



By the Board

By John Y. Yoshino, EDC Chairman

Washington
AFTER A 6,500-mile roundtrip to Seattle, the Yoshino family returned to Silver Spring, Maryland, Washington, D.C. Chapter President Harry Takagi and his family (also driving) returned to their Arlington, Virginia home several days later.

Travel by automobile is slow in comparison with the fast jet plane rides coast to coast, but it has its advantages. This trip afforded us an opportunity to visit Mount Rushmore, Yellowstone Park and many other scenic spots along the way to Seattle, and back from the 17th Biennial National JACL Convention.

We also enjoyed conversation with countless number of interesting people as we stopped at restaurants, gas stations, food shops and motels. People were friendly and helpful everywhere. In some towns people stared at us as rarities. We picked up a lot of interesting information about these places.

We planned our trip to allow two days of visits to the Seattle World's Fair. As it turned out, Mary Lou and I spent just one day at the Fair. Our son, Wayne, besides going with us on the first trip went back again later in the week.

This was vacation period and the Fair was very crowded. There were people everywhere. Although we visited many interesting exhibits, there were others we could not visit because of the long line of people waiting to gain admission. For this reason, we were sorry we did not get up to the Space Needle Restaurant. Convention Chairman, James Matsuo, tried to arrange a breakfast trip but even breakfast trips had to be arranged many days in advance.

One building we enjoyed visiting was the Food Fair (housed in the Armory). Foods from many lands were being served at very nominal price. However, after looking at all of the displays, we ended up having tempura dinner at the Japanese booth.

I WAS happy to see the Na-

tional Council enthusiastically vote funds to support JACL work with our youth. We have talked about doing this at other conventions but have never followed through with money to hire staff.

To find just the right person to lead this work may pose some problems to the Personnel Committee, but I hope that some suitable person can be hired as soon as possible. It would be well to get this program under way while there is so much enthusiasm for it.

For many years, the JACL has depended upon the work of volunteers. However, there is a limit to the amount of time volunteers can give to any project. In some instances, professional group workers like Abe Hagiwara of Chicago have put in a great deal of time and effort to help out the youth programs. This year was no exception for Abe. He was right in with the young people working and playing with them. In my visit to several of the Youth Group meetings, I was impressed with the manner in which the meeting were carried out.

AS COMMENTED by Mike Masaoka before the National Oratorical Contest this year was probably the best ever held. It was a privilege to be present and hear the wonderful speeches.

We, from the EDC were very happy and proud with the able performance of Todd Endo of Washington, D.C. After being crowned the National Oratorical Champion, he returned home and met with a group of Sansei youth and shared with them the wonderful things he had experienced at the convention. This group is laying plans for formation of a Junior JACL.



Nisei Week Queen Frances Yamaoka, sponsored by Gardena Valley JACL, waves to spectators at the climactic Festival Ono Parade last Sunday afternoon. Upwards of 35,000 were in line to view the two-hour parade comprised of some 500 kimono-clad dancers, Festival beauties, civic dignitaries and Issei pioneers.

—Cut Courtesy: Shin Nishibei.

Bipartisan Mainland committee to elect Dan Inouye U.S. senator in Hawaii formed

SAN FRANCISCO.—A bipartisan committee for Dan Inouye for U.S. Senator from Hawaii is being organized to help the Nisei legislator in his forthcoming campaign this fall.

According to Akiji Yoshimura of Colusa, a seven-man mainland Nisei committee has been formed to spearhead this action.

The seven will enlist other Nisei for the committee and also help in soliciting contributions for Inouye's campaign fund.

Besides Yoshimura, the committee includes Takeshi Kubota of Seattle, Saburo Kido of Los Angeles, George Sugai of Payette, Idaho; Joe Kadowaki of Cleveland; Mike Masaoka of Washington, D.C., and Tom Ito of Pasadena.

The outstanding, disabled WWII Nisei war hero is the first American of Japanese ancestry to be elected to Congress three years ago.

His Nov. 6 opponent is Republican millionaire Ben Dillingham. "We believe that Inouye should be in the Senate, for he has the qualifications, background and

Selma queen candidate

SELMA.—Arlene Abe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Abe, will be among the queen candidates at the annual Selma District Fair Sept. 12-15. Abe is an active Selma JACLer and onetime CCDC chairwoman.

SENDAI SCIENTIST AIDS STANFORD EXPERIMENT IN RADIO BY LIGHT WAVES

STANFORD UNIVERSITY.—Dr. Fumio Inaba, visiting professor from Tohoku University, Sendai, helped Stanford scientists obtain the first reception of a microwave signal with a light beam rather than radio waves as the carrier.

The breakthrough, announced last week, opens up great possibilities in transmission, since a light beam is practically unlimited in its carrying potential while a radio wave is limited.

Scientists said, for example, that 100 million television programs could be carried on a single beam of light if the system is developed to its logical end. They say it is theoretically possible now.

In addition, light beams, the scientists say, are subject to less interference than radio waves. Prof. Anthony Siegman of Stanford's electronic laboratories said that Dr. Inaba who has been at Stanford for the past year is due to return next month to set up an electronic research laboratory in Sendai.

Hawai'ian lass second in NAACP VFW essay contest

MINNEAPOLIS.—Karen N. Sato, 17, of Lawa, Kauai, was named winner of the \$500 second prize in the Veterans of Foreign Wars auxiliary high school writing contest.

Winners were announced last week at the auxiliary's convention, held in conjunction with the national VFW convention here.

Susan Skelton, 16, of Auburn, Ala., won first prize of \$1,000.

'Are you really an American!' badgers Nisei student with UCLA's Project India

LOS ANGELES.—Writing for the Los Angeles Times last Sunday, Chita Rao, a UCLA student from India accompanying members of the Project India group to her homeland, found the experiences of Don Kano, the Nisei member of the group, as most significant. Writing from Calcutta, Miss Rao noted that ever since Kano arrived in India on July 4, he has been asked "Are you really an American?" The frequency of the question has made the 21-year-old UCLA art major understand factors which he took for granted in the United States.

Kano addressed an audience of 600 students at the Science College in Nagpur and began with "Though I have Japanese features, I stand before you as an Ameri-

can, constant in my belief in democracy."

Project India, which has had Nisei members in previous years, has been responsible for a number of young Americans attaining a greater understanding of their own country. Miss Rao commented.

The project is sponsored by the University Religious Conference, composed of 14 students and two adult advisers each year. The project began in 1951. They meet students of their ages—17 to 22—and discuss ideas and ideals of students.

Their two-month stay in India is brief, Miss Rao adds, but contributes to understanding between the two countries. In July alone, Project India members spoke to 30,000 Indian students.

Fresno goal surpassed for History Project fund

FRESNO.—The American Loyalty League (Fresno JACL) acknowledged the contributions of 136 donors as of Aug. 13 to the Japanese History Project fund in the amount of \$2,705, far exceeding its original goal.

Dr. Frank Nishio, chapter president, cited the hard work and leadership of John Kubota and his committee for bringing this project to a successful conclusion. Local donations ranged from \$1 to \$150.

Legislative progress to tax-exempt claims seen, committee OKs King Bill

(Special to Pacific Citizen)

WASHINGTON.—The House Ways and Means Committee late Monday reported, with amendments, the bill introduced by Democratic Congressman Cecil R. King of Long Beach, Calif., to clarify the congressional intent that awards paid pursuant to the Japanese American Evacuation Claims Act of 1948 are not subject to tax liability. Chairman Wilbur Mills (D., Ark.), filed the unanimous com-

mittee report in which the House was urged to enact this clarifying amendment in order that the Internal Revenue Service's interpretation that these awards are taxable may be reversed.

The committee reports noted that the Treasury Department, which does not favor exempting awards from tax, under the special circumstances involved in these Evacuation Claims cases, did not interpose any objections to the

legislation. According to the influential Ways and Means Committee, "In view of all of the circumstances involved with respect to those awards, it is best that they not be considered taxable. This is believed desirable both because of the substantial nature of the losses arising from the fact that the evacuees had to dispose of, or leave, their property on very short notice and because the evacuees

were deprived of the use of their property for an extended period of time. Moreover, to the persons receiving these awards their taxation appears in effect to be a reduction in the size of the award, since they believed that they were not taxable."

The amended King Bill provides that awards paid either through the administrative program of the Attorney General or by the Court of Claims are not taxable.

In cases where taxes have been paid on awards, provisions are made for claiming refunds.

Washington JACL representative Mike Masaoka hailed the committee action as the first big step in clarifying the nontaxability of evacuation claim awards.

He paid high tribute to Congressman King, the ranking member of the committee, for his leadership in securing such early and favorable action, without hearings, on this bill.

He also declared that every effort would be made to secure not only House passage but also Senate approval of clarifying legislation prior to the adjournment of this Congressional session. The parliamentary situation in both the House and the Senate would determine the strategy to be used, Masaoka said.

House approves WW2 claims bill

WASHINGTON.—The House on Aug. 8 approved 354 to 15 legislation authorizing payment of claims to thousands of Americans for property losses, injuries or death, suffered during World War II. Claims would be paid to nationals whose property was lost or damaged in certain European countries and in areas attacked by Japan, or who suffered loss on vessels attacked on the high seas before December 11, 1941.

A similar bill died two years ago when the Senate failed to act on it.

Rep. Oren Harris (D., Ark.) reminded the House that 17 years have passed since the end of World War II. "If Congress does not act soon, many will have died and only their heirs will benefit."

