Dr. Warren H. Watanabe, past president and supervising biochemist with Rohm & Haas; and Henry Tani, onetime national JACL officer and director of youth work of the Evangelical and Reformed Church.

Ohama, limiting his discussion on JACL's concern for youth, suggested JACL produce a brochure or handbook to teach the Sansei that they are American citizens "of Japanese ancestry."

Self-Examination

Dr. Watanabe felt that "the more secure a Nisei is, the more he is willing to have JACL's program broadened... the more insecure and unsure a Nisei is of himself and his role and place in the community, the more he tends to turn inward." Hence, he called for a program of intensive self-examination to enable JACL to secure a better perspective.

He also urged a strong national organization, for keeping the Washington Office "at an unmitigated level", and "PC with Membership". He thought \$10 dues was not too high. "We have a great deal at stake," he explained.

Henry Tani called for a well-rounded Nisei who would embrace the concepts of "identity" (JACL could sustain a program to strengthen personal identity of its Nisei members with the history, culture and heritage of their parents' homeland) and "integration" (JACL could be instrumental in keeping Nisei alert to this responsibility of actively participating in community life).

Panelists' Report

The report, as submitted to the 1960-70 National JACL Planning Commission, 1200 N. Clark St., Chicago, is as follows:

BEN OHAMA: In planning for the future of the JACL we must prepare our youth both emotionally and spiritually to accept the responsibilities of citizenship. To do so we must first teach them to identify themselves as American citizens of a particular ethnic group—Americans of Japanese ancestry. A JACL brochure or handbook is important to help them learn of their heritage, the history and record of the Issei, Nisei and Sansei and the purposes and aims of the JACL.

Our children in the East face

Idaho JACLers give carload of potatoes as gift to scouts

IDAHO FALLS.—A special carload of Idaho potatoes, processed by local packers, donated by local farmers including many Idaho Falls JACLers, was sold in Chicago for \$1,860. This and another \$490 collected in a special fund drive were contributed to the Girl Scout camp facilities near Palisades Dam.

Serving on the JACL Committee for Camp Ta-Man-A-Wis were Leo Hosoda, Joe Nishioka, Sud Morishita, Todd Ogawa, Sach Mikami, Sam Yamasaki and Speed Nukaya.

END OF ERA FOR NYK PASSENGER SHIPS PLYING ACROSS PACIFIC NEARS

TOKYO.—The Nippon Yusen Kaisha last week announced plans to retire its 11,600-ton passenger ship, Hikawa Maru, Japan's only passenger ship. It was the sole survivor of Japan's prewar fleet of passenger ships.

On the Yokohama-Seattle run, she will make four more voyages, NYK officials said. The Hikawa Maru survived the fate of her sister ships, which were all sunk during World War II, because it was converted to a hospital ship.

NVC leaders inducted

SEATTLE.—Ray Saito was installed as commander of the Nisei Veterans Committee here this past month. Mary Fujita was also installed as chairman of the NVC Auxiliary.

different problems from those on the West Coast because here they may be the only Oriental in a group. Because there can be an emotional strain with every new adventure, we must provide and develop within them the confidence and ability to identify themselves, with pride and humility, as Americans of Japanese ancestry.

Spiritual Concern

Even though it is not the purpose of JACL to be directly concerned with spiritual growth, Mr. Ohama expressed the personal opinion that the organization should stress and encourage it. In the final analysis, any person who is spiritually right with his Creator is morally and emotionally right.

Of course, we as individuals can and must be active as individuals in our local communities, to set examples of good citizenship for our children, and certainly be active in the organizations in which our children are connected.

DR. WARREN WATANABE: In charting the future course of JACL, it is important for us to determine just what we really are. There are three possible views to consider in this connection: (a) Our own opinion, what we think we are, (b) the public image, what the public thinks we are, and (c) the objective reality, what we actually are.

Dr. Watanabe then reviewed the "facts" about ourselves: we number about 140,000 in the United States and about 220,000 in Hawaii (as of 1950); in composition there is a marked age cleavage of Issei, Nisei and Sansei and these "age waves" will be moving up; we are dispersed throughout the country; presumably more will be marrying out of their ethnic group; there continues to be a dispersion of vocations, economic status, education, income, etc.

Insofar as public image is concerned, there are various degrees and hues ranging from "just another neighbor", a "desirable minority", "Japanese", a "hybrid" who may combine the best of both cultures, and lastly the "menace."

Opinions Mold Attitudes

Our own opinions are most important because this molds our attitudes. Very often such opinions are influenced largely by the local "Japanese" community as well as the community at large. And since communities differ from various areas, the atmosphere differs: thus, whereas in the East there is no past history of discrimination and persons of Japanese ancestry are comparatively "new", in the West there are traditions of discrimination; also in the West there is perhaps a greater cross-section of vocations.

While acknowledging the risk of making generalizations, Dr. Watanabe ventured the following summation:

The more secure a Nisei is, the more he is willing to have JACL's program broadened; he is more ready to take a stand on issues without fear of being labelled a "Japanese"; he is freer to stand on and emphasize his own heritage rather than insisting, perhaps too loudly, that he is an "American"; he is more ready to participate on broad community affairs rather than being preoccupied with himself and his role and place in the community, the more he tends to turn inward.

The question then is raised: If and when these two viewpoints prevail toward an issue, just how is the issue to be met and resolved?

Initial Objective

Dr. Watanabe made the following recommendations:

(1) It is important that initially there be a program of intensive self-examination of our present selves, an objective appraisal; we really do not know, today particularly, just who we are and what we are since much has occurred since the relocation and war years.

(2) This will then enable us to have a realistic and better perspective on matters of (a) public relations, the approach to be used, where stress is needed, etc., and (b) where we can and ought to step out boldly on issues.

(3) We need to maintain a strong national organization to do this and to operate effectively; dues ought to be raised—and \$10 is not too high, we have a great deal at stake.

(4) There should be "Pacific Citizen" with membership so that

we will have an informed membership.

Washington Office

(5) We must maintain our Washington Office at an unmitigated level, to press our legislative program as required and when required.

(6) We must emphasize our youth program, the group which will inherit the JACL in the not too far future.

In the meantime, we should not be afraid to assert ourselves as American citizens, by joining openly with other minority groups, participating actively in community and national affairs.

HENRY TANI: Mr. Tani opened his discussion with two concepts at opposite poles which he labelled as "identity" and "integration."

"Identity" is a concept revolving around the individual as a person of Japanese ancestry, suggesting the strengthening of the personal identity with the heritage, cultural, history and people of our parents' homeland. This is to be more than sentimental attachment; this is more acute for our teenage and younger generation for whom there is less and less contact with Issei and for whom the Japanese language is completely foreign and in whom there may be indications of rejection of their heritage.

Visits to Japan

This effort to strengthen "identity" would entail a sustained program to refresh and enrich not only those of us who are personally involved but also to contribute and enrich our American way of life. Thus Mr. Tani urged visits to Japan when possible and for persons of Buddhist persuasion he urged an honest effort to make this cultural heritage a significant role in their family life.

To maintain Identity would also suggest opportunity for frequent meetings of those persons of Japanese ancestry so that they might stimulate each other to keep the heritage alive, and to keep the bond of kinship significantly strong. If actual face-to-face meetings cannot be maintained, then periodicals of appropriate nature should be the medium. Local chapters then would, of necessity, stress more the fraternal type organization. Mr. Tani admonished, however, against any hysterical movement toward a "clannish" Japanese-town culture.

Community Life

At the other pole of "integration", Mr. Tani explained this label as being an attitude and effort of one seeking independence of the so-called "Japanese community", in whatever form it may happen to exist in any locale. This would involve, in the positive aspect, of taking one's place in the community life as a responsible citizen, to affirmatively participate in our share of the community life. This is going on in the natural organization life of the Nisei group, including churches, scouts, PTA, Little League, League of Women Voters, etc. We should be active in the political sphere as individuals, not only to express our citizenship, but to assert our rights as participating members of our national life. The JACL could be instrumental in keeping us alert to this responsibility.

The well-rounded Nisei is one who would embrace both of the foregoing concepts: he does not assume the negative attitude of turning his back on the facts, his cultural heritage; instead he is true to himself. At the same time, he openly "integrates" by affirmatively participating in the many civic affairs of his community.

George Yasukochi director for community chest group

BERKELEY.—George Yasukochi has been elected as one of the 34 directors of the Berkeley Area Community Chest and Council to direct the coming year's activities. Yasukochi is controller of the Consumers Cooperatives of Berkeley.

