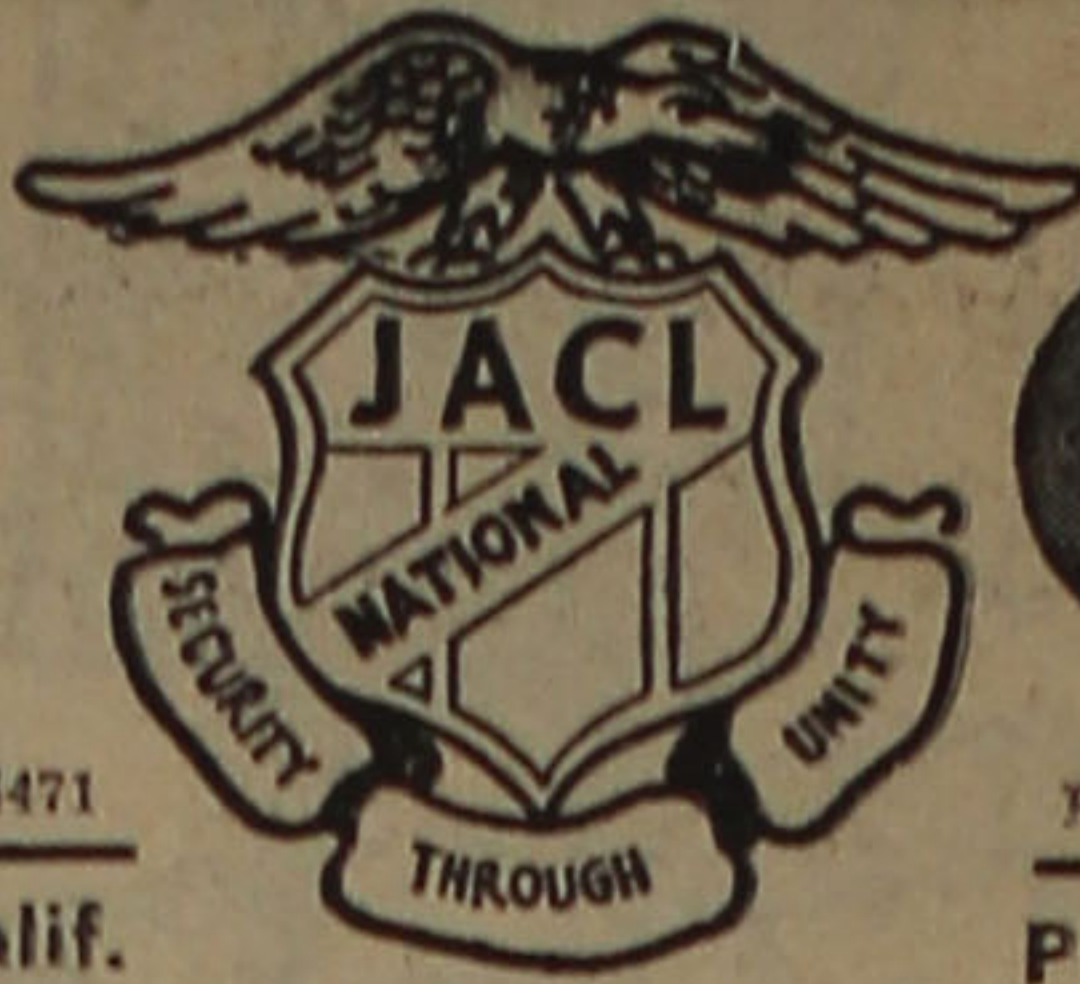


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**COLUMN LEFT:**

**'60-'70 Planning Commission report**

Time for assembling all the facts relative to the 1960 - 70 JACL Planning Commission program is drawing near.

The Commission is about to initiate its final step before all the reports and summaries thus far received from chapters and district councils are read and studied.

This final step is the questionnaire which is to be mailed to all chapter officials and past presidents of all local chapters by May 16.

The questionnaire concerns problems of a general nature, such as "Should JACL continue to concern itself primarily with those problems and issues affecting the Japanese American group? Yes or No," public relations, international relations, community relations, discrimination, Washington Office, youth program, scholarship program, chapter program and service, organization and finance.

(A rough draft of the questionnaire prepared for this purpose was circulated to district and national Planning Commission members and the National Board and Staff this past week. These are being checked this week.)

The Commission, chaired by President Shig Wakamatsu, is banking on this questionnaire to hear from the chapters which may not have responded to the original request for organizing a meeting on the Planning Commission program.

We hope to publish the questionnaire in next week's issue so that the members might be able to assist their officers answer the many questions as well as provide a working copy when filling out the original form.

Meantime, chapters and district councils which have discussed the program for the coming decade should submit their reports by May 30 to the Planning Commission, 1200 N. Clark St., Chicago.—H.H.

## TWO MORE NAMED FOR 'NISEI OF BIENNIUM' HONORS

Disclosure of two more prominent Japanese Americans in their respective fields for JACL's "Nisei of the Biennium" award was made this week by Dr. Roy M. Nishikawa, chairman of the National JACL recognitions Committee.

One is a previous winner of the "Nisei of the Biennium" silver medallion for distinguished achievement, chief county probation officer K. Patrick Okura of Omaha, who was honored in 1952. He is being nominated by the Omaha chapter for distinguished community leadership.

Also being nominated is John Y. Yoshino, compliance officer, President's Committee on Government Contracts, of Washington, D.C., by the Washington, D.C., JACL.

Yoshino who is serving as D.C. chapter president this year, has been affiliated with the White House since July, 1956, with the distinction of being the first Nisei serving as a Presidential Committee staff member and actively engaged in promoting race relations among all segments of the community as well as promoting the best interests of Japanese Americans.

"In his quiet way, he has been performing a superb work in the field of public relations," commented the D.C. chapter nominations committee chairman Dr. Takahiko Yoshibashi.

More recently, Yoshino attended the White House Conference on Youth and Children as official JACL delegate, and represented JACL at the 12th annual conference of the National Civil Liberties Clearing House in Washington.

The Alameda-born candidate served in military intelligence during World War II, graduated in labor relations from Roosevelt Uni-

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## Extend deadline for Biennium nominees

JACL chapters now have until June 1 to submit nominations for "Nisei of the Biennium" and "JACLer of the Biennium" to the National JACL recognitions Committee, it was announced this week by Dr. Roy M. Nishikawa, chairman.

Chapters are not restricted as to the number of nominees they are able to submit.

The committee, in making this extension of deadline, pointed out that the earliness of the 1960 national convention on June 28-July 2, in contrast to the usual Labor Day holidays when previous conventions were held, may account for the lack of time chapters have had in considering prospects for these awards.

Over 20 nominations were submitted for these coveted awards in 1958.

The awards this year will be made at the National Recognitions Banquet at the JACL convention in Sacramento scheduled July 2.

## REP. INOUE TO TALK TO CENTRAL CAL GROUP

PARLIER.—Congressman Daniel K. Inouye of Hawaii will speak in Fresno on July 19 with the Central California District Council of the JACL as sponsor, it was announced at the latest council meeting held here April 23.

Henry Seiichi Mikami was named chairman of the July gathering. Committeemen include Dr. George Miyake, George Abe, and Tom Shimasaka.

## WINS STATE SPELLING BEE ON 'MISSILE'

HONOLULU.—Speedily spelling the word, "missile", Gail Nakamura, 13, and eighth grader of Kapa'a, Kauai, soared to victory in the 11th annual Hawaiian state spelling bee recently. As state champion, she won an encyclopedia.

## Yamasaki conferred honorary degree

DETROIT.—Sol Hurok, theatrical producer, and Minoru Yamasaki, architect, were conferred honorary degrees of Doctor of Humanities in a special ceremony last week at Wayne State University.

Yamasaki, a consistent winner of American Institute of Architect awards in past years, was the architect of new buildings on the Wayne State campus which have attracted nationwide attention. He designed the McGregor Memorial Bldg. and the new College of Education building.

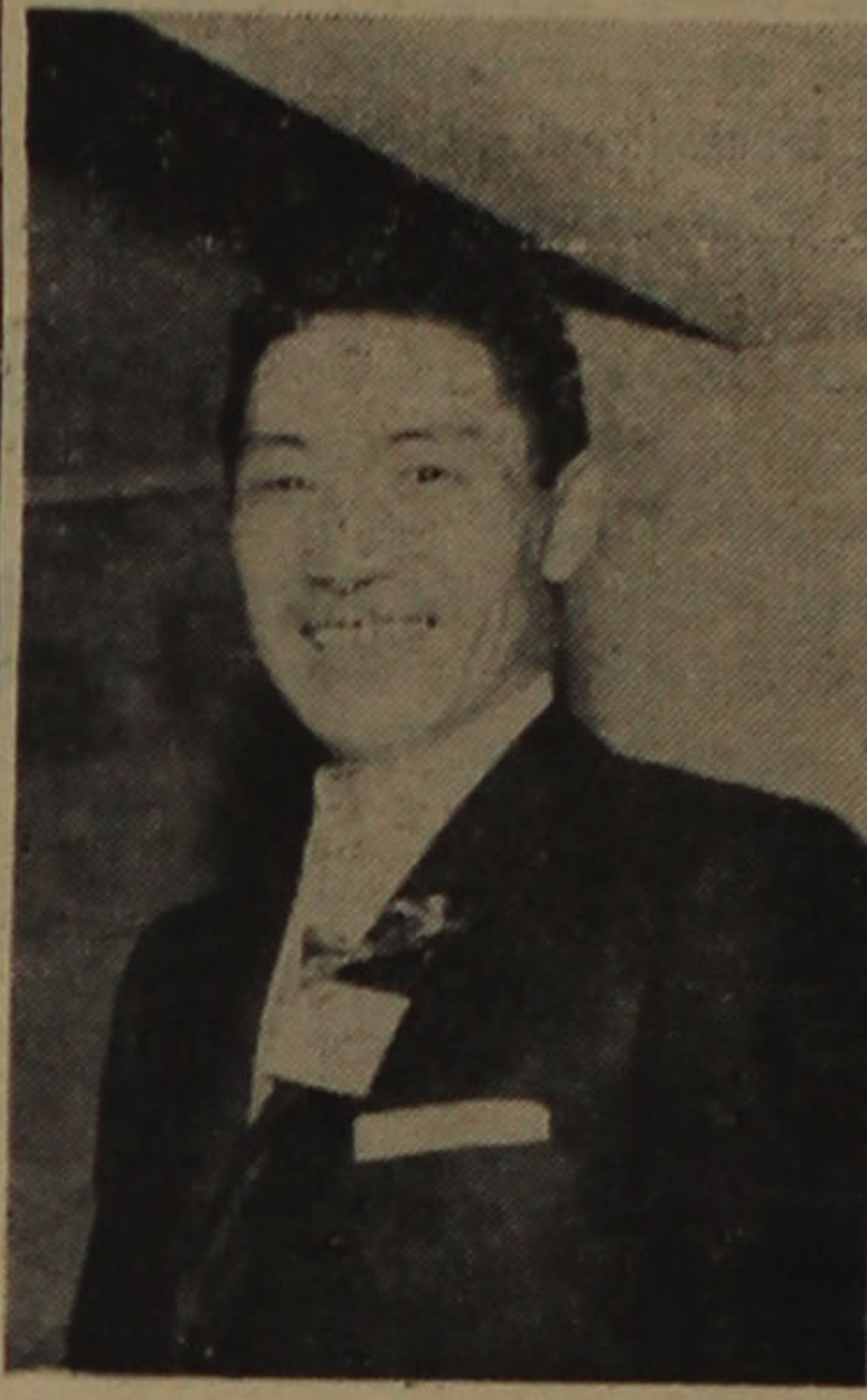
## MIDWEST CHAPTERS READY TO PLACE WAKAMATSU'S NAME FOR RE-ELECTION

(JACL News Service)

CLEVELAND.—Joe Kadowaki, Midwest District Council chairman, this week announced that as a result of an informal poll taken of all the eight chapters in the Midwest District Council, the name of Shig Wakamatsu will be officially submitted by the MDC for nomination for re-election to the office of the National Presidency. This will be made official at the MDC meeting to be held in Milwaukee on May 28-29, 1960.

Kadowaki stated that Shig Wakamatsu merited re-election on his past and present performance, outstanding leadership in initiating several National projects of great significance during this biennium and his continued devotion and dedication to the Japanese American Citizens League.

In a crucial year in which the future of JACL is being formulated, the present administration should be permitted to complete these plans, Kadowaki said.



SHIG WAKAMATSU

## JACL Convention pre-registration deadline extended for last time to June 15; expect 1,000 delegates and boosters in Sac'to

BY STERLING SAKAMOTO

SACRAMENTO.—The 16th biennial National JACL Convention, Sacramento's first major Japanese American assemblage, is reaching its target date at a fast clip—June 28-July 2.

