

Wide of the Mark

Uphill on Calif. Hwy 49, four miles north from Placer, is a road sign pointing to Gold Hill two miles away. In the heart of the Mother Lode Country where monuments, relics and mementos abound recalling the dramatic days of the Gold Rush era, the plain-looking Gold Hill marker does not allude to the story of the first Japanese colony in California.

Somewhere in the area lies the headstone of Okei, the 19-year-old girl who was the first Japanese girl to be buried in America in 1871. It is a story which has been told many times in the Pacific Citizen and more recently in the Sacramento Bee.

Several years ago, Tamotsu Murayama reported from Tokyo that the family registry of Okei had been found in the city of Wakamatsu in Fukushima prefecture. She was the daughter of Bunkichi Ito, a carpenter.

In one respect, we were fortunate in finding someone at home on the Clinton Veerkamp Ranch on Gold Hill Rd. An elderly woman gave us directions on how to locate the Okei grave. She said to turn right at the first intersection, drive down that road until the first bridge or culvert and drive up a dirt road just on the other side. The grave was in a cleared area on the hill to the right, she said.

But we missed our mark, after making a wide sweep on the rough hillside. We spent nearly two hours under a blazing sun, which was partially hidden by white and gray billows of smoke rising from the fires scorching the pastures and wooded hills of Amador and El Dorado counties at the time.

Had we intended to visit the Okei grave, we would have ascertained directions from Placer County JACL, which has been tending to the gravesite. But we never dreamed it was that close to Hwy. 49 — for our map did not pin point Gold Hill.

The reported move of some northern California Japanese to erect a monument or historical marker (along Hwy 49, if we may suggest) can be commended. Vacationers touring Hwy 49 seem to read every marker along this 200-mile circuitous stretch and they can be appraised of the Japanese who came to America in 1868.

Another historical item of interest concerning El Dorado county is that at the time of California's admission in 1850, there were 40,000 people in the county, making it the most populous. Los Angeles County, the most populated at 6 million today, had a mere 7,300. Signs of El Dorado's greatness in the 1850s have been partially reconstructed at Coloma State Park, where George Marshall first found gold in 1848 in the American River. A few buildings with Chinese signs were also noted along the state highway.

Californians planning to vacation in the Lake Tahoe region ought to consider adding an extra day touring the Mother Lode Country and look at Gold Hill where the first Japanese colony had lived in the 1870s. It brings into focus the progress the Japanese have made in the short span of 100 years. H.H.

YOUTH OF EASTERN-MIDWEST DISTRICT COUNCIL VOTED AT TWIN CITIES PARLEY

CHICAGO — The Joint EDC-MDC Convention in Minneapolis over the Labor Day weekend, Sept. 1-4, attracted close to 100 Junior JACL and Saneel delegates, an unprecedented turnout for the first Junior JACL Convention sponsored by the joint district councils. The largest delegation of 25 came from Chicago, the smallest came from Washington, D.C. with one lone delegate.

By unanimous vote the youth delegates decided to organize a Joint District Youth Council, composed of two official youth representatives from each of the 12 chapters comprising the Eastern and Midwest District Councils.

The Youth Council in addition to maintaining close communication among Junior JACL and Saneel groups, will assist in planning and organizing the next Convention which will be held in Cleveland in 1963.

A chartered bus from Chicago brought 28 youth delegates and their advisers from Chicago, Cleveland and Detroit. The young people helped raise part of their expenses by sponsoring dances, car wash and service projects during the summer.

Youth Assembly
Gene Takahashi, past president and current Jr. JACL adviser of the Cleveland Chapter, conducted the first youth assembly in which each Junior JACL or Saneel group representative presented activity reports.

The background of JACL youth program and the function of the National JACL Committee on Work with Youth were explained by Abe Hagihara, MDC Youth Committee Chairman. Dr. James Takaki, of Cincinnati, Mrs. Gene Takahashi of Cleveland and Miss Yo Sakuma of Chicago conducted the Junior JACL Workshop.

The high point of the youth program was Mike Masaoka's inspiring address on Sept. 2, which was held at Univ. of Minnesota's Coffman Union. The speaker was introduced by Al Ono, toastmaster. Masaoka challenged the Saneel to assert more initiative and leadership in meeting their obligations as citizens. He traced the history of the evacuation and JACL's legislative program reminding the

First Nisei named deputy prosecutor

SEATTLE — Believed the first American of Japanese descent ever appointed to such a post in his state, Richard M. Ishikawa last week was named as deputy prosecutor by Prosecutor Charles J. Carroll.

Ishikawa was born in Seattle 29 years ago Sept. 4. A graduate of Gonzaga University's School of Law, he has just finished serving even months as law clerk before Superior Judge Eugene A. Wright.

Ishikawa is a first lieutenant in the United States Army Reserve, Judge Advocate General's Corps, assigned to the 498th Engineer Command at Ft. Lawton.

Ishikawa will be assigned to prosecuting criminals in the courts, said Prosecutor Carroll.

Ishikawa is the son of Fred S. Ishikawa of Spokane, who came to this country from Japan in 1906, and his wife, Kimi, a 1918 immigrant.

Washington Newsletter: by Mike Masaoka

Critical 90 Days

LAST WEEK, in a speech that apparently did not receive the publicity we think it deserved, Paul H. Nitze, a top Pentagon official whose official title is the Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs, warned that the next ninety days may well decide the fate of the world for the next 100 years.

And, although Congress is struggling to adjourn within the next week or two, there are many here in the nation's capital, and at the United Nations in New York where the General Assembly is slated to convene later this month, who tend to agree with this sober analysis. There is the feeling here that we are closer to war than at any time since Hitler marched his Nazi stormtroopers into Poland 23 years ago this month (September 1, 1939) to precipitate World War II.

For the Free World and the Sino-Soviet bloc cannot reach an agreement by the end of the year, then the possibility of war will be very real and near, as international tensions created by the arms buildups, radiation fallout, and military confrontations such as in Berlin may break out into actual tests of strength.

Without doubt, this grim possibility was very much in the minds of American strategists when they decided last week (September 5) to resume nuclear testing, following the August 30 announcement by the Soviet Union that it was resuming atmospheric atomic testing. Though the United States reaction was expected and had its political significance—to prove the West's determination not to submit to military significance may be to "nuclear blackmail" in the words of the President—its long run military significance may be far more important. The forthcoming American tests, though underground, will allow Pentagon planners to refine our war machine by giving researchers the opportunity to perfect an anti-missile missile with a nuclear warhead, to develop better atomic tactical weapons, and to increase the effectiveness and range of the Polaris and other strategic "deterrent" missiles.

Officials here believe that such weapons, added to what "this country already has stockpiled for

audience that "persons of Japanese ancestry did not always enjoy all these privileges we are now taking for granted."

Masaoka was critical of those who feel self-satisfied, complacent and smug with their own success, turning their backs on individual as well as group responsibility.

National President Frank Chuman and K. Patrick Okura, Chairman of the National PR Committee, also addressed the youths briefly.

On the lighter side the young people participated in the Friday night mixer, Saturday social led by Ross Harano of Chicago, picnic outing at beautiful Minnehaha Park and the Convention Ball held at Hotel Radisson. Local arrangements were handled by UCL's Youth Committee composed of Dr. and Mrs. Henry Tsuchiya, Mr. and Mrs. Min Yoshida and Howard Nomura.

Rights commission recommends basic literacy vote law

WASHINGTON — The Civil Rights Commission this week recommended that Congress enact legislation to ensure the right of all qualified Americans to vote. It said six years of schooling should meet any state literacy requirement.

Evidence of balloting discrimination has been found in eight Southern states, the commission added.

The commission divided, 4 to 2, on the recommendation that Congress pass laws to deal with discrimination against Negroes and other minority groups in voting.

Two-Part Recommendation
This recommendation was in two parts. Citing the 14th and 15th Amendments to the Constitution as establishing a federal say in voting matters, the commission majority said Congress should:

1—Declare that voter qualifications other than age, residence, confinement, and conviction of a crime are susceptible to use and have been used to deny the right to vote on grounds of race and color.

2—Enact legislation providing that all citizens shall have a right to vote in federal or state elections and that this right shall not be interfered with except for inability to meet reasonable age or length of residence requirements or on grounds of conviction of a crime.

The right to vote, the commission added, should also include the right to register or otherwise qualify to vote and have the vote count.

MADERA YOUTH SIGNED FOR U.S. PEACE CORPS

MADERA — John Aoki of Madera was among 30 Californians selected for further training in the Peace Corps in Venezuela under a Fulbright scholarship. He was scheduled to depart Sept. 7 for Caracas to study at the Univ. of Venezuela.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fusataro Aoki, is active with the Fresno YBA and majored in social science at Fresno State College.

Chuman to attend youth employment conference in L.A.

Plans were finalized for a Sept. 18 conference on the most explosive social situation in the nation today—the unemployed and out-of-school youths between 16 and 21—it was announced by Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors Chairman Ernest E. Debs.

Some 300 top leaders of labor, management, employment, education and community affairs have been invited by Debs to attend the dinner meeting, which will be sponsored by the Board of Supervisors, at 7:30 p.m. at the Beverly Hilton Hotel.

National JACL President Frank Chuman announced today his acceptance of the invitation received last week.

"This serious, ever-growing problem must be looked at thoroughly right now, not next month or next year," Debs declared, "and we will be the first County in the nation to be taking positive action."