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CHAPTER REPORTS

Bill Hayashi unanimous choice

SANTA ROSA.—William Y. Hayashi of Santa Rosa High School was selected from a large field of applicants as the winner of the Sonoma County JACL Chapter Pioneer Memorial Scholarship, chapter president Martin Shimizu announced today.

The winner's outstanding scholastic record and achievements were of such a high caliber the judges were unanimous in their choice.

Bill Hayashi lives with his aunt, Miss Yuki Oka, at 1225 Cleveland Ave., Santa Rosa. Both of Bill Hayashi's parents are deceased. Hayashi has a younger brother, 12, and sister, 7, whom he helps support with his aunt. He averages 20 hours or more per week working in a grocery store to help the family.

Despite the number of working hours, he has managed to achieve an outstanding record at Santa Rosa High. Besides his high scholastic standing, he has served as Commissioner of Social Activities, vice-president and president of the Santa Rosa High School Student Body. Hayashi also was president of the Student Affairs Council. In addition to holding a life membership in the California Scholarship Federation, he is a member of the French Club, Future Teachers Club; of the school orchestra governing board and has appeared as a featured soloist with the school orchestra in their spring concerts. Bill also served as president of the Junior Etude Club, composed of music students outside of school activities.

Bill Hayashi was named the most outstanding student in the local Optimist Clubs competition with students of other high schools and won a \$100 award in the music competition sponsored by the Santa Rosa Press Democrat. To appear at this competition, the sponsors granted him permission to play during his lunch hour in order to avoid being away from his Saturday work.

He has won the Bank of America Fine Arts Award at his school and his latest achievement was that of winning in the zone competition held at Vallejo last month.

Youthful Bill Hayashi's activities does not overlook his religious aspects for he serves as fourth grade Sunday School teacher and is vice-moderator of the Westminster First Presbyterian Church.

Hayashi hopes to enroll at Stanford University this fall. For the second consecutive year the local JACL Chapter's Pioneer Memorial Scholarship was won by a Nisei; William Akutagawa of Anal High School having won the award in 1959.

The panel of judges was composed of Dr. DeForrest Hamilton, Superintendent of Sonoma County Schools; Dr. John Boyle, Director of Sonoma County High School Curriculum; Dr. Tets Fujii, James Murakami and Ed Ohki.

The scholarship committee is chaired by Frank Oda with Ohki serving as secretary.

Sonoma County chow mein benefit

SEBASTOPOLE.—A most successful benefit chow mein dinner was held last Sunday from 12 noon to 6 p.m. with approximately 450 dinners served by the members of the Sonoma County JACL Chapter at the local Memorial Hall. Since the ticket tabulations are not yet completed, the figure may be higher, it was stated.

The entire proceeds from this benefit dinner will be turned over to the foreign student exchange program of Anal High School World Affairs Club, Martin Shimizu, chapter president stated.

General co-chairmen were Kanemi Ono, Dr. Roy Okamoto and Frank Oda. James Otani and Charles Yamamoto were in charge of the preparation for the dinner, assisted by some 60 members of the local chapter.

This was the first time such a menu was offered to the general community to benefit a worthy project and the response was most gratifying.

Over 4,000 attend Placer picnic

PENRYN.—A crowd of well over 4,000 persons was on hand at Placer JACL's once postponed 12th annual community picnic held last Sunday at JACL Recreation Park near here under the able direction of George Makimoto, general chairman of the picnic committee.

Picnic program featured various events of races and games for participants of all ages and were handled by Ted Fujii and George Nishikawa, co-chairmen of events committee.

In a special presentation ceremony, John A. Stacker American Legion Post No. 775 of Loomis presented an American Flag to Placer JACL in memory of the late Dr. Kay Kashiwabara of Penryn. Post commander Tony Aguilar made the flag presentation and Aster Kondo, chapter president, accepted in behalf of Placer JACL.

Dr. Kashiwabara was immediate past president of Placer JACL, active Legionnaire, Aero Chamber of Commerce director, a member of Loomis Lions Club and scoutmaster of Penryn Troop No. 9. He passed away suddenly while accompanying his scout troop to the Winter Olympics at Squaw Valley last February.

As an added attraction Del Oro High School band of Loomis led by Warren Prince gave a concert which was well received by the picnic audience. Howard Nakae, special event chairman, said the Hamilton Field Air Force band was unable to appear due to change in the picnic date.

Chairmen of various picnic committees were:

Finance and prize—George Hirakawa and Ellen Kubo; program booklet—Kay Takemoto and Dick Nagaoka; ground arrangement—Jack Shinkawa and Muneo Masaki; drawing—Bunny Nakagawa and Hugo Nishimoto; starters and judges—Joe Kageta and James Uyeda; special event—Nakae and Harry Hirakawa.

Concessions: games—Dick Nishimura and Ted Uyeda, refreshment—Tom Miyamoto and Bob Kozaike; Issei entertainment—Frank Hata, George Itow and Kelvin Mitani; traffic control—Mack Tsujimoto and Jack Yokote; snow cones and soft drinks—Junior JACL; first aid station—Harry Sands; and publicity—Roy Yoshida and Homer Takahashi.

San Francisco JACL to discuss '60-'70
Planning recommendations of their own

SAN FRANCISCO.—Recommendations of the San Francisco JACL chapter for 1960-70 Planning will be discussed at a general membership meeting tomorrow at the Christ Church, starting from 8 p.m., it was announced by John Yasumoto, chapter president.

Preliminary work for the meeting has been extensive as 10 fields of study will be presented by Steve Doi, chapter chairman of the '60-'70 Planning Commission, Dr. Hi-meo Tsumori, and Yasumoto. Topics to be studied are as follows:

1. Public Relations—How to obtain a more effective membership service; plans for getting outsiders better acquainted with JACL; recognition of Issei, community service.

2. Legislation & Civil Rights—Encourage activities which will make Japanese Americans more politically mature; a more aggressive support of civil rights.

3. International Relations—Encourage goodwill activities but stay out of political and economic fields that involve U.S. and Japan chapter autonomy as to how they should handle foreign dignitaries.

4. Community Service—Work with existing community groups rather than forming segregated groups because our resources are too limited for welfare work; activities for Issei; educate Issei about low-cost housing projects—that these are not "charity".

5. Youth Program—Not to compete with existing youth groups; encourage athletic tournaments and talent shows; greater efforts toward informing teenagers and sub-teenagers about JACL.

6. Scholarship—Local scholarships encouraged, but not to increase the number of national scholarships.

7. Education—Vocational guidance for high school students; support and encourage Japanese language schools; Japanese cultural education.

8. Chapter Program & Membership Service—Diversified programs needed to include activities for every age-group; age-group between 17 and 21 is especially in need of a definite program.

9. Finance—Inequity in the present quota system as applied to each chapter; ways of meeting increasing local expenses.

10. Organization & Administration—Participation of as many individuals as possible; increasing the administrative staff to meet the work load; importance of local news bulletin.

Eight youth to vie in NC-WN oratorical
contest May 15 at pre-convention rally

SAN FRANCISCO.—Eight contestants will vie of the right to represent the Northern California-Western Nevada District Council at the National JACL Convention Oratorical finals, according to Jack Kusaba, chairman of the NC-WNDC Oratorical Contest.

The speakers representing Eden Township, Florin, Marysville, Oakland, Sacramento, San Francisco, Sonoma County, and Stockton chapters, will compete at the coming NC-WN District Council meeting on Sunday, May 15 at the Castlewood County Club in Pleasanton.

The contest at 4:15 p.m. will follow the regular business session at 1 p.m. and a special fashion show staged by the Women's Auxiliary of the hosting Eden Township Chapter at 3 p.m. Registration will begin from noon with \$5 charged for official delegates and \$4.50 for booster delegates.

To demonstrate how to
fix Japanese picnic lunch

SAN FRANCISCO.—With picnic season around the corner, the San Francisco JACL Auxiliary has scheduled a cooking demonstration on how to prepare Japanese picnic lunches next Tuesday, May 10, 7:30 p.m., at the local Buddhist Church. Miye Magota is event chairman.

Mrs. Yamate, Buddhist Fujinkai president, will demonstrate with assistance from Sophie Okamoto, Virginia Sato and Misa Sumida. Velma Yemoto will be in charge of refreshments.

West Los Angeles movie
night scheduled June 3

Announcement of a West Los Angeles JACL movie night for Friday, June 3, 7 p.m., at the WLA Community Methodist Church, 1913 Purdue Ave., was made this week. "Escapade in Japan", a color film starring Jon Provost, and a full color cartoon are to be shown. To defray expenses, the following fees will be charged: adults 50 cents, juniors 25 cents, children 15 cents.

The chapter also is planning a community carnival for June 25-26.