Claims would be paid from the Alien Property Trust Fund in the U.S. Treasury, a fund made up of private German and Japanese assets taken over during World War II and confiscated by an act of Congress in 1948, principally to pay veteran benefits at that time.

JACL's position on this question of sequestrated property and assets is that the funds be returned to their original owners.

New U.S.-Japan tax protocol signed

WASHINGTON.—Americans investing in Japan will now have to pay more on their dividends under a new taxation protocol between Japan and the United States.

The U.S. State Department Friday announced the signing of the income tax protocol with Japan to prevent "double taxation" of investments and transactions involving both countries.

Americans under the present U.S.-Japan income tax convention signed in 1954, do not have their dividends taxed at the source by Japan. In addition, 25 per cent of income from dividends is exempt from taxation in the United States.

Japanese investing in the U.S., on the other hand, presently are taxed 30 per cent on dividends at the source by the United States.

The new arrangement attempts to do away with the inequality and provide for a uniform rate. The United States has similar agreements with a dozen other nations. The signing took place Aug. 14 in Tokyo, officials said.

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Washington Newsletter: by Mike Masaoka

Taxability of Awards

Washington, D.C.

A WEEK ago Thursday (August 16), the House Ways and Means Committee unanimously ordered reported, with amendments, Congressman Cecil R. King's bill to clarify the congressional intent that awards paid by our Government pursuant to the Japanese American Evacuation Claims Act of 1948, as amended, are not subject to tax liability.

According to Committee sources, the amendments were technical in nature and did not change either the substance or the objectives of the original King bill.

While the House decided to take an unofficial ten-day recess over the week, with only token sessions this Monday and Tuesday, the Committee did file its report on the amended bill late Monday and placed it on the Union Calendar for appropriate action.

ON THE Senate side, there has been no action by the Finance Committee, which has been too bogged down with the House-passed tax and trade bills to consider any "minor" legislation up to this time.

Perhaps when these two major bills of the Kennedy Administration have been disposed of, the Senate Committee may find time to consider the clarifying amendment offered by California Senator Thomas H. Kuchel, in which he was joined by Senators Wallace F. Bennett of Utah, Warren G. Magnuson and Henry M. Jackson of Washington, and Wayne Morse and Maurice B. Neuberger of Oregon. Kuchel and Bennett are Republicans, while the remaining four are Democrats. Kuchel, Bennett, Magnuson, and Morse are up for re-election this November.

It is possible, but highly improbable, that third-ranking minority member Bennett may be able to persuade his colleagues on the Senate Finance Committee to accept the Kuchel-Bennett clarification as an amendment to the Administration's highly controversial tax bill. We have been informed that the senior Senator from Utah may attempt this maneuver if the appropriate opportunity affords itself because of the lateness of the session, which may prevent further Committee consideration of this "minor" bill.

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THE REASON

that the tax-writing House Ways and Means Committee favorably ordered reported the King bill, without hearings of any kind, is due to the respect and admiration of the 25 Committee members for the bill's sponsor, able, knowledgeable, distinguished Congressman King, the Committee's ranking member and second only to its Chairman, Wilbur Mills of Arkansas, in seniority.

When he called up his bill, H.R. 12719, and requested favorable consideration last Thursday, the Committee responded unanimously, not only as a matter of special courtesy but more as testimony of the confidence the members have in his judgment and integrity. In this connection, it should be kept in mind that his bill was introduced less a month ago (on July 30), had received no formal recommendations from the Department of the Treasury, the Internal Revenue Service, and the Bureau of the Budget, and had not been the subject of any public hearings.

The Long Beach-Los Angeles County Democrat, who is now not only the ranking member of the key House Ways and Means Committee and of its Subcommittee on Foreign Trade Policy and of the Joint (House and Senate) Committee on Internal Revenue Taxation, is one of the best public friends that Americans of Japanese ances-

try have in the Congress, although he has not received the publicity that has been accorded others less deserving than he.

As a member of the California State Legislature from 1932 to 1942, he is familiar with the annual legislative expeditions against those of Japanese ancestry, particularly those who engaged in fishing off the Southern California coast, by the racists and anti-Yellow Perilists in Sacramento in the pre-World War II decade. As might be expected of a man of his courage and vision, he was forthright in opposing these unwelcome American efforts, though he was subject to considerable personal vilification and threatened with political reprisals.

Elected to the 77th Congress in a special election held on August 25, 1942, Congressman King has been re-elected to every succeeding Congress. His record in the national House of Representatives reflects his belief in democratic principles and in the loyalty of all Americans, unless proved individually otherwise. And, from his position as one of the most influential members of the entire Congress, he has been responsible for many legislative and administrative achievements for his district and State, most of which were never credited to him.

Last week, in reminiscing on more than three decades in the public service, he expressed his pleasure in the vindication of those of Japanese ancestry in California, as witnessed by the great public clamor in his State against the Internal Revenue Service for attempting to collect taxes on evacuation claim awards.

He explained that his bill expressed not only his personal conviction of what the Congress intended but also his concern that justice and equity be done to Americans of Japanese ancestry. He also made clear his intention to do everything possible to secure enactment of the necessary clarifying amendment prior to the adjournment of this session.

IT MAY be of interest that Congressman King was the first to introduce clarifying legislation, doing so on July 30. The next day, July 31, Republican Congressman John F. Baldwin of Contra Costa and Solano Counties introduced his bill.

On August 1, Democratic Congressman John Shelley of San Francisco introduced his bill, followed by Republican William S. Mailliard of San Francisco on August 2, by Democrat Jeffrey Cochran of Berkeley on August 6, by Republican Alphonzo Bell of Santa Monica on August 7, by Republican Gordon L. McDonough of Los Angeles on August 8, and by Democrat James Roosevelt of Los Angeles on August 13.

It may be coincidence that the four Democrats and the four Republicans who introduced bills in the House are all from California, and that in and around the Bay area two Democrats and two Republicans introduced bills, as did the same number of Democrats and Republicans from the Los Angeles region. Moreover, all of the Democratic bills were identical to the King bill and all of the Republican bills were identical to the Baldwin bill.

On July 31, Senators Kuchel, Bennett, Magnuson, Jackson, Morse, and Neuberger introduced their joint bill. On August 2, Democratic Senator Clair Engle of California introduced his bill, which was identical to the King Bill.

Of interest may be that all of the West Coast Senators were on record, through the introduction of bills, favoring clarifying the congressional intent that evacuation claims awards are not taxable.

East L.A. JACLer named to Demo central committee

LOS ANGELES.—Active East Los Angeles JACLer Mrs. Mary Mittler, of 1056 DeGarmo Dr., has been reappointed by Assemblyman Edward Elliott (D) as a member of the state central committee of the Democratic party. The committee meets this weekend in Sacramento.

Fire commissioner

SACRAMENTO.—The county board of supervisors appointed Toshio Sakai as commissioner of the Walnut Grove Fire District recently.

Nihonmachi Project diagrams presented

SAN FRANCISCO.—Project Nihonmachi architects have devised three sets of diagrams for the United Committee for Japanese Community development advisory committee and Redevelopment Agency planners, it was reported by UCJC Chairman Susumu Togasaki last week.

First set indicated a street plan, the second showed the open areas that would become available, and the third suggested the relationship of basic land use for commercial, light industrial, community and residential within the four-block area bounded by Bush, Laguna, Post and Webster Sts.


SCHOOL BOARD

LOOMIS.—Aster Kondo was elected president of the reorganized Loomis unified school district board of trustees recently.

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THE JAPANESE AMERICAN 'IMAGE'

Were it not for the death of General DeWitt, as obscure the news item might have been, and the decision of the Internal Revenue Service to tax the evacuation claim awards, which drew more attention than expected, I wonder if Americans across the land would have been reminded of events that occurred two decades ago. I doubt it.

But the mere mention today of DeWitt and Evacuation—and the two will remain inseparable—brings on editorials and comments that were hardly expected when DeWitt and Evacuation were in the forefront. (We want to thank our readers and chapter publicity chairmen who have been sending us the editorials and commentaries in recent weeks. Watsonville JACL passed along two eloquent pieces from their hometown paper, the Register Pajaronian, which won a Pulitzer Prize not too many years ago for outstanding reporting. One was reprinted in the PC last week.)

This transition of the Japanese American "image" since the 1940s will be part of the study of the Japanese History Project. A scholarly treatise of this phase of Nisei history may not be fully developed since these events are too close to the present. But, we know that despite discrimination and legal barriers, the Japanese Americans have comported themselves as persons with dignity and integrity. The question of loyalty was proven at the cost of blood. The task to maintain this "image" is a continuing one, we feel. Apathy can easily tarnish the "image".

JACL is committed to keep this "image" clean and respected, having allowed over \$15,000 of its record \$126,000 budget for the next biennium. Varying sums have been earmarked to assist the Washington chapters repeal its state alien land law, the Idaho chapters repeal the constitutional prohibition against Orientals, even though naturalized, from voting, holding public office or serving as jurors, and the Washington Office to select an appropriate case to test the miscegenation law in court.

Over 20 states prohibit interracial marriages. There are 10 which specifically bar marriages between white and Japanese: Georgia, Maryland, Virginia, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, Wyoming, Utah and Oklahoma. JACL feels the time has come to accept the leadership in this sensitive field of human relations. If and when the case is appealed before the U. S. Supreme Court and it rules miscegenation laws are unconstitutional will all of these laws in all of the states involved become null and void.