That means seven weeks away and you can bet various convention committee members are gasping for their second wind, trying to complete preparations in time to host an estimated 1,000 delegates and boosters coming here from all parts of the country.

The stock-pile of "rush for publication" items has been overcrowding the publicity department this past week and we must squeeze them somehow onto the front page. (Here you are.—ed.)

### Pre-Registrations

Thanks to many who met the original May 1 pre-registration deadline, convention registration chairman Mrs. Betsie Sanui is all smiles now. But the soft-hearted and understanding gal that she is, the deadline for special prizes to be awarded those who pre-register is being extended to June 15.

In fairness to those who met the May 1 deadline, a double special drawing for their being "on the ball" has been planned.

The prizes will be given at the convention mixer, first social event scheduled Wednesday, June 29.

Entries are beginning to pour in

for the 36-hole Convention golf tournament, set for June 30-July 1 at Bing Maloney and Haggin Oaks courses, according to co-chairmen Dr. George (Joe) Kubo and Jun Miyakawa.

### Golf Tournament

They reported latest entries have come from Denver, which must include our good friend Dr. Takashi Mayeda, and that Salt Lake City is ready to send in theirs. Two chapters in Ohio—Cincinnati and Dayton—have already signified participation.

Now that the biggest tourney in Northern California has been put into the record books, the Watsonville team taking the championship, many of the participants are planning to journey to Sacramento to try their luck for the mythical national Nisei golf title the convention play offers.

This tournament provides an opportunity for Nisei golfers from all over the country to meet on common ground. Entry deadline is May 20—and because of a limited number of players that the tournament can schedule, golfers should check with their JACL chapters for forms and submit them promptly.

### Convention Guide Map

Taking the cue from a sporting or entertainment event, you can't tell who's who or what's what without a program. The convention

public relations department has produced—for the convenience of delegates, boosters and visitors—a Guide Map, which will be available free at the Convention registration desk.

It'll tell you (1) how to get there, (2) where to go, (3) where to stay, (4) where to eat, (5) et cetera — and netly folded for the pocket. It will answer many questions for the conventioners who comes into a strange town.

The Guide Map was the creation of Henry Taketa, Tak Tsujita and Yours Truly.

### Light-Fantastic Minded

For the light-footed ladies and gentlemen, the convention will feature four dances during the five-day gathering.

The first one will be the "Hawaiian Holiday" mixer in the El Dorado Room of the El Dorado Hotel (Convention Headquarters) on Wednesday, June 29. The Hawaiian theme is to honor the 50th State and Hawaiian attire is a

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### ★ DATES ★

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

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

**JUNE 16**—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.)

## Peggy Sasashima of Sanger named by CCDC for oratoricals; '60-'70 Planning study

FRESNO.—Peggy Sasashima, one-time student body president at Sanger High School and active Fresno State College co-ed, was announced as the Central California entrant to the 1960 National JACL oratorical championships.

Hy Ikeda, CCDC oratorical contest chairman, also revealed that Ronald Sakamoto, Fowler JACL's entrant in the contest, decided to compete in the National JACL essay contest because of lack of time and studies to memorize his speech.

Miss Sasashima will present her speech at a special CCDC meeting May 21 at the Fresno Japanese Congregational Church, Inyo and Collins, at 8 p.m.

At Fresno State, the speaker was president of the Nisei Club, student council representative and a member of the Young Democrats. At Sanger High, she was

a life member of the California Scholarship Federation, life member of the Quill and Scroll, associate editor of the school paper, president of the Girl's Athletic Assn., secretary of the Associated Student Councils of the Northern Sequoia League, coordinator of the Central California CSF spring conference, coordinator of the GAA Northern Sectional Convention, and a Lions Club speech tournament finalist. She also held elective posts during her sophomore and junior years.

### CCDC Agenda

To finish up the business still remaining from the last April 23 quarterly session hosted by Parlier JACL, CCDC chairman Fred Hirasuna is calling a special meeting after the speech by Miss Sasashima.

Further reports are to be pre-

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**Ye Editor's Desk**

**WHICH WILL IT BE?**

This is the month when most of our district councils will consider issues to be discussed at the forthcoming National JACL Convention. And some delegates will recall the 1952 Convention. And some delegates will in San Francisco when National Headquarters and the Pacific Citizen became separated. The move was calculated to make PC self-sustaining if not a money-maker. With more stores and the concentration of Japanese Americans in Los Angeles, it was felt that moving PC to Los Angeles would eject the publication out of the "red." . . . It has in certain years—but not in others, yet we're ahead of the game and the National Council has not been asked to pass a deficiency appropriation to keep PC operating.

As PC with Membership will be given serious consideration again at the National Council, it might be well to review the fundamental position of the PC . . . Should we continue to be more of a "house organ" (placing emphasis on JACL news, local and national) or a "newspaper" catering to a national Nisei readership (as PC sometimes becomes when JACL news wanes on occasions)?

It should appear apparent that if PC with Membership is adopted, the emphasis on JACL news would be unquestioned. More and more chapters will take advantage of the circulation . . . And if the business houses follow suit, it can only mean a bigger issue.

Some comment on editorial direction will be welcome—because the PC, unlike the newspaper out for profit, is being published with the organization and membership in mind.

**PUBLIC SERVICE**

Among the several newsletters from congressmen to their constituents, which we receive, was an item in California's 13th Dist. representative Charles M. Teague's latest report on the Kiwanis International sponsored project called "CQ"—citizenship quotient. The aim is to try to get more Americans to understand the priceless rights and duties they have as citizens and to encourage much greater activity in civic and governmental affairs . . . "It is a rather sad commentary that we in Congress spent many weeks in writing, debating and passing a civil rights bill to guarantee the right to vote and that in most of the elections held since that date throughout the country, less than 50 per cent of the citizens with the right to vote went to the polls," Teague commented.

Citizenship is one of the foundation stones of JACL . . . The Nisei should never forget the move in California to disenfranchise the Japanese Americans after Pearl Harbor was bombed. The case was fought by JACL all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court, which ruled in our favor in 1943.

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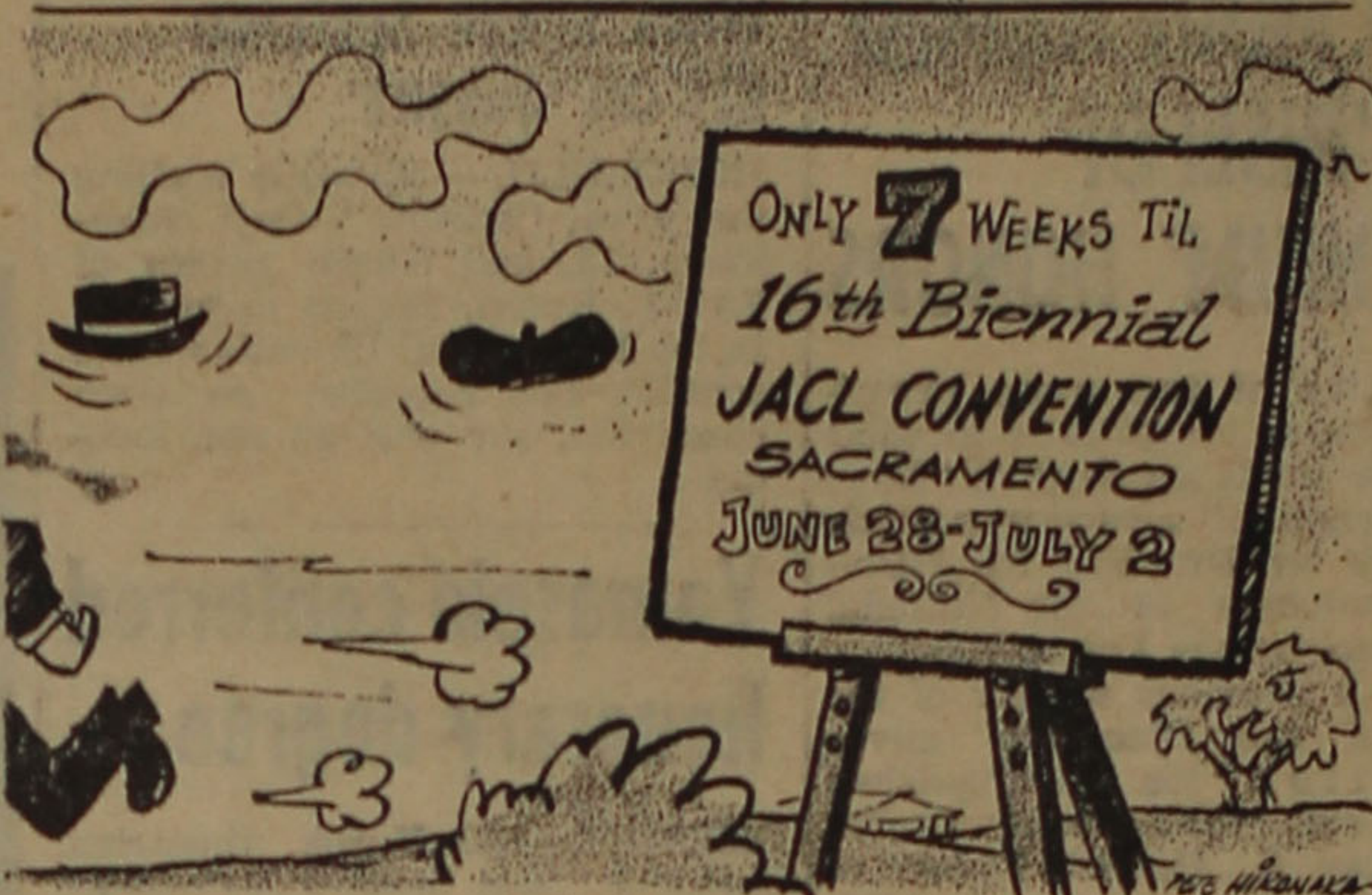
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By Sterling Sakamoto

This gent, namely Fred Takata, who has been pointing Southwestward for so long that he's beginning to tilt, really drooled when he got the news of our lovely Convention queen Miss Linda Yatabe was making the trek south to Anaheim for the PSWDC pre-convention rally. We aim to be sure that she will be heavily body-guarded by our able Convention Board members who will go south with her. (I knew his weakness was women!!)

The Convention Board figured the public appearance of our own fair Linda was worth more than a thousand words to push our coming 16th Biennial National Convention. We needn't even say to you Southlanders to come on up. Just smile, Linda, a big smile, and watch the rush. It ought to be bigger than the historic gold rush!

Not only is our Linda one of the loveliest ones here, we have many more too numerous to mention. Did you get your pre-registration package deal yet, Fred?

**CONVENTION PROGRAM**

For a hasty review of the convention program (June 28-July 2), the opening day, Tuesday—June 28, is primarily for the National Board and Staff members and those who come to register early.

The convention proper starts on Wednesday, June 29, with calling of the National Council to its 16th biennial session, the Convention Luncheon (we'll have a 30th Anniversary cake to be served, awarding of Sapphire Pins, with Dean Itano as emcee and Kay Hamatani as chairman) and the fabulous Pioneer Banquet in the evening. Hon. Koto Matsudaira, Japanese representative to the United Nations, will be the main speaker. Mamoru Sakuma will emcee the Opening Ceremonies and this will be followed by Joe Matsunami's Hawaiian Holiday Mixer . . . Matsunami said he has some entertainment lined up—some real, live hula dancers! Not taped, Fred, but live entertainment.

The early risers start on Thursday, June 30; we're talking about the golfers. Tournament co-chairmen Dr. George (Joe) Kubo and Jun Miyakawa will be up before dawn to see that the participants are started off on time over the Bing Maloney and Haggin Oaks courses . . . And speaking of golfers, Dr. Takashi Mayeda of Denver was my house guest last weekend

and we both inspected the courses "Doc" found them challenging and said he would return a week before convention time to test the grounds.

Lunch that day is "as you please" for delegates and will give them a chance to dine outside. Suggestions of where will be published in the convention bulletin. In the afternoon, the oratorical contest will be underway and, of course, delegates to the National Council will be sweating (I mean, air-conditioning) out their meetings.

The convention bridge tournament is also planned for Thursday afternoon and co-chairman Frank Hiyama and Tsugi Kubo are to provide the details soon. Warm up the deck and keep on practicing, will you?

**1000 CLUB WHING-DING**

The big event for Thursday is the 1000 Club Whing-Ding, a real noisy and howling event. The impressive jazzman and beatster Louis Jordan and his music are on the card and harmonious (?) chapter foursomes will vie for prizes in the barber shop quartet contest . . . How's your throat, Fred? With all that muscle on your bulge, I bet you give out with a mean tune.

Jr. JACLers will also make their opening move on Thursday with a panel discussion in the afternoon with John Yoshino, Washington, D.C., chapter chairman, in charge; their luncheon, oratorical contest, and a youth dinner with Mike Masaoka as the main speaker. In the evening, they'll have a semi-formal dance on the theme, "Easy Like".

