

## Fate of United Nations

By Mike M. Masaoka

PC with Membership, while it may have welded the JACL membership on a national scale as never before, has witnessed one side effect which was never intended by the advocates of this plan to include subscription to the Pacific Citizen upon payment of national JACL membership dues. That is, the decline of the numbers of chapter newsletters, which do a commendable job of keeping the membership informed and inspired at the chapter level.

PC with Membership was to have been a lifeboat for membership solicitors—who have been annually plagued by such questions as "what do I get for my dues?" "what's JACL doing lately?", etc. The solicitors since this year respond that membership includes a year's subscription to the JACL official publication.

As of mid-year, the count was over 17,000—an improvement over the previous year. But with the dearth of chapter newsletters, it appears our hard working colleagues editing the newsletters are latching on to the same lifeboat as if PC were to replace the newsletters altogether.

Chapter newsletters, while they need not report on national JACL news as these are covered in the PC, might serve as a sounding board for their chapter members on national JACL matters.

Some have featured columns by the chapter president, which we felt deserved national attention by reprinting them in the PC.

Many newsletters feature strictly personal chit-chat, which, we find at times intriguing enough to include in the PC Chapter Chit-Chat column, which was started recently to recognize the efforts of chapter newsletters.

We have long felt recognition of a more auspicious nature was due to CLers who edited and worked on their chapter newsletters. In a couple of weeks, we hope to publish details of a new recognition program for chapter newsletters.

Basically, the program consists of awards in the name of one time national JACL President, Jimmie Sakamoto, a blind Nisei editor whose written and spoken words in the early 1930's helped to build JACL what it is today. Distinguished examples of local chapter story reporting, editorials, youth sections, etc., will be selected for the Sakamoto Award. Equal awards for various categories are to be presented.

The judges will require a copy of every chapter newsletter being published. Their names and addresses will be announced. They want to make the first awards at the 1962 National JACL Convention in Seattle, where the late Sakamoto made his home. Annual awards will follow, according to present plans.

We hope this will encourage chapters, which have been thinking of abandoning a chapter project, which appears to us as a local life-line, to reconsider and prepare their fall edition now. The more often a chapter newsletter is published, the better the opportunity to earn one of these awards. — H.H.

### Building site

POCATELLO. — The Pocatello JACL Building committee has reported purchase of a site and an architect has been engaged to prepare plans, which will be shown at the next general meeting in November.

Washington, D.C. AS THE 16th General Assembly of the United Nations convened this week in New York, there were some who saw in the tragic and untimely death of Secretary General Dag Hammarskjöld, the eye of the first session of what may well be its most critical meeting, a portent of what may be the fate of this post-World War II international organization.

Killed in a plane accident in Africa (Sept. 18) while attempting to bring peace and order to the troubled and divided Congo within the framework of a United Nations resolution, the Secretary General's death was expected to bring to an immediate head the Soviet Union's long-standing demand for a reorganization of the Secretariat from one where the Secretary General is the principal executive officer to one where there would be three general secretaries, representing the so-called democracies, the communists, and the uncommitted nations, respectively. In a type of tripartite governing board or commission.

This organizational squabble may postpone debate on what now appear to be the four major issues before the General Assembly: (1) Nuclear Testing and Disarmament, (2) Recognition of Red China, (3)

Peace in the Congo, and (4) Future of Berlin, each of which are explosive enough on its own to seriously jeopardize the future existence of the United Nations as a force for international understanding and cooperation. In any event, the United States is expected to enjoy a popularity and confidence among the 99 members of the General Assembly which we have not enjoyed for the past several years. The recent resumption of nuclear testing by the Russians with its attendant radiation fallout and the naked show of power in Berlin have caused many of the newer, so-called uncommitted or neutral nations to look again toward American leadership.

Our hope is that the United States will not dissipate this advantage in the coming months of deliberations and shall provide the kind of inspired leadership that is necessary to make the United Nations a meaningful instrument for world peace and order under law and justice.

The Kennedy Administration will have the opportunity to extend its New Frontiers leadership to this international organization that still represents man's last best hope for survival in this thermo-nuclear space age.

## 1st Session to Adjourn

THIS IS also the week in which this First Session of this 87th Congress is supposed to adjourn.

Though it is much too early to compare the specific achievements of this session with the New Frontier campaign promises of a year ago, even at this writing there is little doubt that more was accomplished in this first year of the Kennedy Administration than in the first year of the Eisenhower Great Crusade nine years ago. At the same time, however, it is manifest that most of the bills which were enacted into law this session were warmed-over hangovers from previous congressional sessions, and not new legislative proposals advanced by the new Administration.

As the week began, the business of the Senate was an amendment to its famous Rule XXII, or cloture, the means by which the Senate may stop so-called filibusters or threats of filibusters by an adetermined minority to prevent a vote or force acceptable compromises to legislation they oppose. In the more recent past, the Southerners have used this "unlimited debate" threat to prevent the enactment of "meaningful" civil rights and certain social-economic bills.

In an unusual move to bring this issue to an early conclusion, 21 Senators, including Democratic Leader Mansfield and Republican Leader Dirksen, filed a petition to limit debate on taking up the proposed new rule by invoking the existing anti-filibuster rule.

The proposed new rule would reduce the number of votes required to break a filibuster from two-thirds to three-fifths of those present and voting. But, unless two-thirds can be mustered to end debate quickly, there is little chance that enough Senators will stay in Washington long enough to overcome stubborn Dixiecrat opposition to any new restriction on the freedom of debate.

A vote was scheduled to come automatically last Tuesday, on the cloture petition filed last Saturday (September 16) under the existing rule. If it fails to produce the required two-thirds vote for limiting debate, it is anticipated that the Senate will probably postpone the rules fight until next year and proceed to clean up the final "must" items which will enable it to adjourn by possibly Saturday of this week (tomorrow).

Although there has been an anti-filibuster rule on the books since 1917, it has been successfully invoked only four times. The last successful effort was in 1927 when it prevailed on a bill to create a Bureau of Customs and Prohibition.

TEN Republicans tried to place the blame for this just-before-adjournment maneuver on the

## Stanford student delays return from Tokyo, wants to protest A-bomb testing

SAN FRANCISCO. — Thomas Yoneda of Petaluma, who has been studying at Stanford University's Japan campus in Tokyo, wants to go on a protest mission to the closed Soviet Siberian port of Vladivostok, it was learned here Friday.

He is seeking to join Dr. Earle Reynolds who has threatened to sail his yacht to Vladivostok in protest of the Soviet resumption of nuclear bomb tests.

(The United Press International reported Wednesday that he would join Dr. Reynolds and depart on Sunday.)

The American anthropologist was jailed in 1958 when he sailed his yacht Phoenix into the prohibited U.S. atomic testing area at Eniwetok. He was tried and convicted on violating the ban but won his case on appeal when the AEC ruling was illegal.

Dr. Reynolds who is now a professor of anthropology at Hiroshima Women's College made the threat in a cable to Premier Nikita Khrushchev on Sept. 6.

The Stanford student who had been studying in Japan since last year has asked Dr. Reynolds to be allowed to join the protest expedition as a crew member.

## Orange Countians buy Arizona acreage

SANTA ANA. — Prominent Orange County farmer Shosuke Nitta, who pioneered the Santa Ana area for Japanese farmers both before and after the evacuation announced the purchase of 640 acres of land in Arizona at the cost of over \$800,000.

The site of his new holdings is located near San City, the well publicized project developed by Del Webb near Phoenix.

Cotton is the principal crop on the land presently but Nitta expects to cultivate the area for vegetables.

The Nitta family was the first Japanese to move back to his old property following evacuation when he returned to Santa Ana in 1945 to take over his farm which totals 300 acres.

Nitta, along with his sons, plan to continue their Santa Ana operation along with their newly acquired Arizona farm.

## Gov. Brown joins in 2nd anniversary of Calif. FEPC

LOS ANGELES. — Governor Edmund G. Brown participated in the 34th meeting of the California FEPC, on the occasion of the second anniversary of the Fair Employment Practice Act here last Monday.