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APRIL STANDING: 1,315

National JACL Headquarters acknowledged 80 new and renewal 1000 Club memberships for the second half of April. The monthly total was 112 with the current standing at 1,345 members paid. The recent reminder that 1000 Club listings in the convention booklet would be closed as of the first week in May resulted in many early renewals, national 1000 Club chairman Bill Matsumoto was advised. Received during the April 16-30 period were:

THIRTEENTH YEAR

CCDC—George S. Mochizuki.

ELEVENTH YEAR

Clovis—June Fugita.

Chicago—Hirao S. Sakurada.

Salt Lake City—Roy Tachiki.

NINTH YEAR

Hollywood—Hon. John F. Aiso.

Downtown L.A.—David Y. Nitake.

EIGHTH YEAR

Downtown L.A.—Eiji E. Tanabe.

SEVENTH YEAR

Philadelphia—S. Sim Endo, Mrs. Teru.

Nakano, Yosuke Nakano.

Downtown L.A.—David McKibbin.

Cleveland—George Y. Ono.

Eden Township—Tetsuna Sakai.

Mile-Hi—Mrs. Mary T. Sakata.

SIXTH YEAR

Stockton—Yoichi Agari, George K. Ba-

ba, Fred K. Dobana, Harry S. Haya-

shino, Walter K. Kunimori, Mrs. Ma-

suye Tabuchi.

Mile-Hi—Harry Y. Ida.

Southwest L.A.—Dr. Hiraku Ishida, Dr.

Shig J. Masuoka.

Hollywood—Robert K. Kato.

Mtn-PDC—Charles Matsubara.

Orange County—Mrs. Kiku Matsukane.

Pasadena—Jiro Oishi.

San Fernando Valley—Isamu Ueyehara.

FIFTH YEAR

Santa Barbara—Akira Endo.

D.C.—Mrs. Thelma T. Higuchi (former-

ly San Francisco).

Stockton—Art Hwaka.

Selma—Mrs. Mae Kataoka.

Detroit—George Matsuhira.

Tulare County—James E. Matsumura.

Hiroshi Mayeda, Ed Nagata, Yeiki

Tashiro, Doug Yamada, Hsiao Yebi-

su.

San Fernando Valley—Fred Muto.

Philadelphia—Tomomi Murakami.

FOURTH YEAR

Downtown L.A.—Father Clement.

Tulare County—Akio Fukushima, Har-

ry Nii, Jack Sumida.

St. Louis—Sam Migita, Dr. George Sa-

to.

New York—George G. Shimamoto.

THIRD YEAR

Tulare County—Dr. Kazuo Arima, Ben

Fujinaga, Sawato Hatakeda, Harry

Morotui, George Oh, Kay Watanabe.

Seattle—Miye Ishikawa, Shiochi Suya-

ma.

Florin—Paul T. Ito, William Y. Kashi-

wagi.

Mile-Hi—John M. Masunaga, Mike Ta-

shiro.

San Jose—Dr. Robert S. Okamoto.

SECOND YEAR

Tulare County—Tee Ezaki, Tak Ishi-

zue, Nori Ogata, Gene Shimaji.

Cleveland—Frank Hisatomi.

St. Louis—Jasmine Kawashima, George

Shimamoto.

Selma—Alan A. Masumoto.

Philadelphia—Mrs. Mary D. Murakami.

Mid-Columbia—George Tamura.

Venice-Culver—Mrs. Betty Yumori.

FIRST YEAR

Mid-Columbia—Mr. Jan Kurihara, Kaz

Makino, George Watanabe.

Idaho Falls—Harold A. Texido.

Venice-Culver—Dr. Harold S. Harada.

St. Louis—Mrs. Mary C. Dally.

Southwest L.A.—Fred Y. Koyama.

Detroit—Dick Kadoshima.

Ex-JACL queen mother
for second time

ANAHEIM.—A daughter, Laureen Annette, was born April 14 to Mr. and Mrs. Sam Morita of Anaheim. The mother is the former National JACL queen Janet Fukuda. They are parents of another child, two-year-old Perry.

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The National Director's Report

By Masao Satow

A FRIEND PASSES—We were deeply grieved to hear of the untimely passing of Prof. Elmer R. Smith, long time friend of the Nisei and ardent JACler. Prof. Smith was teaching at the University of Montana since last fall after a long stretch at the University of Utah. He had already identified himself with the Nisei prewar, and during the war years was a strong champion of Nisei loyalty. As an anthropologist and friend of the Nisei, he took more than a passing interest in the evacuation, and obtained a leave of absence from the University to serve as community analyst at the Minadoka Relocation Center. He could articulate in the mumbo jumbo of the pedants, but was more at home with down to earth informality. Many a Nisei benefitted from associations with him over a bottle of Scotch until the wee hours of the morning.

For several years "Elmermotto" was the only blonde member of our Salt Lake Nisei Bowling League, anchoring our Pacific Citizen team with a respectable 180 average. During our National Headquarters postwar sojourn in Salt Lake City, his counsel was of tremendous assistance to our national program because of his greater objectivity, although he was as deeply affected with what happened to us and our problems as were we. He was around National Headquarters so much he was practically one of our staff. In 1950 together with Seiko Kasai he went through our entire National Headquarters files to compile a history of JACL up to that time, and this formed the basis of his popular and informative "Did You Know" series in the PC. He knew more about JACL than most of us and has now become a part of its more intimate history which we will always remember.

MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES—With San Francisco Chapter President John Yasumoto we had our first meeting with representatives of the Golden Gate Nisei VFW Post headed by Commander Shig Miyamoto to make preliminary plans for our annual joint memorial services at Golden Gate National Cemetery at San Bruno where 76 Nisei war dead are interred. The services will be held on Memorial Day at 10 a.m.

DISTINGUISHED VISITOR—Kazumi Kobayashi, national executive Director of the Boy Scouts of Japan, came through San Francisco on a tail end of a month's trip in the interest of scouting through Europe, South America, Canada, and the United States. We conferred with him on the details of our travel scholarship for Scout Sugiyama in attending the 50th Anniversary Jamboree of the Boy Scouts of America. Mr. Kobayashi has been with the Boy Scout movement in Japan for 40 years, says there are 90,000 members in Japan. The contingent of 111 Boy Scouts from Japan to the Jamboree will be the largest foreign delegation excepting Canada. The Scouts will arrive in Vancouver, B.C., the first part of July and proceed down the coast by bus. A goodly number of these will be taken in tow by various Boys Scout Councils as their own members to the Jamboree.

ORGANIZATIONAL—We remind our chapters that to be duly seated and participate in the National Council, they must be in good standing. This includes a current set of officers, 1960 chapter dues paid up, and at least 25 paid up members by Convention time. Chapters unable to be officially represented by delegates may be represented by proxy provided such designation is in writing and the basic Convention registration fee of \$2 has been paid.

We have plunged into the paper work preparatory to the Convention. No doubt the National Council sessions will be dominated by the reports and recommendations assembled by the 1960-1970 National Planning Commission. We will know better about these studies at the local level as we attend successive meetings of the Pacific Southwest, Northern California-Western Nevada, and Midwest District Councils on successive weekends the latter part of this month, as well as reports from the Eastern District Council meeting in Washington, D.C. on May 15.

As usual, delegates will be interested in the costs of our program for the next biennium. However, the final budget will depend upon what the delegates themselves include in the national program. We submit herewith our official financial statement for 1959.

INCOME:			
Regular Memberships	\$32,087.60	Travel	3,646.83
Nat'l Supporting Membs.	1,129.00	1959 Nat'l Board Meeting	2,580.94
Nat'l Associated Membs.	76.50	Administrative	992.62
1000 Club Membs.	33,680.50	General Program	2,848.38
Chapter Dues	770.00	Membs. & Bequest Brochures	2,878.37
Scholarship Contributions	400.00	Scholarships	1,100.00
Other Contributions	117.16	Public Relations	720.97
Reimbursement fr Pac Cit	2,925.00	Publications	164.75
Sales: Pins & Emblems	847.36	Pac Cit Subscriptions (1000	
Sales: Books	105.00	Club, Complimentaries)	4,242.50
Interest	7,557.52	Utilities	48.45
Reimbursements (Stamps, Supplies,		Social Security	717.95
Travel)	690.64	Retirement	1,404.50
Quota Payments for prior-yr.	2,306.00	Health & Accident Ins.	190.35
		Calif. Unemployment	242.08
		Property Taxes	199.07
		Equipment	490.57
		Rebates to Chapters	5,880.54
TOTAL INCOME	\$82,692.28		

EXPENDITURES:			
Salaries	\$32,026.51	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$83,719.25
Retainers	10,700.00		
Rents	5,043.96	(DEFICIT)	\$ 1,026.97
Tel. and Tel.	1,804.65	EXPENDITURES BY OFFICES:	
Postage	1,506.15	Midwest	\$ 5,082.11
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Preparing table decorations to enhance the Sacramento JACL Auxiliary fashion show theme, "Oriental Honeymoon," are (from left): standing—Helen Ikeda, Hiro Kato, Yoshiye Takahashi, Sayoko Fujii, Frances Matsunami, Tsugi Kubo, Alice Hayashi (co-chmn.) and Toshi Tambara (co-chmn.); seated—Emma Miyamoto, June Morimoto and

Gladys Masaki. The fashion show-luncheon is a special event of the 16th Biennial National JACL Convention to be held on Saturday, July 2, at El Dorado Hotel. Reservations are being accepted by Mrs. Edward K. Ishii, 5000 Hillard Way, Sacramento. Tickets are \$4 per person.

