



## JACL - NISEI CAN BE HELPFUL IN BUILDING COMMUNITY OF FREE ASIA

Deputy Under Secretary of State Johnson Calls for Nisei to be Part of Great Events in the Pacific at Convention Finale

SEATTLE—Deputy Under Secretary of State U. Alexis Johnson discussed the role of the Nisei in the great events of the Pacific at the climactic Recognitions Banquet of the 17th Biennial National Convention of the Japanese American Citizens League Monday night at the Olympic Hotel.

Addressing an assemblage of some 500 delegates and friends, the State Department official, who was a sudden replacement for the previously announced W. Averell Harriman, assistant Secretary of State, said "JACL can be helpful in building the community of free nations in the Pacific. . . . Earlier in the address, Johnson had mentioned the place of JACL as an organization in the great events of the Pacific and then noted its members as individuals can give more. In this respect, Nisei can guarantee the freedom of revolutions in the Far East and offer support of the economic revolutions that have and are occurring.

Minoru Yamasaki, present to accept the 1961-62 Nisei of the Biennium gold medalion and scroll, was visibly moved as the assemblage all stood and applauded the announcement made by Shig Wakamatsu, national recognitions committee chairman.

The world-renown architect said

he was "tending to my knitting" in accepting the award which cited such accomplishments as the U.S. Science Pavilion at the Century-21 World's Fair here. But he acknowledged that the JACL program to recognize exceptional achievement in community and professional life speaks for "the idea that Nisei can contribute to the way of life in America." Yamasaki further noted that the culture of Japan was one of the highest in the world and that the Nisei are fortunate to have such a heritage of this kind.

Mayor Tom Kitayama of Union City and John Yoshino of Washington, D.C., were both present to accept the Silver Medalion, "Nisei of the Biennium" awards. Dr. Kiyo Tomiyasu's award was accepted by Kenji Nogaki of New York JACL; Caesar Uyesaka's award by Tom Hirashima of Santa Barbara JACL.

Frank Oda, selected JACLer of the Biennium, was unable to be present to accept his award.

Patrick Okura, after being installed with his cabinet members, commented that it was in Seattle in 1936 that he attended his first JACL convention. He saw JACL today as a mature organization with an enviable record to maintain.

Outgoing president Frank Chuman declared that the action of delegates to raise \$126,000 was the most impressive of this convention and regarded it as confidence in the kind of vision JACLers have."

## Frank Oda of Sonoma County surprise choice as 'JACLer of Biennium'

SEATTLE—Frank F. Oda of Sonoma County was designated JACLer of the Biennium by the National Board at the 17th Biennial National JACL Convention Recognitions Banquet Monday night.

The National Recognitions Committee, in addition to the three previously nominated by the chapters, had accepted further nominations for consideration. Others who were named were Joe Nishioka of Idaho Falls, Tak Kubota of Seattle, Noboru Honda, Sim Togasaki and George Inagaki.

The three previously announced from the chapters were Dr. Yoshiye Togasaki, Harry Takagi and Ira Shimasaki.

The citation to Oda read as follows:

Lay people who participate actively in behalf of voluntary organizations need continuous encouragement, direction and inspiration. Frank F. Oda of the Sonoma County Chapter through his devotion to the ideals of JACL and by his personal example has provided these for many JACLers, not only of his own chapter but for those of the Northern California-Western

Nevada District Council thereby giving strength and meaning to the total National JACL program.

A past president of the Sonoma County Chapter, Frank Oda serves as its administrative officer. His enthusiasm, his efficient and thoughtful attention to details, his skill in enlisting the cooperation and support of the membership have maintained the chapter at a consistently high level of performance in the largest District of the National organization, both in ongoing programs and special projects.

Especially significant has been his contributions as District Council chairman of the JACL Japanese History Project. The outstanding response of the district to the project instructions and financial campaign can be directly attributed to his unselfish dedication and unflinching interest. Although physically incapacitated for several months as the result of an accident, in which both he and members of his family sustained serious injuries, Frank Oda continued to provide uninterrupted

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DONOR DR. ROY NISHIKAWA presents trophy to first place winner Todd Endo (center) while at left, Dee Michi Ishida, third place winner and Carol Suzuki (right) second place winner watch.—Shin Nishi Bei photograph.

## Todd Endo wins JACL oratorical contest Janet Okamura of Denver wins essay honor

SEATTLE—Winners of the National JACL oratorical and essay contests were announced Saturday afternoon at the 17th Biennial National Convention of the Japanese American Citizens League assembled at the Olympic Hotel.

Theme for both the oratorical and essay contests was the same as the convention theme: "To Bridge and to Build."

Todd Endo a senior student in the fall at Oberlin (O.) College, representing the Eastern District Council was declared the oratorical contest winner. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Aiji Endo, Kensington, MD. Runners-up were Carol Suzuki of Sacramento, repre-

sented the Northern California-Western Nevada District Council, second; and Dee Michi Ishida of Chicago, representing the Midwest District Council, third.

Janet Okamura, Colorado College co-ed from Denver, was announced as the essay contest winner during the Official Delegate Luncheon prior to the oratorical contest. Mrs. George Yanagimachi, contest chairman, made the announcement. Runners-up were Mark Kuge, of Milwaukee; and Joyce Tadakuma of Hood River, Ore.

The champion orator is to have his name inscribed on the Dr. Roy Nishikawa Perpetual Trophy.

## Washington Newsletter:

By Mike M. Masaoka

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Her Majesty, gracious, lovely, National JACL Convention Queen Ellen Kimura and her charming court—Pat Baba, Penny Beppu, Janet Hoshida, and Bertha Tatsumi—reigned over the various events with ease and grace.

With eight champion district council orators vying for national JACL honors and the Dr. Roy Nishikawa Trophy, Todd Endo, a Junior at Oberlin College, representing the Eastern District and the Washington, D.C. Chapter, was named the national champion. The consensus was that this was the best of all contests in the past three bienniums, not only because of the calibre of contestants but also because all eight of the districts participated.

K. PATRICK OKURA of Omaha, Nebraska, was elected National JACL President, succeeding much-travelled attorney Frank Chuman. A long-time JACLer whose first national convention was in Seattle 26 years ago, Pat Okura has served in almost every national appointive and elective office. His wife, Lilly, has also held national appointive and elective offices.

Other 1962-64 national officers are Jerry Enomoto of San Francisco, first national vice president; Takeo Kubota of Seattle, second national vice president; William Marutani of Philadelphia, third national vice president; Kumao Yoshinari of Chicago, national treasurer; and Dr. David Miura of Long Beach, California, secretary to the National Board. Frank Chuman remains on the Board, and Hito Okada, National JACL President 1946-1950, of Salt Lake City, Utah, also was appointed to the Board.

Perhaps by coincidence, Kubota, Marutani, and Yoshinari are present or former residents of Seattle. All JACLers join in wishing the new national officers success in their administration, until the 18th Biennial convenes two years hence in Detroit. San Diego, incidentally, was selected as the host for the 1966 Biennial, with Chicago already putting in its bid for 1970.

## JACL BUDGET OF \$126,000 VOTED AT SEATTLE MEET

Regular Membership Dues to be Upped to \$4 from 1963

From the long-range point of view, consideration of a national organization for Junior JACLers may be most crucial. In this context, the enthusiasm of the youthful delegates, especially from the Intermountain Area, was contagious.

ALL OF the public functions attracted capacity houses.

National JACL President Frank Chuman, in his keynote address, at the Opening Ceremonies, stressed the vitality of the JACL and urged that it more actively implement current programs rather than initiating new ones.

Perhaps the most impressive of all the affairs was the Issei Pioneer Testimonial Banquet. Though National President Chuman surprised with his speech in Japanese to the Issei, the sincerity and quiet eloquence of Dillon S. Myer, wartime director of Issei-Nisei destinies as head of the WRA, won the overflow crowd. And, the thoughtfulness of the host chapter in providing the Issei guests with Japanese translations of the Myer speech was most appreciated by the honorees of the evening. Proud they were, the Issei, in receiving certificates signed by National President Chuman to commemorate their many and great contributions to the land of their adoption over half a century and more.