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## Judge Goodman dies, restored citizenship to 2,700



JUDGE GOODMAN

SAN FRANCISCO. — Louis E. Goodman, 69, chief judge of the U.S. District Court, suffered a heart attack at his home Sept. 15 and died en route to a hospital.

On the bench he clashed with congressional committees, sometimes criticized the military, presided over some outstanding West Coast cases and was threatened with death for his rulings against Caryl Chessman shortly before the Los Angeles red light bandit was executed in San Quentin Prison in May, 1960.

In 1948 Goodman restored the United States citizenship of 2,700 Americans of Japanese ancestry who had been evacuated from their homes at the start of World War II. He called the Army's evacuation of them "shocking to the conscience."

He defied the State Department in 1957 by authorizing the defense attorney in the sedition trial of John W. Powell to visit Red China in quest of testimony. He ultimately ruled the case a mistrial.

Goodman ruled against denaturalizing Harry Bridges, Australian-born West Coast longshore leader, in a civil action in 1955. In his own words, Goodman was "just an ordinary business lawyer" for 27 years before President Roosevelt appointed him to the federal court—with headquarters in San Francisco—in 1942. He became chief judge March 1, 1958.

Lowell High Graduate Goodman was born in Lemore, Kings County. He was an infant when his parents moved to San Francisco. He was a graduate of Lowell High School at San Francisco, Univ. of California and earned his law degree at Bealt Hall.

At the time of his death, Judge Goodman was a member of the Committee of 13, a national judicial council of chief justices of Federal courts.

He is survived by his widow and a daughter.

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## 'Liberalized' immigration OK'd

(Special to the Pacific Citizen)

WASHINGTON. — The House and the Senate last week adopted the Conference Report compromising differences in Senate and House passed immigration bills of the present session and sent it to the White House for the expected presidential signature that will make it law.

Late in July, the Senate passed a special bill extending until June 30, 1963, the so-called adopted orphans law that had expired this year.

The House early in September amended the Senate bill by incorporating the orphans provision into the permanent law and by adding the general immigration bill that had been introduced earlier by Congressman Francis E. Walter, Pennsylvania Democrat who is also chairman of the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization, as amendments to the Senate bill.

The compromise Conference Report to all intents and purposes, is Congressman Walter's bill, with slight modifications.

### JACL Urged Adoption

The Washington JACL Office urged adoption of the Conference Report because it would make permanent expired temporary laws which the JACL had originally sponsored and would also liberalize several provisions of the Walter-McCarran Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952, as well as extend nonquota privileges to certain second and third preference immigrants.

As analyzed by the Washington JACL Office, the immigration bill now pending before the White House would:

(1) incorporate into the permanent law the now expired provisions extending nonquota immigration status to alien orphans adopted by United States citizens;

(2) establish judicial review of exclusion and deportation orders issued by the Attorney General (a procedure requested by the present and past three Attorneys General);

(3) remove race and ethnic references in visa applications;

(4) extend the same expedited naturalization procedures to veterans of the Korean War as are currently enjoyed by veterans of World Wars I and II;

### 'Triangle' Liberalized

(5) liberalize the Asia-Pacific Triangle restriction by eliminating the ceiling of 2,000 in aggregate of all minimum quota countries and authorizing the minimum annual quota of 100 to every newly independent nation;

(6) provide annual minimum

quotas to all newly independent nations, including those outside the Asia-Pacific Triangle, even though they were formerly a part of a country or territory which in its entirety was entitled to only the minimum annual quota;

(7) strengthen the provision with respect to the exclusion of aliens who entered into fraudulent marriages to evade the law;

(8) waive tuberculosis as a ground for exclusion for certain relatives of United States citizens and lawful resident aliens;

(9) waive grounds for inadmissibility or deportation in the cases of certain relatives of United States citizens or permanent resident aliens convicted of certain minor criminal offenses and fraudulent misrepresentations in seeking admission to the United States;

(10) extend the benefits of certain privileges to naturalized aliens over the age of 60 residing abroad to the spouse and children of such naturalized citizen, and

### Non-Quota Visas

(11) extend nonquota immigrant visas to second and third preference applicants whose approved applications were filed with the Attorney General prior to July 1, 1961. (The Washington JACL Office notes that 417 immigrant Japanese in the second and third preference categories will be beneficiaries of this single provision.)

Though the Conference Report was agreed to in the House without comment, there was considerable discussion in the Senate, with New York Republican Jacob Javits

## PNWDC convention theme decided

HOOD RIVER, Ore. — Convention chairman Ray "Choo" Yasui announced at a cabinet meeting that the convention board has chosen "Responsibilities for Tomorrow" as the theme for the PNWDC convention to be held in Hood River on Dec. 2 and 3.

Plans for the 1000 Club Whang Ding were disclosed by 1000 Club Chairman George Nakamura. The 1000 Club doings will begin with a dinner at the Hood River Hotel on Saturday night at 7 p.m. and be topped off with a "get acquainted" get-together at the Yasui residence.

Reports from the various convention committees show plans are well under way for the December convention. In the hopper is a possible bowling tourney with "ratline" doubles and sweeper events.

Bible around and doing personal missionary work in Japan. "In the prewar days, I used to see him frequently at the Mutual Supply Co. whenever I dropped in. It was his suggestion the Oriental World War Veterans naturalization movement be presented at the first JACL National Convention held in Seattle, Washington back in 1930.

"When he learned that I was going as one of the delegates, he called me into his office and explained to me the injustice the Oriental war veterans were suffering. They had been denied the privilege which Congress had intended to give them."

Studied Law "Since he was a law student in college during his youth, it was a delight to him to read all the briefs which had been submitted in the cases relating to the evacuation. And when the alien land laws were before the courts, he used to make trips to the rural areas to explain the constitutional issues involved in behalf of the Civil Rights Defense Union. I used to admire him for his untiring efforts. Even a young man like myself would not have been able to withstand the fatigue from the mileage covered by him."

"He was a man who did not seek publicity. But he was in touch with the events to render judgment about the happenings. "When the history of the Japanese in America is written, he will be among the pioneers who have made important contributions. He was among the four or five genos of San Francisco whose positions were uncontested."

"My sincere sympathies to the family members. Even in their hour of grief, they all know that he had lived a full life, doing what he wanted to do till the last days of his active life."

### Another Pioneer Passes

Saburo Kido, writing in his daily newspaper column in the Shin Nishinichi, last week said:

"The news about the death of pioneer Kikumatsu Togasaki of San Francisco did not come as a complete surprise. In fact, the news had been expected for many months. He had been in a coma and had been gradually losing ground, recognizing his family members off and on."

"Pioneer Togasaki had wonderful stamina for even in his last days, he had been carrying the

urgency that the Conference Report be sent back to Conference in order that the judicial review provisions for deportation to which he objected particularly might be eliminated from the legislation.

Democrats James O. Eastland, Mississippi, chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee and also of its Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization, and John O. Pastore of Rhode Island, and Republicans Kenneth Keating of New York, Hiram Fong of Hawaii, and Everett Dirksen of Illinois, defended the Conference Report as "a liberalizing step forward in the right direction."

### Senator Fong Remarks

Senator Fong, one of the Senate conferees on the bill, urged that the Conference Report be passed, because "It will be a step forward" and "Since we cannot expect a full loaf, at least we can expect a half loaf." He decried the inability to secure a general comprehensive overhaul of the Walker-McCarran Act, noting especially that the national origins immigration formula discriminates against

## Seventh Nisei named officer for Sumitomo, at San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO. — The Sumitomo Bank of California announced the promotion of another Nisei, Hirofumi Minami, to the post of assistant cashier. The new appointment was approved at a meeting of the bank's board here last week.

Minami became the seventh Nisei to become a Sumitomo Bank officer, the third at the local head office here. The others in San Francisco are Jack S. Kusaba and Dave H. Saito of Oakland.

The other four Nisei assistant cashiers are Arthur Y. Mitsunaga at Sumitomo's Sacramento branch; Hatsu Yamaguchi, Masanori Miyakoda and Frank K. Omatsu in Los Angeles.

Minami joined the Sumitomo organization about four years ago.

## Orange County father thanks rescuer of his son from drowning after 17 years

LOS ANGELES. — You don't easily forget a person who saved your life. Nor do you forget someone who had saved the life of your child.