FLASH—Change that Bridge Tournament date to Friday, July 1. That's the day when golfers wind up their 36-hole tournament, the delegates hold a morning session and have lunch "as you please".

In the afternoon, the only event for the day will be the outing at Elk Grove Park and big western dance in the evening. Transportation will be provided. Food, drinks, attire and fanfare will all be in the western style. Wayne Shirley's 12-piece band will play at the dance.

**THE LAST DAY**

Saturday, July 2, is our last convention day and perhaps the biggest. You'll have plenty of time to say goodbye to all your friends

**LETTERBOX**

**NOT NECESSARILY JAPANESE**

Editor: I'm inclined to agree with your answer to Mr. Suzukida. (See PC Apr. 29) Isn't Mr. Akagi's tongue in cheek rantings akin to an Italian being free to call a fellow Italian a 'dago' or for us to call another Nisei 'a hard-headed Jap'.

Though I do believe that now that Mr. Akagi has gotten under our skin a bit, which I suspect he did intentionally, he could move on to less race-conscious matters. I've often wished that Larry Tajiri, drama critic of the Denver Post, would give us a gleaming of his work, a short review perhaps, rather than limit his column to Japanese personalities or shows.

The Pacific Citizen must understandably limit itself to Issei, Nisei, Sansai news, but please, I for one, would like to read opinions not necessarily of the genus Japonica.

ASAMI OYAMA

New York.

(Larry Tajiri's reviews of first-run films in the Denver Post beat many we've read in the Los Angeles drama pages and if space permitted we would be tempted to extract some from time to time.—Editor.)

old and new.

The National Council will be in session all day, but the first big social event of the day will be the fashion show-luncheon. Then comes the Recognitions Banquet with Congressman Daniel K. Inouye as the main speaker and emceed by Henry Taketa. The ever-colorful Sayonara Ball will follow and here is where you begin bidding friends a safe journey home.

**HOLIDAY WEEKEND**

Yours Truly would also like to mention that July 3 and 4 are holidays, which can neatly fit into your Family Vacation plans. Various suggestions will be available from the Convention public relations department . . . like up to the mountains to fish, more sight-seeing, maybe lunch at the Biggest Little City in the World—Reno, or perhaps down the freeway to San Francisco and the Bay Area. Anything you want, we can arrange.

We forgot to mention that the Youth will have a second day of their own during the convention on Friday, July 1—panel discussion with the Rev. George Nishikawa as emcee and Mrs. Sue Joe of Long Beach as speaker. The youths will also join the adults during the convention outing, Recognitions Banquet and Sayonara Ball.

See you in Sacramento!

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# From the Frying Pan

By Bill Hosokawa

Denver, Colo.

**SHRINKING WORLD** — When my Pappy first crossed the Pacific from Hiroshima's hungry paddies to Tacoma, Wash., the voyage took close to a month. The year was 1899, and the steamers were coal-burning tubs. Today, one can take a jet airliner and wing from the West Coast to Haneda in well under 24 hours.

This week, the newspapers carried a report about the Dyna-Soar, a manned space craft that may be orbiting our shrinking globe in a few years. It will be sailing along so swiftly, this report said, that it could fly from Los Angeles to New York in something like 29 minutes. That's the length of time it takes me to get from home to the office.

What makes Dyna-Soar peculiarly noteworthy here is that among those working to perfect its design and put it together are Nisei engineers and scientists—sons of men and women who spent a month in steerage compartments to sail across the Pacific to this land of opportunity.

**COMPLEXION?**—Having moved recently, I went down to the schoolhouse this week to register anew as a voter. The registrar got along fine until she came to the blank that called for the voter's complexion.

She cast a sidelong glance my way, then wrote "dark". No one had ever referred to me before as dark, but no matter. Let it pass.

Then I registered for my spouse, which is permitted under the laws. Once again the registrar asked such pertinent questions as place of birth, present address, age, height, etcetra. When she came to the blank marked complexion, she stopped.

"Is your wife dark?" she ventured.  
"Well, now," I replied. "I guess that would depend on the season. In winter she's quite fair, but she picks up a pretty good tan during the summer."

This seemed to fluster the good lady and she turned to her companion for help. "I wouldn't say this man's 'dark,'" the second woman said. "He's more 'medium dark'."

Suddenly she seemed embarrassed, and hurried to add: "I get awfully dark in the summer, too." And the first registrar, a Nordic type, said with a nervous titter: "And I get freckled."

With that, they decided I was just "medium dark". They listed my wife that way, too, and I hope it's all right with her.

**OFF TO KOREA**—About a year or so ago, we reported that the government of South Korea was discriminating against Nisei as an offshoot of its hate-Japan policy. Specifically, we were referring to South Korea's refusal—on two occasions—to permit Cinematographer Toge Fujihira entry to make documentary films.

The JAACL's Mike Masaoka brought the column to the attention of the Korean ambassador in Washington. The ambassador promptly took exception to the charges, insisted there was no discrimination, and invited Fujihira to apply one again for a visa. Fujihira finally got around to making an application recently, was granted a visa without a hitch, and left last week on his delayed Korean assignment. Now, he's not quite sure what the political situation is likely to be by the time he reaches Seoul, but at least he's on his way.

Fujihira is without doubt one of the most-traveled of Nisei. He returned to his Long Island home from Brazil in March, said hello to the wife and youngsters, picked up a clean shirt and left next day for a picture-taking job in the American Midwest and the Canadian Northwest. He'll visit Japan en route to Korea, hop over to Pakistan for a spell, and hopes to get back home sometime during the summer.

Pakistan to New York in July? It's like jumping from the fire fire into the frying pan, isn't it?

## Widow since 1936 hailed as Honolulu's 'Mother of the Year,' labored cheerfully to launch careers of seven children

HONOLULU. — A widow who labored long and cheerfully to launch her seven children on worthy careers is Honolulu's "Mother of the Year." She is Mrs. Riu Wakai of 2826 E. Manoa Road.

"Mother" is but one of the titles 69-year-old Mrs. Wakai can claim. She has also been a missionary and teacher to generations of youngsters on Oahu and Kauai. And she continues to be as active as many women half her age.

Mrs. Wakai's selection as "Mother of the Year" was made by the Retail Board of the Honolulu Chamber of Commerce which honored her at a luncheon last week. It happened to be Mrs. Wakai's 70th birthday.

In addition, she will receive a free vacation trip to a Neighbor Island.

### Named by Californian

Mrs. Wakai was nominated by a friend, Mrs. May Horio, who wrote a letter about her candidate to Advertiser columnist Bob Krauss, who in turn submitted the letter to the retail board. (Mrs. Horio is the wife of Dr. Shigeru Horio, a past San Francisco JAACL chapter president.)

Here is what Mrs. Horio had to say:

"I know Mama Wakai best through her children whom she has reared despite many hardships and obstacles. Mrs. Wakai . . . is the widow of the Rev. Henry Gengo Wakai, founder of the Kapaa Congregational Church, Kapaa, Kauai.

"The Reverend and Mrs. Wakai came to Hawaii almost 40 years ago from Japan and immediately started their church work on Kauai.

### Gakuen Teacher

"In 1936, Mrs. Wakai was widowed with seven young children. In order to support them she went to work as a Japanese language school teacher."

Soon afterward the family moved to Honolulu and settled in a home on the grounds of the Makiki Christian Church. Mrs. Wakai continued to teach.

After the language schools closed during World War II, she started a new career—baby-sitting. Nine

grandchildren have not made her less fond of youngsters.

Mrs. Horio notes that "the success of a mother can be measured by how well she has helped mold the character of her children so that they, in turn, will become responsible, mature citizens in a community."

### Seven Children

The seven children and what they are doing now:

The Rev. Masayoshi Wakai, chaplain at Kulani Prison Camp, Maui. (He also served on the ministerial staff at Tanforan and Topaz WRA centers after being evacuated from San Francisco.)

Mary Wakai, secretary with the municipal government in Chicago. Dr. Warren Wakai, Honolulu dentist.

Theodore Wakai, chemical engineer and research scientist with the Federal government at Oxnard, Calif.

Dr. Coolidge Wakai, Honolulu physician. Calvin Wakai, operational supervisor for the Bank of Hawaii at Barber's Point.

Herbert Wakai, attending the Fairleigh-Dickenson Dental College at Teaneck, N.J.

### Named After Presidents

Mrs. Wakai named her younger children after U.S. presidents on the theory that it would be an incentive to them to be good citizens.

### JOE OYAMA BACK IN PRINT—AS AD MODEL

NEW YORK. — In case you missed it, that's Joe Oyama posing as a Japanese businessman in the six column Wallachs ad run in the New York Times April 28 issue. He got the bid because he looked most like the real thing, a business man from Japan.

He will also be in a Dupont ad to appear in the November 1960 issue of Holiday magazine. He'll be welcoming Americans into his Tokyo home (actually Motel on the Mountain in Suffern, N.Y.). With him will be two of the Kochiyama children. They're supposed to be his kids.

But that is only part of the story, son Warren said.

"She sacrificed a lot of things, she put our welfare first. Because of her and dad we were able to have all these education opportunities," he said.

The children helped themselves, too.

Many were scholarship winners. All have attended at least one college or university and some of them as many as three or four.

## Akiji Yoshimura to address May 30 rites at Golden Gate

SAN FRANCISCO. — Akiji Yoshimura of Colusa will be the speaker at the Memorial Day services at Golden Gate National Cemetery at San Bruno.

The announcement was made jointly by Commander Shig Miyamoto of VFW Golden Gate Nisei Memorial Post 9879 and John Yasumoto, president of the local JAACL chapter, sponsors of this annual srvice, following a recent meeting of representatives of the two groups.

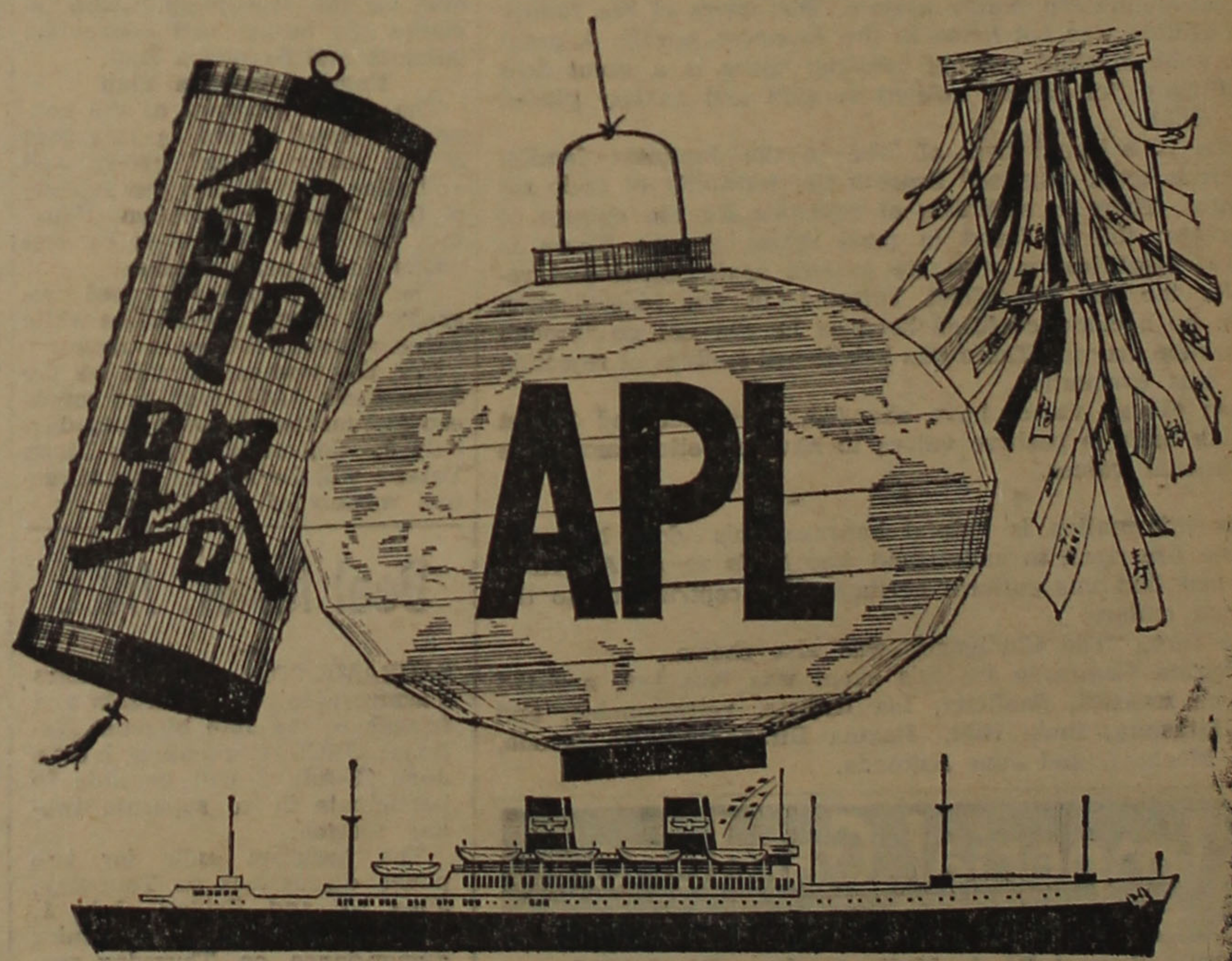
Yoshimura, National JAACL first vice president, was one of the first to volunteer for military intelligence from the WRA relocation center and served with the famed Merrill's Marauders in the Burma theatre.