Job Training Program
"We aren't just going to talk about these youths. It is hoped that out of this conference will come some action and committees to follow through on a continuing basis to get these thousands of young men and women into job training and off the streets."

A conference held in May in Washington, D.C., pointed out the increase in delinquency and crime rates in the 16-21 age bracket which constitutes a serious threat to our free society.

It is estimated that in Los Angeles County about 20 per cent of that age group is unemployed, or triple the percentage of unemployed adults, according to figures given Debs by County Probation Officer Karl Holton.

Coming here from Washington to speak at the dinner are United States Commissioner of Education Sterling M. McMurrin, and Vice President of the Ford Foundation Dyke Brown.

Probation Officer Holton attended the Washington conference, gave Debs a complete report on the urgency of the situation and is devoting his efforts toward facilitating the productive involvement of youth in community work and social life.

Gardena project
GARDENA — The Gardena Community Methodist Church has launched a new building fund drive toward construction of a worship site on Rosecrans Blvd. half block west of Normandie. Paul Bannai is campaign chairman. The project is expected to cost \$140,000, according to Rev. Peter Chen.

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Five more \$1,000 contributions given to 'Issei Story,' general drive coming

SAN FRANCISCO — National JACL headquarters here announced today receipt of four more \$1,000 contributions and pledges to the Issei Story Project fund.

This brings the number of \$1,000 donations to 12.

(Japan Air Lines has also contributed \$1,000 this week, as noted in the photograph above this story. —Editor.)

The Japanese American Citizens League is seeking \$100,000 from Nisei and other sources to get the history project under way. Another \$300,000 is being sought from foundations.

The latest donors are:

Dr. Russell Wehara of Oakland, Calif., Ed Yamamoto of Moses Lake, Wash., and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Shoji Yamamoto.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenji Kasai of San Francisco and sons George S. and Hideo.

The children of the late Masuo Yasui and Mrs. Shidzuo Yasui.

Pioneer JACLer
Dr. Wehara is retired from his optometry practice but is active in business affairs. A pioneer JACL leader, Dr. Wehara gave the first \$1,000 to the National JACL Endowment Fund at the national convention in Seattle in 1938. He is Issei Story Project chairman of the Oakland JACL chapter and recently was named an auditor for the national project.

Ed Yamamoto and his parents operate the El Rancho Motel in Moses Lake, a farming commu-

nity near the Bonneville reclamation project in eastern Washington. Yamamoto and both his parents are Life Members of the JACL 1000 Club.

Kenji Kasai, an Issei, is chairman of the board of Nikko Kasai Securities Co., and long prominent in San Francisco Japanese community affairs. His son George is an engineer with the Space Technology Institute, a division of Ramo-Wooldrige, Inc. The other son, Hideo, is in Tokyo at present with the international department of Nikko Securities Co.

The Yasui were long prominent in Hood River, Ore. where the family lived from 1906 to 1942. Yasui was a merchant and also in the fruit growing business. The Yasui children joining in the contribution in memory of their parents are:

Children Contribute
Ray T. Yasui of Hood River, orchardist; Min of Denver, attorney, Mountain-Plains District Council chairman and member of the legal committee of the Issei Story Project; Mrs. Michi Ando of Denver, wife of an attorney; Roku of Boston, mechanical engineer; Dr. Robert S. of Williamsport, Pa., surgeon; Dr. Homer of Portland, Ore., physician; and Mrs. Yuki Fujikura of Portland, registered nurse and wife of a physician.

Two weeks ago it was announced the Sumitomo Bank of California and the Bank of Tokyo of California each had contributed \$1,000. Previous \$1,000 donors were Mr. and Mrs. Shig Wakamatsu, Chicago; Dr. and Mrs. Frank Sakamoto, Chicago; Mr. and Mrs. Frank M. Nonaka, San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. Frank F. Chuman, Los Angeles; the children of Kikumatsu Togasaki; and Mr. and Mrs. Takeo Yuki, Los Gatos, Calif.

Preliminary Study Started
The Issei Story project is an effort to compile and record a scholarly, complete story of the Japanese in the United States during the century ending in 1960. Dr. T. Scott Miyakawa, associate professor at Boston University, has begun preliminary work on the project.

A drive to raise funds for the project is expected to be announced this fall. Meanwhile, voluntary contributions may be sent to National JACL Headquarters, 1834 Post St., San Francisco 15, or to Sim Togo, project finance chairman, 200 Davis St., San Francisco 11. Checks should be made to JACL Issei Story Project. Contributions are tax deductible.

Cal-Vet amendment to assist evacuee becomes effective
SACRAMENTO — A new state law of benefit to certain California veterans of Japanese ancestry goes into effect today.

It provides that any person of Japanese ancestry who during World War II, while a bona fide resident of California, was evacuated from the state by Presidential order (dated Feb. 19, 1942) and who entered the armed forces from a state other than California, is eligible for California veterans benefits even if he has received a bonus or other benefit from the other state.

Up to the present time such veterans were denied Cal-Vet loan and educational assistance eligibility if they received a bonus or other benefit from another state.

Signed by Gov. Brown
The new law is the result of Senate Bill 52 of the recent session of the California legislature. It was introduced by State Sen. Fred S. Farr (D., Carmel) and State Sen. Stanley Arnold (D., Susanville), and Japanese American citizens, service organizations and veterans posts were instrumental in its preparation.

The bill was signed by Gov. Edmund G. Brown, to take effect 90 days after adjournment of the 1961 legislature. The law will be administered by the California Department of Veterans Affairs in Sacramento, of which Joseph M. Farber is director.

Cal-Vet eligibility requires that the veteran either be a native of California or have been a bona fide resident of California when he entered the armed forces in time of war.

Would Have Qualified
Sens. Farr and Arnold, in announcing the new law, pointed out that the veterans affected would normally have entered the service from California, if they had not been evacuated by the 1942 Presidential order. Therefore, these veterans had no choice but to enter the U.S. armed forces from another state.

Survivors of deceased veterans and dependents of totally disabled veterans, to whom the law would apply, may also become eligible for Cal-Vet benefits previously denied under the old law.

Veterans, survivors of dependents should check with the local veterans service office, community service center, or any office of the state department of veterans affairs for information and assistance.

RAY YASUI APPOINTED TO STATE ADVISORY UNIT
HOOD RIVER, Ore. — Ray T. "Chop" Yasui, a life member of the 1000 Club and prominent orchardist here, was named recently to the Governor's Advisory Committee on Workmen's Compensation Legislation.

A personal choice of Gov. Mark Hatfield, Yasui joins other prominent Oregonians on the committee to study the existing compensation and to advise the governor of needed legislation in this field.

Yasui is also 1000 Club chairman of the Pacific Northwest District Council.



JAPAN AIRLINES CONTRIBUTES

"The Issei Story" is \$1,000 nearer publication following announcement of a contribution by Japan Air Lines Co., Ltd. Pictured in San Francisco presenting a check to Sim Togo (right) is JAL's newly appointed general sales manager, Shigeo Kamada. Togasaki is finance chairman for the JACL project which began last year. The object of "The Issei Story" — one of JACL's most ambitious undertakings — is to present a definitive history of the Japanese in America, 1860-1960. Togasaki estimated that work involved in providing a thorough study (to include representative case studies, biographical sketches and a comprehensive analysis of the Issei and Nisei society) will take three to four years.

A. L. Wirin to be honored for 30-year service as civil liberties lawyer

A.L. Wirin, whose devout commitment to freedom under the law has not wavered in his 30 years as a civil liberties lawyer, will be honored by the Southern California ACLU at a garden party Sunday, Sept. 17 from 5 to 9 p.m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Julian Sieroty, 1002 N. Rexford Dr., Beverly Hills.

More than 1,000 persons, including ACLU members, lawyers, civic leaders and guests, are expected to attend the event marking Wirin's 30th year as chief counsel for the ACLU in Southern California.

He is also a longtime 1000 Club member of the Downtown L.A. JACL.

Wirin, who in November, 1931, became the nation's first full-time civil liberties lawyer, prepared his first brief for the ACLU on behalf of Robert Burns, famed "fugitive from a chain gang."

Landmark Cases
Since then he has participated in scores of cases that have become landmarks of judicial history, representing the meek and the arrogant, the obscure and the notorious whose rights as citizens were threatened.

He led in the legal battles to invalidate the California alien land law.

He also served as special counsel for JACL when the citizenship rights of Nisei were endangered during and after World War II.

Through these 30 turbulent years, only the ACLU's philosophy.

CALIF. FEPC HANDLES OVER THOUSAND CASES
SACRAMENTO — The California Fair Employment Practices Commission reported to Governor Edmund Brown that it has handled more than 1,000 cases in its first 22 months of operation.

As of the end of July, 730 cases had been closed, 72 because the commission lacked jurisdiction or because the person complaining of being refused a job because of his race, nationality, color or religious creed did not proceed further.

Of the cases settled, the commission said discrimination was found and corrected in 225 or 34 per cent.

Matsutake outlook for Mt. Hood area looks bleak
MT. HOOD, Ore. — The first matsutake (mushrooms) were found on Aug. 27 in the Mt. Hood area by Henry H. Nakamura of Hood River, it was reported this past week.

Nakamura says the woods are still quite dry and the outlook for the rest of the season is dim unless there is immediate rainfall. His total find before Labor Day was three mushrooms.