Seventeen years ago in Cleveland, Ohio a boy about six years of age fell into a YMCA pool. He had always been scared of water and the situation didn't help him a bit.

He struggled to keep from drowning. He did not know how to swim.

Abe Hagiwara, now activities director at Olivet Community Center in Chicago, was a supervisor at the Cleveland YMCA pool. He plunged into the water and saved the life of John Hilliard, Jr., whose father lives in Westminster, Orange County.

Hilliard never forgot that near-tragic day in Cleveland. He had

the nations and peoples of the Asia-Pacific Triangle.

"When one considers the fact that of 154,000 quota immigrants coming to the United States (every year under the national origins system) only 2,000 are allotted to the Asia-Pacific Triangle, less than two per cent, one observes how discriminatory are the immigration laws of the United States as it relates to the Asiatic Pacific Triangle."

"In our immigration laws, we tell these people, 'You who represent approximately one-half of the population of the world, you who are in the Asiatic Pacific Triangle, you can send to the United States only 2,000 people out of 154,000. This very discriminatory feature of our law should be amended.'"

## Congress approves extension bill for civil rights group

WASHINGTON. — Congress last week voted to keep the Civil Rights Commission in business for two more years.

Without this approval and President Kennedy's signature, which is expected, the commission would have died in November.

The commission's new two-year lease on life was a provision in an appropriations bill passed in quick order Sept. 14 by the House and Senate.

First, the House agreed by a 300-10 vote to keep the extension provision to the bill. Much of the opposition came from Southern Democrats.

Then, the House passed the bill by voice, vote and sent it to the Senate. The Senate, by voice vote, sent the measure on to the President.

Overall, the bill provides \$746,422.50 to finance the State and Justice departments, the federal courts and the U.S. Information Agency. The total was \$39,468,652 below Kennedy's requests.

## Sacramento sheriff promotes Nisei to head county jail as sergeant in charge

SACRAMENTO. — Deputy Sheriff Kinya Noguchi wears his uniform proudly. Rightly so, because the 33-year-old Nisei has been a deputy sheriff with the Sacramento County since 1957 and recently was appointed sergeant by Sheriff John Mistry.

Noguchi is a jail sergeant responsible for booking those arrested on various charges. He is aided by six deputies under his command.

Noguchi stated that last year, three Saneis were arrested and convicted of a major crime. However, he was quick to emphasize that on the average only one Japanese American is arrested per year, usually on minor charges such as traffic violations.

### Ex-Washingtonian

Noguchi and his wife, the former Helen Nakamura of Florin, live in town Sacramento with their two children, Debra and Vicki. He was born in Kent, Wash., and received his B.A. degree at Sacramento State College and is presently studying for his master's degree.

Kinya strongly believes that law enforcement is an excellent career and has been asked by Sheriff Mistry to encourage Nisei and Saneis in Sacramento County to take the qualifying examinations.

To the delicate question of the relationship between the public, other deputies and himself, specifically as a Nisei, he thought for just a moment and answered that it was just a few unhappy drunks who sometimes made remarks that they would probably regret in the morning.

### Morale High

The soft-spoken Nisei and his deputies, wanting to give their boss John Mistry a plug, said

## Jaylis window covering starts national sales

LOS ANGELES. — A window covering, said to be the first innovation of its kind in a century, went on sale nationally Monday after a three-year test sales campaign in Los Angeles.

Aimed at the nation's \$833-million market in both commercial and residential window coverings, the product is manufactured by Jaylis Industries, a Los Angeles firm started five years ago. It consists of three-inch thermoplastic squares, vented for light and air and interlocked on steel rods. Custom-fit to a buyer's needs, it comes in 22 colors.

James Hirashiki, Jaylis president, notes that Southern California alone spends \$55 million a year on window coverings, claims his firm has captured 20 per cent of this business so far.

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## East of the River

By Richard Akagi

## AFTER THE ISSEI STORY, WHAT?

New York

Last weekend Mas Satow was in town and, as always, it was good to see him.

He talked about the Issei Story and for most of us it was the clearest exposition of that project, the objectives and the procedures involved, that we had had till then. We came away feeling that the Issei Story, if finished along the lines of the present plans, would be a noteworthy accomplishment.

But one question Mas himself raised deserves to be repeated: What will the JACL do after the Issei Story is wrapped up? Mas indicated that the National Board is concerned about the problem.

Assuming that the Board might be in the market for an idea or two, let me advance one.

I would like to see a campaign started now to have a week in April, May or June designated the "Asian Cultures Week." I am not plumping for the title, merely the idea which is to call public attention to the contributions of Asian cultures (Japanese, Chinese, Indian, Filipino, Burmese, etc.) to this country.

I know that in many cities there are regular "bon odori" festivals, observances of the Chinese New Year and the like, but in most areas these events intrude only tangentially on the public consciousness, as exotic occurrences without any real meaning for the beholder.

But a week set aside for "Asian Cultures" would, by virtue of official sanction, get the attention of even those normally disinterested in activities alien to theirs. Moreover, a formal "Asian Cultures Week" would obtain a broader base of participation than an affair undertaken by a specific group.

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The reason I suggest the spring months is that a Week of this kind, since its purpose is educational, ought to be held while the public schools are still in session. This country's focus has always been on Europe and understandably so, but national self-interest now demands that the coming generation be more aware of the peoples of Asia.

Another advantage in having a definite Week on the calendar (to return to the JACL) is that it will give the local chapters one big annual project in which the full resources of the membership can be exploited.

In view of all the frivolous "Weeks" that are now supposedly being observed, I can't see why one of those can't be bumped to make room for one which has as its objective the fostering of a more intelligent approach to our problems in the Pacific.

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## Gyo Obata traces his heritage back fifteen generations

ST. LOUIS

Gyo Obata, in key with his Oriental heritage, is soft-spoken, polite, precise. He gives the feeling that he has a mind that assimilates and decides quickly. He is 38 years old, American born, of Japanese ancestry.

He is in charge of design for Hellmuth, Obata & Kassabaum, an architectural firm whose planning range extends from a maximum security prison at Marion, Ill.; the new Priory School in St. Louis County; an embassy in San Salvador and a new campus for Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville.

Obata, a San Franciscan by birth, traces his art heritage back 15 generations. His grandfather, Rokuichi Obata, was a distinguished Japanese painter. Gyo's father, Chitara Obata, who came to the United States from Japan early in the century, was, until his recent retirement, professor of art at the University of California, Berkeley.

Gyo's brother, Kim, is a commercial artist in St. Louis; his sister, Yuri, is a painter in Oakland, Calif. The mother teaches flower arrangement, in the Spring and Fall, the parents conduct art tours of Japan. One of those who took the trip last year: Gyo.

## Attended W.U.

Gyo Obata's entrance into St. Louis was via Washington University's school of architecture. It was not a prosaic arrival. A hurry-up long distance call to Alexander Langsdorf, then dean of the combined engineering and architectural school, gave Gyo the assurance he would be accepted as a special student.

This was soon after the attack on Pearl Harbor, when war hysteria was high. Had Gyo been rejected, his education probably would have halted while he was interned with others of Japanese ancestry in a California camp. As it was he received special permission from the United States government to attend Washington U.

On graduation from Washington U., he won a scholarship to Cranbrook Academy of Art where he received his master's degree in architecture and city planning. His master's thesis was "St. Louis—A Study in Urban Design." The thesis was prepared under the direction of Eliel Saarinen (father of Eero Saarinen, designer of the Jefferson National Expansion Memorial's Gateway Arch).

## Plan for St. Louis

The thesis in effect was a plan for the orderly development of metropolitan St. Louis. Among the proposals was one for the cultivation of a culture strip through the central areas of the city, from the western boundary to the riverfront.

In the thesis, Obata said: "Dwelling problems could have been solved if St. Louis Metro-

politan area had been developed along a comprehensive plan and land control system."

He also commented: (There is) no overall planning agency to attack the problem... The urban environment today with its unregulated living, working and transportation only confuses and frustrates man."

After Cranbrook, Obata went to Chicago where he joined Skidmore, Owings & Merrill, one of the largest architectural firms in the country. In Chicago he married Majel Beth Chance of Grand Rapids, who was then a student of weaving at the Chicago Art Institute.

