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From the Frying Pan

Sacramento, Calif.
GETTING ACQUAINTED—Our trip west coincided with Matthew William Harveson's first birthday. By way of introduction, Matt is grandchild No. 4 and concurrently grandson No. 3. At this stage he is mostly a sober-sided young man still trying to cope with the complexities of walking and intent on utilizing his sense of taste to explore the world around him, whether it be lint on the floor or his bathwater, a favorite toy or the dog's bone.

Matt lives with his folks, Lloyd and Christie, at Fairfield, not far from Sacramento. His Dad is an Air Force pilot stationed at Travis Air Force Base who makes frequent flights to the Far East. We were particularly delighted to see both Matt and his mother in fine fettle because we almost lost her when complications developed after Matt's birth. But now that nightmare is all but forgotten, and this time we concentrated on Matt, his whims and appetites. If anything can be determined about a child at the age of one, it seems likely Matt will grow into a big, easy-going lad, deliberate and thoughtful, blessed with a sense of quiet fun and surely with quiet competence.

In many respects he will be totally different from his cousin Patrick Hosokawa, who lives with his folks Pete and Vickie here in Sacramento where Pete is an officer with the Union Bank of California. At 2½, Patrick is a bundle of energy, enormously curious, perpetually on the go. His interests are mercurial; he is quick to learn and quick to move on to other things when he becomes bored. Patrick is grandson No. 2 and he tells us solemnly that he was born in Los Angeles but lives in Sacramento which makes him a California Yonsei all the way. But he is rarely solemn for long, punctuating his statements with a cheerful "Okay?" or "Right?" Each of the grandsons is a delight in his own inimitable way.

And equally different personalities are the Oregon grandchildren. Ashlyn who is now 8, and her brother Michael William, 6, the offspring of Mike, who teaches health education at the University of Oregon in Eugene, and his wife Jackie. They had set out to join us in Sacramento for an old-fashioned family reunion but London flu waylaid them en route. At Dunsmuir in the northern California mountains, in the face of blinding snow, they had to turn around and make their unhappy way back home and to sickbeds.

Thus it came to be that we detoured via Eugene when it came time to head for Denver. Ashlyn and little Mike had grown up wonderously since we saw them last summer. More poised, more sure of themselves than they were just a few months ago, they managed to remain on their very best behavior during the entire period of an all-too-brief visit. Ashlyn read for us. Little Mike recited a poem, and he and I shot baskets on a garage-side hoop. Both children were mature enough to curb their impatience when their parents and the visitors from Denver insisted on talking about what it was like a long time ago when Daddy was a youngster.

It is hard to believe that it was 8 years ago when we drove to Portland to gape at and admire Ashlyn, a tiny bundle that was our first grandchild. But the years have sped by as they will, and we cannot be too resentful when we see how the grandchildren have multiplied and developed into individuals in that time.

In earlier years many of these Frying Pan columns were devoted to telling how Mike and Susan (who is the only one of the brood still in Denver) and Pete and Christie were growing up. Many readers of the column were kind enough to say they found a pleasurable reflection of their own lives and experiences in those columns. And so I have written now about the grandchildren in this column in the hope that, once more, we can articulate and share experiences with Nisei readers who themselves are enjoying grandparenthood. Somehow, the young ones make it seem that the struggle was all worthwhile.

Power-ski—

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potential to become a Japanese Winnebago success story," says Harano, referring to the once small Iowa-based mobile home manufacturer that is now a multi-million dollar firm.

Harano's enthusiasm was more than substantiated during Ono's demonstration run on Lake Michigan that sunny day last fall.

A small crowd had gathered when Ono pushed his Power-Ski into the water. By the time he jumped into the water, he climbed atop and hit the electric starter, the crowd had grown to several dozen.

As he put the Power-Ski through its paces, slicing neatly and effortlessly through the water, making 45-degree angle turns and surging up to 30 mph, the crowd of sunbathers and boaters swelled to several hundred.

Not in Production

"What is it? Where can I get one? How much does it cost?" The questions flew at Ono's friends and business associates on the dock faster than they could explain that what they saw in the water was the world's first Power-Ski, not yet in production, and expected to sell at \$1,395.