Non-white shifts in population noted by Chicago study

CHICAGO — Analyzing the changes in the non-white population which occurred between 1950 and 1959 in the state of Illinois, metropolitan, city and suburb areas, the Chicago Commission on Human Relations this week noted shifts from the center of the city to outlying neighborhoods.

The study was based on official census figures and maps showing the shift by census tracts.

The non-white population in Illinois is 97 pct. Negro as of 1960: 1,037,470 Negro; 14,074 Japanese; 7,047 Chinese; 4,704 Indian; 3,387 Filipino; 4,024, all others—1,670,906 total non-white; 9,010,232 white.

There were 1,443 Japanese in Illinois in 1950.

In the city of Chicago, there were 3,394 Japanese in 1950 and none listed for 1959.

The report noted that within the city, there has been a definite dispersal of Orientals from the Near North, Oakland, Kenwood and Hyde Park communities into one southside community (South Shore), and into three northside communities (Lincoln Park, Lakeview and Uptown).

DENTISTS FACE NEW HAZARD: PATIENT HAS GUN, WILL STICK UP
SAN FRANCISCO — A gunman who had a bad tooth had two up on Dr. Kazuo Nii the other day.

The "patient" came in to have a tooth extraction. The dentist obliged. The usual patient's response, of course, would be "glad that's over."

But instead, the man whipped out his gun and ordered Dr. Nii to get down on his fours. He was later ordered to crawl into the adjacent office. Meantime, the ungrateful youth went into the doctor's medical cabinet for narcotics.

All the time, there was another patient—with his mouth wide open—waiting for Dr. Nii in another room. He was startled when the bandit came in.

Dr. Nii was then forced to tie up his second patient. He was relieved of three dollars.

The thug not only swiped the drug but took \$100 cash from the dentist. In addition, he grabbed the X-ray plates that had been taken of his mouth.

Dr. Nii, 38, worked himself loose and called police.

\$100 BILL LOST DURING NISEI WEEK CARNIVAL FOUND AND RETURNED

A \$100 bill, lost by a Los Angeles matron while attending the recent crowd-filled Nisei Week carnival, has been returned to its owner.

The lucky woman is Mrs. Seiko Ishimaru.

On the final day of the two-day carnival she lost the bill on the carnival grounds.

Word of her loss got around and eventually reached the ears of the person who found it—Mrs. Hatsu Iwata of 8851 Knott Ave., Anaheim.

Mrs. Iwata immediately mailed the bill to the office of the Southern California Japanese Chamber of Commerce, asking that it be returned to Mrs. Ishimaru.

The latter, widow of the late Dr. Tetsuo Ishimaru, prewar L.A. Nisei leader, mailed \$20 to Mrs. Iwata for her kindness, but the Anaheim resident didn't keep the money. Last week she sent it back to the chamber office, asking that it be used for community social welfare work.

Alien job status in public agency eyed

Arguments on whether aliens may be employed by a governmental agency will be heard Oct. 2 in the Los Angeles Superior Court in a suit brought by the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen against the Metropolitan Transit Authority.

ACTU Counsel A.L. Wirin and ACTU Peter Aronson will appear as friends of the court, challenging the constitutionality of a California statute barring the employment of aliens by public agencies.

The ACTU contends that the statute violates the equal protection clause of the 14th Amendment.

Takei elected chairman of assembly district unit
Arthur S. Takei, president of the West Jefferson Democratic Club, has been elected chairman of the 40th Assembly District Council of the Democratic Party at a convention last Sunday, attended by more than 30 delegates and presided by Assemblyman Edward E. Elliott.

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Director's Report

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NATIONAL OFFICIALS MEET

President Frank Chuman took advantage of the attendance of a goodly number of National officials at the Joint EDC-MDC Convention to call an informal meeting on Labor Day to discuss a number of pending matters. After three strenuous days of conventional socializing, ordinarily you could not pay these fellows to get up early on a holiday, especially for another meeting; but there they were. While the recommendations made were not official actions, they will be carried out as such upon the approval of other members of the National Board.

The attendance of 100 young people at both the Interim and EDC-MDC meetings was refreshing, and their decision to form junior organizations under the District Council was inspiring, but this forces JACL to re-study its work with youth and to specifically define the program and its limits of organization. According to the National Youth Committee under Chairman Jerry Enomoto was authorized to assemble a conference of certain JACLers to make recommendations to the National Board.

A definite theme for the 1962 National Oratorical and Essay contests was agreed upon and is being forwarded to the Seattle National Convention Board.

The need of a more positive overall National JACL public relations program was emphasized and several specific ways of implementation such a program were rendered. Put Okura, National Public Relations Committee Chairman, was instructed to incorporate the several ideas for formal presentation to the 1962 National Council meeting.

In view of requests for specific organizational data about JACL Headquarters was requested to prepare a mimeo fact sheet containing such pertinent information, ready for distribution to anyone.

While the JACL Japanese movie project, generously offered by Fred Matsuo in process of development and coordination by Jim Higashi for the purpose of raising funds for the Washington Alien Land Law repeal campaign, the recommendation was that National JACL meantime forward a substantial amount to the Repeal Committee, this amount to be reimbursed later from the proceeds of the project.

Recognition was also given to the importance of more than National moral support toward the Idaho State proposition to eliminate prohibition from voting, holding office, and serving as jurors by Orientals and other Mongolians not born in the United States.

Shig Wakamatsu, Chairman of the National Recognition Committee, will form a nucleus committee to take immediate steps in search of the Nisei of the current Biennium.

Plans were formulated for a better coordination of the JACL Issei Story project and to make the project and its procedures clearer to everyone through a printed brochure as well as visitations to chapters by national officials. Provisions were made for storing and classifying valuable documents which are already being received.

At the conclusion of the session, national officials were warmly rewarded by the thoughtful presence of Convention Co-chairman Tomo Kobayashi and his folks, including us to their home for a luncheon of Japanese goodies to solidify our oriental appetites. Miko Kobayashi, former Washington Office Secretary and now in U.S. Congressman Sidney Yates' office, served as our charming hostess.

ISSEI STORY PROGRESS

In anticipation of our discussion on the Issei Story project in Minneapolis, Frank Chuman and the National Director arranged to get together enroute with Bill Hosokawa and Larry Tajiri in Denver.

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Pasadena plans for new community center appear dim, Nisei indignant over handling by board of trustees

Plans recently published for a new Japanese cultural center in Pasadena are not on a bed of roses.

Two Nisei community leaders, George Nakahiro and Henry Hayashi, who are active with the Pasadena Gardeners group, the Pasadena Japanese community-at-large shown by some members of the present Japanese Community Center board of trustees.

Reference was made to the public meeting of community representatives called by the Community Center board of trustees on June 5, when the proposal was offered to sell the present property at Del Mar St. and to buy property on Lincoln Ave. for a new center.

Questions raised
At this meeting, several technical questions were raised concerning legal documents pertaining to the center, financial statements, zone variance and plot plan.

It was also suggested that Pasadena Japanese Community Center board of directors be increased from seven to 15 members by amending its state charter.

Question was also raised on what authority the present board of directors had to utilize a portion of the building fund for purchase of property at Orange Grove and Lincoln Ave.

The chairman of the board, presiding at the meeting, promised to assemble the necessary documents and call another meeting. But this meeting was not called, according to Hayashi and Nakahiro.

Board of Trustees Acts
"Instead, a board of trustees (not the board of directors) met and decided to build a Japanese language school, instead of a community center, and it was to be called the Japanese Cultural Center," the two Nisei said.

After the plans were released to the Los Angeles press (see PC Aug. 25), the board of directors did call a meeting and presentation of the

documents as promised "never materialized," according to Hayashi and Nakahiro. It was contended that the board of directors and board of trustees assumed an opposition was formed because of the inquiries made at the initial meeting.

"This is not true," Hayashi and Nakahiro said. "Plain common sense will say that erection of a community center and a Japanese language school would never be opposed by any Nisei, Kibei or Issei."

Hayashi and Nakahiro added that as it stands, the board of trustees is legally empowered to act without consulting the community-at-large. But they now propose the title of the community center property should be vested in the community through a board of governors elected by the community-at-large.

This course of events, it appears, makes the future of the new Japanese cultural center in Pasadena a bleak one.

New state laws trimming racial discrimination in housing effective this month in New York and Massachusetts

NEW YORK. — About 44 per cent of the housing in New York State is covered by the state's new law banning discrimination in housing. The law became effective Sept. 1.

A series of public meetings beginning last May have been held by the State Commission Against Discrimination to explain the law, which extends the commission's jurisdiction from public and publicly assisted housing to:

1—Sale or rental of apartments in all multiple dwellings (3 or more apartments) except three-family dwellings where the owner resides in one of the apartments.

2—Sale or rental of homes in

a development of 10 or more homes.

3—Sale or rental of commercial space.

4—Services provided by real estate brokers only where the broker is dealing with a housing accommodation or commercial space which is subject to the law.

5—Services provided by lending institutions in the lending of money for purchase or repair of housing.

Other State Laws

New York thus lines up with Massachusetts, which has been a pioneer in combating housing discrimination and recently broadened its coverage by new statutes.