The services in honor of the Nisei war dead and the Gold Star mothers will be held from 10 a.m. in the east section of the cemetery toward the El Camino Real highway side of the cemetery, it was reported.

Chairs will be provided. Following the service, the graves of the 76 Nisei war dead interred will be decorated.

### Contact lens confab

FRESNO. — Dr. Akira Tajiri of Reedley hosted the second annual contact lens conference of the California Optometric Assn. this past weekend.



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# CHAPTER REPORTS

## Nisei Acculturation Report Presented

BY MARIE KURIHARA

SAN FRANCISCO.—Dr. George DeVos, anthropologist, psychologist, sociologist, and Lecturer of the School of Social Welfare of the University of California at Berkeley, presented a very informative lecture, "Cultural History in the Acculturation Process of the Japanese Americans" at a meeting sponsored by the San Francisco Youth Group-JACL May 6, at the Church of Christ.

This was a historical event for the Japanese Americans because Dr. DeVos is one of the first social scientists to conduct a study on the acculturation process of the Japanese Americans. Much of his findings are based on a study of the Japanese Americans of Chicago and the Japanese in Japan.

He reported that traditions have been carried to the Japanese Americans which originate in the social organization, political structure, art, economic, agricultural, industrial, educational, religious traditions and esthetic pursuits of Japan.

**Agricultural Traditions:** Eighty-five per cent of the immigrants came from rural Honshu, and much of the highly organized community structure and cooperative effort for a common goal is characteristic of the Japanese farmer. There is general reluctance to acknowledge individual efforts to be a leader.

The Japanese brought with them practical agricultural knowledge which has influenced the total agricultural picture in California.

The ability to work with hands is well exemplified by the early development of manual dexterity and precision by the use of "origami" in children. Another example of this is the art of bonsai.

**Educational Traditions:** The Japanese have always had high regards for the teacher, the "sensei"; this tradition in education in Japan is an early one. It started early as the Sixth Century in Buddhism. The average Nisei education is two years in college whereas the national average is three years in high school. Education is an important aspect in the life of Japanese Americans; this is due to cultural heritage. There are many valedictorians and high grades among the Japanese Americans, however the results on achievement tests are the same. Teachers like Japanese American students because they are "good" students.

**Religious Traditions:** Religion has less importance than in the European cultures. In Japan religion shows tolerance and indifference. Buddhism tends to emphasize non-violence, which is not true with other religions. Today with a break down in family structure, there is a tendency toward religion to find security. In many ways Buddhism in the United States cannot be differentiated from Protestantism.

**Art:** Japan has contributed to the culture of the world. Architecture was well developed by the 14th Century, what we consider modern today.

**Family Traditions:** The Issei are less flexible than the Nisei. There is cohesiveness in the family, piety, and respect to the eldest and the family system. Disruption of the family in immigration was not found in the Japanese family. A great deal of guilt in child rearing persists; there is a great deal of sacrificing, "on-gaishi" related to guilt and anxiety placed on the child.

There is a great deal of love in the Japanese family, though it is often disguised beneath the formality of their relationships. There is a feeling of rejection for the culture of the parents; this is found in most ethnic groups. There is a natural identification with his present environment and respect for the old. The Kibei suffered in the identification process, he became confused because he did not go through this rejection process. There was heightened feelings of rejection due to this evacuation.

Even though values have changed, the Nisei and Sansei are going back to positive values to have a better knowledge of traditional values.

This information is helpful because this does help the Japanese American to understand who he is as an American better and that this cultural heritage is a contribution to the American culture.

The film, "The Challenge" was also shown.

Program Chairman for this event was Wes Doi, assisted by Joyce Imazeki, publicity, Ina Kajima, refreshments, and Ailee Hatashita, Ibuki Hibi, Regina Hirano, Willie Masuda, Hiroko Mochida, and June Shimada.



Meeting informally with Sacramento city dignitaries to invite them to the 16th Biennial National JACL Convention, June 28-July 2, being hosted by the Sacramento JACL Chapter were (from left) Bert Geisreter, Chamber of Commerce convention director; Fred Barbaria, chairman, Sacramento County Board of Supervisors; Sacramento Mayor James B. McKinney; convention queen Linda Yatabe and convention general chairman Bill Matsumoto. —Higaki Studio.

## Convention

(Continued from Front Page) must for crowd.

The second is the big, big 1000 Club whing-ding with nationally famous Louis Jordan and his Tympany Five at the Governor's Hall on Thursday, June 30. The added attraction of the chapter barber shop quartet contest should be worth the price of admission (\$5 per person—and this is not included in the \$25 package deal.)

The third is the western-style dance at the convention outing on Friday, July 1, at Elk Grove Park. The Guide Map will explain the route and, of course, transportation will be available. A 12-piece band will supply the music.

And the fourth will be the fabulous and most colorful of them all—the Sayonara Ball, a semi-formal event, to be held in the El Dorado Room on Saturday, July 2.

As an extra for the Jr. JACLers is their dinner-dance on Thursday, June 30, at the El Dorado. The youths have their own package deal for the convention, which includes the outing and convention banquet and Sayonara Ball.

### Family Vacation Plan

The social program of the convention listed above is just part of the many special events and activities that fit into the scheme of the "Family Vacation Plan" that has been advertised by this writer these past months.

The convention has planned programs to occupy the kiddies while parents attend the main shows.

For the womenfolk will be the Sacramento JACL Auxiliary luncheon and fashion show on Saturday, July 2. Convention Queen Linda Yatabe will be among the attractive models of the show.

## Deal for Jr. JACL

SACRAMENTO.—Jr. JACLers accompanying their parents and friends to the 16th biennial National JACL Convention here June 28-July 2 will be able to participate in a separate two-day session.

The program calls for two panel discussions on Thursday, June 30, and Friday, July 1, gaily separated by a Junior dinner-dance on Thursday evening. Another attraction will be their oratorical contest on Thursday afternoon.

Laura Shiroy, of 325-18th St., is handling registration. A special Jr. JACL package deal of \$20 will include admission to the convention mixer, outing, dancing, convention recognitions banquet, Sayonara Ball as well as the special Jr. JACL events. Checks should be made payable to: Sacramento Jr. JACL Convention Board.

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Other special events include the Pioneer Banquet on Wednesday, June 29, featuring Dr. Koto Matsudaira, Japanese ambassador to the United Nations, as the principal speaker; the Convention Luncheon on Wednesday, June 29, which will celebrate JACL's 30th anniversary with an appropriate cake-cutting ceremony and the Oratorical Contest, to be held on Thursday afternoon, June 30.

Details of the Convention Bridge Tournament will be announced in a week or so.

The Recognitions Banquet on Saturday, July 2, at the El Dorado will be the climax of the convention with Rep. Dan K. Inouye of Hawaii as the principal speaker.

We must not forget the National Council will be in session throughout the morning and afternoon periods at the El Dorado from Wednesday through Saturday.

To take full advantage of the Fourth of July holiday weekend after the close of the convention, sightseeing trips and other vacation details will be suggested. And there are many historical spots in Sacramento one can see during convention week. So, make plans to pre-register the entire family for the convention. Come early and stay late.

## Seabrook chapter reveals new slate

SEABROOK, N.J.—The Seabrook JACL nominations committee this past week announced the 1960-61 slate of officers.

Nominated were James Yamasaki, pres.; Dr. Paul Morita, 1st v.p.; Charles T. Nagao (past EDC chmn.), 2nd v.p.; Robert Fuyume, treas.; Josie Ikeda, rec. sec.; Helen Kobayashi, cor. sec.; Ellen Nakamura, hist.; Mike Minato, del.; Tarō Yokoyama and Aki Kato, alt. del.

Twelve candidates were named for the 10-member board: Fred Barker, Vernon Ichisaka, James Mitsui, Kiyomi Nakamura, Shizuo Nakashima, Jack Nakayama, Mamoru Noguchi, George Sakamoto, William Tagawa, James U. Yamasaki, Senkichi Sawamura and Marie Nakata.

Serving on the nominations com-

## St. Louis potluck

ST. LOUIS.—A potluck supper will precede the St. Louis JACL movie night May 14, 6:30 p.m., at St. Augustine's Church, 7039 Bruno. "Escapade in Japan" will be the main feature, it was announced.



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## Eden Township CL women ad fashion show to May 15 rally

HAYWARD.—One of the highlights of the NC-WNDC pre-convention rally will be a fashion show under the chairmanship of Mrs. Setsu Shimizu, Eden Township JACL.

Mrs. Shimizu will be assisted by Michi Naruo, Yuki Shibata, Mitsy Yamamoto and Miko Tanisawa. The fashion show will be held during the coffee break at 3 p.m.

The Powers School of Models will display the clothes from the "Fashion" shop of Hayward. Among the junior models will be Diane Muramatsu, Judy Naruo, Joyce and Janice Sato and Amy and Nancy Tanabe.

Barbara Shimizu, Joyce and Janet Shinoda and Ellen Yamamoto will assist in the passing of programs. Three door prizes are being offered.

The District Council meeting will be held at the Castlewood Country Club near Pleasanton. The Eden Township chapter will host this gala affair under the chairmanship of Ken Fujii.

## WEST L.A. AUXILIARY PUSH DOOR BELLS FOR CANCER SOCIETY CRUSADE

The West Los Angeles JACL Auxiliary for its April meeting participated in the American Cancer Society Crusade, working the Sawtelle area.

Mmes. Sueo Hiroshima and Frank Kishi were chairmen of this community service project. More than 60 women participated in the door-to-door solicitation. The volunteers were from the WLA Buddhist Church, WLA Community Methodist Church, WLA Southern Baptist Church, Nora Sterry PTA, and Brockton PTA. After the drive, the Auxiliary hosted a coffee hour at the home of Miss Yuki Sato.

Mrs. Kiyoshi Sonoda, president, announced the Auxiliary will participate in the June WLA JACL Carnival. Misses Yuki Sato and Satsuki Uyeno will plan for this event.

Plans are underway by Mmes. Sidney Nakanishi and George Kanegai to present Miss WLA for the Nisei Week festivities.

Mrs. Sonoda also announced that the Auxiliary are sponsors of the "Darses", a teenage girls club in West Los Angeles, as one of their service projects for the youth of the community.

The next meeting will be at the home of Miss Taya Isono, May 16, with Mrs. Isono's cooking demonstration of maki-zushi. This is in preparation for a visit to Rancho Los Amigos in the near future.

## San Jose Clers planning 4th of July movie benefit

SAN JOSE.—Plans for the annual Fourth of July benefit movie and summer program calendar will be discussed tonight at the regular San Jose JACL membership meeting at the JACL Bldg.

Selection of delegates to the NC-WNDC meeting this Sunday and national convention is also scheduled.

Committee were John Fuyume, Keigo Inouye, Mary Nagao, Ichisaka, Barker and Mrs. Ikeda.

