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TEST OF NISEI MATURITY

Chicago

We in the Midwest and East are just now emerging from a bad dream that was last winter. The first warm zephyrs of 45 degrees that ventured into the Great Lakes region felt doubly good—Col. John Glenn had orbited our troubled globe and the world seemed brighter.

No, this not a piece on a space-age ode to Spring. This is an alert to you, the loyal readers of the Pacific Citizen, that our own countdown has started, to place the JACL-sponsored Japanese History Project into successful orbit. For almost two years your executive committee has been constantly working to develop the main elements of this monumental project. Much of the work has been under wrap and is still so by necessity. We have had our share of frustrations, false starts and failures, but now the important parts are rapidly falling into their assigned places.

It was in view of this latter process that the target date of June 1 was recently announced for the accumulation of minimum of $100,000 in contributions and pledges in order to synchronize with certain developments that are now taking place. Thus, the date and the amount have an obligatory significance, which I would like to impress as best as I can upon you, whom we depend and hope for early generous contributions.

Further, I would like to point out that the $100,000, so often referred to as our "goal," is a minimum one. Our true goal is a comprehensive, definitive study of the Japanese immigrants to the United States, covering the crucial aspects of their experiences and of their offspring, the Nisei, in the context of American democracy. It is a major research project, which has stirred the imagination of outstanding scholars in our leading universities, and we anticipate that the study will be a classic of enduring value. Such a work will cost in excess of $300,000 in the best estimate of experts.

I wanted to emphasize the foregoing because our fund drive at the chapter level must be geared for a maximum effort—to go as far as we can beyond the $100,000 mark. Everyone, including our prospective contributors, should be clear on this point. Indeed, from the record of medium-sized chapters like Marysville, Washington, D.C. and Philadelphia, which are well into their project fund drives, the amount raised would indicate an unmistakable grassroot support by the Nisei. Thus, with fine effort on the part of all our chapters, a quarter of a million dollars is within probability.

We believe that the goal of this History Project presents a worthy challenge to the Nisei; it will be a test of our maturity and our sense of values. Remarks have been made to me to the effect that we would not have dared to tackle such a project ten years ago, but today it is different.

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We hope that every Nisei family will participate in the fund drive, no matter how modest the contribution may be. We hope that the Nisei community of businessmen, professional people and religious groups will all rally together—and the time is now!

Above all, we are hopeful that the Nisei scholars, men and women alike, who have dedicated their lives to learning on the various campuses throughout the country, will participate and contribute their special skills and knowledge to the work which Dr. T. Scott Miyakawa will devote his full time for the next few years.

BILL PROPOSING JAPAN QUOTA OF 5,300 INTRODUCED

Immigration Bill of Senator Hart Draws Bipartisan Sponsorship

WASHINGTON.— A bill proposing comprehensive changes in the immigration quota system was introduced this week by Sen. Philip A. Hart (D., Mich.) with Senators Keating (R., N.Y.), Javits (R., N.Y.), Clark (D., Pa.), Neuberger (D., Ore.), McNamara (D., Mich.) and Humphrey (D., Minn.).

Major objective of the bill is to eliminate national and racial discrimination in the immigration statutes, Hart explained. The new quotas proposed are closely related to actual immigration eyperience of recent years.

"Nations with very small quotas have been among the most substantial contributors to recent immigration," Hart said. He cited Japanese immigration was 20 times greater.

Japan Quota of 5,300

The Japanese quota, under the present Act of 1952, is 185, but the average immigration during 1951-1960 was 4,467. The Hart bill proposes a Japanese quota of 5,378.

Hart also noted there were 8,882 applicants in Japan seeking entry into the U.S. at the present time.

Quotas under the bill would be revised every five years. Within the quotas, 60 pct. would be available to "blood relatives of a citizen or of an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence through the third degree of consanguinity their spouses and children"; the remaining 40 pct. to other qualified immigrants.

The bill also automatically eliminates the Asia-Pacific Triangle provisions.

Hart stated the bill would eliminate the need for such special enactments on immigration which Congress has found necessary in recent years such as the soldier brides and refugee relief bills.

Major Provisions

Major provisions of the bill would authorize 250,000 quota visas per year, of which 50,000 are to be made available to refugees or escapees without regard to quota areas.

The remaining 200,000 are to be allocated to countries under a two-part computation: (1) 80,000 to be divided among countries in proportion to the size of their population to world population but no one country to get more than 3,000 under this category, and (2) 120,000 allocated to countries based on the proportion of their immigration to the U.S. over the past 15 years to total of all immigration to the U.S. for the same period.

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CCDC spring quarterly to be hosted by Reedley

REEDLEY. — The second quarterly session of the Central California District Council will be hosted by Reedley JACL tonight at the House of Chung. Chairman Tom Shimasaki will preside.

Items on the agenda include the Issei Story, national convention, oratorical contest, scholarships, DC fund drive, endowment fund and non-chapter area report.

BAKERSFIELD HONORS ISSEI PIONEER

Receiving congratulations from Joe Ono, program chairman, is Kanetaro Kinoshita, at an Issei Recognition Dinner held by the Bakersfield JACL chapter. Looking on is president Guy Murotani. Kinoshita came to the United States from Hiroshima Ken in 1897.
—Photo by Leo Hagiwara.

NATIONAL DIRECTOR REPORTS:

JACL convention goers urged to secure housing reservations, registration now

BY MAS SATOW

Seattle

With the Century 21 Fair opening about a month away, over 7 million dollars in advance admission tickets have been sold. This should give JACL Convention goers an idea what things are going to be like and it behooves them to get in their housing reservations and convention registrations right now!

Where chapters are undetermined as to their official delegates, they should send in hotel deposits in the name of the chapter president and transfer the reservations later. The Convention Board has lost two hotels already because reservations have been slow in coming in. If you expect to attend the JACL 17th Biennial you had better rush in your hotel reservations and deposit within the next few weeks.

MEMBERSHIPS

Remittances have picked up during the past fortnight (Mar. 1-15) to bring our 1962 membership total to 10,000 but this is still 2,000 short of the number at the same time last year. Seventeen chapters have still to report any membership. Also received were 231 Thousand Club memberships and renewals in

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'Night on the Town' offered to JACLers pre-registering for 17th Biennial confab

SEATTLE.—As an incentive to get as many pre-registrations as possible before the 17th Biennial National JACL Convention begins here on July 26, an added attraction was announced this week by Phil Hayasaka, registrar.

Those who are pre-registered will be eligible for a special door prize which will be a "Night on the Town" for two. Winner will be announced at the convention and will be treated by the host chapter to a gay night in the Century 21 - World's Fair City, including dinner and entertainment.

"Make your registration and housing reservation now," Hayasaka cautioned. "It's later than you think and you may end up without a place to stay in Seattle which'll be full of tourists for the fair. A deposit of $2 for registration and $15 for housing is being asked when sending in your forms which are available from chapter presidents or in the Pacific Citizen."

Hayasaka said a few checks have come in without forms, so please check your envelopes before sending them to us.

BAKERSFIELD JACLER IN NEW EDITORSHIP

BAKERSFIELD. — Appointment of Leo Hagiwara, a member of the Bakersfield JACL chapter, as editor of a new community newspaper in Bakersfield, News Bulletin, has been announced by Bill Spaulding, publisher.

The new newspaper is owned and published by the Guide Publications of Fresno. It will be a weekly with a circulation of more than 40,000. Offices of the new publication will be at 2714 Chester Ave.

Hagiwara was formerly editor of the McFarland Press.

Chuman to address N.Y. meeting on 'Issei Story'

NEW YORK.—Frank Chuman, national JACL president, will speak on the Issei Story Project at a meeting of the New York Chapter tonight at the Grant Community Center.

Although a local working committee is being organized to do research for the history, Chuman's visit is expected to give impetus to its work. So far, no active chairman has been chosen since the death of the late Akira Hayashi, who was to have headed up the work. Mitsu Yasuda is making committee arrangements.

Chuman has been in the East this week conferring with Eastern District Council leaders. He spoke Saturday at the Philadelphia JACL Instalation dinner dance at the Valley Forge Hotel.

The next day, at the same place, he attended a meeting of the Eastern District Council.

TASK OF CULLING READERS OFF PC LIST TO START

Starting tomorrow, the Pacific Citizen begins its task of culling out subscriptions of JACL members who were expected to renew by March 31 but have not.

Since the big story calling attention to the March 31 "cutoff" date in the PC two weeks ago, memberships have been picking up, according to National Headquarters. More memberships are expected to reach National Headquarters this weekend.

The PC circulation department will check out the cards on file by chapters. This will be an arduous project for it involves some 10,000 member-subscribers.

Each day's work will be forwarded to the mailer for action. The entire processing is expected to take at least 10 working days.

In the meantime, chapters which have member subscriptions expiring April should turn in these renewals within the next week or so to insure continued subscriptions.

Pan-Am breaks own trans-Pacific flight record

SAN FRANCISCO.—Pan American World Airways last week claimed a new speed record of 8 hours 41 minutes for flight between Tokyo and San Francisco, three minutes faster than the previous mark set by the airline two years ago.

GOVERNOR NAMES YORI WADA TO $18,000 STATE POST

San Francisco Nisei to Leave 'Y' Desk Within Two Weeks

SACRAMENTO. — Governor Edmund G. Brown Sunday announced his appointment of Yoritada Wada, 45, of San Francisco, program secretary of the Buchanan St. YMCA, to the California Youth Authority Board.

"Mr. Wada has devoted much of his life to work with young people," the Governor said. "I believe his experience and the high capability with which he has approached problems in this field will make him a valuable addition to this board and its vital work."

Wada, a native of Hanford, succeeds C. Emmet Daly of San Francisco who resigned to accept a Municipal Court judgeship appointment. The appointment, which carries an annual salary of $18,191, requires Senate confirmation.

Wada was born in Hanford and attended schools there. He was graduated with honors in 1940 from the Univ. of California in Berkeley. He was a member of two societies there, the Winged Helmet and Golden Bear.

He is a member of the California Fulbright Committee and the San Francisco Rent Control Board.

He served in the United States Army Medical Corps, the Japanese American 442nd Combat Team and in intelligence units during the second World War.

After the war, he was associated with the Univ. of California YMCA and the Booker T. Washington Community Center before coming to the Buchanan St. "Y" in 1958.

He is a Democrat. Among his many civic associations are the San Francisco JACL, Nisei Voters League, Youth for Service, San Francisco Boys Work Assn., the Problem Youth Committee of the Western Addition District Council, Veterans of Foreign Wars and the San Francisco Group Work and Recreation Council.

He and his wife, Chiyo, have four children, Edward, 17, Richard, 12, Patricia, 11, and Wayne, 5. The family home is at 565 4th Ave.

Chuman admitted to practice before U.S. Supreme court

WASHINGTON. — Frank F. Chuman, National JACL president, was admitted to practice before United States Supreme Court Monday morning. His admission was moved by United States Solicitor General Archibald Cox, chief legal officer for United States government.

Congressman Sidney R. Yates of Illinois arranged for the Solicitor General to move Chuman's admission in an unusual honor for attorneys.

The same morning the Supreme Court announced the historic opinion that federal courts could intervene in state reapportionment and redistributing cases. Solicitor General Cox argued what may well rank as one of all-time major court decisions last fall, for ratifications of decision are broad and may effect every state in nation.

Chuman is presently in East visiting JACL chapters. Early part this week in Washington, where he will meet government and congressional leaders, among them Attorney General Robert Kennedy, Senate Majority Leader Mike Mansfield of Montana, and House Majority Leader Carl Albert of Oklahoma.