Convention fashion show crew named

SACRAMENTO.—Working on the theme of "Oriental Honeymoon", the Sacramento JACL Women's Auxiliary this week announced the committee members for the JACL Convention fashion show to be staged on Saturday, July 2, at the El Dorado Hotel from 1 p.m.

Miss Kathy Cox will serve as commentator with fashions being supplied generously by Weinstock-Lubin and Co. Linda Yatabe, JACL convention queen, will model as the bride, it was announced by fashion show co-chairmen Mmes. George Tambara and Akio Hayashi.

Serving on the committee are Mmes. Percy Masaki, decorations; Edward Ishii, tickets; June Miyakawa, models; Sumio Miyamoto, program covers; Hoshiro Oshima, hostesses; Henry Taketa, coordinators; and Noboru Shirai, publicity.

Tickets will be available at \$4, which includes the luncheon which will precede the show. Reservations and tickets will be handled by Mrs. Ishii, 5000 Hillard Way, Sacramento 22.

Alaska movies to be shown at Reedley dinner

REEDLEY.—Reedley JACL will hold a special dinner-meeting on Friday, May 13, 6:30 p.m., at the House of Chung.

Co-chairmen, Dr. James Ikemiya and Toru Ikeda, have arranged an interesting movie on Alaska to be shown by John Harness, who is well-known for his travel films.

Vet auxiliary formed

Wives of former 442nd RCT Co. E members have organized an auxiliary with Mrs. Lil Urasaki as temporary chairman. The women (with their husbands) will next meet May 21 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Akiyama, 1161 N. Ridge Pl., Monterey Park.

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FRENCH CAMP AUXILIARY TO ENTERTAIN MOTHERS

FRENCH CAMP.—The French Camp JACL Women's Auxiliary will entertain the mothers in a special program tonight at French Camp Hall. Katy Komure and Mich Egusa are the evening co-chairmen.

Comical skits, individual talent and refreshments are being planned. On the committee are Fumi Asano, Taya Shiromizu, program; Eiko Hamamoto, Aya Tsugawa, invitations; Rose Tomimaga, corsage; Sakaye Yamasaki, hostess; Lydia Ota, Chiz Nonaka, refreshments; and French Camp JAYs, decorating.

D.C. SANSEI TO DANCE ONDO AT FOLK FESTIVAL

WASHINGTON.—Over 20 Sansei girls are currently rehearsing ondo steps to participate in the 24th annual National Folk Festival to be staged June 1-4 at Carter Barron Amphitheater, it was reported in the D.C. (JACL) News Note last week.

The chapter hopes to costume the group with contributions from the community.

The group is also practicing to participate in the annual District of Columbia Recreation Assn.'s Folk Festival.

Nisei re-elected to head Placer County TB Ass'n

ROSEVILLE.—George Hirakawa of Penryn, who recently directed a successful Christmas Seal campaign as president of the Placer County Tuberculosis and Health Assn., has been reelected to the post for another term.

Ellen Kubo, also of Penryn, was elected secretary. Both are active JACLers here.

Marysville picnic

YUBA CITY.—About a 1,000 enjoyed the annual Marysville JACL Community picnic last Sunday at Sperbeck Ranch.

Sapphire pin awardee

IDAHO FALLS.—Receiving a sapphire pin for distinguished service and devotion to JACL was local JACler Sud Morishita at the recent IDC meeting here.

Weatherman nice to Cortez picnickers

CORTEZ.—The annual Cortez JACL Community picnic was held at Hagaman Park. The weatherman decided to cooperate and some 400 picnickers, local JACL members and friends from far and near, assembled for the event.

Following the lunch hour, games, races, and a scavenger hunt were enjoyed by children of all ages. There were prizes for everyone. Holders of tickets to lucky numbers were given many nice prizes.

Tsutomu Sugiura was this year's general chairman and his working committee were as follows: Keiichi Yamaguchi, Edna Yamaguchi, Kazumi Miyamoto, Yoshio Asai, Michi Masuda, Kaname Miyamoto, S. Kubo, Kazumi Kajioka, Joe Nishihara, Jim Yamaguchi, N. Kajioka, Joe Mattson, Yuk Yotsuya, Ken Miyamoto, Suzie Asai, Peter Yamamoto, Micky Yoshida, Takeo Yotsuya, Shinjiro Sugiura, Sab Okamura, Yoshi Kubo, Hiro Asai and the Cortez Young Peoples Club. Emcee for the event was Terry Yotsuya.

Japanese movies planned for Monterey JACL Hall

MONTEREY.—A benefit Japanese movie will be sponsored by the Monterey Peninsula JACL May 14 and 15 from 7:30 p.m.

The proceeds will be used to expand the chapter's youth activities in the fields of Little League baseball, Boy Scouts, basketball, Junior JACL and other youth undertakings, the committee announced.

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East of the River

By Richard Akagi

IKIRU

New York

Today, Sunday, marks the end of the New York run for "Ikiru," a Japanese film which has had a surprisingly extended residence at Little Carnegie here. And this also brings to an end my little personal campaign.

For weeks now I've been touting "Ikiru" to my friends as "better than anything they've seen in the past ten years and probably better than anything they'll see in the next ten." Inevitably, much of what I said was discounted as a piece of cultural chauvinism. Which it probably was.

Also, vehement praise, as mine was, sows by its seeming extravagance the seeds of its own disparagement. I'm aware of this; yet I found it difficult to be moderate in my estimate of "Ikiru." Perhaps this merely reflects a flaw (I've been told that's what it is) in my make-up; I find moderation, when it rules the expression of an opinion, an overly magnified virtue. Besides, I felt that "Ikiru" was better than "La Grande Illusion" or "The Bicycle Thief," both of which are listed among the six all-time "greats," and I said so. Now no matter how cautiously phrased, this is not a moderate opinion.

The reason for this unnecessary activity on my part (unnecessary, since "Ikiru" is already recognized in critical circles as a brilliant achievement) was the apathetic response of New York newspaper reviewers to this picture, with the notable exception of Archer Winsten of the Post. Winsten, in the opening lines of his review, declared: "One of the greatest pictures of Japan, and one of the world's great pictures, too . . . This is unquestionably a great picture in the breadth and depth of its subject, in the variety of its characterization, and in the prodigious gamut of its emotions . . ."

In contrast to newspaper reviewers, those performing the same chore for magazines—"Time," "Reporter," "Saturday Review," "New Republic," "New Yorker"—dealt with "Ikiru" more perceptively, which is to say I was in general agreement with their comments.

Some of the most effective sequences in the film are the bits of dead-pan action in the background, which come across as an understated satiric commentary on American influences in Japanese life—e.g., a birthday party in a restaurant where school girls are singing to their guest of honor, "Hoppy Bossu-day Tsou Yew"; two chippies trying to dispel the gloom of their male escorts with a wildly out-of-tune rendition of "Come-A My House"; the piano-playing hipster in the cabaret.

A happening directly related to my talking about "Ikiru" gave me an enormous sense of something-or-other: in explaining to a friend the impact "Ikiru" made on me, I compared it to Tolstoy's powerful short story, "The Death of Ivan Illych." Next week in the "New Republic" Stanley Kauffmann opened his review with a quotation from "Ivan Illych" and then went on to write: "Tolstoy's entire novella might well be reprinted here for, in a sense, it is the best possible comment on the Japanese film under discussion." Which goes to show that fresh tofu is fine with shoyu regardless of weather.

Akira Kurosawa, who directed "Ikiru," is also the man responsible for "Rashomon" and "The Magnificent Seven," which has just been re-made, shot in Mexico with Yul Brynner in the lead. I had forgotten that Eli Wallach also appears in it until I ran into him yesterday in a downtown hash-house. When I asked him how the American version stacked up with Kurosawa's original, Eli shrugged. "I think it's photographed as well," he said, "but the story line has to be changed somewhat and I don't think it's as good."