Ono's Power-Ski had passed two important tests that day: it was accepted and it was already in demand. The five-year-old idea had become a reality.

"I thought about the Power-Ski for a long time," says Ono. "I looked at the market potential, the type of person who would buy this kind of recreational vehicle. I checked the patents and when I finally arrived at my final model, I filed for my patent. That was in September.

Balance Required

"I made a deliberate effort to provide a personal challenge for the person operating a Power-Ski," Ono continues. "I didn't want to give the driver just another boat ride. There is a certain attractiveness to any sport that requires balance and skill such as snowmobiling, skiing and water skiing. The Power-

Ski is the only wave and surf riding water motorcycle that I know of."

Ono's background, which includes ownership of several motorcycles, a love of surfing and an almost inveterate attraction to mechanics, played an important part in paving the way for Power-Ski's existence.

"I grew up in my brother's workshop — I think I knew tools before I could read or write," says the 41-year-old Ono.

Halls from Hilo

But a handiness with tools is not the end of his experience. At 17 he was a partner in his father's poultry business in Hilo, Hawaii, where he was born. And in 1958 he received his engineering degree from the Illinois Institute of Technology.

Since then Ono has founded his own company, Control Grinding, an engineering research and consulting firm which is the parent company of Power-Ski Corp. He is also vice-president of Hollister, Inc., a Chicago-based manufacturer of hospital supplies.

"I'm business-minded — I look for opportunities to develop anything new," Ono says, leaning back in his chair at Power-Ski executive offices, 5500 N. Northwest Highway, Chicago.

Idea Born in 1968

"About five years ago, I decided I could put together a machine for the water that would have the maneuverability and balance of a motorcycle."

It's like riding a bicycle—when you first start moving, you have to balance the bike,

DISCRIMINATION IN SECURITIES INDUSTRY HIGH

SEC May Enforce Affirmative Action Against Discrimination

WASHINGTON — Rep. Spark Matsunaga (D-Hawaii) has urged the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) "to adopt rules requiring the securities industry to take affirmative action against discrimination."

There is "shocking evidence of discrimination in the securities industry; minority employees hold 56 percent of the blue collar jobs, yet only 3.1 percent of the managerial positions; 54 percent of the women in the industry hold clerical positions and only 6.5 percent managerial positions," Matsunaga said.

According to a 1970 study, 46.3 percent of all shareholders in America are women.

The Hawaii lawmakers was responding to an SEC request for comments on the proposed rules. A petition for the issuance of such rules was originally filed by the United Church of Christ, the United Presbyterian Church and the National Organization for Women.

Sparks's Reply

In his letter to the SEC, Matsunaga said, "The proposed rules would help curb the perpetuation of inequities by requiring that the national securities industry act affirmatively to eliminate discrimination in the hiring, training and upgrading of minority groups and women, and to file annual reports."

"I do not believe these requirements are too burdensome on the industry. The Federal Communications Commission has already adopted similar rules requiring equal employment opportunity practices in the communications industry."

"The proposed rules would enable the securities industry to contribute its fair share to a solution of a serious national problem," Matsunaga concluded.

100 Responses

The SEC has received over 100 letters since requesting public comment on the proposed rules last December, most of them favoring the rules. The commission is now examining the letters and will probably act on the proposal within the next six to eight weeks, according to Ronald Hunt, commission secretary.



CHAPTER QUEEN — Miss Rhoda Kay Umamo (above) of Saratoga is the Santa Clara County West Valley JACL queen candidate for the 1973 San Francisco Cherry Blossom Festival starting April 13. Miss Umamo, 19, is a sophomore at CSU-San Jose majoring in education. The crown for which she is vying is currently being worn by Sharon Hagiya, who was sponsored by the West Valley JACL last year.

but after you are rolling, you don't even think about it," Ono explains.

But unlike a bicycle, the Power-Ski doesn't operate on a pedal-power. It is driven by a 20-horsepower outboard motor which is housed in a compartment just behind the operator's seat. A pump operates automatically to eject any water which manages to get into the engine compartment.