Chuman graduated from Univ. of California at Los Angeles and attended Univ. of Southern California Law School, Univ. of Toledo Law School and Univ. of Maryland Law School, receiving his law degree in 1945 from latter school. He is a member of California State Bar, Maryland State Bar, American Bar Association, National Association of Compensation and Claimants Attorneys, Criminal Courts Bar Association, Federal Courts Criminal Indigent Defense Committee of Los Angeles Bar Association, Los Angeles County Bar Association, National Association of Immigration and Nationality Lawyers.

He was also admitted to practice before United States Federal District Court of Southern District of California, Board of Immigration Appeals and Immigration and Naturalization Service, and Tax Court of United States.

He served as National JACL legal counsel seven years prior to his election as president. He is the senior partner of the Los Angeles law firm of Chuman and McKibbin.

Foreign minister's daughter to light D.C. lanterns

NEW YORK. — Mariko Kosaka, daughter of the Japanese Foreign Minister at Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs, will take part as the Princess of Japan in the annual National Cherry Blossom Festival to be held April 3-8 at Washington, D.C.

She is to join the Japanese Ambassador to the U.S. in lighting the stone lanterns near the cherry trees in the Tidal Basin at the opening ceremonies of the 1962 festival.

JACLERS TESTIFY AT FCC HEARINGS, DEPLORE SHOWING OF ANTI-NISEI FILMS

Dr. Sakamoto, Joe Sagami Appear in Chicago Survey Investigating Local Programming Station Policy

(Special to Pacific Citizen)

CHICAGO.—Two Chicago JACLers were among 110 witnesses from churches, labor and education, artists and leading citizens whotestified at the week-long FCC hearings held at the Federal Courthouse last week.

Appearing were Dr. Frank F. Sakamoto, chairman of the Midwest District Council, and Joe Sagami, Chicago JACL president.

Dr. Sakamoto objected to the showing of dated World War II films which contained derogatory references to Japanese Americans and stated that FBI and military intelligence files "show no record of espionage and sabotage by persons of Japanese ancestry at any time." He also made a plea for scrapping the word "Jap" and listed seven dictionaries which define the word as "contemptuous and derogatory".

In his testimony, Sagami asked for "programs portraying the best elements of the cultures of the various ethnic and nationality groups in Chicago." He said that JACL would like to see the four local stations "present an entertainment program which can be viewed objectively without injecting prejudice and hate by misrepresentations and half-truths".

The public hearings were conducted by FCC Commissioner Robert E. Lee.

Why was FCC Commissioner Robert E. Lee, together with counsel, here in Chicago? These were not labeled as hearings for TV licensing. These were, Lee said, to be soundings that were directed at a key point: were the already-licensed stations fulfilling their responsibilities?

This is something new in FCC probing. These hearing innovations obviously come in response to pressure from citizens and citizen groups who feel they have no voice in shaping the programs on stations which, they also feel actually belong to them.

On April 12 the TV stations here will be given an opportunity to present their side of this argument, before this same FCC commissioner.

Undoubtedly Chicago is a pilot hearing. Should the FCC find the evidence gathered here valuable in shaping its TV policy, it seems likely that there will be similar hearings at other big cities around the United States.

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'Untouchables' regarded as insult to Italo-Americans, FCC commissioner told

CHICAGO.—In addition to the two JACLers testifying before the FCC public hearing last week (Mar. 21) charging that local TV stations were maligning Chicagoans of Japanese descent, several witnesses accused stations of snubbing the city's Negro community and charged that "The Untouchables" is unfair to Americans of Italian descent.

John H. Sengstacke, publisher of the Chicago Defender, a Negro community daily newspaper, said: "Aside from occasional treatment in the news shows . . . the Negro is almost nonexistent in local TV. But even on newscasts, the reporting of Negro activities is almost always confined to the sensational or criminal story."

He and other witnesses objected particularly that Negroes are seldom portrayed on television as leading normal everyday lives—for example, as hard-working fathers who go home from the office and play with their children.

Stereotype Rapped

"Projection of the Negro in his normal role in society should become a rule of television programming," Sengstacke said, "so that white viewers would lose the stereotype of the Negro and find it not at all unusual to see a Negro surgeon, lawyer, teacher, bricklayer, clerk or sportsman as an incidental or even a major participant in a major television show."

Television emphasis on racial conflict and tension also was charged by Carl A. Fuqua, executive director of the Chicago branch of the National Assn. for the Advancement of Colored People.

Fuqua said his organization has no quarrel with television news coverage of controversy and racial incidents. But, he said, "we are concerened that the local stations have not seen fit to include any substantial programing that deals with the development of interest in race relations and the problems of interracial adjustment and understanding."

Peter R. Scalise, president of the Joint Civic Committee of Italian Americans, repeated his oft-stated objections to the preponderance of Italian gangsters on the television program The Untouchables. He said the show is an insult to "over 400,000 Americans of Italian extraction in the metropolitan area of Chicago."

Columnist Comments

The Sun-Times TV columnist Paul Molloy, after the five days of covering the hearings, had this to say:

"By Friday night, the hearings will have entertained more than 100 groups with special interests ranging from more flower shows to less movies with Japanese villains. Where in the name of hue-and-cry were the mothers and fathers who have supposedly been concerned with what comes across the little screen? Where, to name one area, was the PTA?"

The hearings were given special coverage by Channel 5 (WNBQ), one of the network stations being charged for failing in its responsibilities.

Molloy added that there are 775 PTA units in the Chicago area, represented by 361,000 parents. Until Friday, one person representing the PTA was on hand. Mrs. Newton Grobe, spokesman for the Chicago region, commended the stations but wished that there were fewer offerings like the "Three Stooges".

Senate votes 77-16 to outlaw poll tax

WASHINGTON. — The Senate approved Tuesday a proposed Constitutional amendment to outlaw the poll tax as a requirement for voting in federal elections.

The 77-16 vote, more than the required two-thirds majority, brought an abrupt end to a fight that had tied up the Senate for nearly two weeks. The measure now goes to the House.

Only five states—Alabama, Arkansas, Mississippi, Texas and Virginia—still require voters to pay a poll tax in federal elections.

Phone Call to Astronaut Goes Through

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BY GEORGE NAKAMURA

HOOD RIVER, Ore.—"Hey, a funny thing happened at school today" might have been the words of Tom Yasui to his 1000 Clubber parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray "Chop" Yasui of Hood River.

Tom's speech class teacher, Carl Winklebleck, gave him an assignment to speak on some well-known personality and suggested Jacqueline Kennedy.

Tom, a senior at Wy'East (Indian word meaning "the mountain") High School replied that since he knew little of fashions and practically nothing about women he would rather speak on someone else.

Winklebleck then proposed he speak about John Glenn or Alan Shepard. Our young man turned down both suggested subjects, but liked the idea when his teacher came up with Scott Carpenter, the next astronaut scheduled to go into space.

"The only trouble is", asked Tom, "how do I go about getting any dope on him?"

Half-jokingly his mentor said, "Why don't you call him?"

Well, that's exactly what Tom did. His person-to-person call to Commander Carpenter was routed through Cape Canaveral to the Missile Base where he caught the astronaut just as he returned from lunch.

After several minutes of conversation and questions Carpenter said that rather than answer all the questions ont he phone he would send Tom a complete dossier on himself in the mail.

So now we have a young man eagerly awaiting a letter from the next astronaut scheduled to go into orbit.

And who paid for the call? Our daring young man and his instructor who dared him to make the call knowing the call would never be made and if it were, the call would never get through!

Junior corn champ

LA JUNTA, Colo.—Keith Shironaka of Ordway, Colo., won the junior division corn championship of the Arkansas Valley. This is his second time in winning the honor. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Shironaka of Ordway, active Arkansas Valley JACL members.

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Washington Newsletter: by Mike Masaoka

Trade with Japan - 1

Washington

IN RECENT Newsletters, we have commented on the Administration's "bold, new" trade expansion program and on the fact that United States exports to Japan contribute materially to the dollar economy and employment of every State in the Union.

Some readers have written to ask whether our suggestion that Nisei Americans should become personally concerned in this matter and urge that commercial relations with Japan be encouraged is the official policy of this Government.

The address by Philip H. Tresize, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Economic Affairs, before the Japan Society of New York on January 25, 1962, clearly answers that question and also provides some interesting background on the need for the United States to promote trade relations with Japan.

Indeed, the title of his address, "The Case for American Trade with Japan", emphasizes the unequivocal offical attitude of our Government on the urgency of maintaining and expanding trade relations with Japan.

Secretary Tresize's address will be reprinted in full, with the first installment this week and the rest next week.

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"THE SUBJECT I intend to discuss with you tonight is that of trade between the United States and Japan more particularly and why such trade exists. This is a moderately controversial topic to which I hope I can contribute some light, without heat.

"Probably the most common and the most widely accepted justification for trading with Japan is that otherwise Japan might take a neutralist or leftist course or enter into a political accommodation with the Chinese Communists and the Soviet Union.

"I believe that this line of argument, although it is necessarily over-simplified, is essentially correct. There is undoubtedly a close casual connection between the state of Japan's external trade and the serious blow to trade could lead through a chain of events to a political disaster for the free world in Northeast Asia. Since the United States occupies so dominant a place in Japan's total trade picture, our policies are particuarly relevant here. We would be shortsighted indeed if we failed to give due account to this factor in United States-Japanese relations.

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"AT THE same time, the trade-in - order - to - keep -Japan -on-our-side argument is only a part of the story. In some respects it is a troublesome one. In thus focusing on political considerations, we tend to agree with the proposition that trade is a kind of unavoidable evil. We seem to say that we provide access to our market, reluctantly, as one of the prices for sustaining our political position in the world. Trade becomes another kind of foreign economic aid, closely related to the tensions of the cold war. If those tensions ever were relaxed, presumably we would consider it reasonable and desirable to reduce or abandon some parts of our foreign commerce.

"In fact, the political case for trade, although it is certainly not inaccurate or irrelevant, need not stand alone. I think that it is demonstrable that our trade with Japanw ould exist independently of any political requirements. It would do so because it makes the United States more prosperous, because it creates jobs and wealth, and because it coincides with our interest in promoting our own economic well-being. All of us benefit in one fashion or another from international trade. This applies just as much to trade with Japan as to trade with any other of our commercial partners abroad.

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"IN EXAMINING our trade with Japan, it is useful to consider what has happened to the Japanese economy in recent years and what the prospects for the future may be. Experience tells us that the volume of our foreign commerce varies directly with the level of economic achievement of other nations. Trade between the industrialized and richer countries is far greater than trade between rich and poor countries or among the poorer countries themselves.

"Japan, for the past decade, has been in the process of growing richer at a more rapid pace, probably, than any other country in the world.

"It is seldom recalled nowadays that when World War II ended, Japan was as nearly prostrate as a modern industrial nation could be. Its great cities were in ruins; its industries were shattered; the Empire was lost. There was even reason to believe that the very bonds that hold a society together might have been weakened beyond repair. The outlook, at the most optimistic, was for a full generation of hardship, while the Japanese people painfully rebuilt and reorganized their shattered country.

"This bleak and despairing prospect lasted only briefly. Within five years after the surrender, it had become clear that Japan could hope to earn its own way in the world. In the 1950s, this hope was more than realized. During this decade, the Japanese people, without Empire or colonies, with unusually scanty domestic natural resources, and without extraordinary foreign aid, built a new economy far more bountiful than any Japan had ever had in the past and one that was expanding at a rate rarely if ever matched under similar conditions anywhere.