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NISEI ELECTED HEAD OF CITY LITTLE LEAGUE GROUP IN MONTEREY

MONTEREY.—Ben Omoto was recently elected the president of the National League in the Monterey City Little League organization.

Omoto is the manager of the Toy Town team in this league, it was reported by local JACL officials.

Over 25 youngsters have turned out to learn baseball fundamentals under the tutelage of Haruo Esaki and his committee. These weekly practice sessions on Sunday afternoon from 1 p.m. at the Monterey Little League baseball park are a part of the chapter's Junior baseball program.

Parents of boys between 8 to 12 years were urged to bring their sons to these sessions which will continue every Sunday in May.

West L.A. JACL youth track meet May 22

As part of the ambitious youth program, West Los Angeles JACL is sponsoring a junior track and field meet on Sunday, May 22, at University High School.

The meet is open to Nisei and Sansei youth between the ages of 8 and 15 residing in the West Los Angeles area, declared track chairman George Sakamoto. Medals and ribbons will be awarded to the first three places in each event and age classification.

Entry forms are currently available from JACL members, youth leaders, churches and local stores. The meet starts at 12:30 p.m.

Torrance wrestler loses in Olympic try

AMES, Iowa.—Jun Watanabe, El Camino College freshman wrestler, of Torrance, Calif., was pinned in 6m.29s. by Okla Johnson of Greensboro, N.C., to be eliminated in the second round of the U.S. Olympic wrestling finals here last week.

The 114½-lb. entrant also lost in the initial round to Dick Delgado of Oklahoma City in 2m.41s.

A member of the Compton Judo Club, he defeated four opponents and tied one in the Pacific Southwest regionals to earn the trip from the west coast.

Two JACLers voted top job in city bowling ass'n

IDAHO FALLS.—The Idaho Falls City Bowling Assn. elected two JACLers as officers for the coming year. They are Doyle Bingham, president, and Tucker Morishita, vice-president. Both have participated in recent national JACL tournaments.

Buddy Iwata continues as Turlock Social Club head

TURLOCK.—Buddy T. Iwata, 1000 Club life member of the Livingston-Merced JACL, was re-elected president of the Turlock Social Club for the fifth consecutive year, it was announced last week.

Also re-elected for the fifth consecutive year were his cabinet members: James Yoshino, v.p.; William Noda, treas.; Grace Noda, sec.; Ben Kumimoto, Jack Noda and Ayako Yoshino, directors.

Orange County begins search for Nisei queen

GARDEN GROVE.—Orange County's Kazuo Masuda Memorial VFW Post 3670 is conducting a public poll in the Orange County JACL publication, Santana Wind, to select the county candidate for Nisei Week queen this year.

Votes must be turned in by June 17 to Nisei Queen Contest, 12922 Nelson St., Garden Grove. Mike Kusuda is co-chairman. George Kanno, active JACLer, is the 1960 post commander.

Pre-Nisei Week dance

The San Fernando Valley Japanese American Club will introduce its 1960 Nisei Week Queen candidate as a sports formal dance on Saturday, June 18, at the SFV Community Center, 12953 Branford St.

HAVE YOU TURNED IN YOUR PC RENEWAL?

Watsonville's George Ura fires 154 to cop 36-hole No. Calif. Nisei golf tournament

PEBBLE BEACH.—George Ura of the Watsonville Eagle golf club fired a 74-80—154 total to nose out runner-up Yozo Kobayashi of the San Francisco Golden Gate Golfers by two strokes in winning the coveted low gross trophy of the Northern California Nisei tournament.

With the blessing of two days of ideal weather, scores were generally lower than anticipated. Pre-tournament predictions ran true to form as both Ura and Kobayashi had been picked as the two most likely to win.

Biggest news of the two day tournament was supplied by Frank Shingu of the Monterey Peninsula Golf Club who made a "hole-in-one" on the opening day. Shingu, playing his first round at Del Monte, used a 4 iron to ace the 180-yard 5th hole.

Nineteen-year-old David Hiura of

Watsonville opened the eyes of many veteran campaigners as he turned in a rock-steady 79-78—157, which with his 8 handicap gave him a net 141, good enough to breeze into first place in the championship flight by six strokes over the second place winner. Hiura also won the perpetual field low net trophy by compiling the lowest round of anybody entered in the tournament on a net basis.

The Fred Yoshikawa team trophy went to the Watsonville club, based on the aggregate net of five member golfers who comprised the designated team.

Results of the 36 hole tournament and the prize winners are as follows:

CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT
1. David Hiura (Wat) .79-78 (16)—141
2. Frank Shingu (MP) .73-83 (14)—147
3. Chick Hinaga (GC) .80-81 (14)—147
4. Kelly Komaru (GG) .76-86 (14)—148
5. Dan Hiura (Wat) .77-83 (18)—148
6. J. Sakaguchi (GC) .85-81 (18)—148

FIRST FLIGHT
1. James Abe (MP) .81-86 (22)—145
2. E. Azuchi (PF) .89-88 (26)—149
3. S. Kawahara (EB) .84-82 (26)—150
4. M. Satoda (Fresno) .87-89 (24)—152

SECOND FLIGHT
1. Kenshi Zenimura (Fr) .97-91 (34)—154
2. T. Tsuji (EB) .89-94 (28)—155
3. P. Ichijui (MP) .91-96 (32)—153
4. F. Kaneshige .101-89 (34)—156
5. G. Umamoto (Fr) .100-90 (32)—158

THIRD FLIGHT
1. S. Kimoto (Wat) .92-89 (36)—145
2. R. Sakai (MP) .103-92 (46)—149
3. Kenso Zenimura (Fr) .96-96 (42)—150
4. J. Yamakawa (Card) .107-81 (48)—150
5. K. Shibata (HF) .104-96 (48)—152

SENIOR FLIGHT
(Limited to age 50 and over)
Kay Hiura (GGG)No Scores

Low Net For Second Day
Champ.—Jim Miyashima (SN) .84-10
First—Bert Hari (GGG)94-14
Second—Tom Yamasaki (Card) .86-15
Third—Pedro Hamada (SK)88-17

Salinas golfer wins Monterey JACL tourney

MONTEREY.—James Abe of Salinas garnered top honors recently in the Monterey Peninsula JACL chapter sponsored spring 36-hole tournament with a fine 167-22—145 net score.

The meet, played at Del Monte and Pasatiempo, served as a tune-up for many of the local entries in last Sunday's Northern California Nisei event.

Frank Shingu, who placed high in the recent Monterey City golf tournament, fired a 161-12—149 to take second place.

His son, Gary Shingu, loomed into the spotlight in the golfing world, by stroking an excellent 182-31—150 net for third place.

209 golfers compete in Orange County tourney

HUNTINGTON BEACH.—A huge turnout of 209 competitors in five flights was chilled to the bones in the Apr. 24 Orange County Nisei Golf Tournament here at the picturesque oil derrick-dotted Huntington Beach Country Club.

Mits Motobo of Top Notch laced a 37-36 to claim low gross honors. Flight winners were Roy Nakagawa, 77-9-68, championship; Karl Iwashita (of San Diego), 79-11-68, Aye; Sam Hirasawa, 84-13-71, Bee; Jim Ryono, 81-14-67, Cee; and Den Fujimoto, 92-21-71, Dee.

Two 36-hole tournaments to test Cathay Post golfers

DENVER.—The Cathay Post Golf Club, with a membership of 24, is staging its first 36-hole Spring Tournament currently at the City and Willis Case courses. Another 36-hole affair is slated June 5 and 12 over the same layouts. Min Matsunaga won the pre-season tournament held recently.

The club is a member of the Denver Municipal Golf Assn. Jim Yamamoto is club president. Bob Horiuchi is club handicap chairman.

Duffers Club

WASHINGTON.—Henry Shimanouchi is this year's president of the Washington (D.C.) Duffers golf club.