The Official Delegates Luncheon was perhaps the most inspirational of the several public functions, though, for it provided the opportunity for JACL to present long overdue recognition to such as Clarence Aral who was largely responsible for the 1930 meeting that resulted in the organization of the JACL on a national basis; Mrs. Suma Sugi Yokotake who was JACL's first Washington lobbyist and in 1931 secured enactment of the Amendment to the Cable Act so that Nisei and other American-citizen women could marry foreigners without losing their United States nationality; Tokutaru Nishimura, Slocum who was JACL's second lobbyist, successfully securing naturalization for Japanese aliens who served in the American Army in World War I; and George Ishihara who has been in JACL since 1924. Sapphire Jim awardees also included James Matsuoka, Tak Kubota, and Toru Sakahara. For the first time in JACL history, a certificate of appreciation was awarded to a business organization, Lever Brothers, for its understanding in authorizing Shig Wakamatsu to contribute his talents to the JACL national presidency and the History of the Japanese in America project.

The climactic Convention Banquet highlighted the naming of two

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# Minoru Yamasaki humbly accepts 1961-62 'Nisei of Biennium' honors

SEATTLE—The Japanese American Citizens League is proud to bestow its highest honor upon Minoru Yamasaki—Nisei of the Biennium, 1961-62.

Yamasaki was also presented with the JACL gold medalion with the inscription engraved, "Nisei of the Biennium, 1961-62, Minoru Yamasaki."

### Other Finalists

Yamasaki was declared winner from five finalists submitted to a panel of distinguished judges who

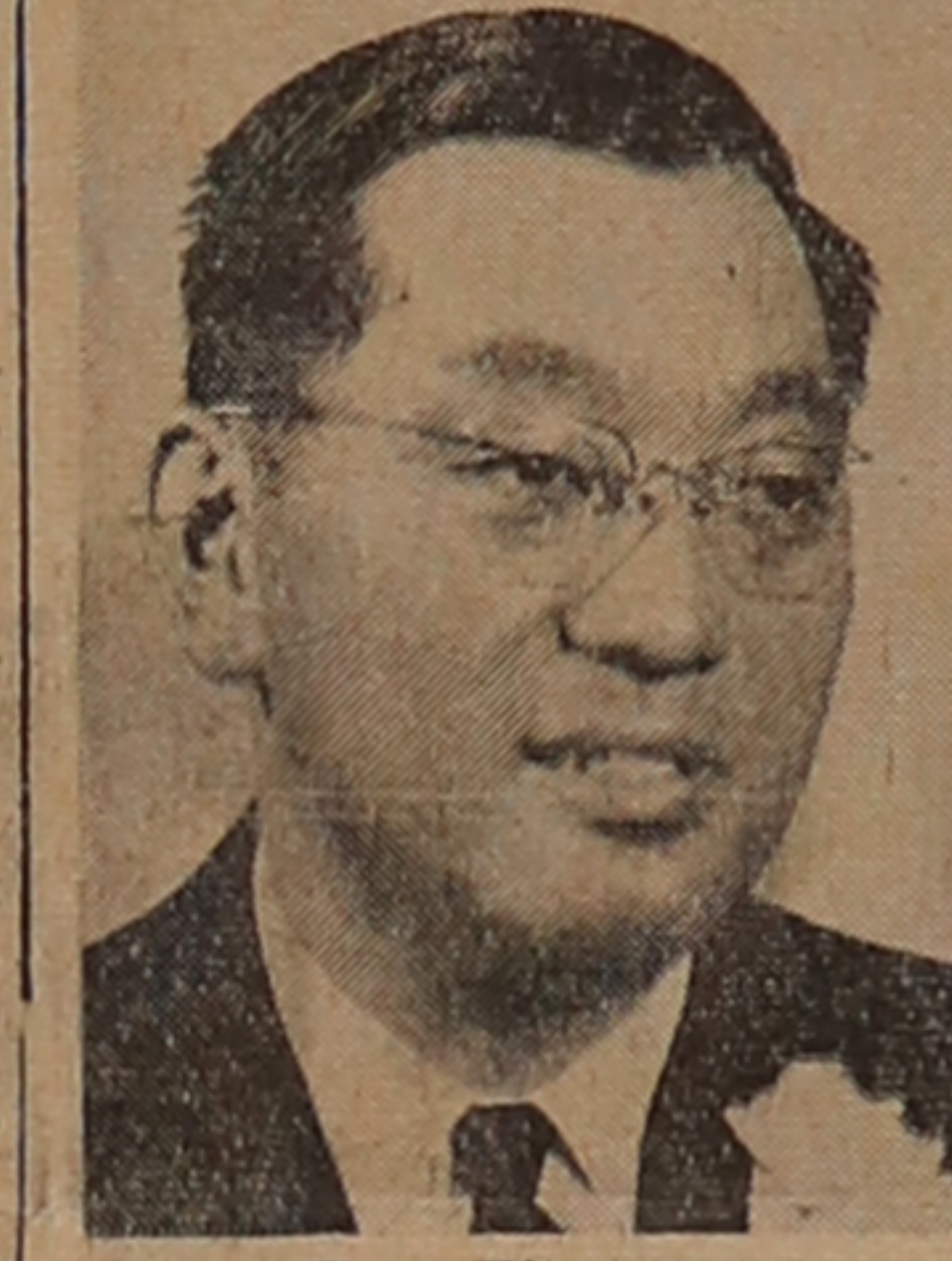
met June 26, in Chicago, Ill. The nucleus National Recognitions Committee in Chicago, chaired by Shigeo Wakamatsu narrowed the field to the five finalists from thirteen candidates nominated by individuals, local JACL chapters, or JACL district councils.

The four receiving silver JACL Medalions were Thomas Kitayama, businessman and mayor of Union City, Calif.; Dr. John Tomiyasu, scientist and Senior Electronics Engineer with General Electric of New York City; Caesar Uyesaka, businessman, civic leader and sportsman of Santa Barbara, Calif.; and John Yoshino, expert in the field of human relations and Deputy Director, Field Services of the President's Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity of Washington, D.C.

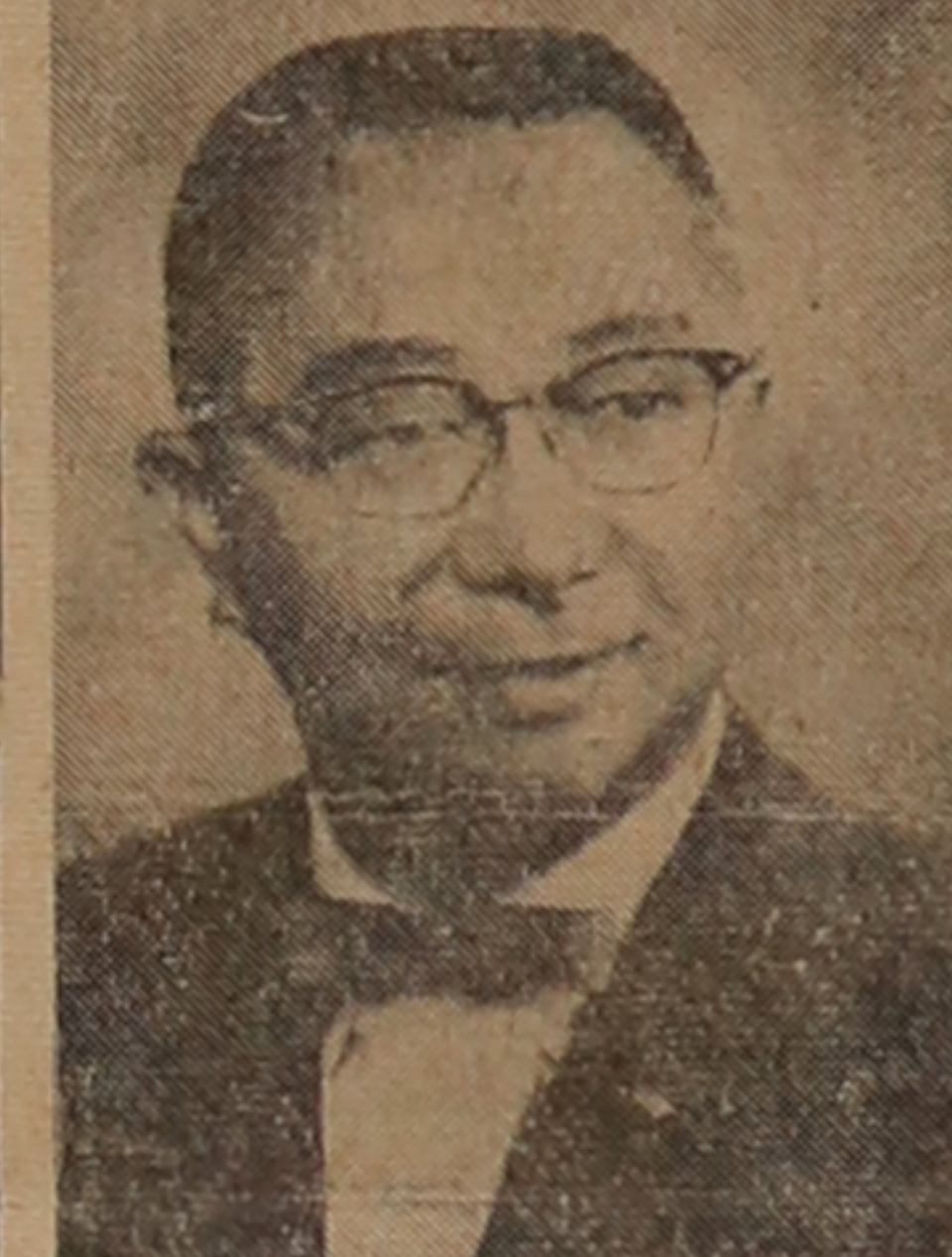
The "Nisei of the Biennium" award is one of the very highest honor that Japanese Americans can bestow upon a fellow Nisei. Nominees are nominated in one of both of two categories: (a) Distinguished Community Leadership—based upon "signal success and meritorious accomplishment which have helped to advance the welfare of persons of Japanese ancestry and which has brought about a greater acceptance of Japanese Americans in the American way of life" and (b) Distinguished Achievement—based upon "signal success and outstanding