"RECENTLY THE Government of Japan estimated that gross national product for the fiscal year ending April 1 will have grown 10 per cent in real terms over the previous year. The growth rate last year, in turn, was more than 13 per cent and in the year before that nearly 18 per cent. These rates of expansion, under conditions of comparative price stability, and coming after a full decade in which average annual growth rates were in the area of nine percent, can only be called phenomenal.

"Some of the specific details of the Japanese accomplishment are equally remarkable. In 1950, the Japanese iron and steel industry, which as you know is heavily dependent upon imports of raw materials, produced 4.8 million tons of crude steel. By 1960 this figure was 2.3 million tons. In calendar year 1961 it passed 28 million tons and Japan became the fourth greatest steel producer in the world with only the United States, the Soviet Union, and the Federal Republic of Germany ahead of it.

"Another Japanese industry almost completely dependent upon imports for its raw materials is the petroleum refining industry. At the beginning of the last decade, Japan's refining capacity was about 69,000 barrels per day. By 1960 capacity was up more than nine times to 640,000 barrels per day and imports of crude oil, incidentally, were up more than 15 times over 1950.

"Consumption of electric power increased by 150 percent during the 1950s. Textile production, most of it for domestic use, grew by 280 percent. Whole new industries came into being, as for example, in petrochemicals and in electronics.

"Japan was suddenly projected into the durable consumer goods age. Television became a major

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EVACUATION STORY

PC readers need hardly be reminded that it was 20 years ago some 110,000 persons of Japanese ancestry were evacuated by the military from the West Coast to inland concentration camps . . . But metropolitan dailies are beginning to pick up this saga for their Sunday readers.

The Chicao Sun-Times featured an article by Jean Dietrich in its Mar. 4 issue and the San Diego Union in its Mar. 18 issue had one of their editorial trainees, Mitch Himaka, recall his exodus to Poston via Santa Anita. Himaka was 10 years old then.

While neither article said it, we trust the wide readership of these newspapers will agree with us that it should never happen again in America.

In the Sun-Times article, Tak Hirai, now a commercial artist, is shown holding a picture of Minidoka Relocation Center which he painted as a youth of 19. The barbed wire fence and MP sentry tower stand out. Two scenes of Poston Relocation Center, one showing a cluster of barracks and the other the MP hut at the camp gate, graphically illustrate what happened 20 years ago.

To bring the story up-to-date, three more photographs taken at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hikawa show the happy aftermath. But the article dwelt on the sacrifices in preparing for evacuation.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Yamamoto, married in March of 1942, were still honeymooning when they were given a week to get rid of their lettuce farm near Salinas. By the time their crop was ready for harvest in May they were traying to get used to the communal life behind barbed wire in the Arizona desert. "I guess we felt we'd been kicked in the teeth," Harry was quoted as saying. He is now owner of two South Shore dry cleaning shops.

Hiro Mayeda, who gave us some background on the Sun-Times article, credits the Chicago Nisei Post for arranging the appearance of the story, which resulted from the memorial service conducted by the post at Rohwer Relocation Center's cemetery last year.

In the San Dieo Union story, the Evacuation is seen through a pair of younger eyes than the Harry Yamamotos. For Himaka, it was his first train ride and for youngsters like him, camp life was all play, though he hastened to add that for the older group, "it wasn't like the Outside".

Photos accompanying this article showed families boarding the train with MPs standing by, a street scene of evacuees loading their cars (which we detected to be Mariposa St. in Los Angeles in front of St. Mary's Episcopal Church), two scouts from Maryknoll Troop 145 looking at the Justice Department "notice to aliens of enemy nationalities", evacuees registering at Manzanar, and barracks in the area behind the Santa Anita paddock.

. . . Before the year is out, we expect to see more articles on the Evacuation. And we take this opportunity to acknowledge the clippings submitted thus far. We're sure Sunday editors would like to recall what happened 20 years ago if they are made aware of it by those who were evacuated.

FCC HEARINGS

The Chicago papers during the week of March 19-24 played up the FCC hearings and we're giving it due spread in the PC this week because of the role played by two JACLers, Dr. Frank Sakamoto and Joe Sagami, who incidentally were not identified by name in the press association stories out of Chicago last week.

Because of the fine contributions made by these individuals, were reprinting their testimony in recognition of their efforts.

JACL has made protestations in the past against the showing of anti-Nisei films and has conducted three national campaigns to inform all TV stations in the past decade . . . One film which depicts Nisei in favorable light, "Go For Broke!", was recently made available to television. While stations have been receiving protests for showing anti-Nisei films, let's commend them when "Go For Broke!" is shown.

Lead article in the current issue of The Reporter (Mar. 29) deals with "The Networks and the FCC". This was a survey on a national basis. It's worth looking into . . . The Chicago hearings were to see if local stations were living up to their responsibilities. And more local hearings are in the making—in which case, Nisei leaders may be expected to make their case known. At least, the Nisei can tell the FCC which stations ignored their public trust by showing films which impugn the loyalty of Japanese Americans.

CONGRESSMAN INOUYE TO RUN FOR SENATE SEAT

WASHINGTON.—Rep. Daniel K. Inouye (D., Hawaii) announced last week he will be a candidate for the U.S. Senate in this fall's election. Announcement came after Sen. Oren E. Long (D., Hawaii) said he was retiring and would not run for re-election.

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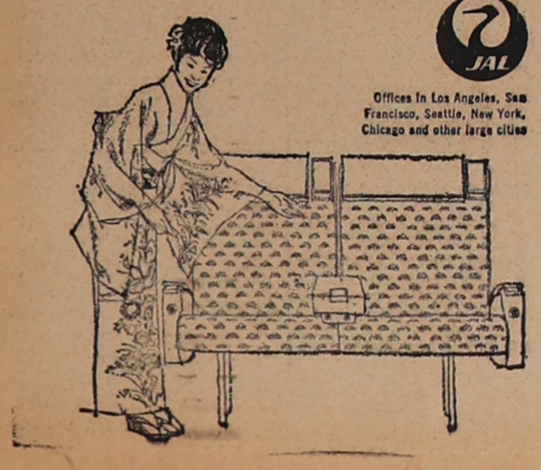

Living with JACL: by Saburo Kido

1942 Emergency Meeting

Chapter XII: Continued

(Extracted from the Official Minutes of the 1942 Emergency Meeting.)

The meeting was called to order at 9:15 a.m.

President Kido announced at this time that in order to expedite matters, no one will be permitted to enter the meeting after the Council has been called to order.

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Discussion of Evacuation

President Kido asked comments and views from the various chapters. Prior to commencing with comments, President Kido stated that it seems that the registration center will be in Owens Valley. Nobody seems to know where the families are to be located. The chair requested a report on conditions, particularly about the climate in Owens Valley.

Dr. Ernest Takahashi reported briefly that Owens Valley is unsatisfactory because of the extreme heat in the summer and extreme cold in the winter. The soil is good in parts but bad in others. The valley is very narrow. Since Los Angeles County uses the water from the valley it is almost completely drained out. The valley is far from the centers of civilization and the problem of supplying food quickly is difficult.

Comments on Parker Dam were called for by President Kido. Since no one volunteered to report Miss Ryuko Uyesaka of Arizona was called upon to comment on the Parker Dam area. Miss Uyesaka stated that she has no knowledge of this area; however, a report on Blythe area, which is close to Parker Dam region, was that the land is similar to that of Phoenix, Ariz. It is good for certain crops due to the alkali condition in some parts. The climate is similar to that of Phoenix.

President Kido gave a brief summary of newspaper reports. If Owens Valley is fully developed it may accommodate 50,000 people. Owens Valley and the Parker Dam area are the only two places which have been considered so far. Owens Valley is definite. At the entrance the evacuees will be registered and then sent to the different points. The newspapers of March 9, 1942 more or less confirmed the fact that they are ready to begin evacuating the people from Los Angeles. The Tolan Congressional Committee is to recommend to General DeWitt that the Los Angeles area should be evacuated first.

A representative from the Guadalupe area reported that some of their American friends had looked into the Owens Valley area. They say truck gardening and other similar pursuits may be carried on there. The weather conditions there are good except for the extreme heat in July, August and September. The soil is like that of Imperial Valley. The area is generally good except that it is at present part of the restricted zone. With regard to the above restricted area, President Kido stated that, according to Tom Clark, alien coordinator and chairman, it seems that the evacuees may stay as long as they are one mile away from the defense area.

Louisiana Proposed

Mr. Ken Matsumoto's viewpoint on the evacuation area is that the Louisiana territory would be a fine place if there were very many farmers who would be interested in such a locality. The soil is fertile. He stated it is his conclusion that this is really the beginning of the end for the Japanese problem. From what he gathers from people of authoritative capacity, the land is a fine farming section if the people are interested and if concessions can be made for these Japanese.

Mr. Kawai of Pasadena requested clarification of whether we are seeking farmland or whether we are planning a permanent settlement for the Japanese. He also requested details on the entire plan, expressing the opinion that it was a temporary plan until war was over.

President Kido says that, as far as the Government is concerned, they expect it to be a temporary affair. He explained further, that according to Mr. Clark's statement the government will protect our property, so apparently it is just a temporary evacuation until the war is over. At this point President Kido attempted to determine the attitude of the council. Should we advise the people to go with the intention of staying permanently or temporarily?

Considerable discussion was had on this problem which included such points as: In Fresno 99 per cent of the people's attitude is to return after the war is over. The Japanese assets are too valuable to leave behind permanently after such a long period of development. Pasadena American people want the Japanese to come back. The Japanese should not be deprived of their assets under this emergency government order. San Francisco presented the point that many of the Japanese importing and exporting companies have taken long years to build their businesses up to what they are now and it is in the interest of all the people that they continue again after the war.

On the other hand, only 5 per cent of the farmers in the Guadalupe area own their own land so it would be a hardship for the 95 per cent who do not own land to come back and try to resume where they left off.

President Kido in conclusion stated that if we give the first generation hope of returning to California, they will be able to withstand the hardships of evacuation and resettlement; and, as for the second generation, we can look to the future with more promise.

At this point, Mr. Mike Masaoka, National Secretary and Field Executive, recommended that the Council get the fundamental facts essential in the solving of such problems.

Temporary Exile

President Kido again stated that, as a general policy, we should take the stand that this exile of ours is to be temporary, particularly since the Government's policy is to regard it as a temporary affair. The Government has stated that all of our Civil Rights will be protected. Anything tangible will be protected by Government. It was believed that an announcement may be received that they may freeze Japanese assets in order to prevent last-minute dumping.

A motion was made to refer the matter as to our attitude with regard to evacuation by the Resolution Committee; it was seconded and unanimously carried by the assembly.

Mr. Kawai brought up the fact that we should try to answer many questions that are in the minds of the people present so that when we go back to our various district, we can specifically give them an answer of what was decided at this meeting.

Mr. Kawai moved that the Chair be empowered to appoint a committee to coordinate all questions to be directed to the guest speakers. Motion was seconded by Joe Masaoka and unanimously carried.

The Committee appointed by the Chair to work on this questionnaire was as follows:

Fred Tayama (L.A.), George Inagaki (Ven.), David Tatsuno (S. Fran.), Nobu Kawai (Pas.), Mamaro Wakasugi (Port.), Ken Utsunomiya (S. Maria), Ted Nakamura (Tac.), Tom Yego (Placer), Jack Noda (Stan.-Mer.), Mr. Egusa (Puy. V.), Mr. Uyesugi (Port.), Fred Hirasuna (Fres.), Ryuko Uyesaka (Ariz.).