The time has also come for JACL chapters to pursue the 1963 membership campaign. It is true that dues have been boosted, but the additional dollar is required to help meet the huge \$126,000 budget. In addition to the legislative-legal objectives, JACL will mark the 20th anniversary of the founding of the 442nd Regt. Combat Team next year, publish a public relations brochure for the organization and a leaflet to help eliminate the use of "Jap" from the written and spoken language.

Whatever the sum, your membership will help keep that "image" of Japanese Americans in proper perspective. It could be done individually but not for less than \$10 a year. United as an organization, it can be done for less than \$10 a year per member.

THE ORIGINAL SIAMESE TWINS

Americana with an Oriental impression has always been of personal interest. In the August issue of American Heritage, Jonathan Daniels of Raleigh, N.C., writes of the original Siamese Twins—Chang and Eng. They were born in Bangkok in 1811, joined at the breastbone. A British merchant, figuring he could make money by exhibiting the boys as a human curiosity, brought them to Boston in 1829 and thence to London. By 1833, the Siamese Twins amassed a tiny fortune, severed their connections with the British merchant and decided to retire in the United States.

They settled in North Carolina, near Mt. Airy, became naturalized citizens and Baptists, got married and Chang ultimately had 10 children, Eng had 12.

Though the story does not indicate the date of naturalization, the famous Siamese Twins appear to be the first Orientals to become naturalized citizens. They prospered as farmers and slaveholders. But the Civil War ruined them financially. They went on tour once more—this time under direction of P. T. Barnum. On their return from Liverpool to America, in 1870, Chang had a paralytic stroke. His condition failed to improve and four years later he died. Eng died the following day from fright.

First Japanese to become naturalized was Joseph Heco (Hikizo Hamada), in 1858. While these 19th century Orientals were naturalized citizens and were exceptions to the rule that Orientals were ineligible to citizenship, it was not until the Walter-McCarran Act of 1952 was passed that natives from Siam (Thailand) and Japan were allowed by statute to become citizens.

Internal Revenue Service Slashes Open a Wound

Watsonville
NO GROUP in American history, with the possible exception of the native Indians, was more shamefully treated than our people of Japanese ancestry at the outbreak of World War II.

There was no difference, declared the military commander of this area, between an enemy alien and a citizen descended from immigrants from a country then an enemy. "A Jap's a Jap," said Gen. John L. DeWitt.

And Gen. DeWitt's troops, with the blessing of the national administration, proceeded to clear the California coast not only of citizens of Japan but also of citizens of the United States whose ancestors happened to be born in Japan. Our schools were partly emptied, our families partly evacuated. Whole families were torn from their roots in this community, and they were thrown into concentration camps euphemistically labeled "relocation centers."

There was no need for it, as a sober look at the record after the war indicates. Not a single instance of sabotage or espionage was detected in Hawaii, not a single act of disloyalty uncovered in Watsonville by the FBI and army agents who ruthlessly turned homes inside out, viewing with horror young boys' 22-caliber rifles and their elders' ancestral ceremonial swords as though they were about to be used to capture the city hall. We know; we saw it.

NOW THE Internal Revenue Service is about to reopen an old wound, to offend once again good American citizens who proved their loyalty over and over again in World War II—families which in some cases gave the lives of their sons in combat.

When the Japanese and Japanese American population was so cruelly jerked out of the Calaveras Valley and other parts of California at the outbreak of war, many of this group suffered measurable and admittedly unnecessary financial loss. Some sold their homes at panic prices; some left their farm machinery and their household goods on the land.

After the war ended and the hysteria was over, a Congress, shamefaced for us all, acknowledged injustice. It passed the Evacuation Claims Act, which only partially compensated the rudely-handled Japanese and Japanese Americans for their provable losses.

THE NISEI are back among us now, most of them. They have shown more forbearance than most of us would exhibit under the circumstances; and to the credit of the Anglo-Saxon part of the population it must be said that these uprooted Americans were received back home with a minimum of incident and that they are once again a respected and accepted part of the community. No one begrudged them the small settlements some of them received from the U.S. government—with the possible exception of a few despicable people who were not above theft

and fraud at the expense of the "relocated" Americans of Japanese ancestry.

And at this point, when the wound is mostly healed (although the scar will remain forever on the sensibilities of these people and on the conscience of America), the Internal Revenue Service brandishes the knife. It decrees now, 17 years after war's end, that these indemnity payments, insofar as they exceeded the original cost of the property, are subject to income tax, and proposes to take a part of them back.

Perhaps that's how it reads in the book. Perhaps, as the IRS men put it, there is no difference in the law between an indemnity payment to a shamefully-mistreated citizen yanked from his home and placed behind barbed wire and the taxpayer whose land is taken for

a freeway.

If there isn't a difference in the law, then Congress should move speedily to draw a line. The enemy administration shows great concern for the rights of minorities in Dixie; let it now move speedily to protect the rights of a minority in California. Let the administration, as the San Francisco Examiner has it, "put an end to the absurdity that government can admit a wrong, offer indemnification for it, and then take it back in taxes."

THE STORY of the miserable treatment meted out to those of Japanese ancestry in California in early 1942 was well told in a book by Morton Grodzins entitled "Americans Betrayed." Let's hope he does not find it necessary to write a sequel.

—Register-Pajaronian.

Justice for Nisei on Tax Claims

The San Francisco Chronicle Aug. 9 editorially commented on the evacuation claims tax liability question for the second time. It was headed Justice for the Nisei on Income Tax Claims.

San Francisco
 In the midst of its large business of promoting the general welfare even when that seems to involve killing the President's legislative program, we trust Congress will find time before adjourning to do justice to the unjustly treated Nisei of World War II.

Remedial measures to exempt them from income tax compensation

tion claims have been introduced by Senator Thomas H. Kuchel and Representative John F. Baldwin of California. These bills resulted from the disclosure that the Internal Revenue Service was demanding tax payments on the claims which Congress had allowed the Nisei to make for losses suffered when they were sent to concentration camps during the war.

The mass evacuation from the Pacific Coast of U.S. citizens of Japanese ancestry was a shameful episode for which a tax-exempt compensation is little enough reparation.

—Chronicle.

Two Decades Right a Wrong

Milwaukee, Ore.
HISTORY TAKES its own time to right its wrongs. Many ancient injustices are set straight only long after the death of those who suffered most, and one suspects, without knowing for sure, that many cruelties are never either repented or repaired. But sometimes we can ourselves bear witness to the circle of justice round in a shorter arc—even within a few years or a lifetime. In the present instance it has taken 20 years, a little over.

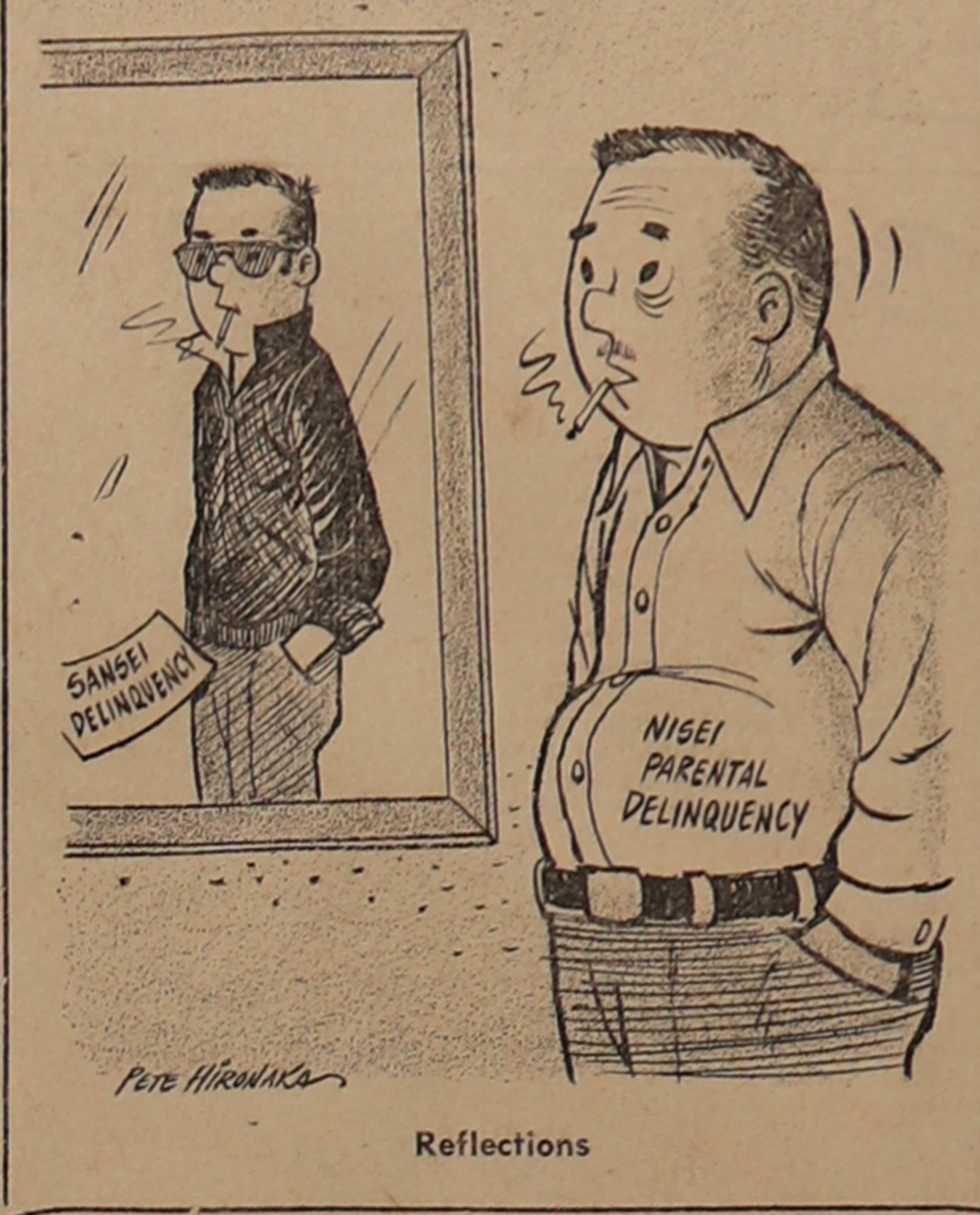
We bring up this theme because of two events which occurred last month within a few days of each other.