A new Pennsylvania law also

takes effect this month. The Pennsylvania law prohibits discrimination in the sale or rental of all property, including building plots and commercial areas, except single or duplex owner-occupied dwellings, buildings maintained by religious, educational, charitable or fraternal organizations, and rooms rented in private homes.

Other states which have recently strengthened their statutes banning discrimination in private housing include Minnesota, Connecticut, and Oregon.

Little affected by the new state law will be New York City, which had the first law in the nation to bar discrimination in private housing and recently extended its ordinance to cover all housing transactions with the exception of the rental of an apartment in an owner-occupied duplex or the rental of rooms in private residences.

Wm. Koda, 43, dies of kidney ailment

SOUTH DOS PALOS. — William Teich Koda, 43-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Keisaburo Koda, well known rice grower in South Dos Palos, died of a kidney ailment at the Peninsula Hospital in Burlingame Sept. 6.

After his father's retirement from active farming, Koda had been in charge of the huge 4,000-acre rice farm with his younger brother Ed. Together, they were successful in developing the "Kokubo" rice and mochigome rice flour.

During World War II the Koda families were evacuated to Amador WRA Center in Granada, Colo., and were forced to sell their 8,000-acre farm. Following the war they returned to the Dos Palos area and again began a successful rice growing operation.

Million Dollar Claim

The Kodas in 1954 filed a \$1,100,320 claim against the U.S. Government for compensation because of losses in the forced sale of their property.

The deceased was active in civic affairs at South Dos Palos. He was often called the "acting mayor" of the community, having taken interest in its school system. He was a county trustee.

He graduated from the U.C. Agricultural College at Davis.

Surviving are his parents of San Francisco; his wife and two daughters, Mary Ann, 15, and Carol, 13; and brother Ed, all of Dos Palos.

Pioneer L.A. Issei physician succumbs to heart attack

Dr. Peter M. Suski, one of the pioneer Issei doctors in Los Angeles, succumbed to a heart attack Aug. 31 at his home at 121 N. Bonnie Brae Ave.

The 86-year-old physician was one of the founders of the English section of the Ratu Shimo and one of his daughters, Louise, now of Chicago, served as his editor until World War II.

DEATHS

Aizawa, Fusaji, 86: Los Angeles, Sept. 5. Doi, Sekizo, 83: Salt Lake City, Aug. 27. Fujita, Wakao, 82: Redondo, Aug. 14. Fukuyama, Yone, 75: Los Angeles, Aug. 25.
Giles, Mrs. Hideo, 71: Twin Falls, Idaho, Aug. 31.
Hayashi, Fumio, 39: San Fernando, Aug. 22. (b) Wife, three children.
(c) Mr. and Mrs. Yoshio Hongo, (d) Yuta.
Hirashi, Frank S., 46: Los Angeles (formerly of Tacoma), Aug. 27 — (e) Tsukiko three children, (f) Iki, (g) Henry, (h) Mrs. Martha Yamaguchi, Mrs. Sumi, 69: Los Angeles, Aug. 22.
Kataoka, John Y., 49: Des Moines (formerly of Long Beach, Calif.), Sept. 4—Suzuko, three children; (h) Fumi, (i) Betty Ikeda, Shizue Masumura.
Mochizuki, Roy T., 47: Los Angeles (formerly of Seattle) — (j) Sayoko, three children, (k) Chikumi, Ziro, Makoto, Akira and (l) Mies, Kona Sakamoto, Chive Oomai, Sue Sakamoto, Yae Kamae.
Muramatsu, Mrs. Iseno, 76: Richmond, Aug. 21.
Otsuka, Yoshitaro, 81: Santa Ana, Aug. 22.
Sumida, Taneao, 61: Santa Francisco, Aug. 22.
Takahashi, Shime, 76: Clearfield, Utah, Sept. 2.
Uchiro, Mrs. Tsuruo, 59: San Jose, Aug. 10.
Uchiro, Mrs. Kiku, 68: Palo Alto, Aug. 23.
Yamamoto, James H., 44: National City, Sept. 5—(m) Setsuko, three children, (n) Mr. and Mrs. Mitsuhiro, (o) Henry, (p) Mrs. Martha Yamaguchi.
Yamamoto, Yasukazu, 76: El Cerrito, Aug. 26.
Yamashita, Genroku, 76: Los Angeles, Aug. 22.
Yoshida, Hatsu, 63: Santa Monica, Aug. 25.
Yoshimoto, Kamelichi, 72: Los Angeles, Aug. 29.

KANSAS CITY NISEI HEADS COLLEGE ALUMNI

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Paul Kamitsuka, of 7712 E. 113th St., was recently installed as president of the Park College Alumni Association. Active in civic affairs since his graduation in 1940, the former West Coast Nisei is chairman of the President's Council of Optimists Clubs in the Greater Kansas City Area, a co-founder of the Optimist Junior Baseball Assn., and honored as finalist in the K.U. Medical Center "Employee of the Year" award.

He is junior project director of the antiserum reference laboratory of the virus research section at the Univ. of Kansas Medical Center. The laboratory is referred to as the "Fort Knox" of reference antisera against viruses.

San Jose state worker awarded social scholarship

SACRAMENTO. — June Minato, 195 E. Empire St., San Jose, was one of 60 social workers awarded scholarships for graduate study in child welfare services, announced the California State Dept. of Social Welfare.

The scholarships average \$2,900 each and are financed with a part of the \$930,000 in federal child welfare services funds allotted to California for the 1961-62 fiscal year. Miss Minato will study at Smith College, noted women's school at Northampton, Mass.

Chapter Chit-Chat

Omaha JACL

The Robert Nakadono were guests of the Shig Nakagaki, former Northern Californians who are poultry farmers and well-respected in their community of Battle Lake, Minn.

The Tak Misaki hosted Saburo Shimatani of Tokyo, a student at Wisconsin University, this past summer.

Yukio Kuroishi is editing the Japanese section of the Omaha JACL Bulletin.

Mike Oshima had to get up at 1 a.m. and be on the spot to serve the tables and area at Two Rivers Recreation Area for his recent chapter picnic, which was enjoyed by some 200 people. Picnic chairman Robert Nakadono was also there early.

San Jose annex

SAN JOSE. — Expansion of the San Jose Buddhist Church property was announced this past week with a \$53,000 budget drawn up for purchase of adjacent lots and houses.



'I'm Shooting for a Record, Too'

GUEST COLUMNIST: Any Issei in College Sports?

BY IWAO KAWAKAMI
Sports Columnist
San Francisco

IN REGARD to the "Issei Story," when the data for the project is gathered, I'm wondering if the information wouldn't be easier for those who plan to use "Issei Story" for reference if the accomplishments of the Issei are placed in categories.

In other words, if we wanted to know who the outstanding Issei merchants or nurserymen are or were—all we would have to do is look up the category "merchants and exporters" and "flower growers." It's just a thought, of course. On the other hand, most biographical compilations usually follow the alphabetical order without regard to the particular field in which the subject is—or was—prominent.

THIS MAY be an odd way to introduce a sports column, but I do not recall many Issei having taken prominent part in sports in the United States, and I would be quite interested in learning if the research in the "Issei Story" uncovers there were any Issei who went out for college teams.

If I'm not mistaken, one was William Matsuo who was a triple threat back for the William and Mary College in Maryland in the 1920s. I believe he was a young Issei instead of a Nisei.

I have heard reports that there were many young Issei playing for semi-pro baseball teams all over the United States between 1900 and

1917—the year U.S. entered World War I.

The Issei, of course, have always been interested in wrestling—or sumo—and judo, and it would be interesting to find out if some of them were considered to be top-notch in these two sports.

MANY ISSEI are still very good golfers and I have a feeling there were others in the past who were excellent in the heyday of Bobby Jones and Walter Hagen. And I know there were several very good Issei tennis players.

Issei are still great ones for fishing—sport and commercial—and annals of great catches made by Issei fishermen—even in commercial purse seiners going after sardines and tuna—should prove to be an absorbing one.

I wonder—I wonder—if anybody will recapture on paper the magnificent saga of the Issei and Nisei who went on those rugged fishing trips to Alaska in the 1920's.

—Nobuhiko Times

San Francisco YWCA

SAN FRANCISCO. — Rose Richards has been named new director of the 1830 Sutter YWCA center, succeeding Mrs. Michi Onuma, first director of the center who is now at the 620 Sutter Main YWCA at central registration.

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By Larry Tajiri

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RACIAL STEREOTYPES FADING

The past record of show business in projecting racial stereotypes and extending prejudice against minority groups is not a pretty one. But show business today — the stage, the movies and television — is far ahead of the public at large in its attitude toward the treatment of minorities on a basis of freedom and equality.

Today the actor on the legitimate stage, organized into his trade union, Actor's Equity, refuses to play before segregated audiences in many southern cities and there is a possibility that this ban will be extended generally before long.

The theater today has become an area of considerable activity for members of racial and religious minorities. Oriental Americans have opportunities they never had in the last generation in the theater, and the same is true of Negro performers. There are more scripts written these days with parts which members of minority groups can play.

It is in the area of the stereotype where the entertainment arts have been most guilty in propagating prejudice. One reason for this is a laziness on the part of writers to develop the characters of minority group persons in their plays and musicals. It is easier just to project a stereotype, whether it is that of a shuffling Negro, the crafty Jew, the thrifty Scotsman, the wily Oriental and the lazy Mexican. A stereotype, unfortunately, gains immediate recognition from the audience.