Mr. Kido stated that all members of the board will be ex-officio members on this committee.

A fifteen minute recess was called in order that the Council may write up the questions to be handed in to the committee at 11 a.m.

Meeting was called to order at 11:15 a.m. by President Kido.

FBI Requests

President Kido asked the assembly at the request of the FBI that all Chapters immediately file written reports giving actual or rumored cases of mob violence, such as lynchings, tarring and feathering, burning of Japanese schoolhouses, churches, business, homes, etc. Be as specific as possible. If causes of fire are unknown, give circumstantial or known evidence or facts. Also please comment as to the possibilities of a mob violence or if you know of any agitators of such violences. If none of the above are to be reported, all Chapters were to report their general conditions. All reports are to be filed int he National Secretary's office by noon.

Let's Keep It Up!

Masaoka —

(Continued from Front Page)

industry and Japanese consumers bought more television sets than any people outside of the United States and the United Kingdom. Electrical appliances — refrigerators, washing machines, even dishwashers — found an important place in the consumption pattern. Ownership of an automobile, while still uncommon enough, is sufficiently general as to make it an open question whether Japanese cities in their present form can survive.

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"CAPPING EVERYTHING else, and what is seldom remarked upon, the Japanese farmer began producing rice in quantities that now make Japan mainly self-sufficient in this basic cereal grain. This accomplishment, in a land of small farms and in the face of a shrinking farm area, is possibly the most startling of all. It reflects, of course, the possibilities inherent in the application of modern technology to small farm agriculture. The lesson in it for Asia and Africa may well be a revolutionary one.

"Looking back on the postwar period, the wisdom of our occupation policies is more than ever apparent. The occupation under General MacArthur set the stage for Japanese rehabilitation and growth. Where it could have easily restrained or prevented Japanese progress, it fostered and furthered the possibilities for growth and development.

"But neither occupation policies nor postwar American economic assistance provided the essential expansive force. The achievement was a Japanese achievement. Its basic ingredients were, I think, hard work, a pattern of frugality in the Japanese community, a general receptivity to change, and an extraordinarily adventuresome business leadership.

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"I FIND the story of postwar Japan a very exciting one in itself. The recovery and growth of Japan under democratic institutions bears out better than anyone could have expected our belief that freedom and economic progress are compatible phenomena.

"However, my point now is that the ingredients which have made for Japan's performance are still there. So far as one can see, the potential for economic growth has not been exhausted. Unless external factors come into play, the supposition must be that the Japanese economy will continue to expand at a rapid pace for some years to come. This implies a big and a steadily expanding market for somebody's exports.

"If the past is any guide, we should have a prominent, probably a dominant, place in that market. We sell Japan about a third of all her imports and this proportion reflects advantages that we should on the whole be able to maintain."

Introducing a Nisei 'Dunker'

An extremely interesting profile on Sim Togasaki was featured in a recent issue of the "Gospel Messenger," official organ of the Church of the Brethren, Elgin, Ill. The author, Vernard Eller, is assistant professor of religion at La Verne College, La Verne, Calif.

BY VERNARD ELLER
(Concluding Installment)

The Togasakis have five children. Motoko (Mo) is a graduate of La Verne College, now living with her husband Robert Grabowski in Monterey, Calif. She also works as a secretary at Stanford Research Center. Akira (Aki) has engineering degrees from MIT and USC and is employed at Indianpolis, Ind., in the Allison division of General Motors. Carolyn Etsuko, a high school student, and Stephen Makoto and David Kazumi, both in grade school, are still at home.

But the particular story that interests us here is how the Togasakis became Brethren. It goes back to Pearl Harbor. Most readers will recall the unreasoning fear and frenzy with which the American people then turned against all things Japanese. The Togasakis remember well; they got the short end of the deal. On February 15, 1942, they were forced to leave their home in Alameda, an island city that sits in San Francisco Bay just off Oakland. They lived hard by the Alameda Naval Air Station, and Mrs. Togasaki was an enemy (sic) alien. They moved to Berkeley a few miles away.

On March 29, the Togasakis moved inland to Visalia; all those of Japanese ancestry, whether Nisei (i.e., American-born) or Issei (i.e., native Japanese), had been asked to leave the coast. Sim hoped to operate his business out of Visalia and got a virtual promise from the government that he would not be forced to move again. This lasted for exactly two months; on June 2, the Togasakis—along with other Pacific Coast Japanese—were moved into the Colorado River relocation center at Poston, Ariz. (such installations in Germany we called "concentration camps"; when we sponsored them they were called "relocation centers").

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Sim was forced by the government to sell out all his merchandise, though after the war it was admitted that this had been an illegal move since only 14 per cent of Mutual Supply was owned in Japan. A ceiling was put on the price that Sim could ask for his goods; but no such restraint was put upon the buyer who then proceeded to resell them. Sim sold out at a loss; his buyer immediately resold at an exorbitant profit; and the government charged Sim $6,000 for auditing the books of the firm.

As a prominent member of the Japanese community and an officer in the Japanese American Citizens League, Sim was one who helped decide how to cooperate with the government. Today, Sim, holding out his hands in the traditional fish measuring gesture, says that the FBI has a dossier on him "that thick."

The primary motive of all the Japanese American negotiations with the government was to cooperate as fully as possible. In all the moves involved in the evacuation, Sim and his colleagues persuaded their fellow Japanese to go voluntarily and without resistance or protest. This was accomplished, and it is now a matter of government record that absolutely no evidence of attempted sabotage by Japanese Americans, either Nisei or Issei, was ever found. Yet, because of prejudice and public hysteria, the government officials persisted in abusing the very committee that had come to cooperate with them. They insulted them, slandered them, treated them as enemies and traitors. Sim's earlier training in nonviolence stood him in good stead here.

After a time at Poston, the Togasakis planned to move to Pueblo, Colo., nonsensitive territory. But Dr. T.T. Yatabe, a friend of Sim's who lived in Chicago near Bethany Seminary, contacted Ralph Smeltzer, who was there heading up the Brethren Service hostel program, designed specifically to give displaced Japanese Americans a place to live until they could get situated in Chicago. The arrangements were made, and, in July 1943, the Togasakis moved into one of the Bethany apartments. After a few weeks they removed to the Brethren Fellowship House nearby; sometime later they took up residence in the co-operative apartments organized by some of the Chicago Brethren. Having been in frequent contact with Brethren, the Togasakis began to attend First church. And before the year was out, Harper Will had baptized them into the Church of the Brethren.

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In February 1946, Sim and his family were free to return home to Alameda, though through a quirk of the law they were forced to pay rent on their own home for some six years thereafter. Word of their coming preceded them back to the Oakland church. Some members did not welcome the news and determined to give these foreigners the cold shoulder. Face-to-face contact with the Togasakis soon changed his attitude, however; the warmth of their charm can melt a cold shoulder at the distance of a pew's length. The Oakland people soon discovered that, rather than being an embarrassment, the Togasakis were one of the greatest blessings God had ever sent to that congregation.

The Oakland church house is a very small one, to be sure, but nonetheless a very difficult one to get out of; a person gets "visited" to the point that he loses even the desire to escape. And inevitably, the last car to pull away is the Togasakis. These untimely-born Brethren have equaled and surpassed their teachers in this time-honored Dunker trait. It has gone so far that even the children have given up on their plea, "Let's go home, Daddy," and have become content to "visit" in their own rather rambunctious way. In any case, it is clear that the Togasakis have been accepted—in every sense of the term.

Sim is now a deacon, has been moderator any number of times, and has served the Oakland church in almost every other conceivable capacity. He has been on the Northern California district board, a delegate to regional conference, a member of the La Verne College president's advisory council, and at Long Beach a member of Standing Committee.

He first attracted Brotherhood attention, however, by a more devious method. At the San Jose Conference of 1951, Sim was in attendance. With him he brought a mass of flowers, dozens upon dozens of flowers, so many flowers that the Conference scene-setters were hard put to find containers for them. Now there is no more generous giver than Sim Togasaki, but the story behind these flowers needs to be told. Sim had gone to a Japanese friend of his (the thing Sim has the most of is friends). This particular friend was a wholesale flower merchant, and to him Sim said, "I want you to give me some flowers to take to my church conference."

"O.K.," the flower man replied, "I will give you some flowers—if you will take the whole flat." (There was an airline strike in progress, and the flowers could not move; they were doomed to wilt where they were.) So all of the flowers Sim gave to the Conference did not cost him a cent.

Sim is as active in his Japanese American orbit as he is in the church orbit. In addition to running the Mutual Supply Co., he is an officer in the Japanese American Citizens League, an organization consisting of some 20,000 members in 80 different cities. He is a director of the California-Nevada JACL Cerdit Union; a director of the Sumitomo Bank; a director of the San Francisco Japanese Chamber of Commerce; a member of the Japanese Benevolent Society; and a member of the famous San Francisco Commonwealth Club. He is listed in the current issue of "Who's Who in the West." And he gets around; he has been to Japan three times since the war and to no telling what other places how many times.

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Perhaps the only time that the two worlds of Sim Togasaki have actually intersected was at the wedding of his daughter Motoko. The congregation there consisted of about half and half Brethren and Japanese. It was my personal privilege to conduct the service. Later Sim told me that a number of his Japanese friends had expressed appreciation for the way in which it had been handled. "And," he said, "many of them were Buddhists." Thus, almost by accident, did the ancient Oriental religion of the East meet the ancient "Dutch" religion of Eastern . . . Pennsylvania.

And yet, to meet him at church, one would never guess that he was dealing with a celebrity. Sim likes to talk—but not about himself. His friendliness, his bubbling humor, and his air of semidistraction (he often impresses one as a person who has lost something but cannot remember what he is supposed to be looking for)—all these tend to hide the fact that here is an influential and experienced man of the world. And though his precedents certainly make him the most unlikely Dunker of them all, to know him is to know one of the most natural Dunkers in the world.

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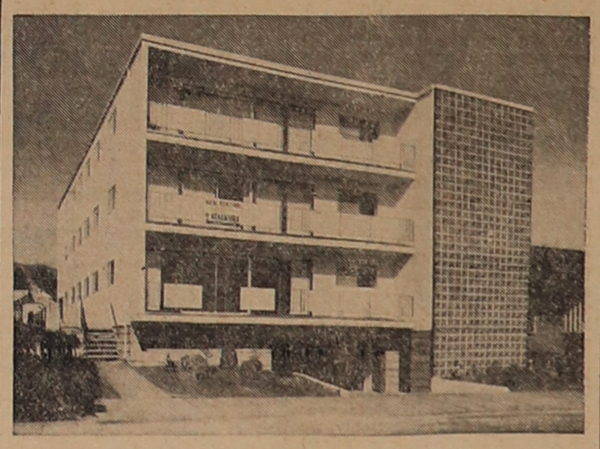

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By Larry Tajiri

Vagaries

Jack Soo may star in TV series . . .

THE PROJECT still waits for a sponsor, but Jack Soo (Goro Suzuki) may be the first actor of Asian ancestry to be starred in a TV series. Soo was co starred in his first Hollywood film, the movie version of the Rodgers and Hammerstein "Flower Drum Song" and the picture will be one of the year's most successful commercially for Universal-International. Since then he has been starring as Sammy Fong in the Las Vegas edition of "Flower Drum Song," now playing a long-run engagement at the Thunderbird Hotel.