A few obscure lines in the daily newspapers reported the death of 82-year-old General John L. DeWitt, somewhere in a government hospital. Although he had no doubt done many things for which military men win acclaim, he was remembered in death chiefly for his leadership in one of the most dismal chapters of American history, the arrest and impounding of all West Coast Americans of Japanese descent within 100 miles of the Pacific Coast in the hysterical days at the outset of World

War II. They were then removed to concentration camps farther inland for the duration.

THAT SAME week Pacific University at Forest Grove awarded an honorary LLD degree to Hung Wai Ching of Honolulu, an American of Chinese descent who was largely responsible for persuading The White House and the military to establish the now famed 100th and 442nd battalions of Americans of Japanese ancestry, who in turn became the nation's most-decorated, and probably our most-famous, war heroes. This leadership at a time when few Americans would speak up for their fellow-Americans of Japanese descent was cited among Dr. Ching's achievements when Pacific University honored him.

Looking back, we Americans of our ancestry now are ashamed of the seizure and relocation of our fellows of Japanese descent. The whole episode was a product of panic, as we shelved our principles in a frenzy of fear to strike out at a helpless and unoffending minority against whom there was no case. We took no such action against the much-more-



Reflections

A Shadow from the Past

Honolulu
IN THE near hysteria following the outbreak of the Pacific war in 1941, West Coast Japanese were evacuated, lock, stock and barrel to relocation camps.

In the process they lost jobs, business and property. A contrite Congress in 1948 voted to repay them for their losses. This eventually amounted, over a 10-year period, to \$36,874,240.49 in awards to 26,522 claimants.

But that didn't end the matter. Now the Internal Revenue Service is trying to collect taxes on some of the payments. It explains it has no choice—Congress did not specify that the payments were to be tax exempt.

So now Mike Masaoka, the Washington lobbyist (and a very effective one) for the Japanese American Citizens League of San Francisco, is trying to get Congress to waive taxes on the payments. Two U.S. Senators have introduced legislation toward that end.

MASAOKA, who helped get the awards in the first place, contends that Congress nowhere indicated its intent to tax the payments, but rather intended them as a "gift" or "bounty" not taxable.

With the Justice Department's backing, the Internal Revenue Service has contended that portions of some of the payments are subject to tax. These amounts to a relatively small portion of the total.

The tax people say they have not tried to tax claims of those getting \$2,500 or less, and of the 3,000 from whom taxes were sought, all but 100 cases have been settled.

Those in dispute, according to tax men, represent capital gains, as in the case of an evacuee who might have been awarded \$25,000 for a house that cost him \$10,000.

MANY OF the cases involve income taxes on awards to evacuees who lost income from farm crops and nursery stock due to evacuation. Some of these Internal Revenue contends, exceeded the income that the displaced farmer could reasonably have expected to receive from the crop.

Trying now to determine whether a claim was too large or too small is difficult because in many cases records are not available. Masaoka takes the position that "taxation of these token payments makes a mockery of Congress's act of grace."

There will be many who agree.

—Star-Bulletin

numerous Italian and German immigrants or descendants; in Hawaii, where most Japanese Americans live and where much more harm could be done if treason was rife, there was no seizure and impounding—in fact, the whole War effort there depended on the Americans of Japanese descent, and they served their country loyally and well notwithstanding the provocative folly of the mainland Americans toward the mainland Japanese Americans.

HOW FAR we have come in this score of years!

In 1942 the late E.B. MacNaughton, Chairman of the Board of the First National Bank of Oregon, confronted a mass-meeting in the Gresham area where they were about to divide the loot of the lands and property of the Japanese American farms of that community. With flashing wrath he lacerated and shamed the vultures into abandoning the same outright grab for the properties of the thrifty, energetic Japanese farmers, and thus largely prevented in Oregon the shameful larcenies which degraded wartime California.

"A Jap Is a Jap" was the slogan of those arrogant Americans who tried to make a race war out of World War II. Fortunately the Chings and MacNaughtons prevailed. Because a majority of us have set aside racial arrogance and our national policy has changed, we can all be proud now of how far our American tradition has progressed. Today Japan is the only powerful bulwark of democracy in all Asia, our best friend and customer and ally. The Chings and MacNaughtons were abused and reviled in 1942 and '43—but time has proved them right and the hysterical majority dead wrong.

It was the same American President who permitted General DeWitt to seize the Japanese Americans who a year later by way of apology for what had gone before, declared in ringing words "Americanism is not and never has been a matter of race or nationality." From now on let's never forget it.

—Milwaukee Review.

Seafaring Truant

SAN FRANCISCO.—Nothing has captured the imagination and enthusiasm of San Franciscans and persons of Japanese ancestry on the west coast more than the amazing feat of Kenichi Horie, the 23-year-old auto parts salesman from Osaka, who breezed into San Francisco on Aug. 12 on his 19-foot sloop.

The 93-day voyage across the Pacific was regarded as suicidal by Japanese maritime authorities. But, today he is basking in the limelight of San Francisco, and under the custody of the Japanese consul general until Sept. 13.

Hopeful of spending at least two years in the United States to learn the language and American ways, he has been offered scholarships and assistance from persons and groups who found his solo achievement inspiring and worthy of commendation.

His ship is expected to be on display at the State Fair in Sacramento starting this weekend.

"If there is any shame here, I say this handful of American Japanese, who demanded a king's ransom from the government that tried to protect them in their hour of need, should be the ones to be ashamed."

WALTER P. MCGHEE

Sacramento Union Editor's Note: The statement of the law expressed above is in error even as a sense of justice notable by its absence. The Constitution forbids the taking of property without due process of law; this was not done in the case of the Americans of Japanese origin during World War II hysteria. Many laws were passed for the benefit of groups or individuals—as in the case of grain supports, payment of salaries to public officials and all the other normal processes of government. The writer of the letter overlooked the fundamental fact that these people were Americans deprived of their equal rights as Americans.

Asia and America

(Continued from Last Week)

Lastly, we are creating military and political responses to internal aggression—guerrilla warfare terror and subversion.

We have stepped up the training of special forces and we are better utilizing our military assistance programs in helping our allies and friends to defend themselves against the local Communist use of force.

The Republic of Viet-Nam is now valiantly coping with such a war, and I am confident subversion and insurgency will be defeated here as it was defeated in Greece, Malaya and the Philippines.

We recognize that military competition is a grossly unsatisfactory way to provide security in the nuclear age. We are constantly searching for areas of agreement with the Soviet Union by which we can reduce the risk of war and tie burden of armaments. We desire to limit the areas and means of conflict.

But thus far our efforts have foundered on Soviet unwillingness to agree to a system of mutual inspection.

We hope that some day soon the Soviet Government will realize that the interests of the Russian people indeed of all mankind, require an abandonment of their policy of Byzantine secretiveness. We shall, however, continue to explore all avenues to end this unlimited arms race.

Challenge of Asia

But of all the challenges we face perhaps the greatest is in finding ways best to cooperate with the newly emergent countries of Asia as they seek their rightful places in a community of free nations.

In the great arc from Pakistan to Korea we find only vestigial remnants of colonialism. The political revolution in this area is virtually complete.

But this revolution is only the prelude to the real task—the application of modern science and technology to elevate the living standards of millions of people and to provide a firm basis for positions of national dignity and independence on the world scene.

The United States is firmly committed to helping in the establishment of strong nations, which out of their own traditions and cultures create their own forms of modern society. We take it as our duty and as our interest to help maintain the integrity and independence of this vast modernization movement.

Other nations are trying to pervert the urge to freedom in Asia.



U. Alexis Johnson addresses JACL Convention

The Communists perceive that the process of modernization involves fundamental change and they are trying to exploit the turbulence of the transitional process in order to link these new nations irrevocably to the Communist empire.

In 1955 the Communist bloc began seriously to imitate us in the field of foreign assistance.

During the five years between 1955 and 1960 they made approximately four billion dollars available in commitments for economic assistance and at least 1.5 billion dollars available in military assistance. But their efforts have not been notably successful.

The newly emergent nations have been quick to realize the imperialist impulse behind the Communist moves. The great myth that rapid economic advancement could only come by sacrificing political freedom and emulating the Soviet system of development has been exposed.