This was particularly true in the entertainment of the past generation which saw the success of such a play as "Abie's Irish Rose." All stereotypes, of course, were not drawn with prejudice in mind, but they have helped create a public image of a minority group which tended to present the latter as objects of derision and laughter.

There have been complaints from comedians that one reason for the dearth of comedy these days in entertainment was the taboo against dialect comedy, on the TV networks and the screen. This is undoubtedly true, and is the result of pressure from organizations representing specific minorities — the JACL, the NAACP, B'nai B'rith, to name a few. But the point is that humor which gains its laughter at the expense of any racial or religious group is not good humor.

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JAPANESE AMERICANS probably have been victimized as greatly as any other group by the racial stereotype. Will Irwin's Hashimura Togo, the Japanese schoolboy, set a pattern for much of the theater's depiction of Japanese in the first half of the 20th century. The harmless-looking schoolboy, with the spectacles and a mouthful of teeth, turned out, of course, to be a spy in disguise.

It is unfortunate that, even at the time of the mass evacuation of persons of Japanese ancestry from the west coast in 1942, much of the American public saw the Japanese in the United States in the stereotyped image. It was easier, for the public at large, to stand by without protest when persons representing that stereotype were deprived of their civil rights, since the element of potential treachery from that group had been stressed time and again in the movies, in cartoons and in the yellow journals.

Similarly, the Negroes were usually projected as unlettered menials, synthesized in the person of a Stepin Fetchit (yassah, boss), and it was easier to overlook their segregated status. It was later that a Jackie Robinson or a Harry Belafonte, or the young students of the sit-ins, came represent a contemporary Negro figure.

Hashimura Togo, of course, has been long replaced by the figure of the Nisei GI, thanks to the army's widespread publicity on the 100th Battalion and the 442nd Regimental Combat Team.

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INCIDENTALLY, B'nai B'rith has just published a pamphlet on "Prejudice and the Lively Arts" (available for 50 cents from the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, 515 Madison Avenue, New York 22) which is a roundup of articles which explore the subject of show business and racial and religious prejudice. The foreword to the pamphlet has been written by Dore Schary who, as chief of MGM studios in 1952, was responsible for a motion picture which helped destroy the Hashimura Togo image. The picture, of course, was "Go for Broke!"

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San Diego Sansei home from South American seminar says youths follow U.S. teenage fads but resent North Americans

SAN DIEGO. — Latin American youths follow U.S. teen fads but still resent North Americans. This is a sample tidbit from a dossier on inter-American relations brought back to San Diego by Tim Kaitatsu, 15, newly elected student body president at Claremont High School, after spending six summer weeks touring and studying Venezuela and Colombia.

(Tim is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Kaitatsu, active San Diego JACLers.)

Tim gained the rare study opportunity last spring when he was chosen one of the 10 American high school students to participate in the annual Pomfret International Affairs Seminar with 10 Latin American students, two from Colombia and five from Venezuela.

The seminar began with four weeks of lectures and discussions at the Pomfret School of Pomfret, Conn., a private boys' preparatory school, and then moved directly to the scene of discussion.

During a fast-paced study tour Tim found Latin teenagers dancing to rock 'n' roll tunes, watching American movies, listening to popular U.S. recording stars ("Paul Anka is the current rage down there") and copying American hair styles and clothing trends.

Resentment Shown
Tim said he also found a great deal of ill feeling toward the United States.

"When you argue with them," Tim recalled, "they reveal their preconceived notions about Americans and obvious resentment of U.S. citizens. The students were so anxious to talk with Americans that they sometimes tried to hide their resentment, but they couldn't help letting it show."

Tim said he believes the ill feeling stems partly from myths about "rich gringos" but mostly from the influence of the United States on the internal political affairs of Latin nations and a common belief that American-owned companies are robbing South American countries of resources and profits that belong to the people.

For example, Tim said, Latins believe that their governments frequently avoid negotiation with Russia and satellite countries for fear "of incurring the wrath of the United States."

Tim recalled how this desire for unfettered political independence was expressed by one Latin student: "If we want to be Communist, let us be Communist. If we want to be democratic, let us be democratic."

Tim said he also heard complaints that while the United States preaches democracy it supports totalitarian regimes. As evidence of this, he said, the Latins would cite U.S. recognition of the Batista regime in Cuba, the Trujillo administration in the Dominican Republic and the Duvalier government in Haiti.

U.S. Business
On U.S. business concessions to the south, Tim said, "They continue to work for U.S. firms because they pay the best wages, but they still feel we are bleeding them by taking money (firm profits) out of the country."

Tim warned this bleak picture with three reports that more or less are aligned favorably with U.S. policies:

1. Generally speaking the people of both Venezuela and Colombia are inclined to favor a democratic system of government over other forms.

2. The Communist parties of both nations are still ineffective politically and much of the time "are ignored," he said. "The Colombian Red force is growing a little but still has only 150,000 members in a population of 14 million."

3. The Catholic Church has declared that there will be no compromise with communism. However, the influence of the church is not felt as strongly in Venezuela.

Castro Target for Scorn
3. Although public opinion in both nations is sympathetic for the cause of the Cuban people, Prime Minister Fidel Castro is a target for scorn. "They feel the people (of Cuba) have been betrayed by Castro," Tim warned, however, that the Latin Americans he talked with are cool on the subject of American intervention in the island's affairs.

Tim said a comprehensive study of the countries was possible largely because all the American seminar members were able to speak passable Spanish before leaving the United States.

the United States.

"Most of the lectures at Pomfret were in Spanish and the six Americans who didn't speak it crammed for the trip," Tim said.

Tim noted that feminine interests were well represented during the seminar with four U.S. girl members, one Venezuelan girl and two from Colombia.

Director of the seminar was Douglas O. McClure, a teacher at Pomfret. He and his wife accompanied the students on the tour. Tim said most of the instructors during the four weeks in Connecticut were professors of Yale and Rutgers universities.

Chief objective of this extended briefing, Tim said, was simply "to learn as much about the economies of Venezuela and Colombia as possible in four weeks."

The group left New York June 25, flying to Caracas, an island off Venezuela in the Dutch West Indies where they visited an American oil refinery and relaxed for the rest of the day. From there, the students went to Caracas where they stayed in private homes. Tim was the guest of a college professor, his wife and five children in their "three-story mansion." Tim noted that nearly everywhere on the tour the students were accommodated in higher class homes.

Contrasts in Venezuela
In Caracas, Tim saw "fantastically ostentatious" buildings, modern industrial plants, rich museums, a freeway comparing with America's best and a heavily guarded presidential residence.

He also saw children robbing garbage cans to avoid starving, scores of beggars who were part of the city's 180,000 unemployed and thousands of shacks in the hills around the city without sewers or safe water.

From Caracas the group moved swiftly to meet a demanding itinerary. In each city they visited, Tim said, students and faculty members of local schools would greet them with receptions and parties.

Once a week the seminar would take time out for a group discussion of what they had learned and plans for a group report they later wrote and which is to be published soon.—San Diego Union

Inequality of opportunities by Negroes reason for evidence of their inferiority in intelligence with whites

NEW YORK. — There is no evidence that Negroes are inferior in intelligence to whites says a division of the American Psychological Association (APA).

Reported differences between intelligence scores made by white people and those of Negroes tend to indicate an inequality of opportunity for Negroes more than anything else, the group states.

Bush Garden wishing well

PORTLAND. — Proceeds from the "wishing well" at the local Bush Garden, managed by 1000 Clubber Corky Kawasaki, will go toward the \$3 million goal of United Good Neighbors. The Sunday Oregonian featured a three-column picture of Corky showing part of the "take" with JoAnn Kaalaas, 5, representing Blessed Martin Day Nursery, one of the 71 UGN agencies.

Given equal opportunity, education, and background, there is essentially no difference between the IQ scores of whites and Negroes, a spokesman adds.

The APA division, known as the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues, states further: "What is equally clear is that no evidence exists that leads to the conclusion that such differences are innate."

The group issued the statement at the close of the APA's annual meeting, commenting on a recent report by Dr. Henry Garrett, Univ. of Virginia psychology professor and past president of the APA.

Old Theory
Dr. Garrett wrote his views in a Univ. of Chicago Press publication, "Perspectives in Biology and Medicine."

In his article, Dr. Garrett said that until World War I took place, it was probable that American

scientists who gave the matter any thought believed that the Negro was innately less gifted than the white.

"Thus, the Negro was generally considered to be less intelligent and more indolent than the white, and to be somewhat lacking in the fundamental traits of honesty and reliability," he wrote. "This judgment was concurred in by most white Americans."

Skin Deep
"Social scientists today do not often accept these outmoded common-sense judgments. Instead, they hold that racial differences are 'skin deep.' That, whereas the black African differs from the white European in the breadth and depth of his civilization, there are no genetic or native factors to account for these differences; that all races are potentially equal in ability, and differ only in their opportunity to achieve."

ZOO MONKEY ESCAPES CAGE, BITES HAND OF SANSEI TO STAY FREE

SACRAMENTO. — Donald Mayeda, 9, of Auburn, was bitten on his right arm and left hand in William Land Park zoo recently by a monkey which had escaped from its cage.

Zoo Superintendent A.A. Spencer said a spider monkey on the morning of Aug. 30 lifted a door and got into an inner cage.