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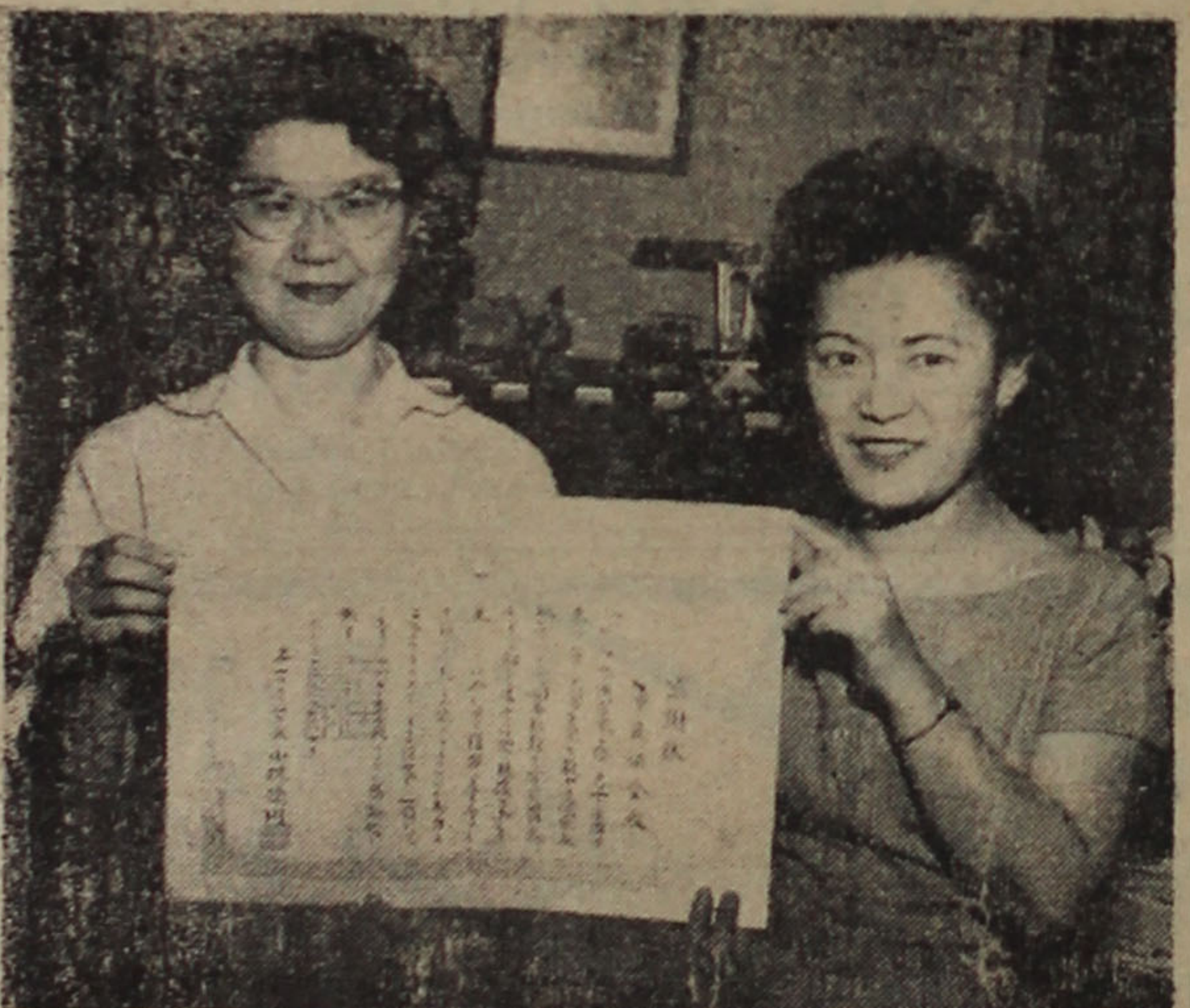


Teki Nohara (third from left) is the 1960 Relays Queen. Around her are Mitsi Yoshioka (seated at left), last year's queen; Sam Hirasawa, coordinating council chairman; and attendants Elaine Yoshizaki, Janice Shimazaki, Ruby Hada and Sachi Ishihara. —Courtesy: Rafu Shimpō.

**NISEI RELAYS QUEEN TOKI NOHARA**—This past week we journeyed up to the beautiful home of the Carl Tamakis in Baldwin Hills, where we joined the Nisei Relays Committee to select the queen for his year's meet to be held at University High School this Sunday. If we had known how tough this job was of selecting a queen from this year's group of candidates, we would have turned down chairman Jim Higashi's invitation to be a judge a long time ago. Other judges who found themselves in the same dilemma were Coordinating Council chairman Sam Hirasawa; Mrs. Mabel Yoshizaki, ELA Chapter president; Sam Uyehara, San Fernando Valley chapter president; Tom Shimazu, Southwest L.A. president; Vi Nakano, SWLA; Ken Nishino, Harbor Hi-Co president; and last year's queen, Mitsi Yoshioka.

The queen for the 1960 Relays will be beautiful Toki Nohara from San Fernando, who plans to become a legal secretary and is the daughter of Mrs. Shigeko Nohara of North Hollywood. The beautiful gals who make up the court are real queens themselves and made the judging the toughest we've ever faced with such candidates as Ruby Hada of the Harbor Hi-Co; Sachi Ishihara of Gardena; Elaine Yoshizaki of ELA; and Janice Shimazaki from SWLA.

Since the Nisei Relays is sponsored by the L.A. Coordinating Council of the JACL, chairman Sam Hirasawa pulled his rank and posed with the gals for the pictures. Of course he was getting quite a ribbing from the sidelines when the gals made him look like he was standing in a hole, but good natured Sam stood on his toes and said, they won't know the difference. Oh, Yeah!



Holding the certificate of appreciation from the City of Nagoya presented to JACL for its assistance in helping the Typhoon victims are Mrs. Pearl Mugishima, PC circulation staff; and Mrs. Marie Sugita, regional office secretary. —Photo by Bob Kishita.

**CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION FROM NAGOYA**—Last year our office joined with the community in collecting funds, clothing and food for the many victims in the Nagoya typhoon. Contributions came from our local membership and from all over the country and from such faraway places as our Milwaukee Chapter. To those who participated in this campaign, we present this scroll which was sent to our office from the Mayor of Nagoya. The scroll reads as follows: "Certificate of Appreciation, presented to the Japanese American Citizens League. During the recent disastrous typhoon hitting the Ise Bay area, the city of Nagoya incurred catastrophic damages, the entire area inundated for an extended period of time. The fact that we are finally in the process of rebuilding and rehabilitation is without doubt due to your overwhelming generosity in bringing prompt aid and comfort. This certificate is presented to you on behalf of these countless victims as an expression of deep appreciation. December 10, 1959, signed Mayor Kissen Kobayashi, City of Nagoya." We also would like to express appreciation to all of you JACLers who helped to make this drive a success.

**HOFFNUNG**—"Hoffnung", a German play written and acted by miners from the German Ruhr will be presented at the Biltmore Theatre in Los Angeles, May 15-20, at 8:30 p.m. and is presented by Moral Re-Armament, free of charge. In the past we've had the pleasure of attending plays presented by MRA, and it has always been an enlightening experience to

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**Detroit JACL approves chapter changeover from cabinet to 16-member board system**

DETROIT.—The Detroit JACL has voted to change its chapter administration from the cabinet system to the board of directors. The general membership, at its April 24, voted to accept the report of the Committee on the Study of the Board of Governors System of Administration.

The changeover will become effective with the 1961 elections.

Min Togasaki gave the report of the committee. He pointed out that the basic difference of the two systems were in the membership of the bodies. In the cabinet system, the membership elected officers for a specific for one year; while in the board system, the general membership elects members to the board, who in turn elect their own officers. Board members will serve two years, one half of the board to be elected each year.

**Reasons for Change**

Among the reasons cited for considering the change were the difficulty of getting candidates to run for specific offices, especially the presidency, and lack of continuity in the work of the chapter, such as the reluctance of incumbents to serve a second term and programs or policies set by one cabinet not being continued

by the following cabinet.

The Detroit study committee is recommending a 16-member board. Serving on the committee were Mrs. Miyo O'Neill, chairman; Peter Fujioka, Wally Kagawa, Roy Kaneko, Yo Kasai, Sud Kimoto, Ken Miyoshi, Charles Ogure, Min Togasaki and Charles Yata.

Other business matters conducted at the meeting were reports by certain cabinet officers and plans for 1960 as outlined by chapter president Frank Watanabe. He also interpreted the analysis of a pre-meeting questionnaire on JACL organization, functions, programs, etc.

A potluck dinner followed and special guest Rev. O'Leary narrated his colorful film story of his recent visit to Japan.

DETROIT.—Laura Miyoshi and Frank Watanabe were announced as Detroit JACL delegates to the forthcoming Midwest District Council meeting May 27-30 at Milwaukee.

Other Detroit JACLers, Min Togasaki and Ken Miyoshi, will also attend as MDC committeemen.

Among the decisions to be made at the Milwaukee meeting will be whether Detroit will host the 1963 Midwest District convention or the 1964 National Convention.

**Queen contest, dance, carnival, variety show planned for Chicago JACL youth fete**

CHICAGO.—A mammoth three-day JACL Youth festival to benefit youth activities will be held on May 20-22 at the Olivet Community Center, 1441 N. Cleveland Ave. Highlighting the festival will be the queen contest, coronation dance, carnival-bazaar and a variety show.

The funds raised will be used to promote scholarship, citizenship, athletics and leadership training among Chicago's young Nisei and Sansei. The entire festival program is being directed by the Junior Division of the Chicago JACL, assisted by members of the Chicago Chapter.

"Summer Place" will be the general theme of the Festival with festivities beginning Friday night, May 20. An orchestra dance will start at 8 p.m. The highlight of the evening will be the announcement and crowning of Miss Chicago Sansei. Admission will be \$2 per person.

**Weekend Bazaar**

The carnival-bazaar featuring children's midway, concessions, novelty games, delicious baked goods, Japanese dishes and door prizes will be held on Saturday, May 21 starting at 6 p.m. and on Sunday, May 22 from 2 p.m. Added special attraction will be a variety show being produced by the Junior JACL group. The admission to the talent show is \$1

**EDC convention receives notice on radio show**

WASHINGTON, D.C.—John Y. Yoshino, Liaison Officer, President's Committee on Government Contracts, and President of the D.C. JACL chapter, appeared as a guest editor on the popular WRC-NBC noontime radio hour, Patty Cavin's Capital Byline on May 3.

During the course of a discussion about the forthcoming NAIRO six states conference to be held in Washington, Yoshino was asked about his work with the JACL. He took the cue to announce the coming EDC meeting May 14-15 at which time the National JACL president, Shig Wakamatsu, would be in attendance.

The highly rated show has over 100,000 listeners and last year won the Hamilton Award.

**Elk Grove senior named Florin JACL orator**

FLORIN.—Frances Sonoda, Elk Grove Union School senior, was named as Florin JACL contestant in the NC-WNDC oratoricals to be held this Sunday at Pleasanton.

Planning to major in business education at Sacramento State College in the fall, she is active in school in the Future Business Leaders, member of the California Scholarship Federation, business manager of the Elk's staff and served as state secretary in the Youth Day observances at Sacramento.

**'Biennium'**

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received his master's degree from Loyola University of Chicago in 1953. He then joined the American Friends Service Committee in Chicago and as director of the job opportunities program, met with and encouraged top management of business and industry to employ on the basis of merit rather than on the basis of race, color or creed. His efforts resulted in opening new jobs then closed to minorities.

His appointment to the present post in the Nation's Capital was to do the same job on a larger scale and has been diligent in bringing to the attention of the country the losses and cost to the nation created by the practice of job discrimination.

Yoshino's connection with JACL dates back over 25 years when he was a member of the Alameda chapter from 1933-42. Following his resettlement in Chicago, he supported that chapter for 10 years.

**Omaha's Nomination**

For his distinguished achievement as psychologist at Father Flanagan's Boys Home for ten years, Pat Okura was recognized in 1952 with the "Nisei of the Biennium" silver medallion.

(As provided in the rules, a previous winner can be renominated and the candidate's achievement or leadership since the first recognition is to be judged.)

The Omaha JACL noted Okura's prominence in juvenile delinquency work in the past two years in submitting the nomination. He was appointed chief probation officer of Douglas County juvenile court in March 1, 1959 and spearheaded a drive for creation of a separate juvenile court.

In his capacity as probation officer, he has also been invited to speak to service, professional, civic, religious and youth groups on the subject of juvenile delinquency. His contention that too much concentration on our rights and too little attention paid to individual responsibilities and obligations has been expressed before other groups, such as commencement exercises in and out of the state.

**District Award**

Okura was the recipient of the Mountain-Plains JACL District Council recognitions award last November and the Omaha JACL Achievement Award last February, both citing his outstanding services to the community and the organization.

The Wilmington-born candidate has been in JACL since 1935, organized the Omaha chapter in 1947 and served as a national JACL officer or committee chairman since 1950. Currently he is chairman of the national planning committee.

A member of the Fairview Presbyterian Church in Omaha, where he was a trustee and elder for several years, he is married to the former Lily Arikawa.

He is a member of the West Omaha Rotary Club board of directors, Omaha Urban League, serving on the Governor's Committee for Youth, was deputy area governor of the Toastmasters Club, a member of several professional organizations and was vice-president last year of the Nebraska Assn. of Child Care Institutions.

Okura is a 1933 graduate of UCLA and received his master's degree in psychology from the same school two years later. He did additional graduate work in 1939-40.

**Recognitions Banquet**

The "Nisei of the Biennium" winners are to be announced at the recognitions banquet of the 16th biennial National JACL Convention to be held at El Dorado Hotel, Sacramento, on Saturday, July 2. Five finalists are to be honored, four receiving the JACL silver medallion and the "Nisei of the Biennium" a JACL gold medallion.

**CCDC**

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sented on the Planning Commission, pre-convention rally, CCDC convention and matters concerning the National JACL Convention.