The newly emergent nations have seen that where the Communists have had power in underdeveloped areas—for example North Viet-Nam, North Korea, China—that they have failed to fulfill the glowing future they promised.

That failure has been most apparent in agriculture.

The Communists have managed to turn one satellite after another from a food surplus to a food deficit area. This is no trivial matter. Increases in agricultural productivity are essential to maintain an expanding economy and a growing population.

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By Bill Hosokawa

From the Frying Pan

Denver, Colo.

DISCUSSIONS—Some of the liveliest discussions at the Seattle JACL convention last month had to do with the Japanese History Project. There was an enormous amount of interest among the delegates in this undertaking, and also a considerable amount of misinformation. Presumably, the misunderstandings were cleared up in the various sessions devoted to the project.

But on the assumption that the word hasn't been disseminated to everyone on the grass roots level, let me recapitulate a little.

The Japanese History Project was launched two years ago as a JACL project following the national convention in second part will be a popularized, condensed version of the it is so far-reaching, so comprehensive a study that the JACL can be considered only as the agent which is getting it under way, and which will see it through to its conclusion. In reality, this is a project of and by all persons interested in the story of the Japanese in America.

There are three parts to the project. First is the collection and evaluation of material pertaining to the history of the Japanese in the United States between 1860 and 1960. Second will be the writing and publication of the history after the study is under way.

There will be two parts to the written history. One will be a long, scholarly effort of interest primarily to students, historians and other social scientists. This part of the history may run one, two, three or more weighty volumes. The Sacramento. However, it's far more than just a JACL project; scholarly study and will be for general public consumption.

The third phase of the project is the founding of a center for the study of the Japanese in America. The documents, photographs, taped interviews and other material collected in the course of the study will be classified and stored in this center, which the University of California at Los Angeles is planning to set up, and will be available to future scholars.

WHO?—The History project as it now stands is a joint effort by the JACL and the University of California at Los Angeles. Both groups are represented on the various committees set up to work out the details, and Dr. T. Scott Miyakawa as a co-director is in business on the UCLA campus.

The JACL is committed to contribute a minimum of \$100,000 to help finance the project. One-fourth of this amount has already been paid. The JACL and UCLA have agreed to work together to seek additional funds from foundations to complete the work. Some preliminary work on this phase is already under way.

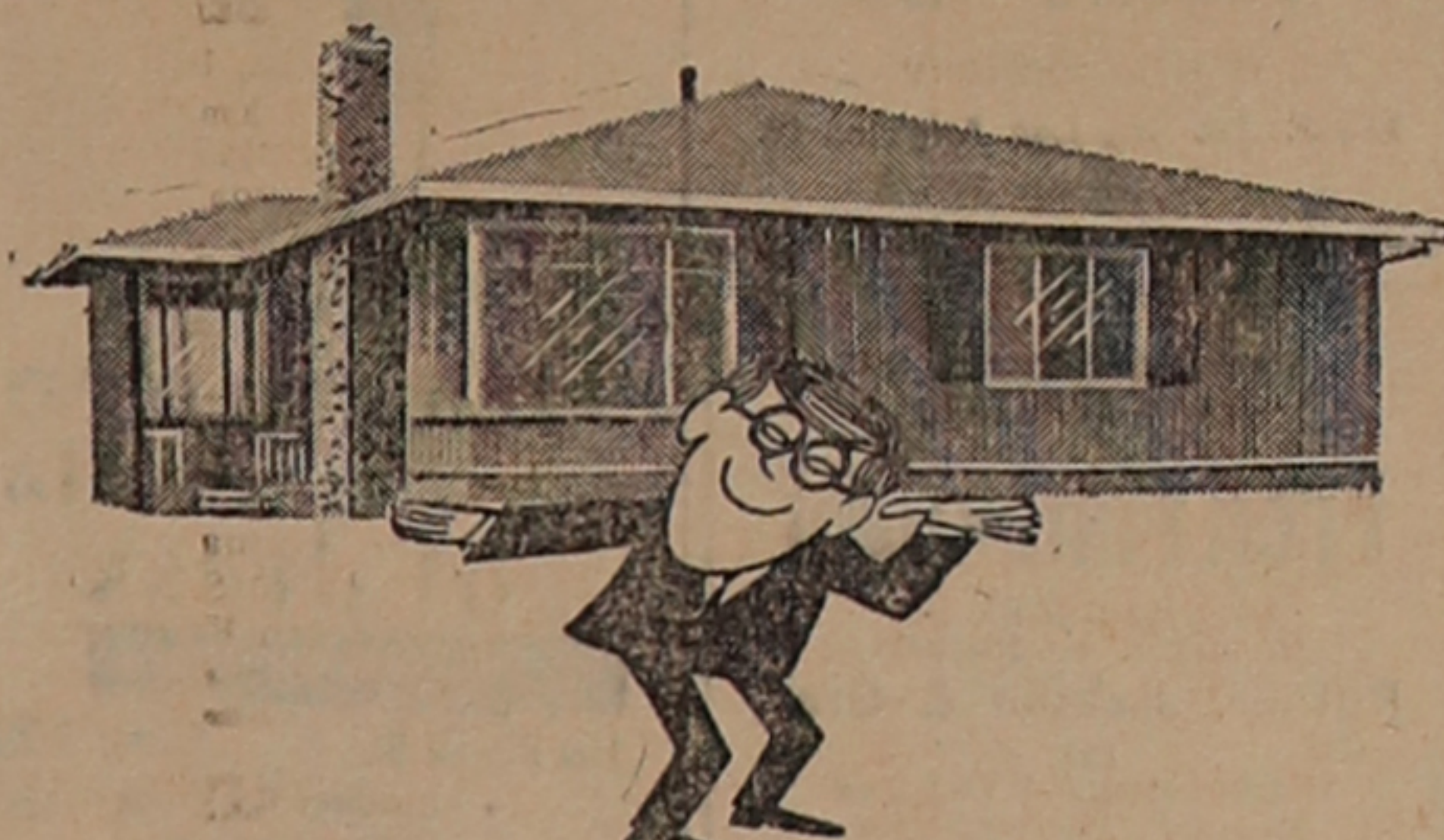
WHAT ABOUT THE MONEY?—What's going to happen to all the money that's being collected, and will continue to be collected? Good question. To begin with, \$100,000 is committed to UCLA. At Seattle, the executive committee of the history project laid down some general guidelines regarding the balance.

It was established, first, that the money collected for the History project would be considered as a public trust, and the surplus, if any, must be spent on the History project or other projects closely related to the spirit and aims of the History project.

As of last week, pledges and cash contributions topped \$162,000, and at this rate it would seem \$200,000 is not an impossible goal.

Certain amounts are being earmarked for various expenses — expenses of collection and acknowledging contributions, expenses involved in setting up the project, expenses of travel for officials involved, the cost of publishing the popular history for distribution to larger contributors, cost of translating the popular history.

deducted, there is likely to be money left over. The committee. But even after these costs, present and future, are tee liked the idea of using this money to set up fellowships at the graduate level to help future scholars in the general field of Asian-American relations. Another idea broached was to contribute something worthwhile to the UCLA Japanese study center. But of course these details must be worked out.



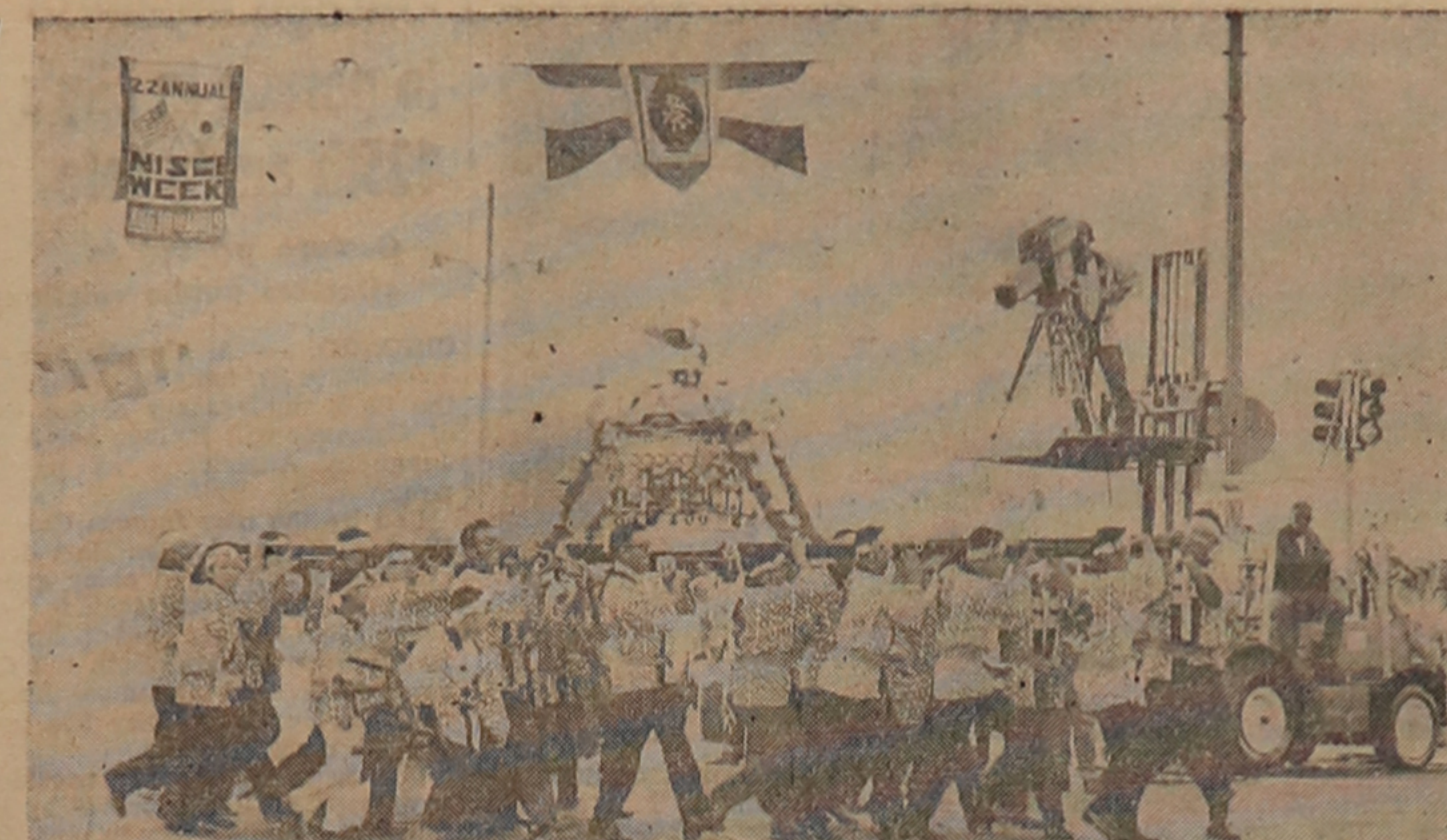
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Snaking through the L'il Tokio streets as one of the special features of the Nisei Week parade Sunday was the "baby"