An attendant walked in to clean the inner cage and did not see the monkey until it bolted through the door to freedom.

The monkey still was loose when Donald visited the zoo with his father, George, that afternoon.

The father told police they saw the monkey running around and noticed zoo employees. A few minutes later, he reported, it jumped down from a tree and approached his son.

Mayeda related he told his son not to touch it. He said a zoo attendant walked toward them and asked the boy to grab the monkey by its tail and hold it.

When the youngster reached for the monkey, the father said, it got excited and bit, Mayeda took his son to the police emergency hospital for a tetanus shot.

Milwaukee social worker awarded health fellowship

MILWAUKEE. — Edward Tantomu Hida, employed by the Milwaukee County Sanatorium, was awarded a coveted Public Health grant through the Univ. of California, Berkeley. This is a postgraduate program providing professional education for social work practice in public health. The nationally competitive stipend covers expenses for tuition, university fees, travel, maintenance and dependent allowance.

Hida received his master's degree from Florida State University and has been employed with the Milwaukee County Departments and Institutions since 1953. Previous to his employment as a medical social worker at the sanatorium, he had been a casework supervisor with the Department of Public Welfare.

Hida is a native of Sacramento and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hida, presently of Milwaukee. Edward recently married the former Heidi Bentley of Pine Bluff, Ark.

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DEL MAR. — Larry Kunitake became the 15th Nisei jockey to break the "big time" thoroughbred circuit when he had a mount here at the Del Mar oval Sept. 11. He finished out of the money in his first attempt.

Kentucky bluegrass lawn wins Denver Nisei top honors

DENVER. — An immaculate expanse of Kentucky bluegrass in a traditional Oriental setting won top honors in the northeast section Lawn of the Month contest judging for Mr. and Mrs. Frank Takashita, 3655 Glencoe St.

City and suburban lawns located north of Colfax Ave. and east of Broadway competed in the August phase of the competition sponsored by The Denver Post and Western Federal Savings.

The Takeshitas' entire lot has been turned into an oriental garden by an artistic blending of ponds, tiny bridges, stone figures, rocks, ferns, shrubs and dwarf evergreens.

Though the landscaping is both unique and spectacular, it was ignored by the contest judges who rated entries on a variety of lawn quality factors, with the unseasonable weather over the Labor Day weekend taken into consideration.

The northeast competition was the closest of the year, requiring return visits to the top three entries by the judging panel, Herb Gundell, Denver agricultural agent, reported.

The summer-long lawn competition will enter its final phase in late September when the best two entries from each quarter of the metropolitan area will compete for a city-wide sweepstakes trophy.

Deadline nearing for Calif. Nisei golfers open

SAN JOSE. — Preparations have been completed for the forthcoming California State Nisei Golf Tournament to be held on Sept. 30 and Oct. 1 at the Del Monte and Pebble Beach golf courses.

According to the general chairman Rusty Nagakura, entries postmarked later than Sept. 17 will not be accepted. The maximum handicap has been set at 12.

Once again the headquarters for the tournament will be at the Westerner Motel in Monterey. Further information may be obtained from Sab Fujita, 101 LuRay Dr., Los Gatos, Calif.

Sac'to JACLers head local Nisei bowling league's '62 season

SACRAMENTO. — The Sacramento Nisei Bowling Association opened its 1961-62 season with 475 members in nine leagues at three different establishments, according to executive secretary Shig Sakamoto. Eugene Okada, one of the organizers of the local NBA 15 years ago, is this year's president.

Other officers include Frank Kawail, v.p.; Mrs. Aya Takai, women's v.p.; Amy Kanemoto, sec.; and Harry Fujii, treas. Other league officers are:

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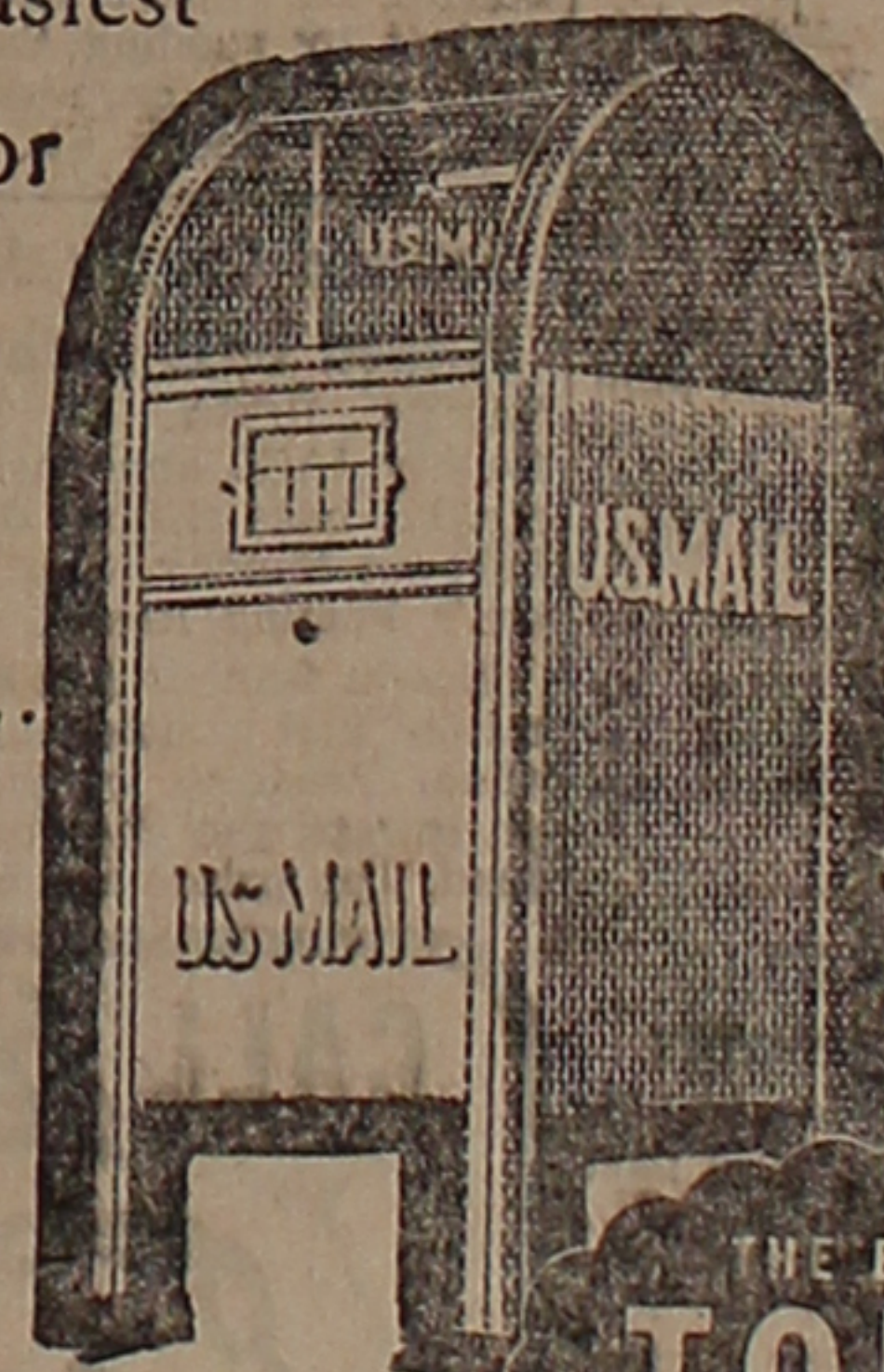
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By the Board

By Kumeo Yoshinari, Nat'l Treasurer

ALMOST THERE

Chicago WITH THREE quarters behind us and one quarter to go on our fiscal year, it is with satisfaction that it can be reported here that "we're almost there!" As of Aug. 30, 1961, \$77,417.04 or 89.34 per cent of the \$86,654 quota assigned

Dist. Council	1961 Quota	Amount Received	Percentage	Balance
Pacific Northwest	\$4,910.00	\$4,471.00	91.14%	\$439.00
N. Cal.-West. Nev.	\$7,148.00	\$6,582.00	92.14%	\$566.00
Central California	\$5,852.00	\$5,220.00	89.22%	\$632.00
Pacific Southwest	\$20,985.00	\$18,909.35	90.12%	\$2,075.65
Intermountain	\$7,518.00	\$7,015.35	93.31%	\$502.65
Mountain-Plains	\$4,750.00	\$4,083.00	85.96%	\$667.00
Midwest	\$11,585.00	\$9,924.10	85.39%	\$1,660.90
Eastern	\$3,896.00	\$3,688.90	94.69%	\$207.10
TOTAL:	\$86,654.00	\$77,417.04	89.34%	\$9,236.96

The above statement reveals the bird's eye record of how our district councils are performing. It is only natural as your National Treasurer that come Dec. 31, 1961, we would like to be able to say that we've gone over the top as far as quota performances are concerned. In this regard, for the first time in many years, there is an excellent chance we can do it!

Very shortly Assistant National Treasurer Yone Salada will be getting into the chapter president's hand the quota performance of every chapter within our organization. These statistics should enable those chapters which are in arrears to make every effort during this quarter to fulfill their financial commitment on the budget. Fortunately for most chapters the sum to be raised is within easy attainability; so the incentive to go all-out should be encouraging; therefore, it is hoped that it will be done.