Minoru Yamasaki



Tom Kitayama



Caesar Uyesaka



Dr. Kiyo Tomiyasu

## San Diego bid for '66 confab accepted

SEATTLE—Delegates to the 17th Biennial national convention accepted the bid of the San Diego JACL, made through its chapter president Harry Kawamoto, to hold the 1966 Convention at the Border City.

Frank Watanabe of Detroit, which is hosting the 18th Biennial in 1964, made a progress report of convention plans and announced the Sheraton-Cadillac has been reserved for the 4th of July weekend and with the convention ending on a Saturday. He hoped the theme: "JACL Report to the Nation" would be adopted.

Under instruction of the Chicago JACL Board, chapter chairman Joe Sagami also issued a bid for the 1966 Convention. After the National Council accepted San Diego's invitation, Sagami said Chicago is interested in 1970.

## K. Patrick Okura of Omaha elected nat'l JACL president

SEATTLE—K. Patrick Okura, longtime staff psychologist at Father Flanagan's Boystown and now chief probation officer for Douglas County (Neb.) juvenile court, was unanimously elected national president of the Japanese American Citizens League Monday morning.

Serving with him on the cabinet will be Jerry Enomoto, 1st v.p.; Takeshi Kubota, 2nd v.p.; William Marutani, 3rd v.p.; Kumao Yoshinari, treasurer; Dr. David Miura, sec.; and William Matsumoto, 1000 Club.

## Kuchel Introduces Bill To Congress For Tax Exemption

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—Sen. Thomas Kuchel, R-Calif., Tuesday introduced a bill to exempt from taxation money paid to Japanese Americans who were put in relocation camps during World War II.

A recent Internal Revenue Service ruling that the money recently granted Nisei for property losses is subject to taxation adds "impetus to inquiry," Kuchel said. "Morally, the problem is the other way around," he added. "These people ought to be permitted to take a loss on their tax returns."

As it is, he said, the grant only allows partial compensation and was enacted "to do justice and close the book on a not-too-pretty chapter in our history."

## YOUTH DELEGATES VOTE IN FAVOR OF NAT'L JR. JACL

120 Youth Delegates Call for \$10,000 Aid from Parent Organization

SEATTLE—The Youth Assembly of the 17th biennial National JACL Convention last week approved the formation of national Jr. JACL during the coming biennium.

The National Council, upon studying the report from Jerry Enomoto, national chairman of the youth commission, went on to include a \$10,000 appropriation which would include the services of an additional staff personnel to work with youth.

Enomoto explained at the outset that his JACL Youth Commission's role was to advise and suggest, not to establish rules. Therefore, if a trend developed that youth were desirous of forming a national body and showed a willingness to assume the responsibilities, the Youth Commission report to the National Council would strongly urge the Council to give youth the kind of support they want.

Preliminary to the significant decision to organize nationally—and significant that 32 years ago, National JACL was organized and help its first convention in Seattle—the 160 youth assembly was divided into four discussion groups, generally on the topic, "Should we form a National Jr. JACL? Resource personnel from JACL served as discussion leaders. Yone Satoda covered the financing of a possible national Jr. JACL. Akiji

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## President's Corner

The Unselfish, Dedicated and Sacrificial



This article in the space allotted to me, known as the "President's Corner," will be my last official message prior to my termination of office.

As I look back over my two year term, the strongest impression which I retain, and which shall remain with me always, is the unselfish, dedicated, indeed in some instances, sacrificial service to the JACL of officers of the National Board, our administrative National and Regional Staff, national, district and local committees and their chairmen, and local and district officers and members.

The voluntary time by members to the JACL throughout the entire organization is fantastic in amount and incalculable in terms of the number of hours devoted. The sheer quantity of voluntary hours spent by the men and women of this organization would, I dare say, literally measure in the hundreds and thousands of hours of loving service to the JACL organization. Without this type of service, arising out of deep conviction in the value of the organization, the JACL would collapse overnight.

So it is with deep and heartfelt gratitude and appreciation far beyond any words I could ever adequately express that I extend my thanks to all of you who are making the administration of the organization and the tremendous, dynamic progress of the JACL possible.

The National Convention in the historic city of Seattle, Washington, the birthplace of our organization, has brought back memories to many of you. To those who have not been with the organization during the entire span of its existence, you will be inspired by the realization of how a small handful of members felt such concern for the welfare of persons of Japanese ancestry that they banded together to form the JACL of today as a representative organization to serve the needs and to care for the welfare of persons of Japanese ancestry in this country, and to develop in them a deeper sense of responsibility as American citizens.

The JACL organization has come through lean financial years, storms of criticism, discouraging

setbacks, constant sniping and indifference, but these have never deterred the leaders or the dedicated members from the high ideals of our organization to develop within our membership the highest type of good American citizenship. The struggles of the JACL in the face of adversity has but served as necessary stimulants to spur the JACL to even greater endeavors of service to their fellow Americans of Japanese ancestry.

It has been an exciting experience for me and a rare honor and privilege to have served as your National President. I have thoroughly enjoyed my term of office. I have enjoyed meeting members of our organization from coast to coast and in small cities, large cities, in rural areas and in towns.

Thank you for inviting me to your chapter and district meetings and conventions. I have enjoyed the opportunity afforded me of meeting persons of other races, ancestries, creeds, and colors and public officials in all strata of our Government. I have enjoyed sharing experiences with elderly Issei and have shared the anguish of other members of our organization when our programs might not have been adequate and when our budget might not be met.

My travels throughout the length and breadth of the United States to districts and chapters make me realize more and more what a tremendously strong, dynamic and progressive organization the JACL really is. There are brilliant accomplishments by individuals and chapters which other members and chapters could well emulate. There have been heated discussions and differences of opinion on objectives, ideals, programs and even the very existence of the JACL organization. This is a healthy sign and vitally needed so our organization does not become stagnant and complacent. Throughout the whole pattern of JACL activities there still is the solid, almost steel-like inner core of strength emanating from the dedication, faithfulness and loyalty of our members, which transcends any question of individual glory.

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## PC LETTERBOX:

### Not a 'Make-Work' Project

I have been reading with interest the pros and cons of JACL's future. I have felt and still do feel that the advantages for continuing JACL as an active and functioning organization are many. For instance, I do not feel that the Japanese History Project is a make-work project. It is a challenge to all directly or indirectly connected with it. It is an unusual contribution being made to the American people by a minority group that is in the best possible position to make such a contribution. It will provide a wealth of material for America and the world regarding the process of acculturation of a minority group into the melting pot of races. The benefits of this undertaking are far too many to enumerate at this time; but think about it a moment, your imagination should be able to do the rest.

Individual members and JACL have maintained a mutually beneficial symbiotic relationship. The circumstances and experience present in the creation and continued existence of JACL have provided members an unusual opportunity to meet and mingle with public officials, prominent dignitaries and racial, cultural and civic groups to name only a few associations that have proven invaluable. On the other hand, because of individually prominent members, the Organization received publicity and acceptance as a group connected with the individual. The interaction and inextricable nature of the two, the individual and JACL, has made the paths of acceptance and achievement smoother for all persons of Japanese ancestry.