Will Not Sink

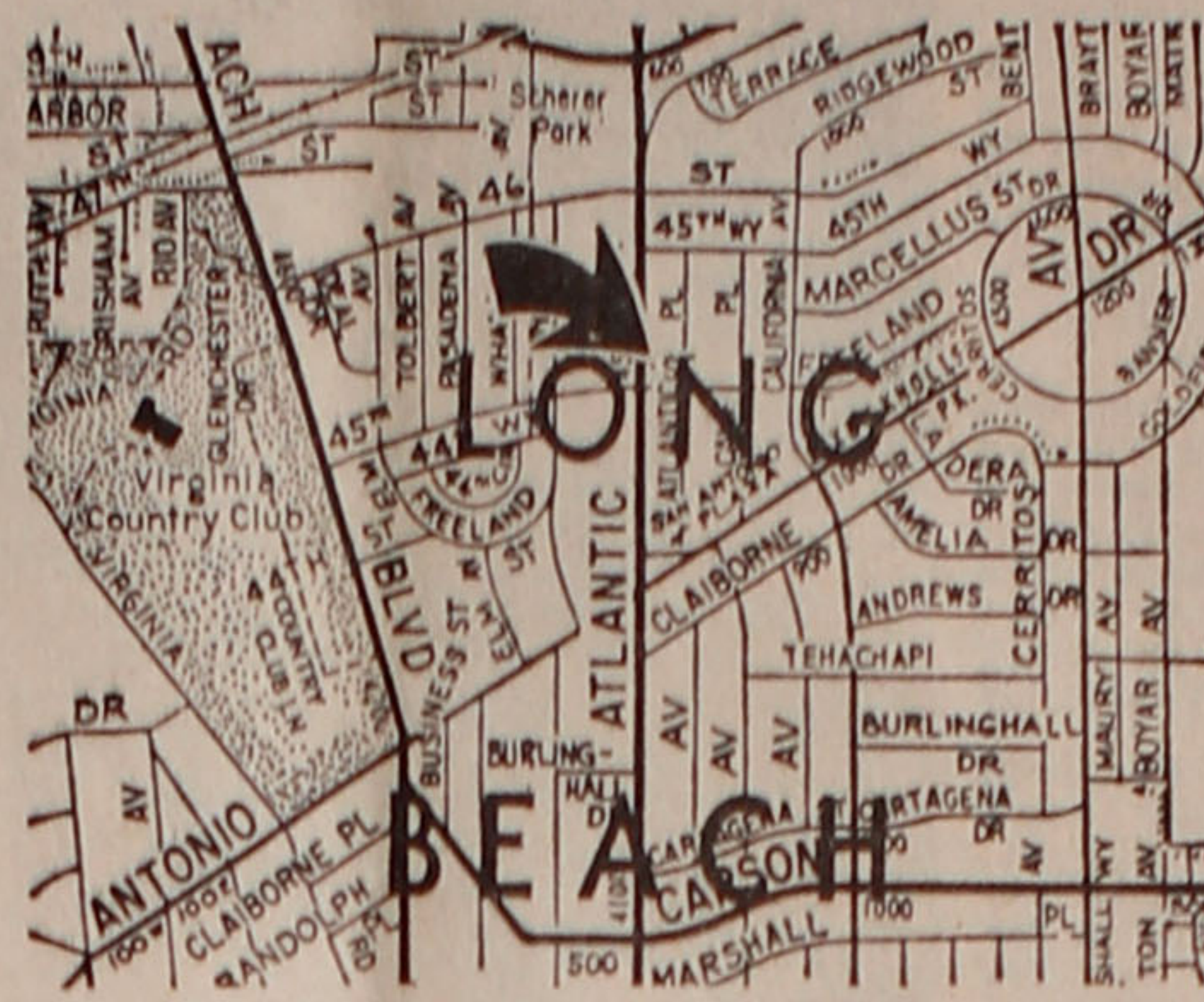
The Power-Ski will not sink. Its fiberglass and aluminum body covers super-buoyant polyurethane which not only keeps the machine from sinking, but acts to keep it upright at all times.

A 2½-gallon gas tank lets an operator zip through the water at top speed (30 mph) for one hour. Ono also plans to make models with larger gas tanks and motors so the Power-Ski can travel even further and faster. In all, three models are planned.