In most instances, the chapters need only to come up with the 1000 Club renewals or in the case of membership drop to come up with the number equal to the average of the best of the last three years. After all, this is the basis of the new quota formula now in effect.

FOR MOST of the chapters, the income from the 1000 Clubbers renewing their memberships in the last quarter of this year should be sufficient to put them across the quota. Thus, among those of you reading this article, whose 1000 Club membership is lapsing within this period, please assist your chapter and the National JACL by prompt remittance of your dues. This voluntary response will be gratefully appreciated.

Perhaps, even more significant to the success of the budget is that many 1000 Clubbers have permitted their membership to elapse since the beginning of this year. It is assured that most of the chapters will meet their quota without difficulty.

It is hoped that the local chapter 1000 Club chairman will make every attempt to get these renewals; especially, in view of the fact that annually the Pacific Citizen always prints the active 1000 Club roster in the Holiday Issue.

If as a reader, you are a 1000 Clubber who has procrastinated forgotten to send in check, in, please do so now before you again forget! It is the 1000 Club which is the financial backbone of our organization; thusly, we need your continued support.

With everyone's genuine concern and assistance, we can hopefully await Dec. 31, 1961, at which time we may all share in the budgetary elation of being able to crow: "We've made it!"

PREPARING NEXT BUDGET

Shortly the National Budget and Finance Committee will delve into the problems of our assignment in preparing for the Seattle convention in 1962. As a prelude to this study, I would like to introduce some of the thoughts that come to mind and invite your reactions thereon:

1-The past national budgets have always been the minimum to keep the JACL alive and to barely expend on its objective goals. It is hoped that for the next biennium the National Council will

to the chapters have been received at the National Headquarters. This leaves 10.66 per cent or \$9,236.96 yet to be raised during this final period for fulfill the budget.

For comparative information, the district council performances are listed as follows:

approve a budget which is not so restrictive but will induce expansion into the areas of activities as outlined by the 1960-1970 Planning Commission.

With the record turnout of young people at the recent IDC and EDC-MDC conventions, it is now easy to perceive that money must be provided to give encouragement to the rapidly developing interest of the young people in the JACL. It would be in order to add personnel to our paid staff to give guidance to this vital element of our new membership.

2-JACL has been fortunate to have a number of dedicated staff individuals whose sincere interests in the welfare of the organization have been greater than the salary they receive in compensation for their services. This can be particularly said of our National Director Mas Satow. The coming appropriations should include an adequate sum to make these restitutions and to assure future progressive increments.

3-If at all financially feasible, a field secretary to assist and strengthen the chapters at the local levels would be helpful services which the National could render. Such person can rotate from district to district.

Other justifications for outlay of appropriations are many; but these enumerations will be deferred for a later date.

THE MORE critical evaluation is "how to raise the money!" The following suggestions are made in answer thereto:

1-Though we upped the membership dues at the last convention, it has cost the National more than the increase to provide the PC to our members. Net result is less money for operational expenses. Perhaps, it will require an additional 50 cent per member to balance the budget.

2-Ultimately the painless source of income is to utilize the earnings from the Endowment Fund. However, before it is possible to anticipate substantial returns therefrom, there is the need to further capitalize it.

Currently the Endowment Fund Committee under the capable leadership of Dr. George Miyake is launched on a self-generation program to increase the capital through growth investment. Nevertheless, other means of putting money into the Endowment Fund must be conceived. The following proposal is thusly so intended:

LIFE MEMBERSHIP: It is suggested that a lump sum payment of \$125 would entitle a member to perpetual privileges in the JACL whereas an installment of \$30 per year for 5 years could also be optionally arranged.

The money coming from these life memberships would be placed in the Endowment Fund and be accordingly invested for dividends which will be forwarded to the general treasury. Under this plan the National JACL could reimburse the chapter for such member's local dues within given stipulation.

LIFE 1000 CLUBBER: Similarly to the foregoing, the money from the life "Thousanders" should be incorporated into the Endowment Fund.

The estimable value of a well founded Endowment Fund cannot be significantly appreciated now; however, if it should attain the \$1,000,000 goal, the impact will be impressive. We must continue to build toward this goal not so much for the selfishness of our being the beneficiary of its returns; but as the Nisei contribution to our heirs—the Sansei; so that their role in utilizing the JACL will be made easier as their means to build a better place for all Americans of the future.

Operation Abolition sel for Long Beach

LONG BEACH.—"Operation Abolition" will be shown at the Long Beach Japanese Community Center tomorrow evening from 7:30 p.m., followed by a panel discussion, it was announced by the Long Beach-Harbor District JACL. The chapter, which is not taking stand on this controversial film, said the meeting is being held as a public service.

Chicago Jr. JACL elects Ross Harano '62 president

CHICAGO.—On the momentum of renewed inspiration and enthusiasm acquired at the Joint EDC-MDC JACL Convention in Minneapolis over the Labor Day weekend, the Chicago Junior JACL elected its 1962 officers at its regular meeting Sept. 8.

Ross Harano was unanimously elected president over two other candidates. Other officers elected were: Tetsu Ishihara, v.p. (program); Frances Hashiguchi, v.p. (membership); George Fukushima, v.p. (ways and means); G. Furusho, treas.; Laraine Shinsako, sec.; and Emilie Maeshiba, hist.

Although installation will not take place until November, the new cabinet is already making plans for the coming year.

Chicago's 25 youth delegates attending the Minneapolis convention played a prominent part in the decision to organize a Youth Council at the district level. Yoriko Sakuma, youth adviser, participated on the Junior JACL workshop panel.

Over 90 youth delegates registered for the first Junior JACL program of its kind in the Midwest and Eastern Districts.

Models selected for S.F. fashion show

SAN FRANCISCO.—Eleven models, seven of them new to this year's audience, have been selected for the eighth annual fashion show of the San Francisco JACL Women's Auxiliary to be held Sept. 23 in the Fairmont Hotel Gold Room.

Furs and fashions from Benioff's will be shown by Sylvia Arakawa, Mrs. Teruko Bucol, Mary Ann Furuchi, Sandy Ina, Margaret Kai, Jane Sasaki and Joann Yokota, the new models; and by the familiar favorites Mrs. Hana Kawakami, Mrs. Mary Miyagichima, Mrs. Barbara Mizota and Betsy Rorumi.

Special invitations to the Auxiliary show have been extended to: Mr. and Mrs. Harry K. Honda of the Pacific Citizen; Mr. and Mrs. Howard Imaki, Hokubei Mainichi; Mr. and Mrs. Yasuhide, Nichi Bei Times; Consul General and Mrs. Toshio Yamakawa, National JACL Director and Mas Satow and San Francisco JACL president John Yasumoto.

Welcoming guests will be the hostess committee headed by Louise Koke and comprised of: Mrs. Kay Okamoto, Mrs. Michi Onuma, Bess Sonoda, Martha Suzuki, Pat Tanaka and Chibi Yamamoto. Mrs. Daisy Salada, in charge of door prizes, announced that many fine gift items are being contributed by generous donors. Tickets for the luncheon-fashion show are obtainable at National JACL Headquarters and Auxiliary members including:

Velma Yemoto, 2135 California St., S. F. and Mrs. Char Doi, 1523 California St., S. F.

San Fernando keg champions honored

SAN FERNANDO.—The San Fernando Valley JACL Bowling League spotlighted their successful summer with a delicious steak dinner at the Panorama Bowl banquet room on Sept. 8. The presentation of awards was made in a gay atmosphere attended by forty bowlers.

The winning team walking off in high style with the impressive trophies were the K-O's (standing for their initials): Irene and Gene Kono and Kathy and Harry Otsuki. Fumi Yamanoue and Mabel Takimoto were each presented with their much deserved trophies for the season high series. For the exciting and colorful season high game Kathy Otsuki walked off once again with her second trophy for the women's series and amiable Dr. Tom Nagatani for the men's series.

That most improved bowlers awards went to Mr. and Mrs. Sam Miyake. Special recognition went to Virgie Yokomizo, league's secretary-treasurer, and Harry Otsuki, league's chairman.

The banquet also initiated the winter league headed again by Harry Otsuki, chairman; Kats Hamano, v.c.; and Virgie Yokomizo, sec-treas.

Mid-Columbia JACLers among top berry growers

HOOD RIVER, Ore.—Homer Akiyama and Tom Sumoge, both past officers of the Mid-Columbia JACL, qualified for the 5-50 Strawberry Club award.

Sponsored by the Oregon Strawberry Council the 5-50 Strawberry Club award is given to Oregon Strawberry growers producing 50 or more tons of strawberries and averaging five or more tons per acre.

Sumoge produced 69 tons of berries on 10 acres making him the top strawberry producer in Hood River County on a per acre basis. Next in line was Akiyama with 74 tons on less than 11 acres.

Akiyama, with more than ten continuous years in the "Five Ton Club", is probably the holder of more Strawberry Club awards than any other grower in the state.

PC CIRCULATION DEPT. SEEKS JOY ASSISTANCE

Now that Joy Usanomiya and Jeanna Kamada, two girls who have been assisting the PC Circulation Dept. this past summer, are back to school, hope for an immediate replacement was expressed this week by PC Business Manager Jim Higashi.

The job primarily consists of keeping the subscription cards up to date, explained Mrs. Jane Ozawa, circulation manager. Some typing may be necessary. Inquiries as to hours and wages may be directed to the PC Office.