Although the Issei, Nisei and Sansei are slowly reaching out into the community in various ways, they are either not taking advantage of all the opportunities being presented to them or are denied opportunities they are in every way qualified to undertake. Many, many more should be taking part in civic, cultural, business, service and political organizations. Many do not take part because they do not know how to join these organizations or feel they cannot make a contribution or feel they do not have enough time or feel they do not want to become involved in controversial issues. By denying themselves these opportunities they are impeding their own, their children's and their race's progress into being an integral and indispensable fiber of the fabric of American society. We cannot blame anyone but ourselves if we fail to assimilate faster or at all when we are given the chance but fail to capitalize upon it. Then, there is the other side of the coin. Many have the qualifications and the desire to contribute, but are

denied the opportunity because of racial, economic or other practices. In situations like this, it is not only the Japanese American community that suffers the loss of such services, but it is the whole American community. In order to break down such barriers and to provide every one an equal opportunity to serve the community, it is necessary to take active part in those activities which are open to all and work within these spheres to promote non-discriminatory practices in other areas which are restricted to certain people. JACL is a good example of an organization which people of Japanese ancestry may join and promote better inter-group relationships.

Our youth as well as the youth of all America are our most important and cherished natural resource. It is upon their shoulders that one day the fate and future of our community, state and nation must rest. We must, therefore, prepare the youth to assume the responsibilities that inevitably will befall them. Good, sound and sophisticated leadership is a product of hard work, training, experience and inspiration. I think the existing framework of JACL can provide these requisites. It is incumbent upon each and every member of JACL to teach our youth to sell themselves and JACL to the American people not as something, someone or some organization that is unique, but as a people and organization that care enough about American ideals and goals to make unselfish and constructive sacrifices and contributions for the betterment of the whole society. If we do not take it upon ourselves to train our own youth, we cannot expect anyone else to do it. Furthermore, we cannot be heard to complain that our youth are not given a chance to assume leadership positions for which they are not trained, not qualified, nor anxious to assume because we did not instill in them the desire to accept responsibilities.

The challenge, to me, is before every member of JACL. We cannot afford to sit back and wait for another crisis; we must work now to avoid such crisis. We cannot afford to waste our own talent and resources because we are too interested and selfish in our own endeavors. We cannot afford to allow our youth to enter the competitive market of ideas and ideals ill prepared, ill motivated and bearing the stamp, stigma and burden of parental neglect. JACL should not be quibbling about what to do next; it should be doing the manifold things that have to be done now.

RAYMOND S. UNO  
Salt Lake JACL.

### A Little Black Box

Analogies of all types have been used to illustrate the function of JACL, but this is the first time we have seen it compared with an engineering function. Needless to say, it would take an engineer who has a gift of explaining an engineering function in the layman's language to present this comparison in a chapter newsletter and Orange County chapter president Jim Yamasaki does this superbly in the Santana Wind. He is with Beckman Instruments and a graduate in electrical engineering from Northwestern.—Editor.

BY JIM YAMASAKI

Santa Ana

In the parlance of a controls engineer, a system without feedback is very difficult to control. When I was first exposed to this feedback theory I was completely intrigued by this simple explanation of control. First there is an input into a system which is represented by a black box. This system has a function which responds to the stimulus it receives from the input in a peculiar way depending on its characteristic. Then there is the output from this system or black box. A portion of this output is fed back to the input signal, and the difference between the input and this output, called the error signal, is fed into the black box. And so the signal goes, around and around, by this feedback system through the black box until the error no longer exists; that is, the output has arrived where the input directed it to go and the difference between the output and the input no longer exists.

Getting back to our little black box... many times, due to the inaccuracies in components in the black box, the output mechanism and the resulting feedback, a phenomenon called "noise" results. This noise becomes so great when inaccuracies are great that it swamps out the true feedback signal and the system goes out of control.

This same defect can occur in JACL activities. The large, true feelings of the membership are not fed back to the board due to the lack of response and unconcern of the members at large (an inaccuracy in the output, if I may). The remaining noise then affects the true feedback.

At this writing it is difficult to say which responses are the noise and which are the true signal for both are of low magnitude. We are doing our best, nonetheless, to keep the system from going out of control.

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JANET OKAMURA

Essay Contest Winner

The story of a downtrodden people, plagued by injustices and driven on by the compelling will to find a better life, is one common to the ears of the United States. Many a man, throughout the passage of time, has sought the land where he may live as a human being, as a free man—free to make his own decisions, free to speak his mind, free to choose his church and God.

Despite infinite numbers of setbacks and uncertainties, the search for freedom and the right of a man to become what he could moved many from many lands to America—the tired, the poor, the searching, the seeking.

And from France came a gift of the heart, a gift of the spirit—the statue of a lady with her torch held high to all mankind, the light of liberty; and her name—Mother of Exile. Her beacon hand glowed world wide welcome; her mild eyes commanded not only the harbor that twin cities framed, but also the scope and stretch of the vast American shores. With silent lips she cried, "Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free, the wretched refuse of your teeming shore—send these, the homeless, tempest-tossed to me. I lift my lamp beside the golden door."

And come they did—from Germany, from Sweden, from France and China and Japan. All peoples of all countries made their ways to the land of freedom and equality, to the country where skin and color and creed are all one, to the statue of the lady with her beacon light held high to guide all.

From a relatively small country living in the eastern hemisphere at the edge of the Pacific Ocean came a group of Oriental peoples known as the Japanese. Arriving in California, these immigrants stepped almost immediately into anti-Oriental prejudice. Attacks, physically and vocally, followed one after the other, and by 1900 mass meetings were urging their exclusion. Various Anti-Japanese leagues fanned race prejudice and obtained discriminatory "alien laws."

Race-conscious Americans forced passage in 1924 of a clause barring any Japanese immigrants. Despite this act of exclusion, feeling against those of Japanese ancestry did not die. In the thirties, all mobs forces them out of homes and jobs; all things Japanese were boycotted.

Like the Negro, Chinese, and Jew, the young Japanese American has always had to buck irrational race prejudice and it is against this sordid background that the unprecedented prejudice of the war years was brought about. These were people persecuted and proscribed as perhaps no other racial minority in our nation's experience.

In 1920, however, means of fighting these racial discriminations and injustices were forming. In that year, a group of Nisei met in Seattle, Wash., and organized the Japanese American Citizens League, better known today simply as JACL. It was the purpose of this organization to encourage Americanization among both the citizen and alien Japanese and also to promote the general welfare of the group by securing the nullifications of racially restrictive laws which hindered their opportunities for full citizenship and economic and social development.

With each passing week, with each month and year, JACL grew and prospered. With undying spirit and work, JACL began the long

haul to the position of dignity, respect, and acceptance for these "foreign" people of Japanese ancestry. Its work symbolized a strike and blow to keep the Constitution valid for all; it was not an appeal for sympathy, but an argument for justice.

JACL played a tremendously active role in promoting economic and educational opportunities, in eliminating discriminatory and prejudicial practices and ordinances which were the outgrowth of the "yellow peril" hate campaigns of an earlier era, and in refuting vicious charges of un-Americanism by demonstrating civic responsibility.

Another on the long list of JACL achievements was the obtaining of naturalization and immigration privileges to the Japanese and other Asians. Through their enactment alien Japanese were for the first time in United States history, invited to become naturalized citizens in the land of their choice, and the citizenship of their American-born became unqualified and untainted.

Through legislations, some 500 ordinances and laws that were once directed against persons of Japanese ancestry in this country were repealed or unvalidated. JACL was successfully argued the unconstitutionality of discriminatory laws which restricted the opportunities of persons of Japanese ancestry and subjected them to indignities.

The American people now know and welcome Americans of Japanese ancestry. They are no longer confined in the main to the West Coast but are to be found in every state in the Union, accepted by their neighbors and completely integrated into their respective communities. Today they are confident of their future, for under the leadership of the JACL they are, in fact, better Americans in an America made greater by their contributions.

As Walter H. Judd of Minnesota said, in his tribute to the JACL on its 25th anniversary:

"The JACL story... is an inspiring document of democracy in action at the best, an epic which could have been written only in America and which completely refutes the hate and race mongers of only a few years ago who charged that the Japanese, by their very character, were unsimilable into the American cultural pattern, which itself, as we all know, is made up of the cultures and the contributions of all the many people who have immigrated to these shores since time immemorial, as did the ancestors of all of us."