Dr. George Miyake, national chairman of the JACL nominations committee, reported at the Apr. 23 meeting that there were no candidates for national offices from the CCDC area.

Dr. James Nagatani, Planning Commission vice-chairman for the CCDC, presided for the remainder of the evening with Jin Ishikawa appointed as moderator.

In the area of finance, Ben Nakamura noted that the present quota system was not working out equitably for all chapters. He added that while CCDC always met its quota, something should be done about chapters and districts having difficulty meeting their quotas. He suggested that avenues for cutting down National expenses should be explored in view of this difficulty and felt some national offices might be consolidated without cutting down overall efficiency.

Hugo Kazato, in a written report, reviewed past legislative achievements, raised the question of whether it would be worthwhile to have JACL pursue the matter of evacuation claims any further and said the general feeling on immigration quotas was that any discrimination in setting quotas should be opposed. Opinion was also expressed that discriminatory treatment in the matter of yen deposits and sequestered property should be opposed and that JACL should seek financial support from those who might benefit from JACL's efforts in seeking the return of such property as in the case of evacuation claimants.

A thorough review of JACL's public relations policy was recommended by Henry Mikami, adding that PR at the chapter level was equally important. It was felt that a more uniform policy on what constitutes discrimination should be set on a national level.

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# Vagaries

By Larry S. Tajiri

## To Stardom in One Shot

(Column arrived too late for last week's PC.)

**EIGHTEEN** is young for stardom but Jeri Miyazaki is getting top billing in the New York company of "The World of Suzie Wong" which is now on an extended national tour. Miss Miyazaki, born in a war relocation center in California, has been carrying the leading role in "Suzie Wong" since France Nuyen left the troupe during the end of the New York run last year. For the past two months the "Suzie Wong" company has been filling an unusual engagement—the first time ever for a drama—at the Riviera in Las Vegas. This week the company is scheduled to reopen its national tour in Kansas City.

Young Miss Miyazaki came east with her parents who relocated in New York City in the early 40s. She attended the Professional Children's School and George Washington High School. An agent saw some of her modeling photos and suggested her to Director Joshua Logan who was casting "The World of Suzie Wong." Her appearance in the play in 1958 was her professional acting debut and she stepped in the role of Gwenny when another Nisei actress making her Broadway debut, Takayo (Tsubouchi) Doran, left the company to join her husband in California.

**MIKO TAKA** is another actress who leaped from obscurity to stardom in a single role. In fact, Miss Taka, discovered by a Warner Brothers talent scout, Solly Baiano, in Los Angeles, had never acted professionally before she was picked, again by Josh Logan, to play the leading role of Hana-Ogi in "Sayonara," opposite Marlon Brando. She acquitted herself well in the part, but her career has remained in abeyance since her appearance in the film version of the James Michener novel three years ago. For more than a year after the filming of "Sayonara," however, she busied herself on a series of personal appearance tours through the United States and Europe.

After several TV roles, including a segment of "Hawaiian Eye," Miss Taka returned to the screen recently in the role of a Los Angeles Nisei girl in Allied Artists' "Hell to Eternity," the story of Guy Gabaldon, the tough Mexican American kid from California, befriended by a Japanese American family, who goes on to become a Marine hero in the battle for Saipan.

Now Miss Taka's career again is in full flower. Having completed her stint in "Hell to Eternity," she left for Japan the other day with William Goetz, producer of "Sayonara," to help scout locations for the forthcoming Columbia comedy, "Cry for Happy." This film, which will star Dean Martin and Jack Lemmon, probably will involve many Nisei by the time filming starts in Hollywood. One of the key roles of this story about a geisha house adopted by GIs is that of a Nisei officer.

A number of other projects have been offered Miss Taka. William Castle, for one, would like to make "Confessions of an Opium Eater" in Japan with Miss Taka under a new title, "Michiko." Castle is a producer-director who specializes in horror films, including the recent "House on Haunted Hill."

**GEORGE SHIBATA** is another Nisei who was projected into an important role in his acting debut. Shibata, a native of Garland, Utah, is the first American of Japanese ancestry to graduate from West Point. He was an Army jet pilot during the Korean war, serving with distinction. Several years ago he left military service and enrolled in the law school at USC.

When Gregory Peck was casting "Pork Chop Hill," a true story of an army officer's command in Korea, he needed an actor to play the role of the officer's aide, a Nisei from Hawaii. The real-life Nisei prototype of the role was not unable, being a schoolteacher in Hawaii. Finally, an Army officer who was the technical adviser on the film suggested that Peck find George Shibata, with whom he had attended West Point. A check with the Pentagon disclosed that Shibata, then in law school, was living only ten minutes from Peck's office in the Goldwyn studio.

George Shibata did a creditable job as the tough Nisei officer in "Pork Chop Hill" and has had several acting jobs since on TV.

Shibata was cast as a Nisei friend of Guy Gabaldon (Jeffrey Hunter) in "Hell to Eternity" and recently completed his role. He is now in Hawaii for a role in Columbia's service comedy, "The Wackiest Ship in the Army." The latter film stars Jack Lemmon and Ricky Nelson.

## 150 ATHLETES WAITING START OF JACL RELAYS

Over 150 athletes will vie in the ninth annual Los Angeles JACL Nisei Relays on Sunday, May 15, at University High School, in West Los Angeles. This is the first time the Relays are being held here.

Competition appears to be evenly distributed in all four classes with 34 signed up in the Open Division, 45 in the Juniors, 32 in the Midgets and 40 in the Cubs, it was reported by Fred Takata, regional JACL director.

The Hobos, defending champions in the Open, plan to repeat with their team of 12 including Victor Mitsuno, who won the 440 last year, and Nori Takatani who won the 880.

Orange County JAYs, with only six, will hardly expect to win but they have formidable entries in Stan Ishii who won the high hurdles last year and Jim Shigenaka, coming up from Junior competition, in which he holds the broad jump record at 20 ft.-10 in. Long Beach Hi-Cos with five strong will be led by Dick Sakamoto, junior 100-yd. record holder at 10.3. Gardena Valley Hi-Cos with only four have two outstanding fieldmen in Mits Yamashita, last year's pole vault champion, and Sus Ito, consistent 6 ft. high jumper this season and league high hurdler finalist.

### Junior Division

It appears to be a wide-open race for the junior division team title with Long Beach Hi-Cos and Wanjis leading in the roster department with nine men each. West Los Angeles follows with eight, Tramps and Orange County JAYs with six each, three from San Fernando and two each from Gardena and the Untouchables.

Only returning champion in this division will be Mark Matsumoto of OC JAYs in the 660.

Many athletes competing in city league finals this past week are also entered in the Nisei Relays.

### Midget Divisions

More teams are entered in the Midget and Cub divisions—now in its second year. In the Midget scramble are the L.A. Tigers, Uptown Tigers, Fighting Tigers, Wanjis and O.C. JAYs. In the Cubs group are the Uptown Tigers, Tiger Juniors, Wanjis, San Fernando Valley and Long Beach.

Preliminaries and weigh-in will commence at 9 a.m. with finals starting in the afternoon.

### Relays Queen

Toki Nohara, 17-year-old senior at Polytechnic High School in Sun Valley, was announced queen of the 1960 JACL Nisei Relays, to be held this Sunday at University High School.

Daughter of Mrs. Shigeko Nohara of North Hollywood, she was sponsored by the San Fernando Valley JACL. She plans to become a legal secretary.

Serving as attendants will be Ruby Hada, 16, of Long Beach; Sachi Ishihara, 16, of Gardena; Elaine Yoshizaki, 15, from East Los Angeles; and Janice Shimazaki, 17, of Southwest Los Angeles.

The queen and her court will assist in making the presentations to the track meet winners.

The judging was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Tamaki. Assisting Mrs. Tamaki as hostesses were Vi Nakano and Maybelle Higa of the Southwest L.A. JACL. Judges were Fred Takata, Sam Hirasawa, Mrs. Mabel Yoshizaki, Mitzi Yoshioka (1959 Relays queen), Sam Uyehara, Tom Shimazu and Ken Nishino.

## DENVER NISEI PAIR IN TOP 10 OF WIBC MEET

DENVER.—Two of Denver's top Nisei kegglers, Mats Ito and Tay Kondo, rolled an 1,111 total to crash into third place in the Women's International Bowling Congress tournament here at Belleview Lanes last week.

Miss Ito was 1960 Nat'l JACL women's singles and all-events champion in the tournament hosted by Mille-Hi JACL and Denver Nisei Bowling Assn.

## Gov. Brown signs bill aiding foreign students

SACRAMENTO.—Governor Brown has signed AB 78, permitting state colleges to waive admission and tuition fees for foreign exchange students. The bill was proposed by the San Jose-Okayama sister city affiliation program to assist Japanese youths attending San Jose State College.

As non-resident students, they or their sponsors had to pay out-of-state fees and tuitions.

## Scout executive

FRESNO.—Dr. Kikuo H. Taira was elected to the Sequoia Boy Scout Council executive board as a member-at-large this past week.

## Idaho Falls senior wins trip to capitol on essay

IDAHO FALLS.—Marie Kobayashi, Bonneville High School senior, was given an all-expense trip to Boise to accept her honorable mention in Idaho award recently from Idaho Governor Robert E. Smylie for her essay: "How Hiring the Handicapped Helps You and Me."

She was accompanied by her mother and Idaho Falls Mayor W.J. O'Bryant. Some 4,000 essays were entered in the statewide contest.

## Japan on shortwave

Radio Japan has increased its programming to its overseas listeners this month. Service to the West Coast of North America is now broadcast from 9-11 p.m. (PST) on 11.705, 15.325 and 17.825 mc. Also heard in Southern California is the program beamed for Mexico and Latin America from 7-8 p.m. (PST) on 15.325 and 17.855 mc.

## Legal secretaries meet

The Nisei Legal Secretaries will hear Superior Court Commissioner John P. Oliver talk on "Divorce Dilemma and Alimony" at a dinner meeting May 18, 6 p.m., at the Kawafuku Cafe.

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## POINTING SOUTHWESTWARD: by Fred Takata

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watch them. The play, "Hoffnung" (Hope), has been invited by many governments to be staged in their countries and has already played in Britain, France, Holland, Switzerland, Luxembourg, Italy, Cyprus, India and Japan. This group has also been invited by our government to present their play in Washington D.C. and if the past plays are a criteria, it should be another wonderful play. MRA has continued to promote peace in the world and they fell through their plays they have the answer to combat communism where ever it might be. We hope you will take the time to see it.

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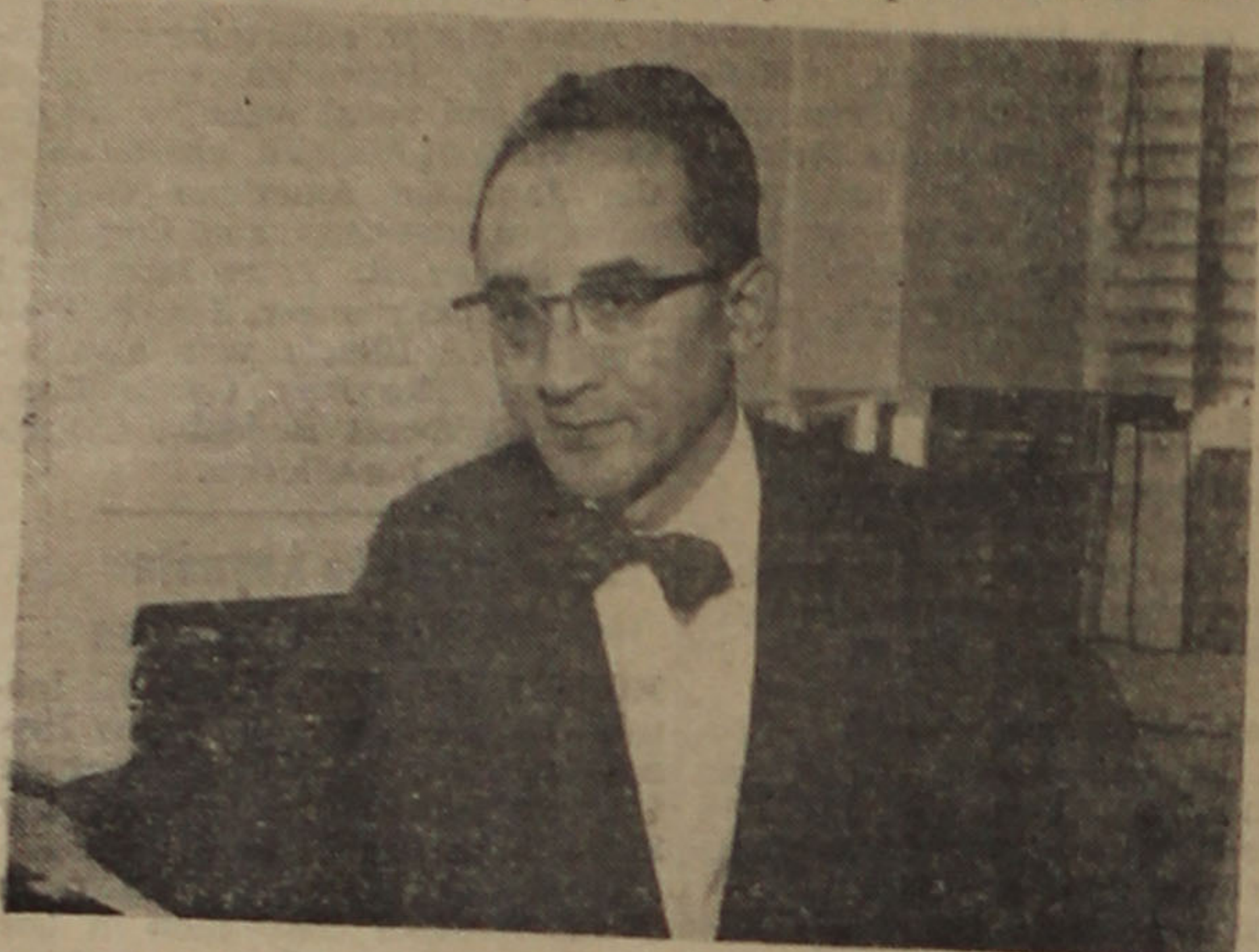
Northwest's Nominee

It cannot be called a great surprise to hear the latest news that Toru Sakahara has been nominated as the sole candidate from the Northwest for national office, that of 1st vice-president. He is at present the incumbent 2nd vice-president.