He was brought into the Hellmuth firm through Minoru Yamasaki when the firm was Hellmuth, Yamasaki & Leinweber, with offices in St. Louis and Detroit. Later Yamasaki formed his own firm in Detroit and the St. Louis firm became Hellmuth, Obata & Kassabaum.

In this line-up, George Hellmuth is in charge of management, Obata in charge of design and George Kassabaum of production.

## Design Philosophy

Obata designed his own home at 915 Greeley Ave., Webster Groves, assigning himself the problem of making the cost as reasonable as possible (cost \$25,000) while attaining the amenities of living which he and Mrs. Obata desired.

One of the amenities is the Obata version of the split-level; one floor for the children (three), another floor—the basement—for the adults. The adults section includes the parents' studios—Mrs. Obata is a weaver.

Obata explains his philosophy of design by saying "we let the style of each project grow from the materials, the structure and the nature of the problem. The building grows out of the functional and spiritual needs. The meanings come out of the people who use the buildings."

One of the newest H-O-K structures and one of the most unusual is the chapel for the new Priory School at Mason and Creve Coeur roads in St. Louis County. Obata explains the chapel is circular because in the monastic church, with many monks participating, the service requires a central altar.

He adds: "The central altar is reflected in the tall lantern tower forming the upper tier of arches, while the lower tier of parabolic arches reflects the ring of small side chapels which are an important part of the church."

He suggests the Priory Chapel also expresses "something of the grace and power of an ancient religion, alive and relevant, in the terms of the present."

## SIU a Challenge

The architectural firm which has designed many school buildings and dormitories, now is start-

ing from scratch in designing a new campus for Southern Illinois University on a 2,800-acre wooded, hilly site near Edwardsville.

Obata regards this as a challenge. The school, which may open by 1964 with 4,000 or more students, expects to have an enrollment of 18,000 in 10 years.

It will be a commuters school (no dormitories) so provision will be made for 13,000 parking spaces (an approximate ratio of two car spaces for every three students).

This, Obata is quick to explain, will be accomplished without destroying the natural beauties of the site.

SIU's president, Dr. Delyte Morris, has specified that this architecture shall be functional and the buildings designed for maximum usage. SIU at Edwardsville, according to present plans, will be a year around school, operating probably from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Obata is designing buildings with the aim of having the school facilities in use 75 per cent of the time, in contrast to the average in many colleges of 25 per cent.

One way this may be accomplished is to design laboratories which may be used interchangeably for various sciences, instead of restricting their use to one.

Dr. Morris has stored up a lot of suggestions for the new campus which Obata is now studying. Arnold Maremont, Chicago industrialist and art patron, who is a trustee of SIU, intends for the new campus to stress the fine arts. Early this month, SIU conducted an environmental seminar in which leading planners, architects and artists took part.

Obata already has a working model of the layout of the main buildings and the H-O & K timetable calls for working drawings to be completed in 1962, building under way in 1962-63 and the "students in" by 1964.

Obata works six days a week, often from 8:30 a.m. until late in the night.

"But it isn't work," he said. "It's all part of my life. I'm always thinking of buildings." Sunday is his family day. He likes camping in Missouri and "riding the streams." One of the streams he likes to ride is the Current.

—Globe-Democrat

## Chico not so fallout free, says member who quits exodus

SYOSSET, N.Y. — One or two families of the 50 who were planning to take up residence in Chico, Calif., to avoid the dangers of radioactive fallout in case of nuclear attack is not such a safe place to live, after all.

Jerome Greenfield, 38, of Nesconset, Long Island, said "someone goofed" in selecting Chico as the site for their new, fallout-free home.

A new Titan missile base is being built 7 miles north of Chico and Beale Air Force Base, an important Strategic Air Command Base, is located 40 miles south. Both are prime targets in the event of a nuclear war, a spokesman for the California State Disaster office said.

Alvin Bauman, 43, spokesman for the group, married and the father of two children, said: "We've been thinking this over for some time now. What finally provoked us to action was the present war scare. Some people may think it's foolish but we see nothing foolish in facing a real situation."

Bauman said Chico had been chosen, after exhaustive research, as one of the few areas in the United States that would remain habitable after atomic attacks. Other areas considered were elsewhere in Northern California, Oregon and Montana.

Many of those joining in the exodus are members of the Oh-sawa Foundation which Bauman, a member, describes as a philosophical group interested in increasing knowledge between the Orient and the West. The society was founded by Japanese scientist-philosopher George Oh-sawa.

## Carnation growers tour Kitayama, Fujii nurseries

HAYWARD. — Members of the Northern California Carnation Growers Assn. toured two Nisei-operated nurseries last week. The group visited the Kitayama Brothers nursery in Union City and the Fujii Nursery, owned by Kenji Fujii of Hayward.



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## From the Frying Pan

Denver, Colo.

**MUSHROOM TIME**—As all true sons and daughters of the Pacific Northwest know, this is the season for driving into the mountains and seeking out those fragrant mushrooms peeking out from the rich humus of evergreen groves. Mushrooming is an old and honorable custom in the Northwest. It is a democratic pastime, open to all and enjoyed by many.

About the only hazard is getting lost, and this is usually a remote possibility for anyone who keeps his wits about him. The mushroom itself is easily identifiable, although beginners are understandably nervous about picking up poisonous varieties.

Strolling at a leisurely pace through the deep, moist, sweet-smelling forests is a pleasant experience. And if one should find some mushrooms—beautifully shaped and enticingly cream-colored—the pleasure is all the greater, especially when it comes to enjoying them at the dinner table.

As readers of Elmer Ogawa's column know, bad times have come on the mushroom forests. The woods are dry this fall, and the mushrooms have failed to sprout.

The opposite is true in the northern Colorado Rockies. Heavy and frequent summer rains drenched the forests of lodgepole and ponderosa pine, and the beds of fallen needles are moist and soft. And, wonder of wonders, Issei and Nisei who stalked the elusive mushroom in these parts with scant success season after season are returning home this fall with sacks full of them. They're even airmailing some to friends in the Pacific Northwest.

The whereabouts of the best mushroom grounds is a well-guarded secret, shared only with blood relatives or bosom friends, and treated with the same respect as intelligence about the best fishing holes. So far, I haven't been invited to share in the secrets, but friends have been generous with their harvest. We're enjoying the mushrooms while we can. Chances are next fall will be dry again, as usual, and mushrooms will be a delicacy obtainable for neither love nor money.

**ERA OF AFFLUENCE**—If you've been wondering why the price of shrimp has been climbing, we have it on good authority that Japan's booming prosperity can bear a goodly share of the blame. Shrimp, of course, is something of a delicacy in Japan as elsewhere, especially the big juicy kind. The Japanese are eating a lot of them. Apparently this is not a good year for shrimping in Japanese waters.

Faced with rising demand and falling supplies, Japanese merchants sounded out American fish distributors, got quotations from virtually everybody. Then, boom, they suddenly bought up virtually every loose shrimp on the American market. Now we're faced with a short supply.

**ERA OF AFFLUENCE, II**—Last week's Pacific Citizen told of five more pledges or outright contributions of \$1,000 to the JACL Issei Story Project fund, bringing the number of \$1,000 gifts to 13. More such sizable contributions, we understand, are to be announced shortly.

As this column noted a few weeks ago, one thousand dollars is still a highly respectable sum of money for most Nisei, even when it's tax deductible. We continue to be awed by the seemingly casual manner in which such sums are being contributed to a good cause.

What impresses us even more is the number of good citizens who are so firmly convinced the Issei Story Project is a worthy endeavor that they are supporting it with good, hard dollars. This support is coming from all parts of the country, and it is the kind of support that, in the clutch, is the most sincere. As they say, put your money where your mouth is, bud.