But perhaps even more important in the long pull of history is that, what the JACL has accomplished here in the United States is living proof to all the free peoples of the world, and especially to those in the Far East who are so important to us as a nation today, that the democratic way is best, for it makes possible the correction of abuses and wrongs and the achievement of justice and redress on the basis of the complete record and of individual merit, not race, color, creed, or national origin.

Ours is an imperfect democracy, it is true. But the JACL has proved that it is a constantly improving one which continually strives to forge an ever more perfect union.

JACL has bridged—it has linked the peoples of two shores, one a small country far out in the Pacific, the other a large and great nation known as the land of freedom and equality. It has bridged the feelings and sentiments of all toward the Japanese so that they are no longer thought of as Japanese but as Americans, one and

the same, united in a strong bond of friendship, trust, and understanding. JACL has built—it has laid the foundations for a strong and loyal society of Americans, all united in allegiance to the Union of America. It has built—it has provided a vast amount of privileges for Japanese Americans to live as free human beings, with every opportunity for a prosperous and happy life. JACL is a flourishing memorial to its slogan, "For Better Americans in a Greater America."

United hand in hand, all the people of the great United States utter a prayer for a world of peace and understanding and trust. Let us pray that strength and courage abundant be given to all who work for a world of reason and understanding; that the good that lies in every man's heart may day by day be magnified; that men will come to see more clearly not that which divides them, but that which unites them; that each hour may bring us closer to a final victory, not of nation over nation, but of man over his own evils and weaknesses; that the true spirit of joy, beauty, hope, and above all of abiding faith may live among us; that the blessings of peace be ours—the peace to build and grow, to live in harmony and sympathy with others, and to plan for the future with confidence.

### Frank Oda...

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and inspiring leadership to his many and varied activities. As supervising administrator of the Maritime and Navigational Laws of the United States Custom Service, covering No. California, Nevada and Utah, he has been commended for Export Control Regulations and is the recipient of the United States Government 20 Years Service Award. Whether in the government service, or as a church and community leader, Frank Oda has purposefully utilized his official capacities in JACL to promote and further the cause and purposes of the organization.

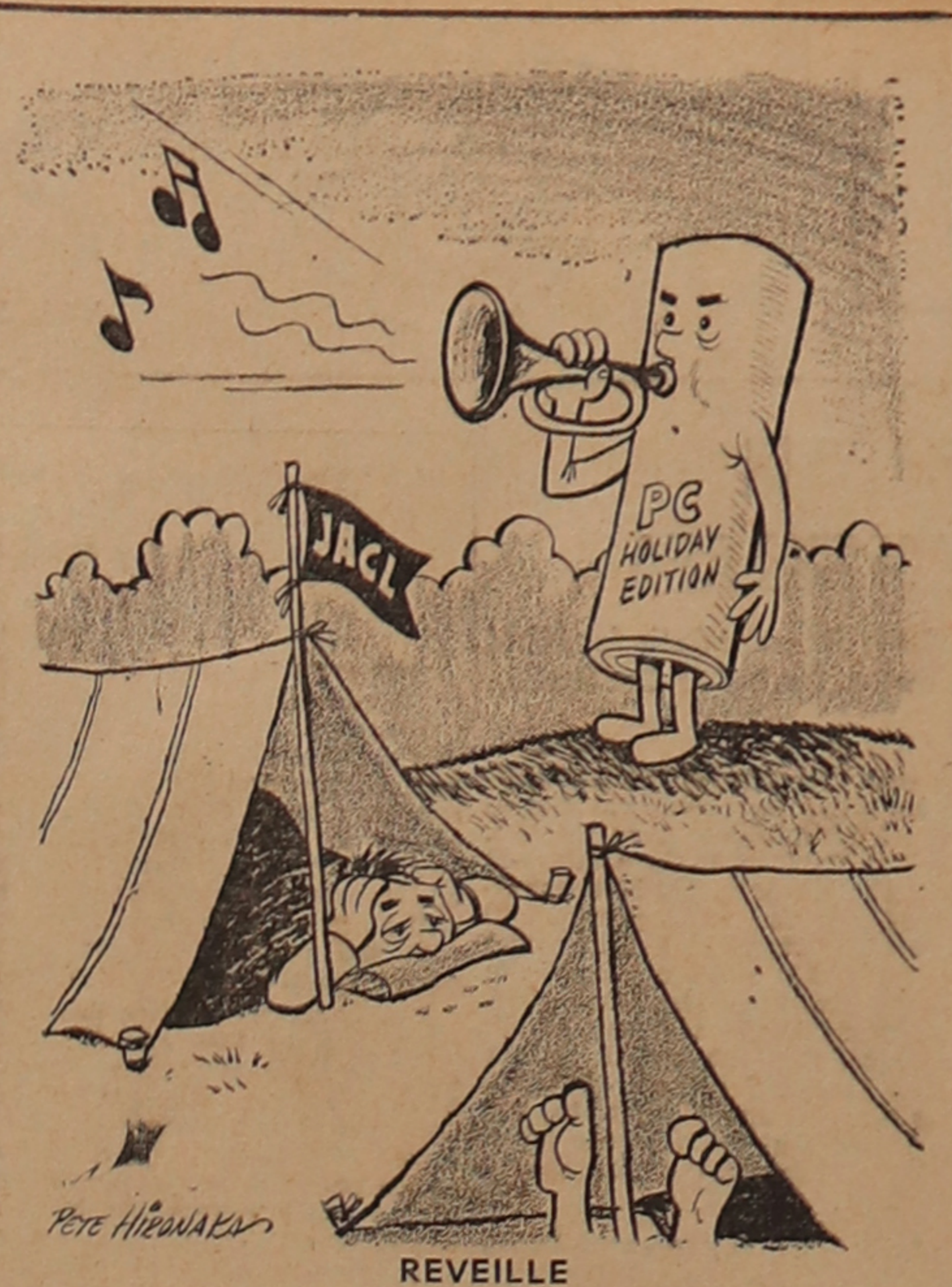
His participation in JACL dates from 1937 and is unbroken except for four years in the armed services of his country. Through the years he has served in many offices and fulfilled countless duties. His untiring efforts in behalf of the Chapter, District and National programs can never be adequately commended or acknowledged.

JACL honors Frank Oda for typifying the spirit of voluntary participation which constitutes the basic strength of our national organization, and for his deep and abiding sense of responsibility to JACL, to his community and to his fellow man. The National Board proudly and gratefully designates Frank F. Oda as JACLer of the Biennium for 1961-62.

### Chuman...

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I salute each of you of the JACL. To you, the wives of the organization, for understanding the long hours of service by your husbands that has taken them away from you and your family. To you, the husbands, for devoting your time and energy to the JACL when you could have spent them more pleasantly in fishing, golfing or other activities. To the youth with your contagious vitality and earnestness, I hope that you will continue to serve our JACL so that through our organization we shall all not only become better individuals but "Better Americans in a Greater America."



Shown above interviewing Shin Niichi Bei Publisher Saburo Kido, is Maury Green from KNXT TV (Channel 2). Kido was interviewed for his impressions of the controversy over the Internal Revenue Service's Taxation of the Japanese American evacuation claims awards. The interview was shown on the "Big News" program yesterday, Wednesday July 25, 6:30 p.m.

### Youth...

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Yoshimura touched upon organizational problems, Abe Hagiwara, program contest; and Dr. Roy Nishikawa, goals and objectives.

Among the objectives of a National Jr. JACL would be to expand leadership experiences, to integrate welfare-aid promotion in the development of all Americans of Japanese ancestry, to help members enhance their appreciation and knowledge of things Japanese, to fulfill personal, family and community responsibilities through activities and learning experiences.

The Youth Assembly Report also suggested the Japanese American Creed be followed to the best of

their ability. The Intermountain Youth District Council, with Ben Kawakami as its foremost spokesman as advocate, paced the movement to form a national group. He explained that a "yes" vote by youth delegates would not mean a national organization in existence right away, but rather the youth would organize committees, draft resolutions indicating intent and desire for a National Jr. JACL, and adopt a constitution which would require time to accomplish.

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By Larry Tajiri

# Vagaries

Nihonjin Movie and TV Actors

Denver  
DURING recent seasons literally hundreds of roles were played by performers of Japanese ancestry in such television series as "Hong Kong," "Adventures in Paradise" and "Hawaiian Eye." TV's Pacific cycle was a rewarding one for Hollywood's Orientals. It also established Nobu McCarthy, Milko Taka, Michi Kobi, Yoko Tani among TV's leading ladies.