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vision viewers. The parade was telecast for the first time in Nisei Week history. —Toyo Miyatake Photo. Cut Courtesy: Rafu Shimpo

Pearl Harbor spy story interest revived by German widow's suit against U.S. to recover \$27,000 from auction of property

BY ALLAN BEEKMAN

Honolulu

Mrs. Friedel Kuehn, Tirschenreuth, Germany, widow of Bernard Julius Otto Kuehn, is bringing suit to clear his name of spying for Japan, and to recover \$27,000 she says the U.S. government obtained from the auction of his property.

This action brings to mind the welter of espionage stories bandied about after the Pearl Harbor attack, when the Nikkei (Japanese-Americans) were soberly accused of having cut swaths in the cane fields, in the shape of arrows, to guide the Japanese to their targets.

Espionage was carried on from the Japanese consulate in Honolulu, but the FBI has announced there has been no proven case of espionage or sabotage committed by a resident of Japanese ancestry. The Kuehn case, which came to public notice in 1943 when J. Carson Moore, husband of Mrs. Kuehn's daughter, Ruth, sued for divorce, concerns a German family.

Kuehn disembarked in Honolulu to join his recently arrived family, March 3, 1938, having sailed from Yokohama. He let it be known that he was a student of the Japanese language.

It was a period when the fortunes of the Axis nations, Italy, Japan, and Germany, were rising. Italy had added Ethiopia to its domain. Japan had fixed its grip on China. Before the month was out, Germany was to occupy Austria.

Then 43, handsome and well-bred, Kuehn had entered the German navy at 18. His cruiser, on which he served as midshipman, was sunk by a British battleship in January 1915. Taken prisoner to England, he quickly acquired the English language.

After the armistice, he reentered the naval service. Six months later the German fleet was destroyed. His name was put on the reserve list.

Joins Gestapo

He took up the study of medicine, joined several nationalist officer organizations, and espoused the Nazi cause. Failing as a physician, he found a place in the Gestapo, the Nazi secret police.

In Hawaii, Kuehn bought a cottage on the beach at Lanikai, on the other side of the island from Honolulu, and spent handsomely in remodeling it. He entertained frequently and lavishly. He bought a small boat which he and his children used to divert their numerous guests. Many of those who called were of German extraction.

Nikko Kasai plans to open branch office in Seattle

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Nat'l Park trainee falls off ledge to death 80' below

Berkeley Nisei was to be Junior at U.C.

PORT ANGELES, Wash.—Kenneth Yamaguchi, 19, a National Park Service trainee, slipped from a ledge and plunged 80 feet to his death on broken rock below in a climbing accident near here Aug. 18.

Searchers found the body of the youth the next day two thirds of the way up Storm King Mountain, which rises 5,000 feet from the shores of Lake Crescent 20 miles to the west.

Son of Mr. and Mrs. J.S. Yamaguchi, 1715 Buena Ave., Berkeley, he was an engineering student at Univ. of California and would have been a junior in the fall. He had obtained the summer job through the university placement bureau.

134 JAPANESE STUDENTS ARRIVE IN U.S. VIA JAL

LOS ANGELES.—The arrival of 134 Japanese high school seniors last week aboard the Japan Air Lines flight is believed to be the largest single movement of foreign students to the United States at one time.

The students will spend one school year, living with American families under auspices of the American Field Service. Over 2,000 seniors from 51 countries are scheduled to arrive in the U.S. for study this year while 350 American high school students will study abroad in 51 countries.

Bowling welcomes first annual PBA summer tour

CHICAGO. — Several Chicagoans recently participated in the PBA's Pro-Am Bowling extravaganza sponsored by the Bowling.

Frank Hara who teamed up with Billy "G" took 13th place and \$80 prize money. John Nukuto and Abe Hagiwara, Nisei Bowling officers, drew Ed Lubanski for a partner but did not place. In the Bowling Open Lubanski took first place and won \$4,000.

Over 100 professional bowlers from all over the nation competed in the first annual PBA summer tour tournament. Dr. George Hirata and Dave Hoshiyama, manager of Sportsman Corner pro shop also participated in the Pro-Am event.

DEATHS

YOICHI AGARI

STOCKTON.—Yoichi Agari, 75, of 320 W. Clay St., died on Aug. 7. He was 1000 Club member of the Stockton chapter. A prominent lay leader of the Calvary Presbyterian Church, he came to America in 1903, was engaged in growing chrysanthemums until 1918, when he moved to Stockton and operated the Inukai Co.

After the war, he raised poultry. Interested in literature, he wrote many poems. He is survived by his wife and two sons Jun and Daniel.

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Japanese women softball champions edged twice

FRESNO. — The Japan national women's softball champions, house guests of the Sequoia JACLers upon their arrival in the Bay Area recently, dropped a 1-0 decision to the Fresno Rockets last week.

The Takashimaya team, the previous night, bowed 2-1 to the Redwood City Jets. This week, they are competing in the softball world series at Bridgeport, Conn., Aug. 24-Sept. 1.

Hankawa tops Nisei Week golf tourney field of 268

MONTEBELLO.—Topping a field of 268 entries, which participated in the Nisei Week golf tournament last Sunday at the Montebello course here, was West Los Angeles nurseryman Harry Hankawa.

Carrying a 4 handicap, Hankawa shot 71, one under par, to walk off with low gross honors. Joe Uematsu and Seichi Shinoda, tying for low net at 65, will playoff next Sunday over 18 holes.

The field was divided into five flights. Flight winners were Ed Nagao, 75-8-67, Joe Uematsu 74-9-65, Jim Miyasaka 79-11-68, Seichi Shinoda 78-13-65, and George Maruki 84-17-67.

Miyawaki re-elected bowling group president

LOS ANGELES.—Tom Miyawaki was elected a third time as president of the So. Calif. Nisei Bowling Assn., which will co-host the 1963 National JACL Bowling Tournament with Long Beach and Orange County JACL at Premiere Lanes next March.

Ty Kajimoto was elected secretary for the seventh term.

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Freewheeling on the Freeways

By Jim Higashi, PSW Regional Director

JACL AND NISEI WEEK

It was a hectic three weeks after the National Convention and the 22nd annual Nisei Week Festival just concluded! The Regional Office and the local chapters are just now returning to normal, with Yours Truly getting ready for the busy months ahead!

Of course, the biggest thing in Li'l Tokio was the parade, telecast live for the first time. Perhaps this was one of the reasons for the smaller crowd, estimated to be around 30,000 people plus the fact that the Ono Parade was taking place in broad daylight. Nevertheless, as a first time experiment the entire project was very interesting, particularly in reference to the immense public relations value towards the "outside" public. Perhaps in future years Nisei Week, the Japanese American community and Li'l Tokio will reap the benefits!

One observation on the parade: the entire parade and Nisei Week events, if telecast in the future, should be planned from the viewpoint of the spectator and participant interest and with the TV programming built around the event. (Jim was parade chairman.—ED.)

CORONATION BALL

The Coronation Ball sponsored by the Los Angeles JACL Coordinating Council was a rousing success! Whether it is financially successful remains to be seen. At least, it will be another week or two until all the bills are in and money collected.

Cooperation within the JACL chapters was excellent in both events. Only hoped that other organizations gave the same kind of support given by the JACL in past years! Coronation Ball Chairman Aki Ohno of West Los Angeles, we thought, did an excellent job considering the many problems that he had to overcome.

Nisei Week without the lovely Nisei candidates couldn't be a festival at all! Practically all of the candidates were sponsored by local JACL chapters and certainly deserve the thanks of not only the Nisei Week Festival Board but of the entire Japanese American community! Above all, thank you all princesses! As far as were concerned, they're all very lovely queens! Still can't figure how they ever kept up with the "rush, rush" pace.