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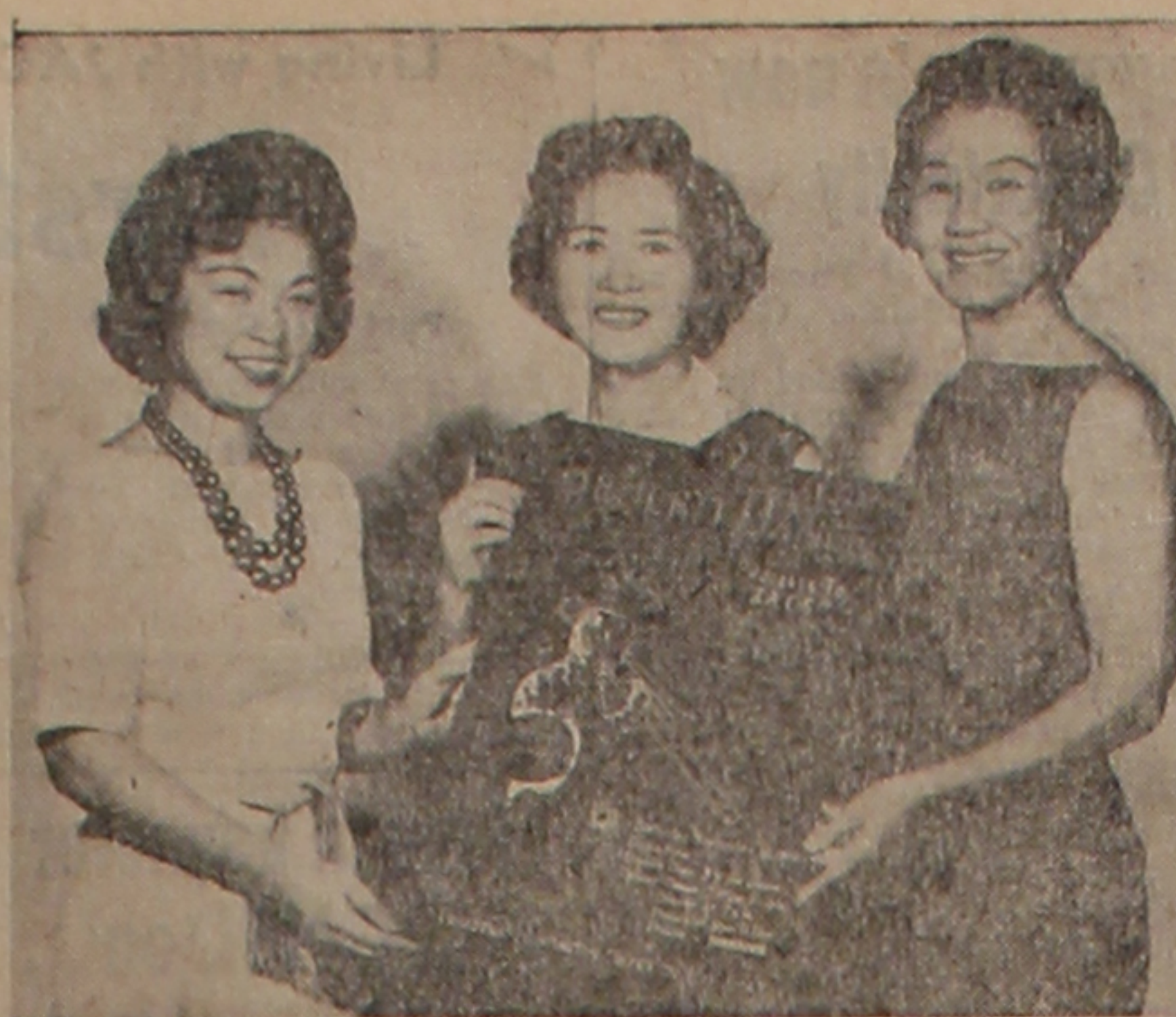
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### SEVENTH ANNUAL BENEFIT DANCE

The beautiful Viennese Room of the Huntington Sheraton Hotel in Pasadena will be the site of the seventh annual benefit dinner-dance sponsored by the Montebello Japanese Women's Club Juniors on Sept. 30. Extending the reminder are (from left) Mrs. Harry Yamamoto, dance chmn.; Mrs. Ken Yamaki, pres.; and Mrs. Thomas Shimizu, press chmn. Proceeds are for Japanese American Community Services. Admission to the sports formal will be \$7.50 per person for dinner-dance or \$5 per couple for the dance only. Dinner starts at 7:30, the dance with Aaron Gonzales' orchestra from 9 until 1:30.

### Kenzo Okada appointed to awards jury of Pittsburgh international art exhibition

NEW YORK. — Kenzo Okada, noted American painter of Japanese ancestry, has been appointed to an awards jury of five who will judge entries in the forthcoming 1961 Pittsburgh International Exhibition of Contemporary Painting and Sculpture, Gordon Bailey Washburn, director of fine arts at Carnegie Institute, announced last week.

The exhibition, 42nd in a series of international art events now held every three years at Pittsburgh, ranks in importance with three other major art exhibitions of international scope. Besides Okada, the Jury of Award consists of: Lawrence Alloway, British art critic; Robert Giron, director of the Palais des Beaux-Arts, Brussels, Belgium; Seymour Knox, art collector and president of the Albright-Knox Art Gallery of Buffalo, N.Y.; and Daniel Catton Rich, director of the Worcester Art Museum.

**Japanese Works Included**  
In announcing the jury Washburn said of Okada: "Inasmuch as we are including an unusually large number of Japanese works in the 1961 Pittsburgh International, it seems appropriate that a distinguished Japanese artist should have been invited to serve on the jury of award. Kenzo Okada is renowned as one of the foremost artists of his country."

"He eminently represents the new entente between the arts of the East and those of the West since his images and style reflect his format and techniques are adaptations from the West. In his work two hemispheres unite, resulting in an art that represents the very nature of our time since it is the fruit of one world."

**Ethnic variations on incidence of cancer disclosed by study in Hawaiian islands**

HONOLULU. — Lung cancer is found most frequently among Caucasians in Hawaii, probably because of their smoking habits. The Chinese suffer the greatest incidence of nasopharyngeal cancer, which may be due to breathing smoke from burning incense.

Hawaiian and part-Hawaiian women more often have cancer of the uterus because they have more children on an average than other ethnic groups. These are among highlights of a report given to Science Careers delegates recently by Dr. Walter Quisenberry of the State Health Department.

**Ethnic Differences**  
Citing ethnic differences in the frequency of certain types of cancer in the State, he said:

- 1—Skin cancer occurs most frequently among Caucasians.
- 2—The Japanese more often have stomach cancer, with highest incidence in men.
- 3—Filipino men more frequently have primary cancer of the liver.
- 4—Caucasian men have the greatest incidence of lung cancer.
- 5—Caucasian women more often have cancer of the breast and large intestine.

Explaining reasons for the ethnic differences, Dr. Quisenberry said: High incidence of liver cancer among Filipino men is probably due to dietary habits.

**Hot Food as a Cause**  
Stomach cancer in the Japanese is probably associated with diet, heat of food when eaten, alcohol intake and psychosomatic factors. Caucasian women probably have breast cancer more often than other groups because of differences in nursing habits.

**Burma section in Voice of America headed by Nisei; Burmese translators hail move**  
SAN FRANCISCO. — Yukio Kawahara, San Francisco Nisei now with the Voice of America in Washington, D.C., has been promoted to the Burma section chief, according to Frank Shozo Baba, chief of the Japan section here last week to cover the International Industrial Conference being held at the Fairmont Hotel.

Baba stayed at his mother's home in Oakland. Kawahara was associated with the Japan section under Baba until promotion to the Burma section chief. Yukio served with the Office of War Information during the war and with the Cultural and Educational section of Gen. MacArthur's GHQ during the allied occupation of Japan.

Kawahara's appointment to the Burma section chief was effected after strong support given by Burmese translators in his section. "I think this is a very good appointment," Baba said. "It indicates that the American government is ready to appoint any official, regardless of color, or race,

# Autos, spending money push rise in juvenile delinquency

CHICAGO. — Should the drink-triggered carousings of American youth be written off flippantly as mere hijinks? Or should these abusive spree be prompting the nation to look to deeper causes?

The man assigned to oversee the community needs of Chicago's youth says the latter. "I don't believe violence such as was reported over the Labor Day weekend is proof that the younger generation is going to pieces," he says. "But I do believe it poses some problems we should examine."