Except for a couple of project series, neither firmed up as yet, the movie roles probably will be fewer in the coming year. Reason is that both "Hong Kong" and "Adventures in Paradise" are no longer in production, although "Hawaiian Eye" has been revived for the coming season. The TV emphasis this fall will be on the movies, on domestic comedy, gunfire on the TV range and hoodlums in the cities. The big tube will offer little that is exotic.

The only new show with a Pacific background is "McHale's Men," a comedy with a World War II background, in which Yoshio Yoda, who made an impressive movie debut in "Horizontal Lieutenant," is a member of Ernest Borgnine's permanent cast. Yoda is a Nisei from Hawaii.

The two series are "The L's of Grant Avenue," obviously inspired by the success of "Flower Drum Song," which would star Jack Soo (Goro Suzuki) as a young Chinese American in an approximation of his role of Sammy Fong in the Rodgers and Hammerstein musical, and a proposed TV show starring Miyoshi Umeki.

ACTORS are subject to the public's fickle tastes in entertainment. If a TV series with an Oriental background hits the jackpot one of these days, the video screen will be filled with imitators, just as Ben Casey and Dr. Kildare have focused the cameras on the operating room. Until then, however, actors of Oriental ancestry will have to depend on the occasional roles which come up in the various TV series.

"Naked City," the best of the big city melodrama series, recently repeated nationally a show which starred James Shiget as a Chinese American involved in a New York murder case. Yoko Tani was featured in a recent "Ben Casey."

Now that writers and producers are aware of the availability of talent of Oriental ancestry—thanks to the various TV series, and such shows as "Flower Drum Song," "World of Suzie Wong" and "Teahouse of the August Moon" which have been Broadway hits and used primarily Oriental casts—more stories are scheduled with Oriental backgrounds.

THERE ARE a number of specialists of Japanese ancestry who have made careers in Hollywood. Foremost are the art directors, Eddie Imazu, Albert Nozaki and Robert Kinoshita. Imazu last week was named art director of the new Paramount production, "Donovan's Reef," which stars John Wayne and will be directed by John Ford in Hawaii. The film is based on a story by James Michener.

Imazu, who started his career in Hollywood at MGM in the 1920s where he was involved in many of Metro's great silent pictures, also was art director on the John Wayne-James Stewart adventure drama, "The Man Who Shot Liberty Bells."

Imazu worked at Metro for more

than 20 years, except for a hiatus during the wartime evacuation period—part of which he spent with his family in a relocation camp in Arkansas. In recent years he has been associated with productions at Paramount.

Nozaki has been a Paramount art director for more than 25 years, starting with such films as "Maid of Salem" with Claudette Colbert. He has handled the sets and design for most of the Bob Hope pictures at the studio.

Kinoshita has done most of his work for independent producers. IN HOLLYWOOD'S early years there were several cameramen of Japanese ancestry but there has been none in filmland since the early 1930s when Harry Mizuta, an assistant cameraman on the Eddie Cantor picture, "The Kid from Spain," left for a more lucrative future in Japan.

However, one of Hollywood's top cinematographers is James Wong Howe, once a washed-up pugilist from the state of Washington, who has been a foremost artist with film in a career which has bridged the silents and the talkies. Among the scores of pictures on which Howe has been head cameraman are "Body and Soul," "Come Back, Little Sheba," "Old Man and the Sea" and "Song Without End."

Early in Howe's career he directed and filmed an independent movie about the 26 Catholic martyrs of Nagasaki with a cast of hundreds of local Japanese near Arcadia, Calif.

## NEW YORK MINISTER TO WORK IN HOUSING FOR CHURCH COUNCIL

NEW YORK.—The Rev. Dr. S. Garry Oniki, will be associate secretary for racial and cultural relations in the Council for Christian Social Action of the United Church of Christ. His election was announced today by the Rev. Dr. Ray Gibbons, Council director.

For the past two years, the Los Angeles-born Nisei has been serving with the National Council of Churches as associate director of the Department of Racial and Cultural Relations in the Division of Christian Life and Work.

He was minister of social service at the Church of the Master and executive director of the Morning-side Community Center from 1951 to 1960, executive director of the Interracial Fellowship of Greater New York in 1950-51.

Dr. Oniki will work primarily in the field of housing for racial minorities.

Dr. Oniki will have special responsibilities in the Greater Minneapolis Fair Housing Program, an experimental project initiated by the Council. He will also administer a scholarship fund to assist Negro students to attend church-related colleges.

Dr. Oniki is a Democratic County Committeeman, a member of the New York JACL, of the Presbytery of New York, National Association of Social Workers, Adult Education Assn., National Association of Intergroup Relations Officials, Academy of Certified Social Workers, and Religious Research Assn.

He attended UCLA, Berea College (BA, 1945), Yale Divinity School (BD, 1948; STM, 1950), and Columbia University Teachers College (Ed.D., 1960).



A TEAM OF SEATTLE BON ODORI DANCERS aided a week of intense activity when it appeared on the history making American-European Telstar broadcast last week. The dancers appear before the International Fountain at the World's Fair. Drum beater wore an attention arresting mask. Seattle's Channel 5 represented all TV networks in the unprecedented broadcast. Large building to the right is the Washington State Pavilion.

By Elmer Ogawa



# Northwest Picture

Seattle Events and Telstar

SEATTLE.—A chance to see the World's Fair? ANOTHER MAJOR attraction of the week which took place just as the Convention Pioneer Banquet was about to close, was the immense \$10,000 Japanese fireworks display in Elliott Bay, billed as the largest ever shown in the United States. Seattlites parked all along the waterfront, and at vantage points on the City's seven hills. Aftermath—"Seattle's greatest traffic jam," police said—and we've had some terrifics, like when 450,000 turn out to see the running of the Gold Cup hydroplane races. That event will be Aug. 5, this year.

In the Seafair Grand Parade last Saturday morning, the Japanese Community Float, "Salute to Seafair Aqua Follies" with Queen Judi Nakao, Princesses Sharon Hagimori, Brenda Taniguchi and nine other aqua darlings won the Allied Florists trophy, one of the five major awards of the parade. The float is sponsored by a group other than Seattle Chapter this year, for obvious reasons and drew a significant volume of applause from the 200,000 parade watchers for its artistry, charm and unjumbled expression of theme. Reviewing stand comments from Greater Seattle's Emece Jack Gordon were that Seattle's Japanese Community traditionally makes an outstanding contribution.

This column sticks to the viewpoint that the float participation is indeed an important aid in public relations despite the lack of Chapter sponsorship this year, what the nationwide publicity the Convention is getting on the Evacuation Claims tax at the moment, and the appeal for Land Law repeal support in the future.

Many of us were just going to bed when the Bon Odori dancers were getting up at 3 a.m. to rehearse their part in the broadcast. Ah, sleepless week! Most frequently heard remark around the Convention: "Gosh, when do we get

## Budget...

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voted the \$1 increase on regular membership only.

Under the committee's projection, if dues are increased to \$4, it anticipated a slight drop in membership and required assurance for more income to meet the balance of the budget. This balance of \$10,000 is now to be apportioned to the district council under the current quota system.

With all the preliminary discussion in the PC on quota-allocation formulas, the Budget-Finance recommendation which was based upon the D.C. JACL fail to pass and the present system as initiated at the 1960 Sacramento convention will continue.

On the question of eliminating the Rebate system, delegates voted to retain the 60-40 split of overage. Kaz Horita of Philadelphia had asked for amending the system to permit chapter rebates after district had met its quota, but this was rejected 39-29.

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# ISSEI TESTIMONIAL

SEATTLE.—Eighty-six Issei who have lived in this country for 50 or more years were honored guests at the Issei Pioneer Banquet of the 17th Biennial National Convention of the Japanese American Citizens League at the Olympic Hotel July 26.

Certificates of recognition and appreciation were presented by the JACL to the Issei of the Seattle area and the Pacific Northwest for their personal contributions to the welfare and well-being of persons of Japanese ancestry—the Nisei and Sansei, second and third generations, respectively, born and raised in America.

Principal speaker was Dillon S. Myer, of Washington, D.C., War Relocation Authority director, who said here that the movement of Japanese American into camps should have never happened.