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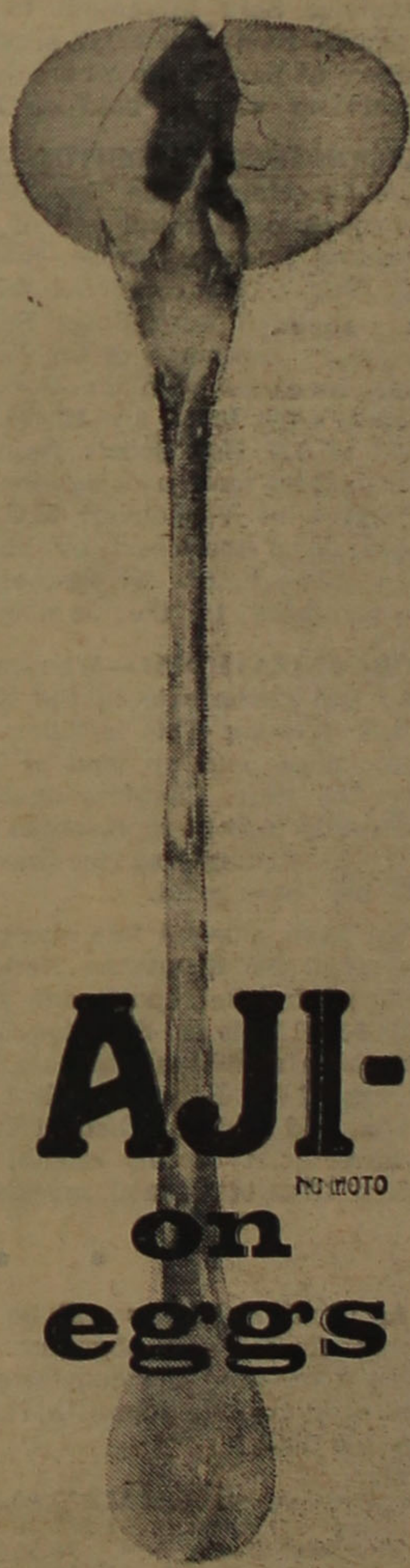
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Los Angeles NEWSLETTER

By Henry Mori

Ambitions in Life

One of our two life's ambitions appears to be in jeopardy: that of ever getting the JACL's sapphire pin. (The other one, of course, is riding in the Nisei Week Festival parade in L.A. Tokyo).

As far back as we can recall this is the first year in which we failed to hold a JACL cabinet office. And that's really bad. During Frank Suzukida's regime in the Downtown L.A. chapter he "insisted", after we begged for an office, on having us as one of the vice-presidents in charge of membership. Now that's a real hustling office but Suzukida would say that the chapter needed "window trimming" and we were among them. Ahem. But those lush years are gone. So we sit here, twiddling our thumbs. But then, there's an old saying that you can't keep a good (old) man down.

We may have switched the right lever, again, to bounce back into the cabinet, unless our good president, Katsuma Mukaeda, has other things in mind—like keeping us out of office. Ahem, again.

Fred Takata, regional director, suggested that we revive the Downtown L.A. chapter bulletin. That came when we went to dinner last Friday, trekking to Pasadena to celebrate Emperor Hirohito's 59th birthday. (Well, you know, international relations and all that there.) Since we didn't know how to use the chopsticks adequately, we suggested later to Takata we have dinner on a Dutch treat basis. He insisted otherwise, of course.

But back to the monthly bulletin! Takata feels that our dormant talent can be put to good use again. We conceded it'll never be as good as the one which used to be edited, produced and delivered by Mr. and Mrs. Kango Kunitsugu of Southwest L.A. JACL chapter a few years back.

Takata said he'll confer (that's such an authoritative and dignified word) with the Downtown cabinet on the feasibility of reviving the bulletin, which once was edited and produced by Blanche Shiosaki, ex-secretary of regional office, and now a member of Hollywood chapter. We used to help.

Takata's latest venture swelled our ego to no end. Imagine, getting back with the boys. Well, anyway, the old 1959 cabinet needed "new blood" and this year's officers are all hardworking.

Last Sunday, Dr. Roy M. Nishikawa and his lovely wife Alice hosted an afternoon buffet at the couple's new office-residence at 234 So. Oxford Ave. The open house was attended by many of Roy's patients, Alice's friends and JACL friends. The popular optometrist has moved into a beautiful, two story framed house on a very elite and quiet street near Third and Western Ave.

The hostess committee was composed of Hana Uno, Blanche, Flo Wada, Mmes. Ruby Chuman and Sue Ohye, Tom Ito, of Pasadena, was the beer man.

We had a wonderful afternoon, idle-chatting with ye editor Harry Honda, George Inagaki, Ito, Tats Kushida, Tut Yata, Takata, Frank Chuman, Dr. Kiyoshi Sonoda, Ken Dyo.

The 20th annual Nisei Week Festival, Aug. 12 to 21, will have the usual two-day carnival to climax the 10-day run, according to Downtown L.A. JACL vice-president Soichi Fukui. For awhile it was "touch and go," he said. Fukui's Commodore Perry Post 525 of the American Legion are the sponsors.

New city regulations and restrictions nearly hampered the gala attraction which, next to the coronation ball, makes the Nisei Week Festival a drawing card. Out-of-towners should enjoy this year's events more than ever. It will tie in well with the centennial celebration of the U.S.-Japan trade pact.

WASHINGTON NEWSLETTER: by Mike Masaoka

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OF SPECIAL INTEREST to Japanese Americans may be the following:

Passed by the House and in Senate Committee—Grants non-quota status to spouses and children of first preference visa immigrants and allows fiances and fiancées of U.S. citizens to be admitted for purposes of marriage.

Passed by the House and in Senate Committee—Extends until June 30, 1961, the non-quota admission of qualified orphans adopted, or to be adopted, by United States citizens.

Passed by the Senate and awaiting House Rules Committee clearance—Authorizes six million dollar payment to Japanese Government for distribution to former residents of Bonin Islands as rentals for use of land by American military establishment, as is and has been done for residents of the Ryukyus, including Okinawa.

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Aiu, Ernest W. (Janet K. Okuma)—boy Timothy Kaipo, Feb. 8.
Fuji, Tadashi (Yoko Fujinami)—boy Bryan Ryo, Jan. 30, Gardena.
Furumoto, Takao (Chiyoko Ito)—boy Russell Kimio, Feb. 6.
Grant, James D. (Emy Shimazu)—girl Noree A., Feb. 8, Long Beach.
Hayashi, Tony N. (Shizue Motooka)—girl Diane D., Feb. 2, Torrance.
Hirata, Rev. Tomoji (Kinuko Nishidono)—girl Jeanne Atsuko, Feb. 9.
Ichikawa, Clarence—girl, Feb. 13, Los Alamitos.

Ide, A.R.C.—girl, Feb. 12, Bellflower.
Inouye, Wallace S. (Takeko Takayasu)—girl Carin Shigeko, Feb. 2.
Koichi, Fred M. (Nobuko Kajiwa)—boy Paul Mitsuru, Feb. 4.
Mukai, Kenneth (Sally T. Kado)—boy Randall Teruo, Feb. 8.
Nishio, Isamu (Ruby Hifumi)—boy Dennis M., Feb. 4.
Schultz, Donald C. (Michiye Yamaguchi)—boy Michael Tadashi, Feb. 2.
Taga, Yoshimi (Ryoko Yoo)—boy Paul Takashi, Feb. 14.
Taka, S. H.—boy, Feb. 24, Long Beach.
Takata, Michio (Setsuko Ishihara)—girl Susan Misako, Feb. 11, Altadena.
Wake, Kenny (Toshiko Nakai)—girl Nancy Fumika, Feb. 5.

FRESNO & VALLEY
Harada, Takeshi—girl, Apr. 3.
Hata, Min—boy Ivan Haruo, Mar. 13.
Ishihara, Wilfred—girl, Mar. 10.
Iyei, Ted—boy, Feb. 18.
Katsura, Ted—girl, Feb. 15, Parlier.
Kobashi, Elmer—girl, Mar. 23, Selma.
Kuramoto, Eddy—boy, Feb. 25, Fowler.
Mori, Bill—boy, Mar. 27, Reedley.
Nakamura, Masao—boy, Feb. 25.
Shimada, Hisao—girl, Feb. 20.
Shoji, James—girl, Mar. 10, Dinuba.
Tamiyasu, George—boy, Mar. 10.
Teramoto, Richard—boy, Mar. 28.
Yamamoto, Noboru—girl, Mar. 26.
Yamamoto, Noboru—girl, Mar. 27.
Yoshimura, Richard—boy, Mar. 27.

STOCKTON
Koga, Davis S.—girl, Jan. 5.
Koga, Sumio—boy, Mar. 15.
Kumamaru, Hideo—girl, Mar. 4.
Nakahayashi, Shigeichi—girl, Mar. 14.
Lodi.
Nishimoto, George T.—boy, Feb. 17.
Oto, George Y.—girl, Feb. 27.
Saiki, Masaru—girl, Mar. 27.
Sato, Samuel M.—boy, Mar. 18.
Shinmoto, George T.—boy, Feb. 28, French Camp.
Uyeda, Katsumi—boy, Mar. 5.
Yamada, Richard S.—girl, Mar. 16.