We have a very busy year ahead of you, Queens. Frances Yano, plus your trip to Hawaii during the Cherry Blossom Festival! Many happy and memorable days during your year of reign!

AND CARNIVAL

Speaking of the carnival, chairman Mas Shimatsu of the South-West Los Angeles Chapter is the "Man of the Year" as far as Nisei Week is concerned! We have never seen a man work so hard and so conscientiously—really did a herculean job! Congratulations also to CPA Art Mayeda and other committee members for a job well done!

PSWDC's newest chapter - Vista - to hold first general membership meeting tonight

VISTA—Residents of northern San Diego County have been invited by members of the newly-organized Vista JACL Chapter to attend its first general meeting tonight, starting at 8, at the Vista Gakuen.

As the 20th chapter of the Pacific Southwest District Council, Vista JACL was organized in early May through efforts of George Yasukochi of San Marcos, temporary chairman; Clarence Nishizu of Orange County JACL, and regional director Jim Higashi.

Calendar

Aug. 18 (Saturday)
Fresno—Steak dinner, Redding Park.
Aug. 19 (Sunday)
Salinas—NC-WNDC quarterly session, Wonder Lodge.

Eden Township—Community picnic, Lake Temescal Picnic Grounds.
Aug. 24 (Friday)
Vista—General meeting, Vista Gakuen, 8 p.m.

Aug. 25 (Saturday)
Contra Costa—Barbecue, Alvarado Park, Richmond, 1-10 p.m.
Ft. Lupton—Voting Machine demonstration, Municipal Bldg., 7-9 p.m.
San Fernando Valley—Honor Graduation party, SFV Community Center, 8 p.m.

Aug. 27 (Monday)
Sonoma County—Roller Skating party, Redwood Palace, Santa Rosa.
Aug. 28 (Tuesday)
San Francisco—Auxiliary meeting, Church of Christ, 8 p.m.; Doll-Making lecture and film.

Aug. 30 (Thursday)
Puyallup Valley—SJR 21 meeting, Tacoma Buddhist Church, 8:30 p.m.
Sept. 2 (Sunday)
San Francisco—JACL steak barbecue, Lake Temescal, 1-9 p.m.
Delano—Reunion, Slavonic Hall, 12n.
Sept. 3 (Monday)
Oakland—Meeting, Tony Yokomizo residence.

Sept. 6 (Thursday)
Fresno—Board meeting.
Sept. 8 (Saturday)
San Francisco—JACL dance.

Sept. 9 (Sunday)
Spokane—PNWDC quarterly session, Santa Barbara Inn, Cabrillo Blvd. and Milpas, 9:30 a.m.

Sept. 10 (Monday)
Pasadena—Cabinet meeting.
Sept. 14 (Friday)
Philadelphla—Meeting, Tosh Kaname residence.

Sept. 14-15
Sonoma County—Benefit movies, Memorial Hall, 7:30 p.m.
Sept. 15 (Saturday)
Long Beach—General meeting.

Sept. 16 (Sunday)
Pasadena—1000 Club luau, Tom Ito poolside.
Sonoma County—Sportsman Club fishing derby.

Sept. 22 (Saturday)
San Diego—Sinletes bowling tournament, Pacific Recreation.
Sept. 23 (Sunday)
Puyallup Valley—SJR 21 teriyaki benefit dinner, Fife High School, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Sept. 30 (Sunday)
Sonoma County—Striped bass derby, Nelson's Resort, Napa.

Uyesaka to be given Biennium medallion at PSWDC quarterly

Santa Barbara to host session on Sept. 9

SANTA BARBARA.—The third quarterly session of the Pacific Southwest District Council will be hosted by the Santa Barbara JACL on Sunday, Sept. 9, at Santa Barbara Inn.

Tom Hirashima, chapter president, said the meeting site is a luxurious resort hotel by the cool shores of the Pacific at Cabrillo Blvd. and Milpas. Package deal of \$4.50 includes luncheon featuring prime rib.

Highlight of the luncheon will be the awarding of the "Nisei of the Biennium" medallion to Caesar Uyesaka, active JACLer and community leader here. PSWDC Chairman Mas Hironaka, representing the National organization, will make the presentation.

Orange County JACLer Harry Matsuda will show his color films taken at the recent Seattle JACL convention. Reservations for the luncheon and meeting are being accepted at the So. Calif. JACL Regional Office (MA 6-4471) until Sept. 4.

Business Meeting

Hironaka anticipates full representation of the PSW chapters at this post-convention session.

At the special request of National JACL under leadership of Dr. David Miura, national membership chairman, all chapters are expected to appoint a 1963 membership chairman immediately. An early start and an accelerated program to secure 1963 memberships is to be initiated by National JACL, Dr. Miura added.

Another important agenda item will be the translation of the \$126,000 national budget adopted at the Seattle convention for the district council. Hironaka indicated a major part of the meeting would be on quotas and membership, the PSW share of the budget and assignment of individual chapter portions of the quota. Steve Yagi, PSW treasurer, will announce the chapter portions.

Redistricting some of the PSW chapters and reactivating dormant chapters as well as organization of new chapters in the district are also on the business agenda.

A report on the Japanese History Project fund drive will be presented also.

Kay Nakagiri, DC nominations chairman, is calling for nominations to the district executive board. The slate will be announced and elections will follow at the last quarterly session, scheduled Nov. 4, with the Downtown L.A. JACL serving as hosts.

1000 Club Report

SAN FRANCISCO.—The 1000 Club membership report for the first half of August shows 8 new and 47 renewals for the period, National JACL Headquarters acknowledged this past week. The report follows:

FOURTEENTH YEAR
Marysville—Aki Yoshimura.

THIRTEENTH YEAR
Santa Maria—Frank K. Ito.

TWELFTH YEAR
Sanger—Robert K. Kanagawa.

TELEVENTH YEAR
Fowler—Dr. George Miyake.

NINTH YEAR
Chicago—Dr. Victor Izu.

Berkeley—Toru Kaku.
Puyallup Valley—James Kinoshita.
Pasadena—Takashi Kishi.

Sequoia—Richard S. Kitasee.
Seattle—James M. Matsuoaka.
Spokane—Tetsuo Nobuku.
Gresham—Troutdale—Newton N. Takashima.

EIGHTH YEAR
St. Louis—Dr. Masao Ohmoto.

SEVENTH YEAR
Detroit—Judge Theodore R. Bohn.
Long Beach—Dr. Haru Ishida.

Venice—Culver—George I. Isoda.
Delano—George Y. Nagatani.
Sonoma County—Edwin Ohki.
St. Louis—George Shingu.

SIXTH YEAR
Downtown L. A.—Katsuma Mukaeda.
Southwest L. A.—Herbert T. Murayama.

Delano—Bill T. Nakagawa.
Venice—Culver—Dr. Takao Shishino.
West Los Angeles—Joe Uyeda.
Pasadena—Dr. Ken Yamaguchi.

FIFTH YEAR
Southwest L. A.—David S. Miyamoto.
Seattle—Shoichi Suyama, C. T. Takahashi.

New York—Henry T. Suzuki.
Placer County—Hiroshi Takemoto.
Downtown L. A.—Masaru J. Watanura.

FOURTH YEAR
Puyallup Valley—John Fujita, Dr. Keith H. Yoshino.

Cincinnati—Kaye K. Watanabe.
Venice—Culver—Richard Kitagawa.

Chicago—Karl Nakamura.
Downtown L. A.—Mack H. Saito.
Seattle—Mrs. Toshie Suyama.

THIRD YEAR
Downtown L. A.—Joseph Lo Presti.
Fred Matsuo, Kakuo Tanaka, Takito Yamaguchi.

Gardena Valley—Harry H. Nakamura.
Chicago—John W. Ruettinger.
Dayton—Roy F. Sugimoto.

SECOND YEAR
Downtown L. A.—Joe N. Hashima.
Kazuo Yano, Kuroiwa.

Seattle—Bjorn Lunder, Ed Otsuka, Dr. James Takano.
Portland—William Y. Sakai.

PAT SUZUKI ACCOMPANIES MRS. KENNEDY TO EUROPE

SAN FRANCISCO.—Despite reports from Tokyo that Pat Suzuki had arrived there for her movie role as Sessue Hayakawa's daughter in the "Judo Trick" the Nichelbi Times said she was in Europe, accompanying the Kennedys—Jackie and Caroline.

Pat's husband, Mark Shaw, is the official photographer for President Kennedy's family. He went to Italy with Mrs. Kennedy, taking Pat along.

According to her father, Chiyo-saku Suzuki of Gressy, she was due back in New York some-time this week.



Commentator Bill Welsh (left) for Times-Mirror television station KTTV greets Nisei Week Festival parade grand marshal Ernest Debs and his family. Debs is chairman of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors. Seated next to him are his children Candy and David. Mrs. Debs is seated in the front. —Toyo Miyatake Photo. Cut Courtesy: Rafu Shimpo.

NC-WNDC REVIEWS '63-'64 CHAPTER QUOTAS, MUST RAISE \$36,000 ANNUALLY

Acceptance of New Quotas Deferred by Delegates Until November Quarterly, Alternate Plan Possible

SALINAS.—Suggested 1963-64 quotas for the 25 chapters in the Northern California-Western Nevada JACL District Council were revealed here at the third quarterly session Sunday at Wonder Lodge, but acceptance was deferred by delegates until the November meeting.