Myer traced the history of the Issei on the West Coast and the many anti-Oriental campaigns which got underway as early as 1870. Through all of this discrimination the Issei were quietly and effectively carrying on their work on the railroads, in the farm lands or getting themselves established in business or professions, he said.

## Devotion and Courage

He praised the Issei who so unobtrusively carried on in spite of all the hardships. It required a brand of courage and devotion to family which very few people of any national origin could match, he declared.

National President Frank Chuman, extending the appreciation of the national JACL to the Issei in the Japanese language, now becomes a third member of the National Board to ever publicly address a convention audience in that tongue. His predecessors were George Inagaki and Akiji Yoshimura, both veterans of the military language service school.

Ginji Mihara, venerable Issei community leader in the Pacific Northwest, responded in behalf of the Issei to the audience in English, calling upon the Nisei to carry on the work started by the Issei over 50 years ago in making America a better place to live. Takeshi Kubota, official events chairman, was toastmaster. Yoshio Fujii was dinner committee chairman.

National convention queen Ellen Kimura made the presentation of citations, bound in handsome leatherette with the individual name embossed on the cover. The honored Issei pioneers of the Greater Seattle area was as follows:

Yoshiaki Amatatsu, Nisaku Araki, Kinzo Asaba, Satoru Itotaro, Kaito Chikamura, Ralsaku Fujii, Kyutaro Fukui, Shuichi Fukui, Hikoichi Fukuyama, Solchi Furukawa, Seiichi Hara, Chosaku Hashiguchi, Heizo Hidaka, Seiichi Higashida, Heitaro Hikiida, Shugo Hirabayashi, Morisaburo Hirano, Kumachi Horike, Taijiro Ikeda, Masaru Inamura, Mrs. Tsune Ito, Tokusaburo Iwasaki.

Hamaturo Kamihachi, Sotaro Kawabe, Matahei Kawaguchi, Kakuo Kawakami, Suyeichi Kinoshita, Namiji Kodama, Otohiko Koura, Goro Kubo, Fujitaro Kubota, Masafumi Matsumoto, Taro Matsumura, Kuniso Mayeno, Genji Mihara, Teruzo Mimbu, Koichi Minato, Shuhei Miyata, Giichiro Mizuki, Taiji Morinaga, Keijiro Mukai, Katsuma Murakami, Kensaku Murata, Shikataro Nakagawara, Uichiro Nakai.

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## Ogishima pace field of 66 golfers to win Confab golf

SEATTLE.—John Ogishima of Seattle, one time club champion of the Puget Sound Golf Club, beat Min Hashimoto on the 20th hole to take the championship flight of the 17th Biennial National JACL Golf Tournament at Inglewood Golf and Country Club. Six handicapper Ogishima and Hashimoto, with 8, ended the regular 18 holes with net 71 scores.

Marshall Sumida, 8 handicap from San Francisco, won the 1000 Club Trophy for low net, in a playoff over Fred Ikeguchi of Long Beach. They were tied for third with net 72.

Bill Komoto 88-72 of the host city edged out Tak Yoshijima 86-74 to top First Flight.

Henry Kusumu of Stockton with 107-36-71 took Second Flight over Hiro Sasaki with 92-17-75, the second trophy winner.

A field of 66 golfers competed on the tough Inglewood course, chairman Min Hashimoto reported.

## HAWAII'S JUDGE TASHIRO OBSERVER AT CONVENTION

SEATTLE.—One of the early Convention arrivals was Circuit Court Judge Benjamin M. Tashiro of the Fifth Circuit, State of Hawaii, who was following convention proceedings as an observer.

Judge Tashiro arrived here on July 22 to take part in the Ninth Institute on Crime and Delinquency, which was also held at the Olympic Hotel.

He will attend the 85th Annual Meeting of the American Bar Association, section of judicial administration in San Francisco from Aug. 3 to 7. After a few days in Los Angeles he will return to Lihue, Kauai, on Aug. 12.

Judge Tashiro is remembered as an enlisted instructor at the Army G-2 language school between 1943-45. He was appointed to the Circuit Court by President Eisenhower in 1955 and then by Governor Quinn after statehood to his present six-year term in 1959.

(The National Council subsequently approved an appropriation of \$10,000 to include the salaries of staff personnel to work with youth.)

## ENOLOGIST PRESIDENT

MADERA.—Ted T. Yamada, winery cooperative manager, here, was elected president of the American Society of Enologists at its 12th annual convention at Santa Barbara recently. He was convention chairman.

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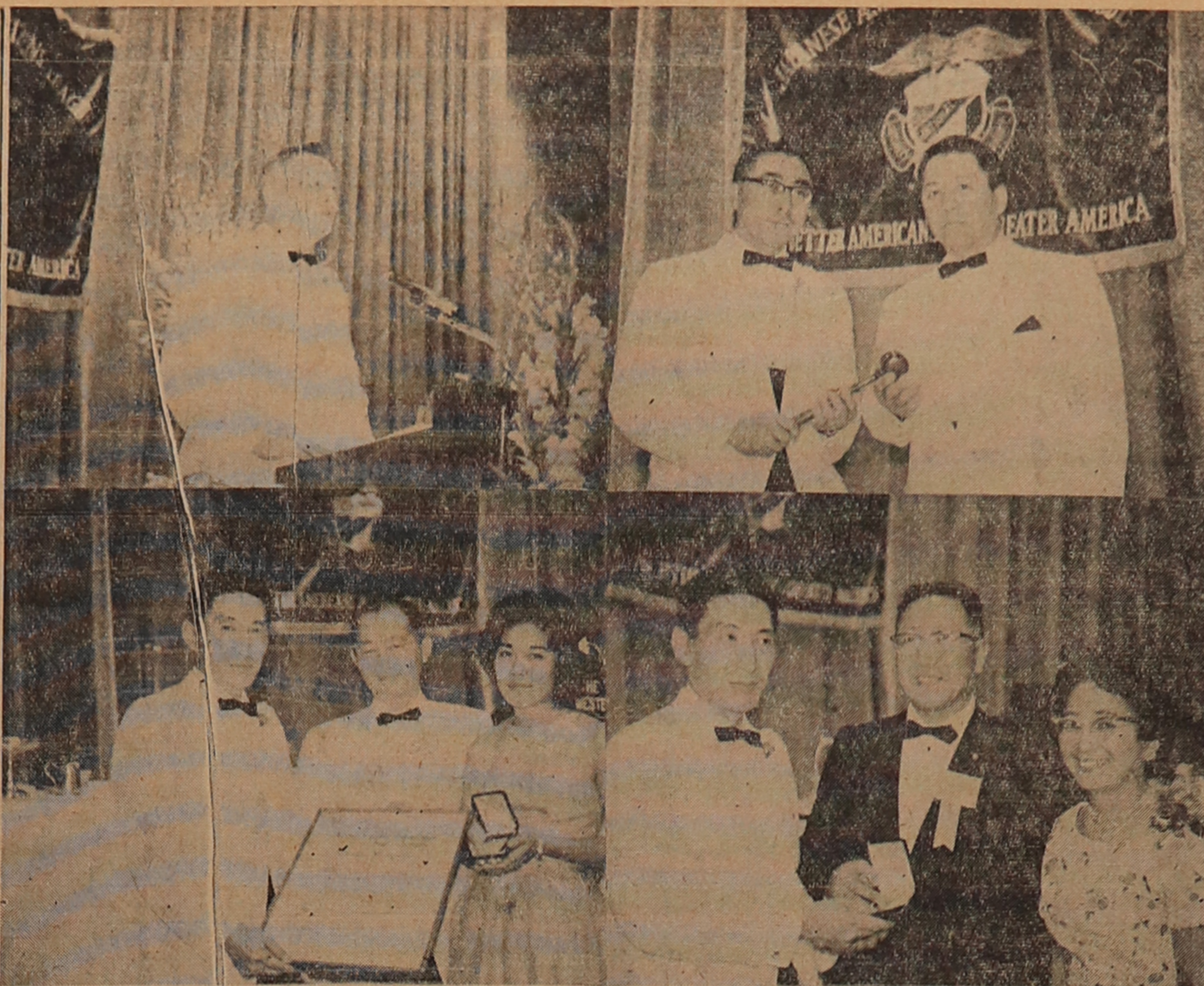




LOOK WHO'S TWISTING . . .

We dare not mention names here but many our Thousands and Sacramentans will recognize the gentleman twisting at the Seattle Convention mixer. Dancer was among the entertainers of the evening dedicated to Tahitian splendors.