Soo's success inspired Erna Lazarus, former TV writer at aWrner Bros., to prepare the pilot story of a planned series to be called "The Li's of Grant Avenue." The TV series has the same setting, San Francisco's Chinatown, as "Flower Drum Song," and Soo's role, that of a Chinese American sharpie who knows all the angles, will be similar to the one he played in the musical.

Miss Lazarus, who is packaging the series through the Famous Artists agency, also has contacted Benson Fong about playing a Chinese Issei in the TV show. If plans materialize, a pilot film will be made in Hollywood.

"FLOWER DRUM SONG" is a vehicle which has proved that stars are not necessary to the success of a show on Broadway or in films. Both versions of the show had no performers of star caliber. The Broadway production originally had Miyoshi Umeki, Pat Suzuki, Ed Kenney and Larry Blyden in its leads with Soo eventually replacing Blyden as Sammy Fong. Producer Ross Hunter defied the Hollywood rule that sars are necessary to box office success by casting Miss Umeki, Nancy Kwan, Soo and James Shigeta in the leads.

What sold "Flower Drum Song," of course, was not the names of the players but rather the fact that the composer and writer were Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein II, respectively.

MOST of the Japanese Americans connected with "Flower Drum Song" have done well. Soo will be in demand in Las Vegas as a comic long after "Flower Drum Song" closes at the Thunderbird. Miss Umeki has a co-starring roles in MGM's "Horizontal Lieutenant" and has just completed "Girl Named Tamiko" at Paramount. Producer Hunter also wants to make a biographical film about Miss Umeki's career, from Hokkaido to Hollywood.

Shigeta will star in a forthcoming movie war drama, "A Long Way from Home." He's also been offered the leading romantic role in an projected off-Broadway play about the romance of a New England girl and a Japanese.

Miss Suzuki, who is resuming her career after a two-year hiatus for marriage and motherhood (she's the wife of the famous photog, Mark Shaw), recently flew to Ottawa with Robert Goulet, star of Broadway's "Camelot," to make a TV spectacular which will be shown in Canada and in Europe.

"Flower Drum Song" also brought Reiko Sato, who has played in a number of Hollywood films (she was muredered in "Woman on the Run" and did a strip tease in "Hell to Eternity"), back to the attention of film makers. She is featured in the major dance production number in the movie version.

'Requiem for a Chi landmark': Michener . . .

JAMES MICHENER'S piece in the March 21 issue of Variety, "Requiem for a Chi Landmark," is a long and nostalgic comment on the demise of Harry Nakamura's famous Club Waikiki in the midwest metropolis.

Michener recalled that Harry Nakamura, a pint-sized (five feet three) boniface, left the concentration camp "he'd been tossed in" and "staggered in to Chicago" and opened up a tiny place called The Playtime. It became a wartime hangout for GIs from Hawaii and there were fights every night between the Hawaiians and the haoles.

Later Nakamura opened a restaurant called The Waikiki at Broadway and Wilson and, some years later, moved farther out to location which seated 350, accommodated 30 and 40 performers when necessary, and gave his customers an evening of dancing, a show and a Chinese-Polynesian dinner for a tab of under $12 a couple.

After some successful years the Waikiki got caught in the same economic bind which strangled the Chez Paree and other big clubs in Chicago and elsewhere.

Michener quotes Nakamura as blaming Las Vegas for some of the troubles of the nation's night clubs: "The thing that killed us was Las Vegas, not anything here in Chicago. The kind of tourist we attracted was also the kind who would probably visit Las Vegas, and after he'ds een those tremendous floor shows he wasn't willing to slip back here and spend his money for a steel guitar and a gal doing the hula."

Nakamura also noted that Las Vegas wages ($50,000 a week for a Sinatra) priced Chicago out of the market.

Nakamura didn't have the Sinatra type of expensive talent but even the scales for Hawaiian guitarists and Samoan fire dancers went up. Meanwhile, TV was keeping Chicago families at home and not willing to take a $2.50 cab ride out to his club. So he closed up the Waikiki before he went broke.

But don't feel sorry for Harry Nakamura, says Michener. "He's had tough spits before. In Oakland, Calif., in 1941, he had a ranch-type market that was worth $115,000. After Pearl Harbor he was kicked out without a pensy payment and somebody else glommed onto the market. Everett Dirksen (senator from Illinois) sponsored a bill to pay him back at least part of the $115,000 but ex-President Eisenhower failed to sign the bill, and that's that."

Nakamura has come back with a Japanese restaurant in a fashionable Chicago neighborhood which Michener notes is lit "by the muffled lights of very long Cadillacs driving up for evening meals."

But Harry Nakamura is hedging his bets this time. He no longer has entertainers to pay. He's specializing in food, including a sushimaker who prepares the delicacies at the diner's table, and pretty girls in kimono to serve the sukiyaki.

USE OF 'JAP' IN SPORTS STORY NETS QUICK APOLOGIES

Rocky Mountain News Uses Racial Epithet in Lead Paragraph

DENVER.—The Rocky Mountain News quickly apologized to Mountain Plains District Council chairman Minoru Yasui this past week for its use of "Jap" within a sports story covering the Japanese ice hockey team.

Yasui noted that in the Mar. 10 issue, Dick Tucker's lead paragraph under the headline: "Japanese Rally to Turn Back France, 10-8" read: "Japan and France staged a goal exhibition in the Broadmoor World Arena with the pint-sized Japs taking a 10-8 victory".

The lame excuse that the term "Japs" is used to fit space requirements cannot be valid here, Yasui said in his letter to the editor of the Rocky Mountain News. "We can conclude that Tucker was not trying to be insulting, but simply does not know any better."

Apologies Extended

The editor's note to Yasui's letter published Mar. 15 stated: "The Rocky Mountain News, indeed, did not intend to insult the Japanese or our many neighbors, the Japanese Americans. Use of the unsavory abbreviation was the result of haste in getting theh ockey story in the paper. We apologize."

Tucker also added his apologies in his letter to Yasui. "I assure you no racial slur was intended . . . It was used in the same manner as members of the Swedish team are called Swedes or the Australians shortened to Aussies.

" . . . Perhaps, protests such as yours will help to enlighten people —including myself. If the Japanese do not want to be called Japs, then I certainly will not refer to them as such in the future."

Yasui said it was a great disappointment to find the racial epithet in the sports section after recalling the sympathetic treatment persons of Japanese ancestry received in the Rocky Mountain News during the war and evacuation.

"From our long acquaintance with the Rocky Mountain News, we know that the News (did not) intend to insult those invited visitors from Japan, or to cast any slur or derogatory implications against us who happen to be of the same racial background. We have confidence in your integrity and in the objectivity of the News," Yasui concluded.

The Japanese ice hockey team made a clean sweep in the "B" championships at Broadmoor with five straight victories. This past week, the Japanese pucksters played three exhibition games, losing twice in Los Angeles and once in Oakland.

Pocatello JACLer earns PTA life honorary award

BLACKFOOT, Idaho.—Hero Shiosaki, active Pocatello JACLer, was awarded an honorary life membership at the Southgate PTA Founder's Day program recently. He was especially commended by Principal Garth Belnap for his leadership at the annual carnivals.

Shiosaki is currently 2nd v.p. of the Blackfoot PTA Council.

Members of Man Jen Low, women team chpions at the 16th annual National JACL Bowling Tournament at Salt Lake, are (from left) Lil Shinagawa, Chiz Yamagawa, Eiko Nomura, Alice Fong and Hiedi Inouye, all of Los Angeles. —Terashima Studio.

Satow—

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the same period, of which 80 are early renewals.

The San Diego Chapter is trying an experiment toward placing their 1000 Clubbers on a calendar basis by prorating their renewal payments to December 31 of this year, so that renewal dates for all their 1000 Clubbers will be uniform.

INTERMOUNTAIN

The Intermountain District met in Salt Lake City on Mar. 11 following our National Bowling Tournament. The main emphasis was upon the campaign for Idaho constitutional amendment on voting. IDC Historian Alice Kasai has done an outstanding job in writing the history of the District Council since its beginnings in 1939.

PINFEST HIGHLIGHTS

Participating bowlers are unanimous in crediting Salt Lake for one of the smoothest running tournaments. Our thanks to Chairman Wat Misaka, assisted by Mary Umemoto for the women's division, and the hard working members of the Tournament Committee. We were happy to see Wat come up with one of the Tournament high games and place in the doubles.

A salute to our "700" bowlers!—Kanaka Sho Torigoe and Art Nishiguchi of Reno. We thought Sho was kidding as usual when he said he came this time to bowl, since he is always kept busy mothering the bowlers from Hawaii. But bowl he did in the next to the final squad —a 700 right on the nose when he needed to punch out all the way in the last frames of his final game. Doc Jun Kurumada, whose 696 singles record has stood up for ten years, rolling on the same squad didn't do badly with a respectable 660. But Sho's calim to the singles title and singles record lasted only one hour as Art Nish blasted the pins for games of 246-225-242 for a grand 713. Sho Torigoe's consolation was the all-events crown with a new tournament record and the gold Omega watch, generously donated by AMF Pinspotters, Inc., that went with it.

Art Nish found through his previous events that his ball needed speeding up, so had his ball working to perfection. He shot the first Tournament 700 last year, a 712. Dixon Ikeda matched Art Nish going into the final game with 471 and rolled his average for a good 671.

As usual, the top women bowlers put on a colorful show, which had the spectators goggled-eyed and buzzy. Lucy "Lefty" Minamishin had a slow start (162) in the singles, but came back with a 244 and 202 to take the event as well as the All-Events. As the Good Book has it, "To him that hath, more shall be given." In addition to the trophies and cash, Lucy picked up the AMF Pinspotters All Events gold watch and held the lucky door prize ticket for the Crown Jewel bowling ball donated by Brunswick Corp. Brunswick donated three balls and three bags.

One of the most colorful women bowlers, Dot Andrade of Honolulu, was with us. She did not enter the tournament in respect to the memory of her "Pop" Stagbar, but flew in to personally extend Mom Stagbar's invitation to JACL bowlers and their friends to enjoy themselves in Hawaii and participate in the Bowl-O-Drome Nisei Invitational Tournament, set up expressly to reciprocate for the hospitality accorded here to the bowlers from Hawaii. The tournament dates: Aug. 18-24, 1963. Brochures will be made available.

In the men's team event, Electrical Contractors of Pocatello gave a beautiful exhibition of team bowling, especially their second game where they were carrying lots of wood. Their first open was in the 8th frame when 1000 Clubber Will Kawamura ran into a split.

Colorful Alice Fong, anchorman, paced Man Jen Low to the women's team title by punching out all the way after a 9th frame foundation for a 630 to take women's high tournament series.

Mas Fujii had everyone pulling for her in the final women's sweeper game and she through like the veteran she is with a 825 record effort. Tak Kojima's 1261 men's sweeper score in the third squad stood up through the onslaught of the higher average bowlers to prove that everyone has a chance.

Tournament high game honors went to Advisory Board member Lloyd Hahn who strung out 9-in-a-row for 278. Not to be outdone by the men, Maxine Kato and Bubbles Keikoan tied for women's high game with 256 efforts. Incidentally, high games went into the 230s, 240s, 250s, and even 260s. In several instances bowlers rolling a 240 game to find they were only second best. Take Tucker Morishita of Idaho Falls for example: 244 was not good enough for high game pot, so he came back with a 246 to end up with a sparkling 690 in the team event.

Amy (Tournament Lou Campi) Konishi set the pace for the tournament by banging out a 650 in the first ragtime squad.

The most courageous bowler trophy was awarded to smiling, good natured John Sakaguchi of Honolulu.