**Gangs Studied**  
Charles P. Livermore, whose manner and conversation blend the insight of a sociologist and the toughness of a youth worker, fully prepared either to research or break up a "rumble," is executive director of the Chicago Commission on Youth Welfare.

He knows about West Side Chicago gang problems of underprivileged youth. He also knows about the party-crashing mobs of beer-can-toting privileged youngsters who live along the well-to-do suburban North Shore.

Youth of past generations have had their troubles, but there are facets of the situation today, Livermore believes, which stiffen the

## Unemployed youth between 16 and 21 seen as national problem, bold steps urged to get them off streets

LOS ANGELES. — Bold steps to get thousands of unemployed youths off the streets and into jobs were urged Monday by national, state and local officials conferring here.

U.S. Commissioner of Education Sterling M. McMurrin and Dyke Brown, vice president of the Ford Foundation, discussed the problem with Ernest E. Debs, chairman of the Board of Supervisors, and at a dinner meeting at the Beverly Hilton.

Two hundred labor, management, government, employment, civic and educational leaders attended the dinner, sponsored by the Board of Supervisors, National JACL President Chuman was among those present.

**Thousands Afloat**  
All are concerned with the depressing problem of the "floating bands" — unemployed youths between 16 and 21 who roam the streets.

Brown said, "Vocational and commercial training programs are important. We cannot expect private employers to hire persons who have no qualifications by training or experience for the work to be done."

The Ford Foundation executive suggested that the youngsters who quit school might be used in urban rehabilitation programs in some kind of a Housing Conservation Corps.

**Learn Trades**  
They would learn useful building trades and earn the money which might otherwise come to them as relief or in unemployment checks.

Brown said there has been some success with such a program in Detroit and that New York and Chicago embarked on urban youth rehabilitation programs this summer. He said the problem of purposeless youth is particularly acute in cities with large minority groups.

While he said there has been no real testing ground for the project, Brown feels it could work anywhere "where it will receive across the board support from all levels of the community."

McMurrin said California has many good vocational courses but he advocated much more vocational training plus improvements in work counseling and testing systems throughout the nation.

**Local Handling Urged**  
The federal government is seriously concerned with the perplexing problem, the education commissioner said, but he believes it can best be handled at local levels by private industry and local government officials.

County Probation Officer Karl Holton, discussing his own 10 years' experience with the California Youth Authority, insisted that 95 per cent of the youths involved

### Orange County group plans fashion show

GARDEN GROVE. — The fourth annual So-Phis fall fashion show will be held Oct. 20, 7:30 p.m., at the Garden Grove Women's Civic Clubhouse. Mrs. Ben Shimazuru, general chairman, will be assisted by Mmes. Don Takai and Sam Morita. Proceeds will benefit the Orange County Assn. for Retarded Children.

Dianne Kubota, Nisei Week queen this year, will be among the models in the event entitled "An Evening in Paris."

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others in their age group who are allowed money and cars and drink. They see the mother who hoots at charges against her 16-year-old son by insisting that he can hold his liquor."

Perhaps even more deeply relevant to understanding what Livermore calls "the swagger of youth today" is the fact that both privileged and underprivileged youth suffer from a gigantic vacuum from a sense of a lack of responsibility.

The West Side gang member fares a broken home. The North Shore youth is shipped off to a boarding school. They both are deprived of responsible contacts with adults—too often they have no fatherly attention—when they learn the restraints that come from loving and being loved by a responsible adult world.

**Parents Too Busy**  
"Also they are confronted with parents who are preoccupied with their own social and professional lives," says Dr. Dietrich Rietzel, the Youth Commission's Director of Research.

Both of these Chicago specialists know that many youngsters are confronted with examples of adulthood at home which reflect the same loose standards and crude

habits for which they will be condemned.

At a time when young people are seeking profoundly meaningful relationships with others, Dr. Rietzel adds, parents are found bluntly deploring such conduct as going steady too early without trying to understand the "why" of that particular problem.

"Helping these youths," concludes Livermore, "is not just a matter of unblocking opportunity but reconstructing for them a whole social experience."

**College football season resumes**  
WHITTIER. — Junior quarterback Sei Miyano led Whittier College to a 27-0 win over the University of San Diego in a non conference football game Saturday night at Hadley Field.

The former Garfield High Nisei grimmer figured in all of Whittier's scoring. He passed to Stas Sanders for two TD's (59 and 14-yds.); ran for two others (29 and 7-yds.) and kicked three points after touchdowns.

Rick Kunishima and Dave Okura are also members of the Whittier varsity.

**Fuzzy Shimada pairs with Gary Yamauchi in BPAA National Doubles**  
REDONDO BEACH. — Veteran Nisei kagur Fuzzy Shimada of San Jose and Gary Yamauchi of Gardena placed 38th in a field of 95 entrants in the preliminary rounds of the BPAA National Doubles bowling tournament held here Monday.

Shimada and Yamauchi compiled a score of 9524 pins for the 24-game preliminary round.

Leading the parade for the doubles title were Joe Joseph and Billy Golembiewski of Detroit with a total score of 10,205, or an average of 212.6 for each bowler in every game they rolled. Yamauchi scored the alleys a few years back when, as a 15-year-old, he rolled 27 strikes for a pair of back-to-back 300 games in Gardena.

**SCOTT SAGAWA SCORES SECOND HOLE-IN-ONE**  
SAN JOSE. — Scott Sagawa of the Garden City Golf Club scored his second hole-in-one in four months the first week of September at Pasatiempo.

Sagawa, who made his first ace on May 30, collected No. 2 on the 115-yard 15th hole, using a wedge.

Playing partners who witnessed the shot were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Scally of Santa Clara and Frank Shimada of San Jose.

**Mixed bowling league**  
IDAHO FALLS. — Six fivesomes have started their initial season in the Idaho Falls JACL Mixed Bowling League at Skyline Lanes. Speed Nakaya, who organized the league, was voted league president and is being assisted by George Tokita, v.p.; and Mrs. Fumi Tanaka, sec-treas.

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By Rupert Hachiya, IDC Chairman

### NEW LEADERSHIP INTRODUCED

Salt Lake City. THROUGH the years we have been blessed by many competent people who have provided the leadership for the JACL in the Intermountain area.

I'd like to take advantage of part of this column to introduce to you the recently elected officers of the Intermountain District convention.

Our First Vice-Chairman, Seiichi Hayashida, is from the Boise Valley Chapter. He is a member of the National Bowling Advisory Committee. He has served previously as Second Vice-Chairman.

Second Vice-Chairman is Ronnie Yokota of the Pocatello chapter. One of his recent assignments was chairing the Intermountain District convention.

Leo Hosoda of Idaho Falls Chapter is the new treasurer. He has proven his capabilities by holding many offices on the chapter level.

It is reassuring and a pleasure to be able to work with such dedicated sincere men.

ONE really heartening thing to come out of the recent IDC convention was the shaping up of the Intermountain District Youth Council (IDYC).

With the combined efforts of District Youth Chairman Sue Kaneko, chapter advisers, and the bright, earnest young people, the IDYC really got rolling at the convention.

The constitution was approved. Officers were elected and installed. It looks like they are ready to add substantially to the strength of the JACL in this area.

Our congratulations to Chairman Ben Kawakami, Mt. Olympus; First Vice-Chairman Anne Kanomata, Footloose Teens, Pocatello; 2nd Vice-Chairman Harold

Sasaki, Sanke River Chapter; Dean Hayashida, Boise Valley; and Reporter Kris Inouye, Boise Valley. Congratulations should also go to the people who have worked with the youths to help organize the IDYC. To win the respect and confidence of any group of young people is a job in itself.

We are anxious to chapter advisers Sam Sakaguchi of Idaho Falls, Mrs. Midori Fukushima and Mrs. Mas Yamashita of Boise Valley, Tom Matsumori and Bob Mukai of Mt. Olympus, Bob Endo and Ronnie Yokota of Pocatello and Yosh Sakahara of the Snake River Chapter.

Sue Kaneko of Salt Lake has done a tremendous job on behalf of the district council for two years as youth chairman.