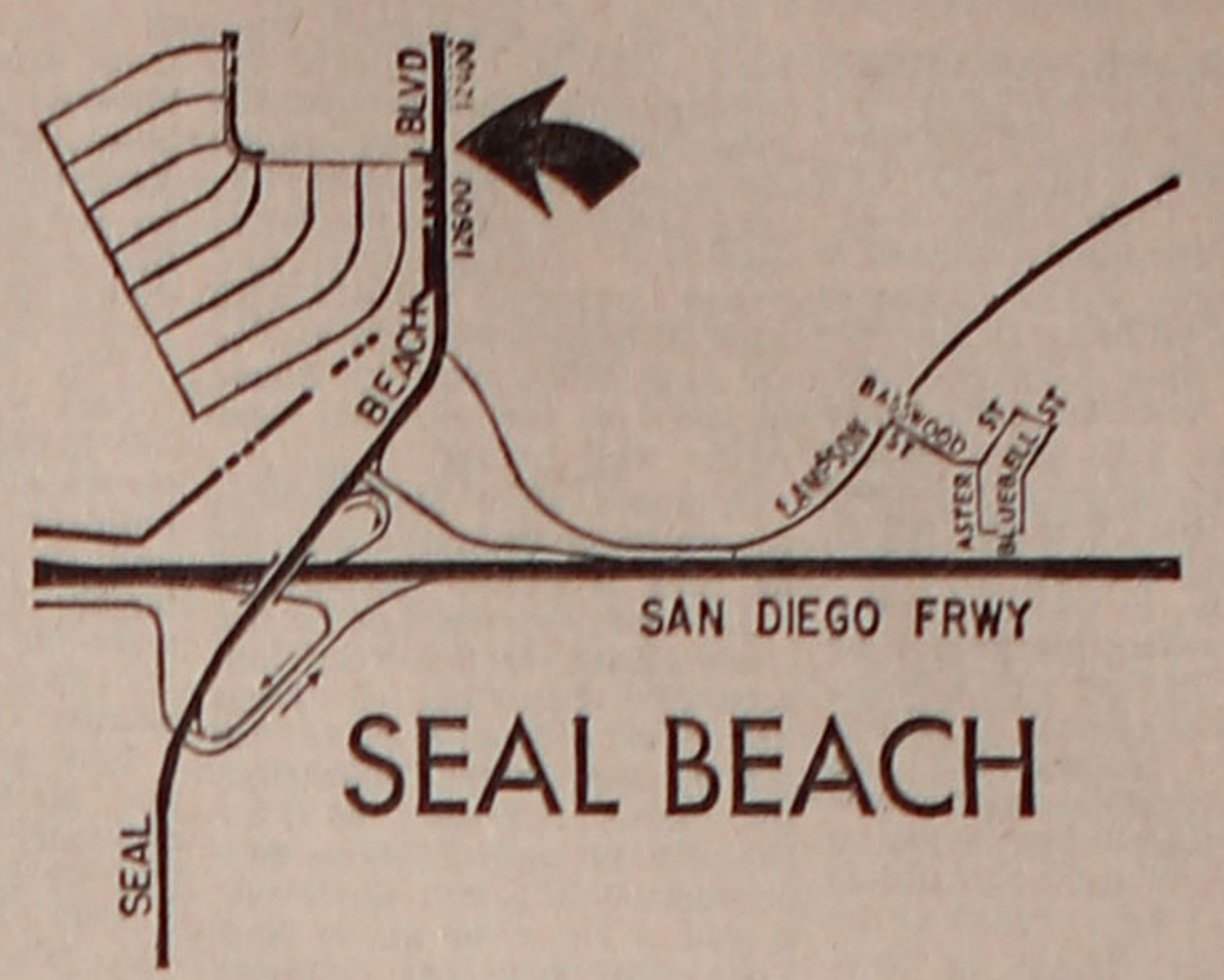
One thing each of them will have in common are important safety features such as a switch which automatically kills the engine should the driver fall off and a sturdy housing for the propeller to protect stray hands and feet. There will even be a rack on the back for scuba gear and a water-proof compartment for anything from food to towels. Most powerful models will even be equipped to pull water skiers.