Lois Yut added to her trophies with the Tournament Veterans All Events on the distaff side; Sam affirming the decision made at the

We are deeply grateful to Bill Kinzie and members of the National JACL Advisory Board on Bowling for the most beautiful trophy awarded at the Tournament. While embarrassed to receive a trophy for other than bowling prowess, this Stadium Bowl-O-Drome trophy will be cherished as symbolical of the warm fellowship and the personal friendships our National JACL Nisei Bowling Tournament has come to mean over the years.

WELCOME SPOKANE

Highlight of the PNWDC meeting in Auburn on Sunday, Mar. 18, was the receipt of the petition for reactivation of the Spokane Chapter and official welcome as a member of the Pacific Northwest District Council.

Ed Yamamoto of Moses Lake presented us his check for $1,000 in fulfillment of his pledge for the JACL Japanese History Project. Gresham-Troutdale president Dr. Joe Onchi handed over a $500 check from his chapter in support of the project.

DEATHS

Hanamura, Mrs. Yosh: Alameda, Feb. 14.
Harada, Yasujiro, 83: Los Angeles, Mar. 11.
Fujioka, Tadashiro, 72: Los Angeles, Feb. 25 (formerly Lodi).
Mizote, Wataru, 73: Portland, Mar. 4.
Nakagawa, Mrs. Koto, 89: Santa Barbara, Feb. 2.
Niimi, Isao: Portland, Feb. 26.
Nishio, Mrs. Onobu: Fresno, Mar. 10 —(h) Jiro, (s) Joe, Dr. George, Dr. Frank.
Sato, Yoji, 57: Palo Alto, Feb 2.6.
Shiinoki, Mrs. Tama, 72: Salt Lake City, Mar. 8.
Shintaku, Mrs. Toka, 84: Kingsburg, Feb. 26.
Tada, Kumakichi, 83: Watsonville, Mar. 10.

New jetliner delivered to Japan Air Lines

SAN FRANCISCO.—Delivery of a new turbofan DC8 jetliner to Japan Air Lines this week will make possible a 40 per cent increase in trans-Pacific service offered to U.S. and Latin American travelers.

JAL, which now operates daily flights from the U.S. West Coast to Tokyo via Honolulu, will add three new weekly services starting April 24.

For the greater convenience of passengers, two of these will depart from Los Angeles in the evenings, every Tuesday and Thursday. (JAL's currently scheduled three flights out of Los Angeles depart in the early afternoon.)

The third new flight will depart from Honolulu at 3:15 every Saturday afternoon, arriving in Tokyo Sunday nights. This is designed for business travelers who wish to be in Japan at the beginning of the business week.

San Francisco will continue to be served by the presently scheduled four flights per week to Tokyo via Honolulu.

JAL's increase of trans-Pacific flights will be a welcome break to tourists as it will bein in the middle of Japan's peak tourist season. In recent years available space did not always meet the tremendous demand.

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Togasaki to chair S.F. 'Project Nihonmachi'

SAN FRANCISCO.—Susumu Togasaki last week was named chairman of the United Committee for the Japanese Community, a local group organied to preserve the local Nihonmachi area.

The group has insisted the local Nihonmachi area to be larger than what the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency has stipulated as the basis of a survey being conducted by the agency to determine whether a building can be rehabilitated or razed.

Immigration —

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No quota area shall get less than it got under the old law, except that the maximum is 25,000 and the minumum raised to 200.

All unused quotas at the end of the year are pooled and divided among quota areas having a backlog of applicants. No quota area shall get from this pool a number of visas greater than its regular annual quota and no more than 100,000 may be used from the pool in any one year.

Persons born in the Western Hemisphere remain non-quota and the non-quota status is expanded to include parents of U.S. citizens and persons with special skills (including spouse and children).

Seeking More Sponsors

Senator Hart stated the bill would lay on the desk of the President of the Senate for one week to permit additional senators to join in co-sponsorship.

In preparing this bill, Hart acknowledged the assistance of the American Immigration and Citienship Conference and its affiliated organizations, including the Japanese American Citizens League.

This conference submitted a statement to President Kennedy in July, 1961, calling for quotas based upon one-seventh of one per cent of the U.S. population (1960 Census) rather than present basis of one-sixth of one per cent of the white population of the U.S. according to the 1920 Census.

The conference also asked for non-quota and preference quota status to family members abroad seeking to join their families in the U.S.

Taira-Funai wedding

FRESNO.—Timothy Taira, eldest son of Dr. and Mrs. Kikuo Taira, and June Funai of Sacramento were married at the Buddhist Church Mar. 17. The new Mrs. Taira was secretaryt o the assistant manager of Sumitomo Bank in Sacramento. The newleyweds will settle in Fresno.

JO ANN KISHI SELECTED RELAYS QUEEN CANDIDATE

LOS ANGELES.—Jo Ann Kishi, 17, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kishi, was selected as candidate of the West Los Angeles JACL in the Nisei Relays queen contest. She is attending University High School and will graduate in June.

Her father is a past chapter president, her mother is currently chairman of the West L.A. JACL Auxiliary.

Frozen Japanese berries to be marketed in U.S.

SAN FRANCISCO.—Well known to foreigners in Japan, huge and juicy strawberries grown in Kumamoto will be frozen on the spot and enter the American market shortly, the Hokubei Mainichi reported this past week.

The paper said Kiyoshi Hirasaki of the Hirasaki Farms in Gilroy returned from Japan to form a California corporation to facilitate importation of Japanese strawberries, and was in Los Angeles this week to purchase freezing equipment.

Sumitomo breaks ground for new Crenshaw office

LOS ANGELES. — Ground breaking ceremonies were conducted at noon yesterday for the new Sumitomo Bank to be constructed in the Crenshaw Shopping Square, 3810 Crenshaw Blvd. It will be the first Japanese bank building erected in Los Angeles.

Piano recital tomorrow

LOS ANGELES.—Joint recital by students of Ritsuko Kawakami (East Los Angeles JACLer) and Nobuko Fujimoto will be presented tomorrow, 8 p.m., at 3210 W. 54th St.

Lords keep Nisei cage supremacy in Southern California

LOS ANGELES. — Nisei Trading Lords claimed the Nisei state basketball title Sunday before 300 fans at LACC gym by upending the San Francisco Associates 71-65.

The Lords now have five state championships and extended the gap between North and South possessions of the title. South now leads nine to seven.

Tets Tanimoto paced the champions with 26 points, drilling 17 of them in the final half. Dennis Walker swished most of his 18 points from the corners to lead the Associates.

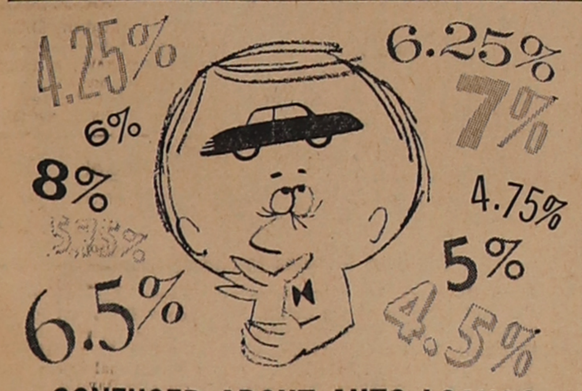
RO-BABES COP NISEI BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP HONORS AT CHICAGO

CHICAGO.—Ro-Babes captured the 1962 Chicago Nisei Athletic Association basketball championship by defeating the Southside Vikings, 62 to 36, at the Olivet Community Center gym on March 18. It [illegible] the Ro-Babe's third champion[illegible].

Harry Louie of Ro-Babes was voted the "most valuable player," recognized for his consistent and outstanding performance throughout the season.

Earlier in the week Ciry Ramirez, spark plug of the "B" League Oldtimers was voted the "most valuable player" in his league.

The following players were voted on the 1962 CNAA All Star team: Leon McPherson, Harry Louie and Tohru Matsuo (Ro-Babes); Michael Ideno, Victor Nakawatase and Gary Watanabe (Vikings South); Walter Uchiyama and Dennis Hayashi (Saxons I); Don Azuma and Wayne Fujiwara (Vikings North); Jerry Jerr (Dragons); and Mike Furuta (Midwest Buddhist).



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Freewheeling on the Freeways

By Jim Higashi, PSW Regional Director

MEMBERSHIP AND PC

This Saturday, March 31, marks the day when the PC Circulation Department begins its "file cleaning day". The Pacific Citizen Board has gone on record officially re-all mailing for the Pacific Citizen National JACL Convention in Sacramento to "go through" with the PC "cut-off day" of March 31. Meaning that cards for chapter members (those who signed up during the first three months of 1961) who have not renewed their membership for 1962 will be pulled from the subscription files.

"Casey The Mailer" who handles all mailing for the Pacific Citizen will be properly notified and mailing of PC will cease, for those whose renewals have not been recorded in the PC Circulation Department.

The fact that you have signed with your chapter doesn't mean that PC mailing will continue. National Headquarters must have been notified and then the PC Circulation Department. The entire process normally takes about two weeks or so. So those chapters whose membership drive has lagged will cause unnecessary interruption in the members' PC sub scription. Inquiries on interruption of subscription should go to the Chapter Membership Chairman. The PC Circulation Department doesn't have the authority to extend the "cut-off date", and we will definitely begin to "pull cards" on the 31st!

ISSEI STORY FUND DRIVE

Now that bulk of the 1962 membership drive is about to be completed, perhaps the chapters can put a little more effort into and climb on to the PSWDC "bandwagon" going all-out in the fund drive for the projected JACL Japanese History Project. No matter how you look at it, $35,000 is quite a sum. And only a 100 per cent effort by the chapters can earn our district "a place in the sun".

The Downtown Los Angeles chapter with president Frank Omatsu spearheading the project has formed a "committee of the whole" from the board of directors. A substantial sum has already being raised and with a person-to-person drive now in effect the results could surprise many people.

Roy Yamadera, old timer of the East Los Angeles chapter, reports that the fund drive has been going on concurrently with its membership drive, the results to be reported to National Headquarters after proper local recognition has been given to both donors and the fund drive team.

The Arizona Chapter also is set to start on its "Issei Story" Project Fund Drive. Tom Kadomoto of Glendale, Arizona, has been chosen to spearhead the JACL Japanese History Project in the State of Arizona.

We wish these chapters "SUCCESS" and certainly hope that other chapters have already laid the groundwork and the fund drive itself well under way.

Remember, your goal either in actual donations or pledges must have been met by the June 1 deadline!

NAT'L JACL CONVENTION

Have you made your convention housing reservations yet? If you don't have the confirmation by now, you're certainly in a spot! The housing situation is VERY TIGHT — don't be conventioneer without a roof over your head! — make your reservations NOW!

Calendar

Mar. 31 (Saturday)
Orange County—Square dance, Stanford School, Garden Grove, 7:30 p.m.
San Francisco — Jr. JACL musicale, Scottish Rite Auditorium.
Chicago — Sports Night; Midwest Golf Council, co-sponsors.

April 1 (Sunday)
Fowler—Community picnic, Kearney Park, Oak Knoll Sec. 1 and 2.
Watsonville—Community picnic, Santa Cruz County Fairgrounds, 11 a.m.
Delano—Community picnic, Jack Ranch. (Rain date: Apr. 8.)
Fresno— Community picnic, Kearney Park.

April 3 (Friday)
Oakland — Meeting, Charles Ishizu's home.

April 4 (Wednesday)
Detroit—New Ikebana class, International Institute, 8 p.m.; Mrs. Wilson Yamauchi, instructor.
Berkeley—Board meeting, Dr. Roy Hamaji's home.