—Elmer Ogawa Photo



(Upper left) Undersecretary of State U. Alexis Johnson, main speaker at the convention banquet at the Olympic Hotel.

(Upper right) The gavel is passed to newly elected National JACL President Patrick Okura by outgoing President Frank Chuman.

(Lower left) Minoru Yamasaki, chosen the Nisei of the Biennium, receives the scroll and the Gold Medallion from past president Shig Wakamatsu. Daughter Carol Yamasaki basks in the limelight with her famous father.

(Lower right) The Silver Medal winner of Nisei of the Biennium was John Yoshino of Washington, D.C. He is presented the medal by past president Shigeo Wakamatsu. Mrs. Yoshino was present to congratulate him.



HONOREES — Shown here are the three Nisei who were honored for their pre-war leadership in the JACL at its 17th Biennial Convention's Recognitions Luncheon in Seattle. Left to right are: Clarence T. Arai (Seattle), Suma Sugi Yokotake (Los Angeles), and Tokutaro Nishimura Slocum (Fresno). Shin Nichi Bei Photo

Recognitions Luncheon
SEATTLE — Citations for meritorious service to the Japanese American Citizens League were presented to four individuals and one national company at the Recognitions Luncheon of the 17th Biennial National Convention meeting here.

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From the Frying Pan

Seattle, Wash.

IMPRESSIONS FROM THE NATIONAL CONVENTION—

A sense of history hung over the convention here last week—not just JACL history, but the history of the Japanese in America—and even the most callow Sansei couldn't help but be moved by it.

The Issei Pioneer Testimonial Banquet, honoring a handful of Seattle area Issei for more than a half a century of public service, was a stirring event. One by one, as their names were called, the Issei stepped forward to receive scrolls of appreciation.

By their attitude, by their deep bows of thanks, the Issei revealed the honor they felt in being thus recognized. But it was the Nisei who were being honored by the presence of these men and women who had suffered and sacrificed much so that their offspring would have a better life in America.

Next day, the delegates saw another picture—Sansei speakers from eight sections of the United States competing in the oratorical contest. Each was extremely able. All were a credit to their families and localities. The three winners—Todd Endo of Kensington, Md.; Carol Suzuki of Sacramento; Dee Ishida of Chicago—were superb.

If the Issei are proud of the Nisei, now reaching the full bloom of maturity, the Nisei have much reason to be proud of in the Sansei.

SERVICE AWARDS—Conferring of scrolls for services to an organization can become a mite maudlin, but the sentiment exposed to the public view in honoring pioneer JACLers was hardly misplaced.

The roles played by the first three are part of JACL legend. Ishihara, on the other hand, is the nearly forgotten man of the movement, the unsung yeoman, and recognition for him was a heartwarming gesture.

BIENNIAL AWARDS—I hope you'll have a chance to read the citations honoring Minoru Yamasaki, Nisei of the Biennium, and the winners of the four Silver Medallions—Thomas Kitayama, mayor of Union City, Calif.; Kiyo Tomiyasu of Schenectady, N.Y.; John Yoshino of Washington, D.C.; and Caesar Uyesaka of Santa Barbara, Calif.

Larry Tajiri has an anecdote that makes an interesting footnote to the success of Minoru Yamasaki who has risen to pre-eminence in the field of architecture.

The last time he saw Yamasaki, Tajiri recalls, was in New York City the night after the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. It seemed the world had collapsed around them, and Yamasaki was especially downcast.

The outlook was equally bleak for thousands of other Nisei that long-remembered day. But Yamasaki made his way back, and so did the Nisei as a group, thanks in very great part to those of our number who fell in battle while dramatizing the loyalty of us all.

TRANSFORMATION—The change in the status of the Nisei was vividly demonstrated last week in the way they were able to take over the Olympic Hotel, Seattle's leading hostelry, during one of the summer's busiest periods.

(Next Week: More impressions from Seattle)

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CHUMAN KEYNOTES OPENING CEREMONIES; FINDS "BRIDGE" STILL UNCOMPLETED

SEATTLE—At the opening ceremonies of the 17th Biennial Convention of the Japanese American Citizens League, national president Frank F. Chuman of Los Angeles declared that the convention here in Seattle is a sentimental journey for many of the delegates because many of them were here 32 years ago for the first national convention.

Chuman noted that the foundations and ideals of the JACL were first formulated here in Seattle; that again the National JACL is meeting under historic circumstances "To Bridge and to Build."

He paid special tribute to the early founders of the national organization. He mentioned names such as Clarence T. Arai, Jimmie Sakamoto, Tokutaro Nishimura Slocum and many others who assembled in 1930 to build a "strong foundation which has stood the stresses of the times."

"In order to build a worthy bridge, it is necessary to have a platform of sturdy girders that would stand up under the heat of oppression," he cautioned. He noted that "our parents were denied citizenship and even the right of ownership of land. We, the Nisei were oppressed and scorned as second class citizens."

Chuman, however, went on to express admiration and appreciation to the Issei, and the early JACL leaders in their unshakable faith in the ideals and principles of American democracy, never doubting that America would regard each man as an equal, regardless of his race or background.

"Americans of Japanese ancestry," Chuman said, "had a deep and abiding love for these United States of America—and this was manifested in the heroism of the men who gave their lives for America during WWII."

Calendar
Aug. 3 (Sunday) Mile-Hi—Community picnic, Berkeley Park.
Aug. 7 (Tuesday) Oakland—Meeting, Fulle ers.
Aug. 9 (Thursday) Fresno—Board meeting.
Aug. 11 (Saturday) Los Angeles—Nisei Week Coronation Ball, Beverly Hilton; dinner, 6:30; dance and coronation, 9 p.m.
Aug. 12 (Sunday) Philadelphia—Outing, Menlo Park.
Aug. 14 (Tuesday) Pasadena—Meeting.
Aug. 18 (Saturday) Fresno—Steak dinner, Redding Park.
Aug. 19 (Sunday) Salinas—NC-WNDC quarterly session, Wonder Lodge.
Aug. 23 (Saturday) Contra Costa—Community picnic, Lake Temescal Picnic Grounds.
Aug. 25 (Saturday) Contra Costa—Barbecue, Alvarado Park, Richmond, 1-10 p.m.
Aug. 26 (Sunday) Santa Barbara—FWDC quarterly session.

Rev. Wesley Yamaka of Blaine Memorial Methodist Church giving the invocation. Boy Scouts of Troop 53 from the Japanese Baptist Church presented the colors and Mrs. Henry Itoi sang the National Anthem.

Members of the National JACL Board were introduced as follows: President Chuman; K. Patrick Okura, Omaha, 1st v.p.; George Sugai, Fayette, Idaho, 2nd v.p.; William M. Matsumoto, Sacramento, 3rd v.p.; Kuneo Yoshinari, Chicago, treas.; Jerry Enomoto, sec. to board; Frank H. Hattori, Seattle, 1909 Club chmn.; Shigeo Wakamatsu, Chicago, and Dr. Roy M. Nishikawa, Los Angeles, bd. memb.

After introduction of the Convention Queen Ellen Kimura and her court, messages of greeting from President Kennedy and Governor Albert D. Rosellini were read by the master of ceremonies. Greetings were extended from the city of Seattle by Floyd C. Miller, president of the City Council, by Mayor Gordon S. Clinton; and from the host chapter by president William Y. Chimu.

Harry Takagi, former Seattle JACL chapter president and now chairman of the Washington, D.C. JACL Board, paid tribute to the Nisei War Dead, followed by the singing of the JACL Hymn by Mrs. Itoi.

Sequoia JACLers To Host Japan's Women Softballers
REDWOOD CITY—A Japanese national women's softball championship team which is coming to the United States to play in the Women's World Softball championship next month will stop over in Redwood City for a practice game.

The team sponsored by the Takashimaya Department Store of Osaka will play an exhibition game at Hawes Park here on Wednesday, Aug. 15 from 8 p.m. against the Redwood City Jets, Northern California representatives to the world's championships.

The Japanese team of 12 girls and five officials of the Japan Amateur Softball Assn. will arrive at San Francisco International Airport Tuesday, Aug. 14 via JAL, enroute to Stratford, Conn., where the championship tournament will start Aug. 29.

During their stay in the Bay Area, the team will be sponsored by the city of Redwood City and the Sequoia JACL chapter. The Sequoia chapters members are taking this opportunity to show their goodwill and hospitality by housing the team in their homes during their stay, chapter officials said.

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