SAN FRANCISCO
Fujita, George M.—boy, Mar. 29.
Fukumoto, Masato—girl, Feb. 27.
Higashi, Hiroshi—girl, Mar. 20.
Hirai, George—boy, Steven Mitsuyoshi, Mar. 30.
Iwate, Masaji—boy, Feb. 20.
Kawaguchi, Toshiyuki P.—boy, Feb. 14.
Mamiya, Albert K.—girl, Feb. 21.
Nakamura, James M.—boy, Mar. 14.
Nishiyama, Yoshichi—boy, Feb. 27.
Noji, Shoji—girl, Mar. 16.
Ogawa, David M.—boy, Mar. 14.
Ogawa, Henry—girl, Feb. 26.
Takahashi, David—boy Alan Masatoshi, Mar. 11.
Taniguchi, George H.—boy, Mar. 6.
Takeuchi, Hisaji—girl, Feb. 19.
Tanoue, Harry A.—girl, Mar. 18.
Tobase, Tamara—boy, Apr. 4.
Tokushige, Leslie M.—girl, Mar. 29.
Yamanaka, William M.—boy, Feb. 12.
Yamashita, Saburo—girl, Feb. 25.

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Hamamoto, Henry—boy, Feb. 26, Napa.

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Hadza, Mitsuo—girl, Feb. 17, Newcastle.
Hatae, John—girl, Mar. 13.
Ikeda, Mitsugi—girl, Mar. 13, Penryn.
Ito, Masa—boy, Feb. 27, Walnut Grove.
Iyenaga, George—boy, Mar. 8.
Kushida, Aki—boy, Mar. 5.
Miyagawa, Ted—girl, Mar. 28.
Miyata, Shig—boy Donald D., Mar. 18.
Loomis.
Naruto, Shoichi—boy, Feb. 29, Yuba City.
Nishi, Ellis—boy, Mar. 28, Woodland.
Nishida, John—boy, Mar. 1, Clarksburg.
Nishikawa, Yutaka—girl, Feb. 28, Liberty Farms.
Onodera, Alfred—boy Andrew Kiyoshi, Feb. 24, Florin.
Tokunaga, Roger—boy, Mar. 12, Yuba City.
Tsuda, Motoo—boy, Mar. 5.
Yamamura, Dick—boy, Feb. 20.

Fine Arts group slates program on Japan arts

CHICAGO.—The Society of Fine Arts presents a program of Japanese culture and arts on May 14-15 at the McCormick YWCA. "Japan, as a source of complexity, a paradox of industry and stabilizing, enduring artistic nuances, is again being rediscovered," a society spokesman noted.

Stanford study center in Tokyo considered

STANFORD.—Establishment of a Stanford University study center in Tokyo is being considered, it was revealed this past week by Dr. Albert Bowker, dean of the graduate division.

The university will move to seek financial aid but the students themselves must prove the center is desired and would be utilized, Dr. Bowker added.

Monterey troop honors three Eagle Scouts

MONTEREY.—Three Eagle Scouts of Troop 47, sponsored by the local JACL, were honored at a court of honor this past week upon passing the rigid requirements. They were Ken Nishi, Edward Spencer and Tom Nishiguchi.

Additional honors were also bestowed upon Scoutmaster Soekardi, Asst. Scoutmasters Virgil Spencer and Mike Senda for having the "best conducted" troop of the evening.

San Diego Hi-Co

SAN DIEGO.—High school students were introduced and welcomed last week at the San Diego Hi-Co dance held at Weber's Bread Hall. Lucy Otsuji, social chairman, was in charge.

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112 Nippon scouts to arrive in July

A contingent of 112 Boy Scouts from Japan will converge this summer at the 50th Anniversary Boy Scouts of America national jamboree at Colorado Springs.

Welcoming the group after their arrival at Vancouver, B.C., and riding by bus from Seattle to California will be Japanese American troops on the West Coast during the second week of July. To prepare for the reception, representatives of 10 Nisei troops in Los Angeles last week drafted plans with Robert Kishita serving as general chairman.

The Japanese visitors will be hosted by various scout councils during their stay in the States. The Los Angeles Area Council will host 30 scouts and 10 leaders; San Francisco Area Council and northern California, 32 scouts and five leaders. Remainder will be hosted by councils in Phoenix, Las Vegas, Flagstaff, Lubbock (Tex.), Oklahoma and Kansas.

Hidetoshi Sugiyama of the Yokohama Troop 23 is expected to be with the visiting scouts, having been selected as JACL Scout. The JACL conducted a campaign to raise \$1,000 to sponsor a scout from Japan.

WYOMING SANSEI TO VIE IN NAT'L ELKS CONTEST

WORLAND, Wyo.—Grant M. Ujifusa, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ujifusa of Worland, was named winner of the Wyoming Elks scholarship award and has been entered in the national Elks scholarship competition.

He was Wyoming Boys State governor last year and was honored by the Mountain-Plains JACL as one of the outstanding Americans of Japanese in the Rocky Mountain area.

Santa Barbara JACler dies in incinerator mishap

SANTA BARBARA. — Masato Yamada, 60, a member of the local JACL, was fatally burned last week while tending an incinerator. The Santa Barbara gardener was found by firemen who said the fire probably started with some kind of inflammable liquid.

He was born in Kauai on Oct. 11, 1899 and had lived in California for 48 years. He is survived by his wife, daughter, grandson, two granddaughters and his parents, three brothers and two sisters.

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Washington Newsletter

BY MIKE MASAOKA

Congressional Round-up

Washington D.C.
BY LAST WEEKEND, Congress had been in session for four months, filled more than 8,000 pages of the "Congressional Record", received 3,504 bills, and approved 99. Of these, only one—the Civil Rights Act of 1960—has any great significance.

Last week, with adjournment about 11 weeks ahead to allow the Democrats to attend their National Convention in Los Angeles beginning July 11, both Democrats and Republicans got down to the serious business of writing the legislative record with which to go before the voters next November in the presidential and congressional elections. From now on, election year politics threatens to dominate the remaining weeks of this session.

THE DEMOCRATS, who control both Houses by substantial margins, appear ready to go beyond Administration recommendations in such fields as housing, aid to depressed areas, school construction, medical assistance to the aged, and pay raises for government employees. They seem ready to invite presidential vetoes to demonstrate that they continue to be the party of the "common people", of human rights above property rights, etc.

The Republicans, on the other hand, are prepared to go down the line with the President's admonition against "fiscal irresponsibility". They will try to picture the Democrats as budget-busting spenders who will spend this country into inflation and eventual bankruptcy. They are confident that presidential vetoes cannot be overridden by any two-thirds majorities of both chambers.

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LAST WEEK, in a press conference, the President indicated that he was not satisfied with the progress on his legislative program and that he might make a national radio and television broadcast to the people on this "do-little" Congress. Later, following a breakfast with leading GOP Senators, he introduced the latest Republican slogan—one third and one, meaning that if the Administration can muster a third plus one member of either the House or the Senate, let alone both, his expected vetoes of certain bills that go beyond his recommendations will be sustained.

Majority Senate Leader Johnson accused the Republicans of becoming panicky over what they fear the Democratic Congress will or will not do. He served notice that the Congress will pass what it believes the people need, without regard to "high pressure or threats". House Speaker Rayburn refuted spending charges by calculating that of the eight appropriations bills passed thus far, Congress has cut \$244 millions from the Administration requests.

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WITH A MOUNTAIN of bills log-jammed in both Houses awaiting action, some of the members in both chambers have suggested that it might be necessary to recess over July in order to permit the Democratic and Republican National Nominating Conventions to be held, and then to reconvene to clear up the legislative docket before the November elections.

As a matter of fact, the President hinted this possibility, while, at the same time, also hinting that he may have to ask Vice President Nixon to substitute for him at the forthcoming "Big Four" summit meeting in Paris if these meetings take him away too long from his legislative responsibilities.

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WITHOUT MENTIONING THE highly controversial "health insurance", foreign aid, national defense, and farm legislation, here are some of the more important bills that are beyond this committee stage and awaiting action by one or the other of the Houses:

Passed by the Senate and reported by a House Committee—Provides Federal grants to the states for public schools.

Passed by the Senate and on the House Speaker's Desk—Limits contributions and expenditures and requires financial reports in primary and general elections.

Passed by the Senate and awaiting House floor action—Establishes a program of Federal aid to chronically depressed economic areas.

Reported by a Senate Committee—Repeals provisions of the National Defense Education Act requiring student affidavits denying membership in subversive organizations and denying belief in violent overthrow of the Government.