April 5 (Friday)
Detroit—Cultural series, International Institute.

April 6—7
Berkeley — Invitational basketball tournament.

April 7 (Saturday)
San Francisco—Auxiliary dance, Golden West YMCA, 333 Eucalyptus.

April 8 (Sunday)
San Francisco—Laguna Honda Home visit.
Monterey—Potluck dinner, JACR Hall, 5:30 p.m.

April 9 (Monday)
Milwaukee—Movie project, German Kino Theater.

April 10 (Tuesday)
Pasadena—Meeting.

April 12 (Thursday)
Fresno—Board meeting, Fred Hirasuna's home.

April 13 - 15
Los Angeles—PSW Hi Co Conference, Camp Colby, Angeles Crest Park.

April 14 (Saturday)
Chicago —Meeting, Edgewater Beach Hotel, 8 p.m.; Dr. Scott Miyakawa, spkr.
Placer County—Jr. JACL Picnic Ball, Loomis Memorial Hall, 9 p.m.
Berkeley—Japanese movies, Little Theater.
Sonoma County—Family fun night, Memorial Hall.
Detroit—Benefit movie.

April 14—15
Cincinnati—Nat'l movie project, Nordland Playhouse, 2621 Vine St.

April 15 (Sunday)
Portland—Bazaar, Nichiren Church.
San Francisco—NC-WNDC youth workshop.
Placer—JACL picnic, Penryn JACL Ball Park.

April 17 (Tuesday)
Dayton— Movie project, New Salem Theater, 7:30 p.m.

April 19 (Thursday)
Detroit—Cultural series, International Institute.

April 21 (Saturday)
Long Beach—"Oriental Fantasy" dance.
Detroit—Japanese movies.
Sonoma County—Family bowling.
Chicago—Easter Egg hunt.

April 21—22
Chicago—Benefit movies.

April 23 (Monday)
West Los Angeles—Auxiliary dinner, Dr. and Mrs. Kiyoshi Sonoda's home.

April 24 (Tuesday)
San Francisco—Meeting.

April 27—29
Detroit—Youth workshop, Brightmoor Community Center.

April 28 (Saturday)
Detroit—Teen Club dance.

April 29 (Sunday)
Chicago—Jr. JACL Career conference, Olivet Community Center.

Chapter Call Board

Contra Costa JACL

Issei Story Fund: A committee of 14, headed by Sam Kitabayashi of Martinez, has started its campaign among the membership for the Issei Story Project. Assisting as solicitors:

Tosh Nabeta, Bill Waki, Joe Oishi, Mas Iwaihara, Marvin Uratsu, Sam Sakai, Heizo Oshima, Sumio Yoshii, Emiko Hitomi, Haruno Yamashita, Ken Tokuyoshi, Tosh Adachi, and George Sugihara.

Orange County JACL

Square Dance Time: As part of the theme for the year, "Let's Get Acquainted", over 200 are expected at the chapter square dance tomorrow at Stanford School, 12721 Magnolia Ave., Garden Grove. Glenn Rickard, one of the best callers locally, has been obtained. Jim Yamasaki, chmn.

Fowler JACL

Scholarship: Harley Nakamura was appointed chairman of the chapter scholarship and exchange student committee.

Voter Registration: Chapter is making certain all of its members are registered to vote, their wives and non-members. Chapter member Mikio Uchiyama is voter registration chairman for the Central Cal district.

Fresno ALL

Board Meeting: April meeting now slated for Thursday, April 12, at Fred Hirasuna's home, 1485-11th St., 7:30 p.m.

Community Picnic: Let's hope no April showers spoil the picnic this Sunday, April 1, at Kearney Park. Affair is co-sponsored by the Sierra Post, Fresno Gardeners Assn., and JACL. Eddie Aburamen, chmn., is a member of all three sponsoring groups. Mrs. Shiro Ego and Jin Ishikawa, deputy registrars, will be prepared to reister voters at the picnic.

Checkorama

JACL matters of current interest shall be listed in this column for guidance of those concerned.

Issei Story Project: Obtain illustrated brochure in English or Japanese from So. Calif. JACL Office, 125 Weller St., Los Angeles 12, Calif. Pledges and contributions (tax deductible) payable to "JACL Japanese History Project" may be mailed to National JACL Headquarters, 1634 Post St., San Francisco 15, Calif.

Nat'l JACL Convention: 17th biennial, July 26-30, Seattle. Olympic Hotel, 4th and University Sts., convention site. Write for complete details from JACL Convention Office, 318 Sixth Ave. South, Seattle 4, MA-4-7773. Package deal covering six events and booklet, $30. Registration $2 extra. (See Feb. 9 PC.)

Nat'l Membership: Chapter remittances now due for 1962 at National JACL Headquarters. Membership includes PC. Renewals required by Mar. 31 if PC subscription is to continue uninterrupted.

Nat'l Movie Project: To raise funds for Washington Alien Land Law repeal campaign. Two Japanese films, both Eastman color and Nikkatsu wide-scope 35-mm. sound with English subtitles. Titles—"Akai Yuhi no Watari Dori" (Rambling in the Sunset) starring Akira Kobayashi, Yuriko Asaoka; "Otoko ga Bakuhatsu" (The Man Explodes) starring Yujiro Ishihara. See "Calendar" for local showing dates.

Nat'l Nominations: Nominations for national JACL offices must be filed at National Headquarters May 25. Election on July 30 at Seattle convention. (See Feb. 16 PC.)

Nat'l Oratorical Contest: Open to youth 16 to 21 during 1962, sponsored by JACL chapter. Each district council limited to one finalist selected by June 1. Finals at Seattle convention. Topic: To Bridge and to Build. Three prizes: $200, $100 and $50 savings bonds. Obtain details from JACL Convention Office, 318 Sixth Ave. South, Seattle 4. (See Nov. 3, 1961, PC.)

'Nisei of the Biennium'—'JACLer of the Biennium': Nominations by individuals, chapters and district councils for these awards due May 15. Obtain official entry forms and details from Midwest JACL Office, 21 W. Elm St., Chicago 10, Ill. (See Mar. 2 PC.)

Idaho 'Vote Yes on SJR 1': Voters asked on November general ballot to repeal portion of Idaho State Constitution, which prohibits Chinese or persons of Mongolian descent not born in the U.S. from voting, serving as jurors, or holding any civil office. Committee chairman—Joe Nishioka, Rt. 5, Box 145, Idaho Falls, Idaho.

Chapter Newsletter Award: Annual contest for chapter newsletters, first award to be made at Seattle convention. Categories to be recognized: chapter reporting, editorial, personality story, youth section, women's section, cartoon, national reporting. Initial contest period: July 1, 1961—June 30, 1962. Newsletters must be submitted to PC Board Members. Obtain list from Pacific Citizen. (See Oct. 13, 1961, PC.)

Chapter Secretaries: Copy of governing board and general meeting minutes should be submitted to Headquarters as soon as possible.

Text of testimony offered at FCC hearing by Chicago JACLers

The brief testimonies presented by the two JACLers before FCC Commissioner Robert E. Lee at Chicago last week are published in full:

BY JOE SAGAMI
Chicago JACL President

Chicago

The Chicago Chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League feels that in local live programming, the television stations should direct their efforts to (1) inform, (2) entertain, and (3) educate. It is very possible that good live programming could well involve two or three of the goals mentioned.

We would like to expand on the three goals mentioned above.

(1) **To Inform.** This would entail the planning of programs portraying the best elements of the cultures of the various local ethnic and nationality groups in Chicago. There is a wealth of interesting and fascinating material in the various cultures which could be utilized not only to inform but also to entertain and educate the viewing audience. The customs and cultures of the various groups performed by skilled persons are readily available for presentation in a very informative manner. The Japanese American Citizens League stands ready to make whatever contributions which may be asked of it in this area. At the same time the viewers would learn about other cultures and come to understand and appreciate their neighbors in a truer light.

(2) **To Entertain.** We would like to see our local stations present an entertainment program which can be viewed objectively without injecting prejudice and hate by misrepresentations and half-truths. An example of this are old war movies which Dr. Sakamoto will discuss. Another example would be programs based upon crime. If the actual crime rate in Chicago is one-tenth of one per cent, then, why should Chicago stations present programs based on crime which are, say, allocated fifty percent of entertainment. All Chicagoans who have visited the continent or the Orient are aware of the end product when crime is exaggerated. It is a fact that Chicagoans visiting abroad are immediately associated with crime and considerable time must be expended to explain that we too are civilized. Our local television stations should not under any circumstances perpetuate this type of myth, whether by overemphasis or misrepresentation. The stations must not only recognize this problem, but plan their programming accordingly. This principle should also be applied to programs which inject sex, traits or habits of any ethnic, professional or laboring groups.

We would also like to see programs based upon hope, faith and the opportunities available in our country, instead of all gloom, despair, sickness, crime and sex; although we recognize the demand for this somewhat sensationalized type of programming. We ought to have programs presented which will inspire the unemployed, the downtrodden, the reliefers and the new arrivals to go out and meet the challenges of the day. Not only to meet them, but to inspire them to overcome them. Television must assist existing agencies and organizations to inspire these people and help convince them to a degree where they can become aware that all is not hopeless.

(3) **To Educate.** In this area we are proud of the work being done by Channel 11. We feel that there should be a definite expansion in this area to include other local stations. In purely educational programming the varying educational levels should definitely be considered. Emphasis must be placed in the area of the illiterate, the new immigrants, the unskilled and uninformed. To raise the educational quotient of our society, it becomes mandatory that we begin at the bottom. Television must do whatever is within its scope and influence to help solve the many socio-economic problems facing our communities.

Vitally Concerned

These, then, are the three areas where the Japanese American Citizens League is vitally concerned. Only through the fullest utilization of this communication medium will our society surge forward to a greater understanding of our daily problems including the operation of our governments, businesses and organizations and including the genuine understanding of other groups, their backgrounds, and cultures.

Television must give its viewers the greatest latitude in the selection of live programming. However, we also realize that in addition to the viewers, television must also offer the sponsors a wide selection of programming.

The Chicago Chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League wishes to thank the Commissioner and his staff for the considerate courtesies extended our organization, and for the opportunity to be heard. In closing we would like to state that our hopes are that in the very near future there will be no relationship between crimes committed and number of programs based on crime shown on television. Also that all live as well as network programming will not show any groups within our society in a damaging light as will be pointed out by my colleague. We feel this hearing will assist in attaining this goal.

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Chmn., Midwest District Council

Chicago

I represent the only Japanese American national organization in the United States—the Japanese American Citizens League. We are composed of eighty-six (86) chapters throughout the country. One of the mottos of our organization is "For Better Americans in a Greater America."

Though we comprise but a tiny segment of the total population, an injustice to one is a disservice to all. The American sense of fair play and equality calls for television channels to be used in the fullest public interest. The potentialities of television for good are vast and limitless, but we must not forget that its possibilities for evil also exist.

We'd like to see the term "Jap" eliminated from public use. Every prominent dictionary connotes "Jap" to mean a contemptuous and derogatory reference. Among the dictionaries which discourage the use of the word "Jap" are:

1. American College Dictionary, by Random House.
2. Webster's New World Dictionary of the American Language.
3. Funk & Wagnalls Standard Dictionary of the American Language.
4. A Dictionary of Contemporary American Usage, by Bergen Evans and Cornelia Evans.
5. A Dictionary of American-English Usage, by Margaret Nicholson.
6. Thorndike Barnhart High School Dictionary, printed by Doubleday & Co.
7. Webster's New International Dictionary of the English Language, by Merriam Co.