The figures worked out for a new quota by the district executive board were reported by Norman Mineta of San Jose, district treasurer.

Representatives of many chapters asked for an opportunity to study the figures further before a final vote and suggested that they may come forth with alternate quota formulas.

Mineta announced that any new suggested formula be sent to him by Sept. 21 so that they may be sent to all chapters for further local discussion before the final 1962 district meeting.

At the recent National JACL convention in Seattle, an annual budget of \$126,000 for the next biennium was adopted.

As National Headquarters expects income and rebates from other sources amounting to \$11,059, a total of \$114,941 must come from chapters.

Sonoma County chapter honors Frank Oda at testimonial; activities for fall announced

SANTA ROSA.—A most successful testimonial dinner was held last Saturday by the Sonoma County JACL Chapter honoring its member Frank Oda, selected as JACLer of the Biennium for 1961-62.

Out-of-towners attending were National Director and Mrs. Mas Satow, Chibi Yamamoto, John Yasumoto and Mr. and Mrs. Steven Doi of the San Francisco JACL Chapter. Chapter president James Murakami presided over the testimonial dinner held at the Green Mill Inn in Cotati.

Murakami has announced a number of activities for the fall starting with a "back to school" roller skating party on Monday, Aug. 27, 8 p.m., at the Redwood Roller Palace. Jim Yokoyama, chairman, said a number of door prizes will be given and many young people are expected.

Min Furuta, local JACL Bowling League president, announced the winter league will commence from Tuesday, Sept. 11, 7 p.m., at Santa Rosa's Rose Bowl. Ten foursome teams are expected to bowl this season. Any JACLer interested in bowling should contact Furuta or Ed Onki, league secretary, immediately.

The newly organized Sonoma JACL Sportsman Club will compete with the Napa Valley Sportsman Club in a bass fishing derby on Sunday, Sept. 16. Members interested in this derby have been asked to see George Kawaoka, Sportsman Club president, or Jim Miyano for entry blanks and boat reservations.

A benefit Japanese movies has also been announced for Friday and Saturday, Sept. 14-15, starting from 7:30 p.m. at the local Memorial Hall. It was originally scheduled for the latter part of September. George Kawaoka and Tak Kameoka are movies co-chairmen.

This will be followed on Sunday, Sept. 30, with the annual benefit fishing derby at Nelson's Fishing Resort, conducted by the JACL Sportsman Club with George Shimizu and Bob Yasuda as co-chairmen. Several prizes will be awarded for catches in addition to gate prizes. Bay Area fishermen have been invited. Proceeds will benefit the chapter's Memorial Scholarship Fund.

The chapter also acknowledged a \$250 donation from the Emmanji Buddhist Church in appreciation for JACL assistance at their annual barbecue.

VOTING MACHINE

FT. LUPTON, Colo. — Three Ft. Lupton JACLers, Mmes. Frank Yokooji, Sam Okamoto and S. Tanaka, have been appointed as official instructors in the use of the new voting machine by Weld County Clerk and Recorder Ann Spomer. They will explain its use to Issei and Nisei voters Aug. 25 at the Municipal Bldg., the local JACL announced.

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Chicago Japanese to parade in city's 125th ann'y fete

Gesture praised as effective public relations

CHICAGO. — A gigantic parade down State St. tonight, celebrating the 125th anniversary of the City of Chicago, will include some 200 Japanese Americans as participants.

Led by the now famous Chicago Nisei American Legion Post drum and bugle corps and color guard, the participants will include local scout groups, girls clad in kimono and men in yukata. Both the Chicago JACL and Japanese American Service Community are making the arrangements.

Joe Sagami, chapter president, expressed JACL's approval by noting that Japanese Americans may be insignificant from the standpoint of the local population, but "this in itself is no excuse for our organization and community not participating in civic affairs such as these."

"Because we are a small minority, we must do our utmost in these areas to let people know that Chicagoans of Japanese ancestry are aware of and concerned about civic welfare, duties and responsibilities," Sagami added.

Chapter Call Board

San Francisco JACL

Doll-Making: A Japanese doll-making demonstration has been planned by the San Francisco JACL Women's Auxiliary for Aug. 28, 8 p.m., at the Church of Christ, Sumi Naganuma, chairman, announced the Rev. S. Kobara will also lecture on the history of doll-making.

Pasadena JACL

Hobo Jungle: Selecting exotic themes for the Pasadena 1000ers luau becomes slim-pickings after several years so the committee has decided to convert Tom Ito's poolside into a hobo jungle for its Sept. 16 luau. But the same fellowship, excellent food and refreshing dip in the pool are being promised.

Good local program 'must' for JACL

SALINAS.—A strong local program by JACL chapters not only serves the local members but also greatly strengthens the national organization, Frank Oda of Santa Rosa said Sunday at the Northern California-Western-Nevada JACL District Council banquet.

Oda, who was named JACLer of the Biennium at the recent National JACL convention, was presented with a scroll and the Dr. Randolph M. Sakada memorial gold medallion, by Masao Satow, national director.

The Sonoma County JACL leader who was unable to attend the convention this year was also the main speaker at the banquet here. Oda expressed pleasure at the recent formation of a National Junior JACL and at the presence of a number of young members at the meeting here, noting that he himself was "indoctrinated" in the JACL movement prior to World War II at the age of 18.

Major Harry Iida of the host Salinas Valley chapter served as toastmaster for the banquet at which greetings were extended by Mayor Arthur Atteridge of Salinas, Burt Talcott, chairman of the Monterey county board of supervisors, and Harvey Kitamura, Salinas chapter president. Tom "Lefty" Miyana was general chairman for the day.

ONDO-CARNIVAL

LONG BEACH.—Many local organizations, including Long Beach Harbor District JACL, are supporting the Japanese Community Center carnival to be held Sept. 1-2. Special attraction will be the ondo (Japanese street dance).

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By Elmer Ogawa

Northwest Picture

Business of SJR 21

DURING THE week, the Seattle Convention Board held its final meeting, and day following the float Association held its victory dinner party.

Principal significance of these events is to terminate another phase of the year's strenuous activities, and JACL chapters and Japanese communities of this State now can go all-out to achieve one of the last of the season's major objectives the approval of voters of this State concerning the passage of Senate Joint Resolution 21 for repeal of the Alien Land Law at the general election in November.

SJR 21 is the differently worded successor to SJR 4, the initiative on which we all took such an elegant pratfall two years ago.

Under the chairmanship of Tak Kubota, National 2nd Vice-President of the '62-63 biennium, the program has shown steady, consistent progress throughout the year, in fact ever since the '61 Washington State Legislature voted almost unanimously to put the opportunity to repeal the discriminatory land law of 1889 before the voters once again.

Official endorsements and support of the repeal by organizations is as steadfast as ever, and new organizations are pledging their support, and at least one is making a sizeable financial contribution.

The American Legion, Department of Washington, in convention two weeks ago at Bellingham, has once again endorsed the repeal measure, thanks to the initiative of Cathay Post 186, and other encouraging pledges of help come from the Washington State Farm Bureau, the Washington State Grange, Bar Association, Republican Party, Seattle City Council, County Commissioners of King

and Pierce Counties, Anti-Defamation League, Washington State Board Against Discrimination, and many more.

Worthy of special mention is the pledge of support by the Washington State Labor Council (AFL-CIO) and it is preparing some 200,000 brochures for mailing to members. This heartwarming manifestation of friendship is appreciated as something special, and in sharp contrast to the feeling of past decades toward those at whom the land law was pointed.

Tak Kubota and committee are in close cooperation with State officials in preparation of the SJR 21 section for the official voters pamphlet which is mailed to all registered voters in the State just before each general election. Heading another important department of the repeal activity are Tad Yamaguchi whose family has just celebrated his 50th wedding anniversary, and George Fugami, recently Convention housing chairman. They are the financial chairmen for the SJR 21 committee.

FAR BE it for us to be so optimistic as seemed evident before the last election, but the help needed is showing itself in editorial comment from many newspapers. Most succinct, concise, and comprehensive review and comment of the land law situation appeared August 9, in the Kitsap County News, published across the Sound in Bremerton, the Navy Yard City.

Titled "An Obsolete Law," it says:

"No measure on the 1960 ballot in Washington had more support than a bill to repeal the state's obsolete 1889 land law.

"The measure had the support of the state convention of both political parties, the American Legion, the realtors, the Grange and the state's entire congressional delegation.

"Everybody seemed to be for it and nobody said much about it. "And on election day, the much-sought measure lost in all but one of Washington's 39 counties.

"A similar bill will be back on the ballot next November.

"What's it all about? "Article II, section 33 of Washington's state constitution declares that 'ownership of land by aliens other than those who have in good faith declared their intention to become citizens of the United States is prohibited.'

"The article was pointed directly at Washington's Oriental immigrants who were not eligible to become citizens and therefore couldn't declare 'in good faith' that such was their intention.

"Today the alien land law is meaningless, but it's still on the books.

"Removing it will do nothing more than declare that in Washington today we judge our neighbors as individuals, not by the country of their origin.

"The measure to repeal the 1889 land law deserves more than statements of support. It deserves votes."

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Mayor Yorty appoints Nisei to advisory group

LOS ANGELES.—Commended by Mayor Yorty for his untiring efforts and work in the youth field, Richard Kaku, former Optimist Club president, has been appointed to the citizens advisory committee. The Nisei gas station operator was asked to participate in the city's drive to curb juvenile delinquency.

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