CONTINUED emphasis will be placed during the ensuing months on the efforts to repeal the Idaho statute that prohibits Oriental naturalized citizens from voting or holding public office. Joe Nishioka, past IDC chairman has been named Repeal Chairman. At present he is forming a committee which will blanket Idaho churches, civics, educational, fraternal organizations as well as television, radio and the press with educational material.

MINUTES of the recent IDC business meeting indicates that during the "Chapter of the Biennium" report by Hara Shiozaki, Mike Masaoka offered a perpetual and a permanent trophy to be used as an award to the winner.

As I recall, a motion to accept was hurriedly seconded and passed before Mike could change his mind. Mike has designated First Vice-Chairman, Seiichi Hayashida, to administer the award for him.

## Freewheeling on the Freeway

— By JIM HIGASHI —

Albert Bonus of Seattle became the first display advertiser in the 1961 PC Holiday Issue, with his insertion arriving at the office two weeks ago. The name "Bonus" rings a familiar sound in the Southern California, being an annual supporter of the JACL-sponsored Christmas Cheer Drive.

We certainly hope that this is an indication of a successful Holiday Issue to come. Chapter solicitors for "Holiday Ads" are reminded that the first deadline for insertion orders, Nov. 15, will assure a choice location for your ads. The first deadline remains at Nov. 30. Observation of these dates will enable us to avoid last minute confusion and assist Editor Harry Honda and his staff to produce a better PC Holiday Issue for your reading pleasure.

### CHRISTMAS CHEER

Fred Taoma, hardworking president of the Hollywood Chapter will be in charge of the 14th annual Christmas Cheer Drive of the Los Angeles JACL Coordinating Council. This annual community-wide project designed to help those less fortunate persons of Japanese ancestry during the Christmas season, the 1961 drive is expected to "kick off" on Monday, October 9. We know that Fred will do a outstanding job! Fred is English editor of the Shin Nihon.

### NISEI WEEK

Thought that we were all through with "Nisei Week" but here we go again! This past Tuesday a contract for the 22nd annual Nisei Week Coronation Ball scheduled for Saturday, August 11, 1962 was signed with yours truly having the "honor" of placing his signature on the "dotted line". The luxurious and glamorous settings of the International Room and the Grand Ballroom of the Beverly Hilton Hotel have been obtained for the top social event of 1962!

Aki Ohno, current-president of the West Los Angeles JACL Chapter will be in charge of the "mechanics" of the Ball. (By the way Aki, why don't you and your "old time Hawaiian Quartet" do a comeback act sometime during

the '62 festivities?) The Los Angeles JACL Coordinating Council is sponsoring both the "Coronation" and the "Carnival", the latter event being under the overall supervision of the Southwest Los Angeles JACL Chapter.

### ISSEI APPRECIATION

During the tenure of office as East Los Angeles Chapter President back in 1955, I had the pleasure of initiating the "Issei Appreciation Night" with "old reliable" Roy Yamadera as general chairman. Time goes by but Roy's still interested enough in our Issei parents to chair the "Appreciation Night" for the seventh year in a row. Returning to the scene of the first annual affair, the East Los Angeles JACL Chapter has announced the seventh annual "Issei Ina no Yube" to take place Saturday evening, Sept. 30, at the auditorium of the International Institute of Los Angeles. It's rumored that our National JACL President Frank Chuman will present the JACL greetings in Japanese!

### MONTABELLO JR. MATRONS

Nisei social events are nothing new in Southern California. However, there is one dance coming up which we heartily endorse and urge all JACLers to attend. Referring of course to the Benefit Dance being sponsored by the Montebello Jr. Matrons on Saturday, Sept. 30 at the Huntington Sheraton Hotel in Pasadena. Dancing to the music of Aaron Gozales starts at 9 p.m. The net proceeds goes to the Japanese American Community Services of Southern California. We know that you'll have a good time and at the same time contribute to a very good cause.

### DOUBLE JACK POT

Hope that all JACLers and their friends support the "Double Jack Pot" of the National JACL Convention Committee. The convention benefits the Chapters benefit and at the same time the Washington Alien Land Law Campaign benefits financially. What's being offered is "darn" good too!

### More Sansei talent lined up Berkeley JACL revue

BERKELEY. — More Sansei entertainers have been lined up for the Berkeley JACL's Stars of Tomorrow "Talent-Vision" show set for Sept. 30, at the local Burbank Junior High auditorium, according to chairman Tad Hirota.

New faces to appear in the benefit variety show include: Debbie Yamane, tap dancer from Oakland; Gerald Shikata, accordion player; Lavonne Ouye, ballet dancer; and Kimi Nakatani, pianist, all from Berkeley.

The Japanese revue portion of the program is being directed by Mrs. Michiko Kubota, Bay area dori teacher who is professionally known as Michiya Hanayagi. Forty of her pupils will take part in the opening and closing chorus numbers, it was added.

### Sequoia cooking class

PALO ALTO. — There is still time left to join other Sequoia JACL members who are signed up for a series of Japanese cooking classes to be taught by Mrs. Peter Deffy by calling Mae Ura, Ann Okamura or Betty Kumagai.

## San Fernando Valley JACL among pioneer agencies in new local Committee for Equal Employment Opportunity

LOS ANGELES. — A community-industry Committee for Equal Employment Opportunity, believed to be the first of this type in California, has been formed in the San Fernando Valley to widen the job horizons for minority groups.

The San Fernando Valley CEEO, which supports the objectives of President Kennedy's Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity, is sponsored by Los Angeles County's Commission on Human Relations.

Major goals of the San Fernando Valley CEEO are:

To work for the removal of all racial and religious barriers in hiring.

To point up to minority groups that there are industry openings now available in professional, technical, and office classifications.

To encourage minority group members to better qualify for skilled industrial jobs through vocational guidance and educational facilities available in the community.

'Plan for Progress' To make it known that defense

firms have signed a "Plan for Progress" pledge against any discrimination in hiring and within the companies themselves in matters of work conditions, promotions, training, and layoffs.

It is noted by the CEEO that relatively few minority group people are applying for such jobs in the San Fernando Valley, possibly because they aren't aware of company policies.

Plans are now under way for a San Fernando Valley community meeting on equal employment opportunities at Pacoima Junior High School on Thursday evening, Oct. 12, under the auspices of the CEEO. The public will be invited.

### JACL Represented

Community organizations represented on the San Fernando Valley CEEO include the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, the Japanese American Citizens League, the San Fernando Valley Japanese-American Community Center Coordinating Council, the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, the Min-

isterial Alliance of Pacoima, and the CYO Gaudalpe Center of Canoga Park.

Industry is represented by Lockheed Aircraft Corporation and North American Aviation.

Other organizations and companies in the San Fernando Valley are being invited to join the CEEO.

Chairman of the CEEO is Roy Hill, Jr., of Pacoima (13201 Davenport St.), an officer of the NAACP chapter in the San Fernando Valley and an electronics inspector at the Van Nuys plant of the Lockheed Missiles and Space Company. Secretary is Mrs. Florence Goldberg of San Fernando (12201 Youngdale), who is also active in B'nai B'rith's ADL and the San Fernando Valley Fair Housing Council. Consultant is Dr. J. Walter Cobb of the Commission on Human Relations.

### Jobs Offered

Major companies in U.S. defense work have signed voluntary agreements with the U.S. government assuring equal treatment for all employees and applicants without regard to race, color, creed, or national origin, noted the CEEO.

However, only a small number of qualified minority group members are applying for the skilled technical and "white collar" jobs at San Fernando Valley defense plants, according to Lockheed and North American employment officials.

Both companies are making efforts to get more job applicants from minority groups. It is hoped, they said, that this message can be carried throughout the Valley by the CEEO and other means.

## 1000 CLUB NOTES

San Francisco. National JACL Headquarters this week acknowledged six new and 26 renewal memberships in the 1000 Club for the first half of September as follows:

THIRTEENTH YEAR  
Santa Barbara — Mrs. H. Hirashima.  
TENTH YEAR  
Fresno — Dr. George Suda.  
NINTH YEAR  
Venice-Culverville — Mike Masaoka.  
EIGHTH YEAR  
San Diego — Martin L. Ho.  
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Sonoma County — James T. Miyano.  
EIGHTH YEAR  
East Los Angeles — Dr. Robert T. Doi.  
Downtown L.A. — Torachiki Sumi.  
Venice-Culverville — E. Ueki.