Passed by the Senate and in House Committee—Constitutional amendments outlawing the poll tax as a prerequisite to voting in Federal elections, authorizing residents of the District of Columbia to vote in presidential elections, and empowering Governors to fill vacancies in the House of Representatives caused by national catastrophe, such as atomic bombing.

Passed by the Senate and in House Committee—Provides benefits similar to those granted World War II and Korea War veterans to those who entered the armed forces after January 31, 1955.

Passed by the House and in Senate committee—Circumscribes sales activities of retired commissioned officers of the armed forces in the employ of defense contractors.

Passed by the House and in Senate Committee—Provides temporary authority for the admission of 5,000 refugees from political persecution.

Passed by the House and in Senate Committee—Authorizes Government purchase of one billion dollars worth of privately held home mortgages to expand mortgage money supply.

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Members of Sacramento JACL, hosts for the 1960 National JACL Convention being held June 28-July 2 at El Dorado Hotel, personally invite California Governor Edmund G. Brown (seated). Standing (from left) are Tak Tsujita, Convention General Chairman, Bill Matsumoto, Mary Yamamoto, Convention Queen Linda Yatabe, Jane Takahashi, Judy Ishihara, Toko Fujii and Henry Taketa. —Toyo Studio Photo.

JUNIOR PROGRAM FOR SACRAMENTO PARLEY SLATED JUNE 30-JULY 1

SACRAMENTO.—Jr. JACLers attending the forthcoming 16th biennial National JACL Convention here June 28-July 2 will find two days devoted to their younger tastes.

On Thursday, June 30, a panel discussion on "The Purpose of JACL" will be conducted at the El Dorado Hotel from 3:30 p.m. with John Yoshino, D.C. chapter president, and Oakland Jr. JACL members serving on the panel. That evening from 6, Mike Masaoka will be the main speaker at the Junior's dinner. The Rev. George Nishikawa will be emcee. This will be followed at 9 by a semi-formal Junior's dance with Eddie Halter's music.

The next morning, July 1, another discussion will compare youth activities in relation to the JACL program and recent White House Conference on Youth. The Rev. Nishikawa of the local Pioneer Methodist Church, who attended the White House conference, and Mrs. Sue Joe, national JACL youth committee chairman, will speak.

\$20 Package Deal

A Jr. JACL package deal for \$20 to cover the Jr. dinner-dance plus registration and admittance to the Wednesday convention mixer, Friday outing and dance, Saturday convention recognitions

banquet and Sayonara Ball is available now by writing to the Sacramento Jr. JACL Convention Board, 325-18th St., Sacramento, Calif.

Pre-registration deadline has been extended to June 1.

Delegates and boosters attending Jr. JACL functions must be registered, regardless of the number of events one plans to attend, it was pointed out.

Colleen Masaki, general chairman for the Junior program, is being assisted by Jean Ohata, Laura Shirol, Carl Shirol, regis.; Alice Nishimi, Christine Asoo, youth dinner-dance; Carlene Shirai, outing dance; Gary Tanihara, gen. meeting; Sandra Sunda, pub.; Miss Masaki, discussion groups; Toko Fujii, senior consultant; and Ginji Mizutani, youth adv.

Further information on the Junior program may be obtained from the JACL Convention Board, 1808 W St., Sacramento 18, Calif.

Mrs. Shirrell dies of heart attack

SANTA BARBARA.—Mrs. Eleanor Jones Shirrell, 70, died April 26 at a local hospital following a heart attack earlier in the day. She was the wife of Elmer L. Shirrell, of 110 W. Kellogg Ave., Goleta, who headed the Tule Lake WRA Camp during the war years and later supervised the WRA Midwest Office in Chicago.

Through the understanding and kindnesses the Shirrells showed toward the evacuated Japanese, they made hundreds of friends there for life.

Mrs. Shirrell, an active lay leader of the First Presbyterian Church here, was born in Colusa on Jan. 12, 1890. Her mother was born in the Grass Valley area in 1852 of pioneer settlers. She attended Mills College and later served on its faculty. Mr. and Mrs. Shirrell were married in 1919 and lived in San Francisco until 1942.

NISEI AIR GUARDSMAN SAVES LIFE OF FELLOW AIRMAN, GETS MEDAL

COMPTON.—Airman 2nd Class Roy M. Kato received the medal of merit at the Air National Guard base here for service beyond the call of duty, Apr. 24.

Kato applied first aid at the scene of an auto accident involving three of his fellow reservists. He applied direct pressure to a bleeding wound to Airman 1st Class Mena thereby preventing further injuring, possibly death.

Dentist dies

SAN FRANCISCO.—Dr. Shozo Murata, 55, of 1948 Bush St. died of heart attack April 24. He was a member of the U.C. Dental College and the Japanese Alumni Assn.

SAN FRANCISCO CHAPTER REPORTS 1,154 MEMBERS

SAN FRANCISCO.—Still campaigning for its goal of 1,300 members, the San Francisco JACL Newsletter this past week revealed the chapter has 1,154 paid-up members. "We are ahead of last year's number at this stage of the campaign," commented Mrs. Yo Hironaka, membership vice-president.

CALENDAR

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May 7 (Saturday)
Chicago—Rep. Inouye testimonial dinner, Sherman Hotel Grand Ballroom, 6:30 p.m.
Sequoia—Jr. Tri-Villes Spring dance, Palo Alto Buddhist Church, 8:30 p.m.
Mile-Hi—JACL Family night, Tri-State Buddhist Church.
May 8 (Sunday)
Idaho Falls—Mother's & Father's Day program.
Monterey Peninsula—Auxiliary's Mother-Daughter-Friend luncheon, "Seven Pleasures", 1 p.m.
Stockton—Community picnic.
May 10 (Tuesday)
Downtown L.A.—Luncheon meeting, San Kwo Low.
May 11 (Wednesday)
West Los Angeles—Board meeting, Aki Ohno's home, 7:30 p.m.
Sequoia—Bridge Club—Master Point tournament, Okamura Hall, 8:15 p.m.
May 13 (Friday)
Reedley—Dinner meeting, House of Chung, 6:30 p.m.
Venice-Culver — General meeting, "Juvenile Delinquency".
San Fernando Valley—Board meeting.
Watsonville—Benefit movies.
May 14 (Saturday)
Long Beach—Hi-Co scholarship benefit dance, Harbor Comm. Ctr., 9 p.m.
May 14-15
Monterey Peninsula—Benefit movies, EDC—Pre-convention rally, Washington, D.C. JACL hosts; Burlington Hotel.
May 15 (Sunday)
NC-WNDC—Pre-convention rally, Eden Township JACL hosts; Castlewood C.C., Pleasanton; Golf tournament—El Campo C.C., Newark.
Los Angeles—JACL Nisei Relays, University High School, West Los Angeles.
May 18 (Wednesday)
Monterey Peninsula—Board meeting, JACL Hall, 8 p.m.
May 20 (Friday)
Chicago—Chapter 1000ers Whing-ding.
May 21 (Saturday)
Venice-Culver—Teenage dance.
Long Beach—Harbor District—Parents' Night, Harbor Community Center.
May 21-22
Chicago—Jr. JACL Youth Festival.
May 22 (Sunday)
PSWDC—Pre-convention rally, Orange County JACL hosts; business session and luncheon at Anaheim Bowl, dinner-dance at Disneyland Hotel.
West Los Angeles—Chapter Jr. track and field meet, University High.
May 27-30
MDC—Pre-convention rally, Milwaukee JACL hosts; Hotel Pfister, (27)—Mixer, (28-29)—Meetings & workshop, (29)—Dinner-dance.
May 28 (Saturday)
Gilroy—Memorial service.
Milwaukee—MDC 1000 Club—wing-ding, Mayfair Restaurant.
East Los Angeles—6th annual Emerald Ball, Old Dixie, 9:30 p.m.
D.C.—"Go for Broke" film, Woodward & Lothrop Store aud., Chevy Chase.
May 30 (Monday)
Sonoma County—Memorial service.
San Francisco—Memorial service, San Bruno, 10 a.m.
D.C.—Memorial service, Arlington National Cemetery.
June 3 (Friday)
Venice-Culver — Teenage Graduates dance, Venice Gakuen.
West Los Angeles—Movie night, Community Methodist Church, 7 p.m.; "Escapade in Japan" and cartoon.
June 5 (Sunday)
San Francisco—JACL Olympics, Kezar Stadium.
Mile-Hi—Issei Appreciation dinner, Cosmopolitan Hotel.
Monterey Peninsula — Community picnic, Fairgrounds.