Hate Movies

Also, we would like to direct your attention to not showing of deliberately distorted anti-Japanese wartime movies on local television stations. These hatemongering movies were produced during World War II and they contain derogatory reference to Japanese Americans. Typical of these objectionable films is "Betrayal from the East." A cheerleader of Japanese ancestry attending Stanford University turns out to be a Japanese naval officer heading a plot against the United States. As a matter of fact, the only Japanese American cheerleader of a major west coast university during prewar days was Hitoshi Yonemura of UCLA. For the records, Lt. Hitoshi Moe Yonemura was a volunteer in the 442nd Combat Team and was killed in action in the Italian campaign. Especially damaging in this film is an introductory statement by Drew Pearson that the picture is based upon facts. There are five (5) other derogatory movies and they are as follows:

1. **Air Force**—Produced by Warner Brothers, written by Dudley Nichols, and starring John Garfield. A story based upon the rumors, later found untrue by the FBI, of Japanese American treachery in Hawaii.
2. **Across the Pacific**—Produced by Warner Brothers, written by Howard Koch, directed by John Houston, and starring Humphrey Bogart. A Japanese American acts as a secret agent for Japan in a plot to blow up the Panama Canal.
3. **Little Tokyo, USA**—A Bryan-Foy production for 20th Century Fox, starring Brenda Joyce and June Duprez; a group of Japanese Americans in Los Angeles act as a front for Japanese treachery. (At the outbreak of Pearl Harbor, a Japanese American anti-Axis Committee was formed in Los Angeles to coordinate the Japanese American contributions to the war effort.)
4. **Black Dragon**—Originally released under the title of "Let's Get Tough." A Sam Katzman production pictures a spy operation in New York composed of Japanese residents.
5. **Behind the Rising Sun**—Story by James R. Young, and stars Tom Neal. A student at Cornell University goes to Japan and commits brutal acts in China as a Japanese soldier.

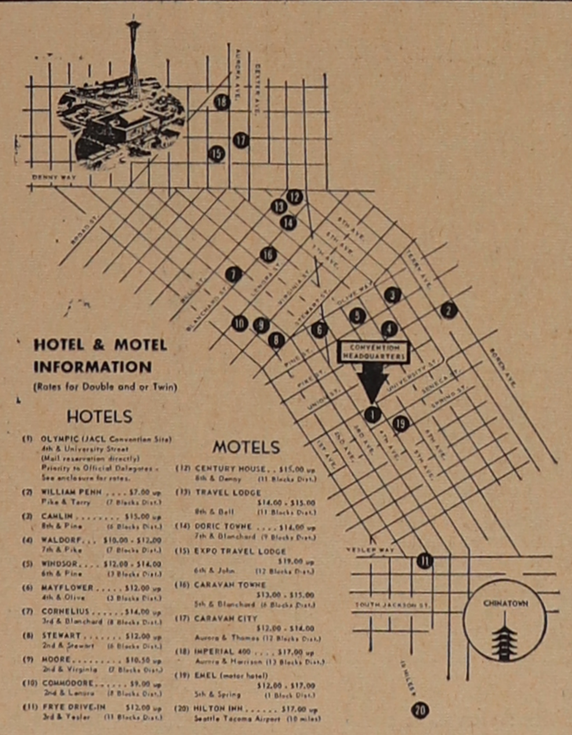
Protests in Vain

For some years we have been asking local stations to refrain from showing these films, but have met with little success.

Just last Saturday, March 17, Air Force was again viewed on one of the local television stations.

J. Edgar Hoover, Chief of FBI, and the records of the United States Army and Navy Intelligence show no record of espionage and sabotage by persons of Japanese ancestry at any time. These are known facts. That is why we would like to have these hate-mongering movies discontinued on television.

In conclusion, we feel that television should use its tremendous power for good rather than for evil, for promotion of brotherhood rather fostering hatred.



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SEATTLE.—Advertisers wishing to be included in the 17th Biennial National JACL Convention Souvenir Booklet are reminded that Mar. 31 is the deadline for getting their message in.

Chairman Fred Takagi said the Seattle JACL is grateful to the many chapters and district councils that have already sent in their ads and he was hopeful that he'd hear from the others in the early part of April.

With many professional artists and advertising specialists voluntarily serving on the committee, Takagi said a beautiful and colorful souvenir publication is being prepared.

Those desiring to have their message in the booklet should contact their individual chapters or write direct to Booklet Committee, 17th Biennial National JACL Convention, Suite 123, 318 6th Ave. So., Seattle 4.

CLers meet Uriu

LOS ANGELES.—Downtown L.A. JACLers hosted the new Japanese consul general Matao Uriu at its regular monthly luncheon yesterday at the Eigiku.

St. Pat's dance enjoyed

FRENCH CAMP.—The French Camp JAYs held a St. Patrick's Day dance at the Buddhist Church, everyone enjoying the evening dancing to recorded music. Colleen Higashiyama, chmn., was assisted by:

Carolyn Hiraga, Cheryl Shimasaki, and Gerry Ito, music; Marion Nii and Janice Ota, refr.; Mike Nishida, Don Shiromizu, and Ernie Takahashi, clean-up; Mr. & Mrs. Bob Ota and Mr. & Mrs. Komure, chaperons.

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Jr. JACL Jottings

Chicago Youth Commission

CHICAGO.—A Career Conference for Nisei and Sansei will be sponsored by the Chicago JACL Youth Commission on Sunday, April 29, at Olivet Community Center.

Open to high school students, some 150 youth are expected to attend and be made aware of career opportunities.

A questionnaire will be used to determine the career preferences of teenagers. Career representativs will then be recruited for the conference. Every teenager will have an opportunity to have a personal interview with two adult career representatives in discussing such matters as preparation, training, renumeration and advancement.

Lincoln Shimidzu, chairman of the Youth Commission, said "the national trend of increasing delinquency and crime among our young citizens and the high rate of school drop-outs will eventually catch up with those of us who have taken much pride in our high educational goals and good citizenship."

Members of the planning committee, along with Shimidzu, are:

Dr. Ben Chikaraishi, Gil Furusho, George Inadomi, Mrs. Masako Inouye, Michiko Itahara, Lillian Kimura, Ruth Kumata, Dan Kuzuhara, Hiro Mayeda, Kenji Nakane, Rev. George Nishimoto, Joe Sagami, Mrs. Nobi Takaki, Hank Tanabe, Kim On Wong, Ben Yoshioka and Kumeo Yoshinari.

PSWDC Hi-Co

LOS ANGELES.—Deadline for registration of the 1962 Hi-Co Conference is March 31 with the precareer seminar limited to 150 delegates. The conference will be held April 13-15 at Camp Colby in the Angeles Crest National Forest.

The Hi-Co Committee also acknowledged $100 toward the 1962 Conference from the Pacific Southwest District Council.

NC-WNDC Youth

SAN FRANCISCO.—All Jr. JACL presidents and advisers of the NC-WNDC will meet on Sunday, April 15, 1 p.m., at the Church of Christ to complete action on the proposed constitution for a district youth council. If adopted, executive officers shall be elected.

Berkeley Jr. JACL

BERKELEY.—A motion to sponsor a Jr. JACL group was adopted unanimously at the March meeting of the Berkeley JACL Board. Min Sano and Frank Yamasaki were named advisers.

Placer County Jr. JACL

LOOMIS.—Lively music by Harry Hamada's combo will be presented at Placer Jr. JACL's Picnic Ball April 14, 9 p.m., at Loomis Memorial Hall. The occasion calls for "party dress"; admission: $2 couples, $1.25 stag, $1 stagette.

Teenage 'Miss Osaka' special guest at CL benefit

SAN FRANCISCO. — Keiko Tsuji, 16, of Osaka's Ohgimachi High School is spending a week here as "Miss Osaka" during celebrations this coming week marking five years of the San Francisco-Osaka Sister City affiliation. She will be introduced as a special guest at the San Francisco JACL-Jr. JACL musical benefit tomorrow night at the Scottish Rites Temple auditorium.

Jr. JACLers will perform Japanese dance numbers at the Youth Friendship Day program at the Golden Gate Park tea gardens on Thursday, April 5, 4 p.m.

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Chicago Issei Story committee nucleus formed of 7 past and current presidents

(Special to Pacific Citizen)

CHICAGO. — Seven past chapter presidents and current president of the Chicago JACL form the nucleus of the local committee of the National JACL Issei Story Project.

Former past president Noboru Honda is Midwest District Council Issei Story Project chairman, while another past president, Shig Wakamatsu, is serving as chairman of the national committee. Other past presidents, Jack Nakagawa, Kumeo Yoshinari, Abe Hagiwara, Dr. Frank Sakamoto and Hiro Mayeda have joined Jack Sagami, current chapter president, in taking charge of various areas to be covered in the local drive to raise over $25,000.

Harry Mizuno, Lincoln Shimidzu, Dr. Bill Hiura and Dan Kuzuhara have been asked to help direct the house-to-house canvass which is being contemplated. Various organizations of Chicago will be asked also to cooperate in this campaign.

Of interest to Chicagoans will be the presence of Dr. T. Scott Miyakawa of Boston, who has accepted the job of "The Issei Story Project", during the weekend of April 14-15.

On Saturday, April 14, Dr. Miyakawa will address a Nisei group in the East Lounge of Edgewater Beach Hotel, from 8 p.m. His talk will be followed by a period of questions and answers. The public is invited to attend.

Dr. Miyakawa is scheduled to address an Issei group at the Chicago Buddhist Church on Sunday, April 15, 4 p.m. Not only Issei but Nisei are invited to attend this meeting which will be similar in content to the Saturday meeting.

Kern County state senator spells out 5 basic issues

BAKERSFIELD.—The Five Basic Problems of the State Legislature was the topic of State Senator from Kern County Walter Stiern when he spoke recently before a joint meeting of the Bakersfield and Delano JACL chapters held at the Skyway House.

Senator Stiern defined the five problems as: 1. Water; 2. Education; 3. Transportation; 4. Institutions; and 5. Taxes and Financing. He also explained the organization of the legislature and how it operates.

A question and answer period followed with questions on school unification, a four year college for Kern County, and welfare being asked.

Yosh Takakis at home

SAN JOSE.—Mr. and Mrs. Yoshiharu Takaki (nee Gladys T. Nakashima) have set up housekeeping in a San Jose apartment after honeymooning in Hawaii. The new bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Noboru Nakashima, graduate of the College of Notre Dame, San Carlos; while the groom is the son of Mrs. Isano Takaki of Noalehu, Hawaii.

L.A. Bonsai exhibit

LOS ANGELES.—Over 150 trees will be on display for one week at the annual Bonsai show beginning Sunday at the California Museum of Science and Industry at Exposition Park.

Auxiliary distributes dolls at hospitals

LOS ANGELES. — Children hospitalized at the County General Hospital and Children's Hospital this week were presented with dolls made by members of the West Los Angeles JACL Auxiliary.

It was the happy culmination of a year-long project, headed by Mrs. Shigeo Takeshita.

The Auxiliary, at its March 19 meeting, prepared for its fifth annual Cancer Crusade, which will start on April 9, covering the West Los Angeles postal zone 25 area. Co-chairmen of the house-to-house canvass are Taeko Isono and Suki Uyeno.

Favorite recipies were also exchanged during the evening.

Seek queen candidate

LOS ANGELES.—West Los Angeles JACL and Auxiliary are accepting nominations from local organizations for the Nisei Week queen contest. Local deadline for names is April 13. A tea will be held in June to honor the area candidate.

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