SEVENTH YEAR  
Downtown L.A. — Ed H. Fujimoto.  
San Francisco — Ken Ishizaki.  
Stockton — Sam M. Iwaya.  
Gardena Valley — Frank M. Yonemura.  
SIXTH YEAR  
San Francisco — Donald D. Davis.  
Reedley — Dr. James M. Ikemiyu.

FIFTH YEAR  
Reedley — Mrs. Carolyn A. Ikemiyu.  
Seabrook — Charles E. Nagao.  
FOURTH YEAR  
East Los Angeles — Hideo Katayama.  
Fresno — John Kubota.

THIRD YEAR  
Gardena Valley — James Kuniie.  
Portland — Hiroshi R. Sumida.  
Pasadena — James H. Wakiji.  
Long Beach — Hiro Kavausuga.

Pocatello — Carl G. Wiehle.  
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Martinez — George E. Kearby.  
Downtown L.A. — Mrs. Jane Ozawa.  
Long Beach — George Iseri.

If it's time to renew your 1000 Club membership this month, remit directly to National JACL Headquarters, San Francisco.

## Chapter Chat-Chat

### Pocatello JACL

Bill Yoden has been promoted to the rank of major in the Army Reserves. He was also among key personnel at American Potato Co., completing supervisory training course recently at Idaho State College.

Tommy Shikashio, doing research work for the government in bacteriology, has been transferred from Lawrence, Kans., to Hamilton, Mont.

Recent Marriages: Joan Taniyama to Jim McCarthy in Hawaii. . . . Margie Konishi of Idaho Falls and Jack Ugaki, now home at Moreland after honeymooning at Lake Tahoe.

Get Well Notes: Sanaye Yamuchi is home now, recuperating from major surgery. June Aoyagi suffered compound fracture of the leg when a grain auger fell on her. . . . Mrs. Kazuo Endow is recovering from a recent surgery at home. . . . Kent Higashi was released after an emergency appendectomy.

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The total number who were naturalized under the Oriental World War I Veterans naturalization law cannot be ascertained. However, I recall helping some of those who regained their citizenship in San Francisco.

The act provided that those who had the certificates of naturalization could have them validated. This was all that was necessary.

## Chuman keynoter at EDC-MDC on confab theme

MINNEAPOLIS.—The fourth Biennial joint JACL convention of the Midwesterners and the Easterners is history now. It was held at Minneapolis over the Labor Day weekend.

National JACL President Frank Chuman was the keynoter at the Convention Luncheon. His speech followed the convention theme, "Action on Decisions." Chuman showed concern and expressed his views over the major objectives to be attained by JACL. He stated that there have been thinking on the part of some JACLers who feel that JACL should be disbanded. Others harbored the feeling that the members are only in the role of firemen, awaiting an emergency if and when it occurs. Chuman recognizes that these contentions may have merits.

He assents, too, that while there have been major legislations in State legislatures and the Congress and Senate of the United States which were remedial in nature and favorable to Nisei, one of the major objectives of JACL is to have all American citizens attain full-fledged recognition as American citizens.

### Guideposts Marked

As a guidepost to future "Action on Decisions," Chuman asserted that JACLers must be registered to vote if they are sincere in their belief and conviction that they are good citizens and proud to be Americans; that JACLers must participate actively in the area of Human and Civil Rights to help other minorities in their cause for civil rights, thereby augmenting and supplementing the national public policy of furthering human rights, regardless of race, creed or color; that JACLers must encourage and support the Junior JACLers, informing and advising them of their proud heritage, the history of JACL.

For the Junior JACLers, Chuman wanted to expand the availability of more Scholarships and Loan funds for many deserving Junior JACLers; that JACLers must maintain a lively Educational Program to study and be informed on topics such as the menace of communism, the disarmament question, juvenile delinquency, the evils of narcotic traffic, etc.; and that JACLers must sponsor and support great humanitarian projects, such as the Cancer, Heart or the Multiple Sclerosis funds.

### Meaning of Motto

In summing up, Chuman stated that the JACL of today and tomorrow is an organization of American citizens who are directly concerned with the responsibilities of American citizenship; who are proud of their heritage; who know the menace of communism; and who stand ready to help the handicapped lead on to a fuller life. The motto for JACL is "Better Americans in a Greater America."

### Optometric official

FRESNO. — Dr. Akira Tairai of Reedley, president of the Central California Optometric Society, comprising Merced, Madera, Fresno, Kings and Tulare counties, participates in the annual presidents' council and interim meeting of the board of trustees of the California Optometric Association this weekend at Disneyland Hotel, Anaheim.

As to those who had not taken advantage while they were in the services or thereafter, the naturalization examiners as far as San Francisco was concerned, took an attitude that it was the intention of congress to grant naturalization privilege. Therefore, they extended every possible courtesy to help the applicants to pass the test.

The Perry Post of Los Angeles and the Townsend Harris Post of San Francisco of the American Legion came into existence as a result. There were no VFW posts were not sent overseas. Most of those who were aliens had been inducted in Hawaii and had been there. The few who went overseas those days were chiefly Nisei, such as Keltaro Tsukamoto and Dr. George Togasaki, both of San Francisco.

There is no question that this passage of the naturalization law, granting persons of Japanese ancestry citizenship, was a great moral victory in that it became a wedge in the principle that the California Joint Immigration Committee subscribed to; that is, "California for the Whites."

Many interesting developments resulted from the campaign in the East by Slocum. He created interest in the Japanese among national leaders of the veterans' groups. For instance, he was instrumental in having the Japanese veterans' groups invited to the national encampment of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. In return, National Commander James Van Zandt, who later became a Congressman, visited Japan upon the invitation of the Japanese veterans.

### Naturalization Certificate

The amendments which were proposed in Congress provided that (1) Oriental aliens who were serving in the "military or naval forces of the United States at the termination of the World War and to alien Orientals who before the termination of said World War may have been honorably discharged from the military or naval forces of the United States shall be deemed to be citizens of the United States, and (2), if he shall declare on oath in open court that he will support the Constitution of the United States, and that he absolutely and entirely renounces and abjures all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, and particularly by name to the prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty of which he was before a citizen or subject; and if he shall declare that he will support and defend the Constitution and the laws of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic, and bear true faith and allegiance to the same, become a naturalized citizen of the United States without the necessity of, (3), proving that immediately preceding the date of his application he has resided continuously within the United States the time required by law of other aliens, or within the state, territory, or the District of Columbia for the year immediately preceding the date of his petition for naturalization; (4), but his petition for naturalization shall be supported by the affidavits of two credible witnesses, citizens of the United States, identifying the petitioner as the person named on the certificate of honorable discharge, which said certificate may be admitted as evidence of good moral character required by law.

Section II of the amendment had the following provisions:

b. Any petition for naturalization filed under this section may be heard immediately, notwithstanding the law prohibiting the hearing of petition for naturalization during thirty days preceding any election in the jurisdiction of the court.

c. All certificates of naturalization granted heretofore by courts of competent jurisdiction to alien Orientals under Sections 389, 390,

391, 392, are declared to be valid. In all such cases, applications shall be made for new naturalization certificate and when the same are granted, they shall relate back to the defective certificate, and citizenship shall be deemed to have been perfected at the date of the defective certificate.

### Significance

The Cable Act amendment was the first act which was made upon the naturalization laws. However, the Oriental Veterans' Naturalization Law had a greater dramatic impact because it required more preparation and greater and stronger support to push through Congress. The principle involved was the same. Orientals who were considered "ineligible to citizenship" were being admitted into this elite circle. Therefore, it would have met the strong opposition of those who were opposed to the non-whites becoming naturalized.

The Cable Act amendment had the support of the women's organizations. Also, only a small number were involved. Therefore, it was passed.

The Oriental Veterans' bill involved a larger group. And it pertained to the males. Nevertheless, because it was being pushed by the national veterans' groups, even the California Joint Immigration Committee had to refrain from active opposition.

Despite the Manchurian incident which had disturbed the relations between Japan and the United States, considerable optimism about the future friendship was aroused.

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