It is not always logical practice to step a man up from one job to another just because the guy held those jobs. But when we consider the admision of Al Smith who gained immortality by saying, "Look at the record," then we adjust our weary old eyes to take a slant at the situation, and in doing so we crib a little bit from this column dated Jan. 11, 1957 when subject person was president-elect (2 terms) of the Seattle chapter.

Talking about Toru, we said: "His activities have been spread out principally among three chapters; Puyallup Valley, which he joined in 1941, Salt Lake City during the War II years, and the Seattle Chapter since its reactivation in 1946. This cannot be called his first term of office as president, strictly speaking. During '46 and '47, when the local chapter was being reactivated, Toru, along with Shigeko Uno and Ken Nogaki performed the presidential duties until officers were elected.

"His acceptance of positions of responsibility in JACL affairs dates back to the very beginning (of his JACL career) as a member of the Puyallup Valley Chapter when in 1942



he represented that chapter at the National Emergency meeting. During a recent canvass of old timers and near old timers, he said, "At that time, the darkest hour for JACL and people of Japanese ancestry, when I met so many of the League leaders, I became impressed with their able and dedicated leadership. The generation just coming of age should be aware that they need the League and the League needs them."

"Toru's pursuit of a legal career was interrupted by the war and evacuation. After attaining a B.A. at Washington, he had put in two years at the UW law school; then attained the LL.B. at the Univ. of Utah in 1944."

Ever generous of his time and talents, Toru has held a big share of offices in this community. He has served two eventful terms as president of the Jackson Street Community Council. He has served as vice president and president of the First Hill Lions.

Although now serving as National 2nd vice-president, he was 1957 president of the Seattle Chapter, after having served on the board and several committees. He was Thousand Club chairman of the Northwest District in 1953-54. For the past four years, he has been vice president of the Seattle Japanese Community Service.

During 12 of his 15 years of law practice, Toru has been a partner in the Sakahara Insurance Agency with his younger brother Ted who is also active as a 1000er and JACL Board member. Both the brothers are remembered as popular pre-war ball players in their home town, Fife, in the Puyallup Valley near Tacoma.

It was our privilege to exchange a few words with Toru during a short picture shooting session at his office (between clients, and phone calls, that is) last week. He is strong for JACL participation in civic events and affairs. Not just the little ghetto-like doings back in the dark ages when JACL was first formed. Today such a great percentage of Americans are interested in cultural contacts with Japan, China and the rest of the Orient. They install hibachi, shoji, kakemono, and other elements of Japanese decor within the home and landscape the grounds in the Japanese manner.

Besides the youth athletic program, and community programs in everything from bridge to cooking, along the lines of the pre-war Courier programs, the subject of Nisei Queen was mentioned in our talk with Toru.

Naturally, the comments gravitated toward the Seafair, Seattle's Mardi Gras, held yearly during the first week of August. The Seafair queen is the Queen of the Seas, and queen of the queens—and she has practically a full time job for a year—one of our more recent Seafair Queens was even sent to Japan to just lend her presence to some event. By contrast, when Miss Kobe (our Sister City), visited Seattle last year, there was no Nisei Queen to greet her.

Well, we only mentioned these things in the brief talk—but one doesn't have to draw a map for us either. Since 1896 when that great railroad established the terminals here, Seattle has been known and publicized as the Gateway to the Orient. Besides our annual Seafair gala event, there is the "Century 21" world's fair coming up. No opinions were verbally expressed on the subject, but in speaking briefly with the visionary VP candidate—we sort of shared the idea—some qualified Nisei or Sansei lassie may well get the nod for the top Queen job. Right now, we're thinking of the popular Sansei gal Linda Yamauchi who queened Washington's tri-city area, Pasco, Richland, and Kennewick at last summer's Seafair, here.

In conclusion, after this lengthy digression, let us say that Toru, the northwest's veep candidate is married to the very very attractive Kiyo (Kamikawa) and they have three offspring: David, 17, Julie Ann, 9, and April Mae 3.

VITAL STATISTICS

**BIRTHS**  
**LOS ANGELES**  
 Abe, Tokio (Toshiko Ebata)—boy Kevin L., Feb. 18.  
 Aguirre, Simon (Tsuyaki Nakatani)—boy Dennis, Feb. 10.  
 Araki, Hiroyoshi (Alice Y. Tamaoka)—boy Roy Toshio, Feb. 13.  
 Baba, Tadao (Tomomi Osumi)—boy James Mamoru, Feb. 18.  
 Brown, Harold B. (Sueko Itamura)—boy Jeffrey S., Feb. 18.  
 Floeck, Wesley (Minako Koike)—girl Marian Miya Feb. 22.  
 Fukunaga, Albert T. (Tomie Ujihara)—girl Kerri Kisayo, Mar. 2.  
 Furuya, Masami (Junie Imayanagita)—girl Nancy E., Feb. 17.  
 Higashi, Shigeo (Setsuko Shimabukuro)—girl Amy Shigeko, Feb. 21.  
 Ishibashi, Masaaki (Toshiko Ishibashi)—girl Setsuko Susanne, Feb. 4, Pasadena.  
 Ishimoto, Fred K. (Hisako Murayama)—girl Maya, Feb. 5.  
 Katayama, Hideo (June C. Furuta)—boy Hiroshi, Feb. 18.  
 Kwan, Leo W. (Harumi Ikeda)—boy Andrew W., Feb. 19.  
 Lum, Owen (Kazuko Yoshimura)—girl Jessie, Feb. 15.  
 Matsunaga, Ewao (Katherine K. Harada)—boy Howard B., Feb. 11.

Matsura, Tamotsu (Kazuko Takahashi)—girl Sumi, Feb. 5.  
 Mita, Satomi (Yuriko Sasaki)—boy Roy Takashi, Feb. 11.  
 Mori, Katsuechi (Yoko Kayagi)—boy Francis Motohiro, Mar. 3.  
 Naito, Alvin (Chiyo Shigenaga)—girl Laurie Yoshie, Feb. 18.  
 Nakano, Shigeru (Sylvia Watanabe)—girl Kimmi A., Mar. 1.  
 Noon, James M. (Taigie Nakashima)—boy Kenji Waldo, Feb. 10, Huntington Park.  
 Obata, Joe (Irene Mizutani)—boy Lawrence T., Feb. 18, Montebello.  
 Okimoto, Joe Y. (Shigeko Morikawa)—boy Kelvin D., Feb. 11.  
 Ozaki, Joe (Mary Oku)—girl Janice G., Feb. 14, Gardena.  
 Sase, Jack K. (Sadako Iida)—Lori E., Feb. 22.  
 Shishima, William H. (Emi Nishikawa)—girl Gayle Miye, Feb. 28.  
 Taniguchi, Jack (Sueno Kawai)—girl Jane Katsuko, Feb. 12, El Monte.  
 Tom, William (Kumiko Kamimura)—girl Leslie Mel-Ling, Feb. 29.  
 Ueno, Herbert H. (Eiko Shintani)—boy Rustin C., Feb. 17.  
 Waki, Yasushi (Shigeko Sadakane)—girl Nancy Keiko, Feb. 12.  
 Watanuki, Tom T. (Sumiye Hayashi)—girl Anita F., Feb. 24.  
 Wong, Richard T. (Miya Torichigai)—boy David Junji, Feb. 12.  
 Yamaguchi, Shiro (Kazuko Hayashida)—boy Kevin Hideo, Feb. 19.

**Teacher dies**  
**NEW YORK.**—Mrs. Reiko Urabe Maida, mathematics teacher at Poughkeepsie High School, died Apr. 26 of a throat infection. Born in San Jose, she attended Univ. of California at Berkeley, Univ. of Utah and received her master's degree at Columbia University.

**Elmer R. Smith**  
**SALT LAKE CITY.**—Final rites for Prof. Elmer R. Smith, longtime friend of the Nisei and Salt Lake JACL, were held on Wednesday last week. He died May 1 of pneumonia in a Missoula (Mont.) hospital. Born on Jan. 28, 1909, in St. Anthony, Idaho, he was never married and survived by a sister, Mrs. Grace Tobin of Sandy, Utah.

He was a visiting associate professor of anthropology at Montana State University at the time of his death. He was a member of the Phi Kappa Phi and Sigma Xi, honorary scholastic fraternities, and archaeological technician at Zion National Park from 1933-34. He began his teaching career at Univ. of Utah in 1930, was curator of the U. of U. museum of anthropology from 1937-48, associate professor in 1948 and went to Montana State last summer.

During the war years, he wrote the history of the "Japanese in Utah" in a university publication, Humanities Review, and authored the history of JACL, "Did You Know", in the Pacific Citizen.

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**Tri-Villes movies**

**PALO ALTO.**—A benefit Japanese movie will be sponsored by the Tri-Villes of the Sequoia JACL at the Palo Alto Buddhist Church Hall on May 28, 8 p.m. The titles for the two features are: "Taikoki" and "No More Combat Boots." Proceeds will be donated to the Shonien in Los Angeles.

**Lecture on Kabuki**

**NEW YORK.**—Japan Society, Inc., has scheduled a special lecture on Kabuki by Prof. Donald Keene of Columbia University to be given at Asia House on May 19 in advance of the Grand Kabuki Co. performances at City Center June 2-22.

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Prospects dim for new Japanese town in San Francisco

**SAN FRANCISCO.**—Prospects for a Japanese cultural and shopping center in Western Addition to replace old Nihonmachi stores grew dimmer this week as a local Nisei-Nisei group indicated that costs to build a center are too high.

Though the uptown merchants and businessmen are still very interested in such a project, they can not, at this time, see how any builder could comply with the requirements set by the city's Redevelopment Agency and pay the minimum price also set by the agency.

Victor Abe, president of the Japanese Garden Center, Inc., said members of his group considered the redevelopment agency's price of \$5.50 a square foot for the block bounded by Webster, Buchanan, Geary, and Post Sts., too high. The 68,000 sq. ft. block would cost \$374,000.

**Is City Interested?**

"If the city is really interested in a Japanese center, we are willing to submit a bid for the land, but not at that price," Abe said. He added that the agency also wants underground parking.

He pointed out that to construct a building of a Japanese design the structure would be limited to two stories. "At least four stories will be required to make it economically feasible at the \$5.50 price," Abe declared.

Minimum prices for adjacent blocks zoned for apartment use have been set at \$2.75 per sq. ft., he also pointed out.

A study was made of the next block east between Post and Geary from Buchanan to Laguna which is priced at \$4.40 minimum, Abe learned.

Withdrawal of the local Nisei group means the project may be carried out by some Los Angeles or Hawaiian interests.

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## Washington Newsletter

BY MIKE MASAOKA

### Centennial, U.S.-Japan Relations

Washington D.C.

**NEXT WEEK MARKS** the 100th anniversary of the first diplomatic exchange between the United States and Japan. Various communities in both the United States and Japan, especially those with sister-city affiliations, will commemorate this centennial with special activities and celebrations.

This week, Secretary of State Christian A. Herter issued this special message for the occasion:

"I am happy to join with all Japanese and Americans who this year are celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Treaty of Amity and Commerce between Japan and the United States. This is a fitting time to review the many ways in which our two countries have profited during their long relationship.

"In the early stages of the Meiji era, when Japan opened its doors to the West, we established firm economic and cultural ties. In recent years, these ties have been greatly strengthened, and today Japan and the United States are working together in a close partnership that serves not only the enlightened self interest of both countries but also the cause of peace, justice and progress.