West L.A. JACLers to discuss calendar

Plans for the 1963 PSWDC Convention to be hosted by West Los Angeles JACL and programs for the remainder of the calendar year are on the agenda of the final general meeting of the West L.A. chapter scheduled Sept. 25, 8 p.m., at the Buddhist Church, 2001 Corinth Ave. Chapter president Akira Ohno will preside.

Some of the programs contemplated in the next few months include a talent show, November PSWDC meeting, election and installation of officers and the Christmas party.

The West L.A. chapter is also in charge of the 1962 Nisei Week Coronation Ball and preliminary inquiries will be expedited.

Following the meeting, the color films of the 1960-61 West L.A. JACL Junior Track Meet will be shown. The Auxiliary will be in charge of refreshments.

JACLers participate at West L.A. dedication

West Los Angeles JACL participated in the Sept. 6 dedicatory program of the new West Los Angeles Municipal Bldg., 1650 Purich Ave., it was announced by chapter president Akira Ohno.

Representing the chapter at the luncheon and ceremonies were: Mrs. Mary Akashi and Mrs. Sue Ohno.

CONTRA COSTA CHAPTER PLANS ISSEI APPRECIATION NIGHT FOR SEPT. 24

RICHMOND.—An Issei Appreciation Night program featuring a potluck supper and showing of "Fashomon" has been planned by Contra Costa JACL for Sunday, Sept. 24, 5 p.m., at the Stege School Cafeteria, S. 50th and Cypress Ave.

A "fukubiki" will be held for the Issei present. General chairman for the evening will be William Waki, with Eichi Nakazono taking over the duties of the M.C. Miss Emiko Hitomi and Mrs. Yuki Iwahara are assisted by: Food—Mmes. Nellie Sakai, Fumi Oishi, Masako Oishi, Taya Waki, Fumi Sugihara, Chris Komatsu, Gumi Goto, Sachi Yamada, Hana Yamashita, Meriko Maida, Jackie Ajari, and May Nakano; reception—Mrs. Sachi Yamada; Decoration—Mrs. Haruno Yamashita, donations from Aachi; Flowers—Mrs. Nellie Sakai, and Mrs. Emiko Hitomi; Prize Purchasing—Mrs. Masako Oishi and Mrs. Fumi Oishi.

JACL movie benefit for Bakersfield AID planned

BAKERSFIELD.—The Bakersfield JACL will sponsor a Japanese movie benefit at the local Buddhist Church tomorrow from 7:30 p.m. Proceeds are to be given to Associated In-Group Donors (AID), local united givers' organization which supports 16 charities here. Those unable to attend the benefit are expected to support the project by sending their contributions to AID, care of Mrs. Mike Torii, 527 Beech St., Bakersfield.

Sonoma County JACL striped bass derby set

SANTA ROSA.—The Sonoma County JACL announced its annual striped bass fishing derby will be held on Sunday, Sept. 24, at Nelson's Fishing Resort in Napa.

Edwin Ohki is heading the committee and assisted by James Miyama. Proceeds of the derby will go toward the chapter scholarship fund. Top prizes are being offered.

East L.A. chapter Issei appreciation night program set

Eagerly anticipated by many Issei residents of the area, the seventh annual East Los Angeles JACL Issei Appreciation program has been scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 30, 7:30 p.m., at International Institute, 435 S. Boyle Ave., according to chapter president Mable Yoshizaki.

This year's program will feature the popular Shio-Tokyo orchestra and singers, magicians, instrumentalists and dancers, according to program chairman Roy Yamadera.

Local merchants will contribute prizes to be given to the Issei during intermission. Henry Onodera will act as emcee. Others on the committee are Sam Furuta, Frank Okamoto, Mrs. Fred Wakabayashi, Dr. and Mrs. Robert T. Ohi, Mrs. Kiyoko Onodera, Mas Hayashi, Hiro Omura, Miki Hamada, Ritsuko Kawakami, Linda Ito and Shiz Miyu.

Open to the public free of charge, the chapter ladies will prepare and serve refreshments after the program.

Fresno area Issei recognition planned

FRESNO.—An Issei recognition dinner for pioneers of the Fresno area is being planned by the American Loyalty League, Fresno's JACL chapter.

According to Hugo Kazato, general chairman for the event, the dinner will be held on Sunday, Nov. 12 and the new Fresno Buddhist hall is being sought as the most fitting place for this affair.

The \$200,000 new building will be completed in October and approval of the church board for this event is now pending, it was learned.

Honored guests will be all Issei, 65 years of age or older who came to the United States before 1925 and who now reside in the jurisdictional area of the Fresno chapter.

The tentative program will begin at 5:30 p.m. and transportation arrangement will be made if needed, Kazato said.

The menu, decorations and program will be planned for the enjoyment of the Issei guests, he added.

Watercolor drawn by Sansei selected

Kathy Fukami of Los Angeles was one of 16 Southland artists named as winners in the \$5,000 cash prizes and purchase awards Tuesday night at the County Museum. The museum association's annual exhibition of works by artists in this area was opened to the public and continues through Oct. 1.

Miss Fukami, who recently returned from a New York tour as one of Mademoiselle Fashion magazine's 16 guest editors, was greeted with the news of her watercolor, "Other Pastures," winning one of the two prizes for watercolor in the County museum contest. Of 745 water color entries, 44 were chosen for display and only two were awarded prizes. Her prize was \$150. The painting is also on sale at the museum for \$125.

Already numbered among the rising young artists of the future Kathy's work has been recognized in the Times Home magazine section last July 7 with a full page color mosaic with a captioned title, "A Primitive Forest."

The young miss will be a senior at Immaculate Heart College next fall and graduates with a promising career in the field of art.

JCCA decides to maintain National

TORONTO.—Delegates to the sixth national convention of the Japanese Canadian Citizens Association met here over the Labor Day weekend to keep its national organization by pledging to meet a minimum budget of \$800 (as compared with \$100,000 for JACL) and re-electing Edward Ide as its national president for another biennium.

The National JCCA will have a permanent office in Toronto. Active chapters and Nisei clubs in British Columbia, Manitoba and Ontario agreed to a quota system to meet the budget.

The constitution was revised to add a vice-president, although the post was not filled at the convention.

On Verge of Deterioration Delegates were assembled to decide the fate of National JCCA, which was regarded on the verge of deterioration. Many of the rural chapters were defunct and unable

to support the national program. Yet, at this convention, it was the rural chapters which stood up and said they realized the need for a national organization and vowed to support it.

The whole crux of the situation is that we have matured," Edward Ide declared. "We now have the viewpoint of a national body, one voice, a common goal."

With the elimination of provincial councils, each chapter can correspond directly with national headquarters, Ide explained. "The primary essence of National JCCA should be to institute new projects and ideas and work these out," he said.

A Five Hundred Club (similar to JACL's 1000 Club) was organized with the idea that 500 members paying \$5 each year would assist in the national program.

At Lowest Ebb George Tanaka, onetime national executive of the JCCA, in his re-

port on the convention noted that the morale and state of the national organization have been in its lowest ebb since 1937. "Perhaps the rotation of headquarters (from Quebec to Manitoba to Winnipeg to Toronto), which had been adopted at the 1953 conference," Tanaka added, "it was a failure. Under this system there was more emphasis on local matters rather than on national matters."

Three issues of national interest were solving the immigration problem, publication of the History of Japanese in Canada and the national organization.

Tanaka noted the failure of the national organization in the past was attributed to lack of communication with the chapters, lack of a quota system to maintain the organization financially and failure to recruit and maintain a sufficient number of personnel for the national executive committee.

Other recommendations acted upon at the convention involved promotion of Japanese culture, maintaining closer ties with the Canadian Nisei Club in Japan, and continuing the work for welfare of all Japanese Canadians.

1000 paper cranes presented by Tokyo students for distribution to U.S. Sansei

WASHINGTON.—A group of Japanese women teachers attending an international conference last month at the National Education Center here met with the Washington area Sansei teenage girls at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Yoshino.

Mrs. Tsuruko Sudo, a member of the Kobe Board of Education graciously offered to teach an ondo, "Soran Bushi", to the girls who were quite eager to add another number to their list of ondos.

Mrs. Sachiko Okunata of Tokyo, a teacher at Kyoitsu School, presented the group with 1,000 paper cranes made by the students of her school as a goodwill token to be presented to the young people of Japanese descent living in the United States.

The teachers entertained the group with motion pictures depicting the traditional ondo, ondo and kabuki theater. They also showed films illustrating the types of physical education programs being instituted for the girls in Japanese schools.

Voice of America The Japanese section of Voice of America headed by Frank Baba

attended this meeting to record an interview of the Japanese teachers who gave their impressions of the Sansei teenage girls. This recording was broadcast on Japan on Aug. 15.

The teenage girls and their parents were also interviewed on the subject of how to impart Japanese culture through the means of ondo sessions and other forms of traditional oriental recreation.

30 Utah 10th graders enroll in Japanese class

SALT LAKE CITY.—A new first is being recorded in Springfield, where Ronald Pexton had 30 tenth graders enrolled in a class in Japanese language starting this past week.

Another first in foreign languages is the teaching of Arabic at South Davis Junior High and Bountiful Junior High.

Bonneville High School, at Washington Terrace in Weber School District, is offering a class in Mandarin Chinese, the only such high school class outside of California.

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