"In this centennial year, we recall the many valuable contributions each country has made to the other. And we look forward to an even warmer friendship and closer relations as we enter the second century of our relations."

**NEXT WEDNESDAY**, former prime minister Shigeru Yoshida will head an official delegation composed of national and prefectural government officials and education and industry leaders which will arrive in Washington to participate in the official commemorative events.

It is particularly fitting that Former Premier Yoshida should lead this delegation, for he was the Prime Minister of Japan during the final days of the Occupation, the principal Japanese signer of the Treaty of Peace, and the first Prime Minister after Japan regained her sovereignty. An ardent champion of Japanese-American cooperation, he is both respected and admired in this country by both our Governmental leaders and our people at large.

**TO CELEBRATE THIS** Centennial, the Information Office of the Consulate General of Japan in New York has published an extremely attractive and informative pamphlet entitled "The First Japanese Embassy—Japan - U.S. Centennial 1860-1960".

In its Foreword, it is stated that "The year 1960 is being observed in the United States and Japan as the Centennial of diplomatic and commercial relations between the two countries. In 1860, the first diplomatic mission to the West in the history of Japan journeyed to Washington. Its task was to exchange ratifications of the Treaty of Amity and Commerce which had been negotiated between the Shogunate and U.S. Consul General Townsend Harris.

"What follows consists largely of a personal diary of the historic journey by a member of the first Embassy. Meant for no other eyes than those of his family and descendants, the diary is candid and sometimes humorous. It reveals the reactions of the Japanese mind to the first full impact of Western civilization.

"Aside from its human interest, the document records the beginnings of the process whereby isolated Japan became one of the great modern industrial nations of the world."

**THE DIFFERENCES** in the philosophical approaches of both peoples are illustrated in two poems, one written as "A Broadway Pageant" by the prophetic and gentle Walt Whitman and the other by Second Ambassador Norimasa Muragaki, Lord of Awaji, a fierce, "two-sworded" samurai.

Walt Whitman wrote:

"Over sea, hither from Nippon,

"Courteous, the Princes of Asia, swart-cheek'd princes,

"First-comers, guests, two-sworded princes,

"Lesson-giving princes, leaning back in their open

barouches, bare-headed, impassive . . .

"Comrade Americans! —to us, then at last, the Orient comes."

Ambassador Muragaki wrote:

"From now on, the bright moonlight of our country

"Will be admired by the peoples of the strange lands."

**THE PAMPHLET CONCLUDES** with these paragraphs:

"In this Centennial year, on January 19, 1960, a new pact was signed in Washington. With the Treaty of Mutual Cooperation and Security, Japan and the United States have entered into a new phase in their relationship. Their common aim to maintain and safeguard the peace is reaffirmed and the responsibilities of each in this task are redefined.

"There is no record that poets were present, as a hundred years ago. But the diarist Second Ambassador Muragaki penned a verse in 1860 on his first night in America which may be apropos:

"In the same sky over the strange land

"Glow even the same spring moon, misty-veiled."

Walt Whitman ended his observant poem in these words:

"Were the children straying westward so long? so wide

the tramping?

"Were the precedent dim ages debouching westward from

Paradise so long?

"Were the centuries steadily footing it that way, all the

while unknown, for you, for reasons?

"They are justified—they are accomplish'd—they shall now

be turn'd the other way also, to travel toward you

thence;

"They shall now also march obediently eastward for your

sake, Libertad!

### PUYALLUP VALLEY CLERS PUSH FUND DRIVE FOR ALIEN LAND LAW REPEAL

TACOMA.—A canvass for funds to assure passage of Senate Resolution No. 4, to eliminate the Washington State alien land laws from the books, has started with Puyallup Valley JACLers soliciting here and in the valley.

Tom Takemura, local chairman, said a joint committee of Seattle-Puyallup Valley JACLers has been called May 24 in Seattle to check on the progress of the campaign.

### President signs '60 civil rights act

WASHINGTON.—President Eisenhower on May 6 signed the 1960 Civil Rights Act, the second such measure to be passed by the Congress in 85 years. The signing was without any extraordinary ceremony.

Congress passed the legislation April 21 after months of debate, marked by one week of around-the-clock sessions in the Senate.

Heart of the measure is a new procedure to help Negroes, other minorities, secure voting privileges. Teamed in this effort will be the Justice Department, federal courts and officers of the courts called referees.

The bill provides for the Attorney General to file suit, asking courts to find whether there is a pattern of discrimination against the exercise of voting rights.

After such a finding, court-appointed referees could hear complaints from persons discriminated against. If the referee found such persons qualified under state law, he could order that they be permitted to register and vote.

The new voting procedure may be tested in this fall's elections, although the law is expected to be challenged in court, delaying a showdown.

### East-West cultural center plans stalled

WASHINGTON.—Gov. William F. Quinn and Hawaii's congressional delegation this past week considered and discarded a proposed change in the form of legislation to authorize an East-West Cultural Center in Hawaii.

Quinn said administration officials had expressed a feeling that direct responsibility for the center should be assigned to the President, rather than the State Dept.

Sen. Oren E. Long (D., Hawaii), said the group decided after a conference with Sen. Lyndon B. Johnson of Texas, to press for House concurrence in the authorizing language adopted by the Senate in late April as an amendment to the mutual security authorization bill.

Quinn expressed confidence that the administration would go along with the East-West Center proposal in a form in which it might be agreed upon in Congress.

He said the change was explored as a result of conferences with administration officials to see if it would be acceptable to all concerned.

(The Hawaii East-West Center bill, introduced by Hawaiian Senator Oren E. Long and co-sponsored by at least 50 senators, was discussed in Mike Masaoka's Washington Newsletter in the PC June 26, 1959, as follows:

"To many of us who have for decades past deplored what we considered the understandable but undue preoccupation of our country with the problems of Europe, while too often overlooking or minimizing those of Asia, this East-West university concept comes as a welcome suggestion that, at long last, a balance may be provided in public discussion of the coerns of the world, East as well as West, to the mutual benefit of both."

### Crown Prince Akihito visit to U.S. slated in fall

TOKYO.—Crown Prince Akihito and his "Cinderella" Princess Michiko will visit Washington, D.C., from Sept. 27-29 and several other American cities, the Imperial Household Agency announced last week. The invitation was extended by President Eisenhower.

The visit is in connection with the centennial celebration of the opening of diplomatic relations between the United States and Japan.

## Congressman Inouye honored by Chicago Japanese American council of 37 groups

BY BERRY SUZUKIDA

CHICAGO.—The local publicity for Rep. Daniel K. Inouye's testimonial dinner at the Sherman Hotel last Saturday stated: "Do not miss this rare opportunity to see, meet and hear one of the most dynamic Nisei of our time."

After listening to Congressman Inouye's speech, one feels that the publicity release from the Japanese American Council of Chicago, composed of 37 civic, religious and athletic groups, should have read: " . . . the most dynamic Nisei of our time."

Dan Inouye commenced by saying that 75 years ago, the first boatload of immigrant laborers came to Hawaii from Japan. Dressed in rags and carrying small parcels, some with babies, they were from the lowest economic strata of society—farmers (hyakusho).

Very few had any education. But from this and succeeding boatloads have descended the 250,000 Japanese Americans in Hawaii and the mainland. Among them can be found leading educators, doctors, lawyers, millionaires, and even a Congressman.

He asked: "What made them so successful?" And he answered: "The gifts given us by our Issei parents: a sense of duty or as some of us call it, ('on'), pride, and humility."

#### Depression Era

During the depression, Inouye recalled how his mother used to serve one boiled egg sliced six ways for breakfast (father, mother and four children). His father wore the same pair of shoes for 18 years.

When Inouye was elected to Congress, he went to his father, and for the first time in his life, thanked him for everything his father had done for him.

Inouye credited the unparalleled war record of the 442nd to the teachings of the Issei. He was told officially by the Dept. of Defense that while over 13,000 men had served in the 442nd, only 10 were captured by the enemy and these 10 had been wounded and helpless. Also, the 442nd had the lowest AWOL record. (These offenders were hospitalized soldiers who sneaked out to rejoin their buddies at the front.)

Shortly after arriving Washington, Inouye was one of these Congressmen invited to a White House reception for Premier Khrushchev. The other two were Speaker Sam Rayburn and Minority Leader Halleck.

#### Mr. K. Reception

Inouye rented tails and tux for \$11.22 and paid \$40 to hire a limousine. On the way to the North Gate of the White House, hundreds of people tried to catch a glimpse of him and, above the babble of voices, he heard one cry out: "That's the Prince of Siam."

At the reception, President Eisenhower lifted his glass and offered a toast of peace and friendship to the Soviet Premier. And Mr. K. in return the toast said: "If we were two small nations and quarreled, we would wind up with

## 6 Sansei from L.A. Boys State delegates

Six Sansei youth in Los Angeles have been selected Boys State delegates who will assemble in Sacramento State Fairgrounds June 18-25 for one week of experience in government.

They are Richard Takagaki, son of Mr. and Mrs. Yoshio Takagaki; Mark Yamazaki, son of Rev. and Mrs. John H.M. Yamazaki; Arthur K. Ito, son of Mr. and Mrs. Art T. Ito; Robert T. Tanabe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eiji Tanabe; Alan T. Miyamoto, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mikio Miyamoto; and Grant T. Emi, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank S. Emi.

Takagaki, Yamazaki and Tanabe are all students at Los Angeles High, while young Ito attends Marshall High, Miyamoto at Washington High, and Emi at Belmont High.

Delegates, all active in school, were recommended by teachers and sponsored by an American Legion post.

Miyamoto is being sponsored by Commodore Perry Post, while Ito is being supported by Dawn Post, commanded by its only Nisei member, Bob Kishita.

scratches on our faces; and a cosmetician could take care of that. But we are two mighty powers and if we ever quarrel, we will crush you. Today, you are wealthier than we are. Tomorrow we shall be as wealthy and the day after that we shall be wealthier than you.

Such a sinister reply to a friendly toast deeply impressed Inouye, convincing him that we need to continue our foreign aid and heavy defense expenditures in order to maintain peace.

He advocates this step even though he may be called a war monger and even though it will necessitate higher taxes and greater sacrifices from us all.

#### Dinner Program

The dinner toastmaster was Noboru Honda. Chicago Nisei Post 1183, American Legion, posted the colors. Abe Hagiwara, accompanied by Helen Saiki at the piano, led in singing the National Anthem. The Rev. George Aki of the Christ Congregational Church made the invocation.

After dinner entertainment consisted by Hawaiian ceremonial dances and vocal solos by Emiko Suzuki. Tom Masuda, chairman of the Japanese American council, extended greetings and Congressman Sidney R. Yates introduced the principal speaker. Sen. R. Paul Douglas of Illinois was also introduced. The Rev. Gyodo Kono of the Midwest Buddhist Church recited the benediction.

### Rep. Inouye to keynote Hawaii Demo convention

HONOLULU.—Rep. Daniel K. Inouye (D., Hawaii) will be the keynote speaker at the Democratic State Convention to be held May 21 at Roosevelt High School.

Democrats will select delegates to the national convention in Los Angeles in July, adopt a platform and elect state officers at the conclave.

## CALENDAR

#### May 14 (Saturday)

St. Louis—Potluck Supper-Movies, St. Augustine's Church, 7039 Brumb, 6:30 p.m.

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 16 (Monday)

West Los Angeles—Auxiliary meeting, Miss Tave Isono's home; "Makizushi" demonstration.

#### May 18 (Wednesday)

Monterey Peninsula—Board meeting, JACL Hall, 8 p.m.

#### May 20 (Friday)

Chicago—Chapter 1000ers Whing-ding.

#### May 21 (Saturday)

CCDC—Oratorical contest, Fresno Japanese Congregational Church, 8 p.m.

Venice-Culver—Teenage dance.

Long Beach-Harbor District—Parents' Night, Harbor Community Center.

#### May 21-22

Chicago—Jr. JACL Youth Festival, Olivet Institute.

#### May 22 (Sunday)

PSWDC—Pre-convention rally, Orange County JACL hosts; business session and luncheon at Anaheim Hotel, 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)

Sequoia—Tri-Ville's Japanese movie benefit, Palo Alto Buddhist Church.

Gilroy—Memorial service.

Milwaukee—MDC 1000 Club whing-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 2 (Thursday)

Puyallup Valley—General meeting, Tacoma Buddhist Church, 8 p.m.

#### 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.

Mid-Hi—Issei Appreciation dinner, Cosmopolitan Hotel.

Monterey Peninsula—Community picnic, Fairgrounds.

#### June 10 (Friday)

Chicago—Men's Smoker.

Philadelphia—Chapter meeting, International Institute.

#### June 11 (Saturday)

Southwest—L.A.—Queentime Ball, Old Dixie, 43rd & Western Ave.