When will this novel machine be available? "We're still in the infancy stages of setting up our production process, but we plan to be mass producing them in about six months," says Ono.

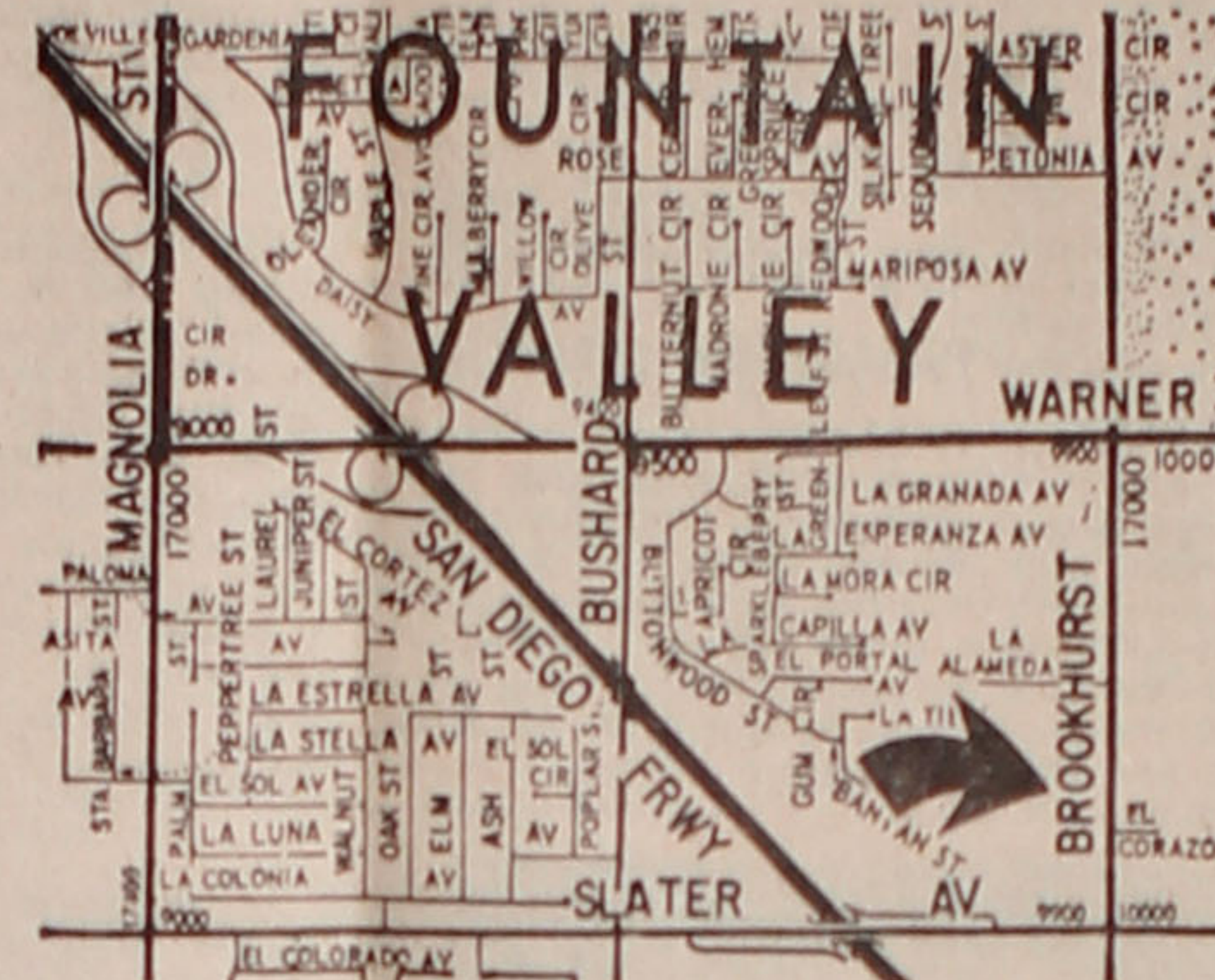
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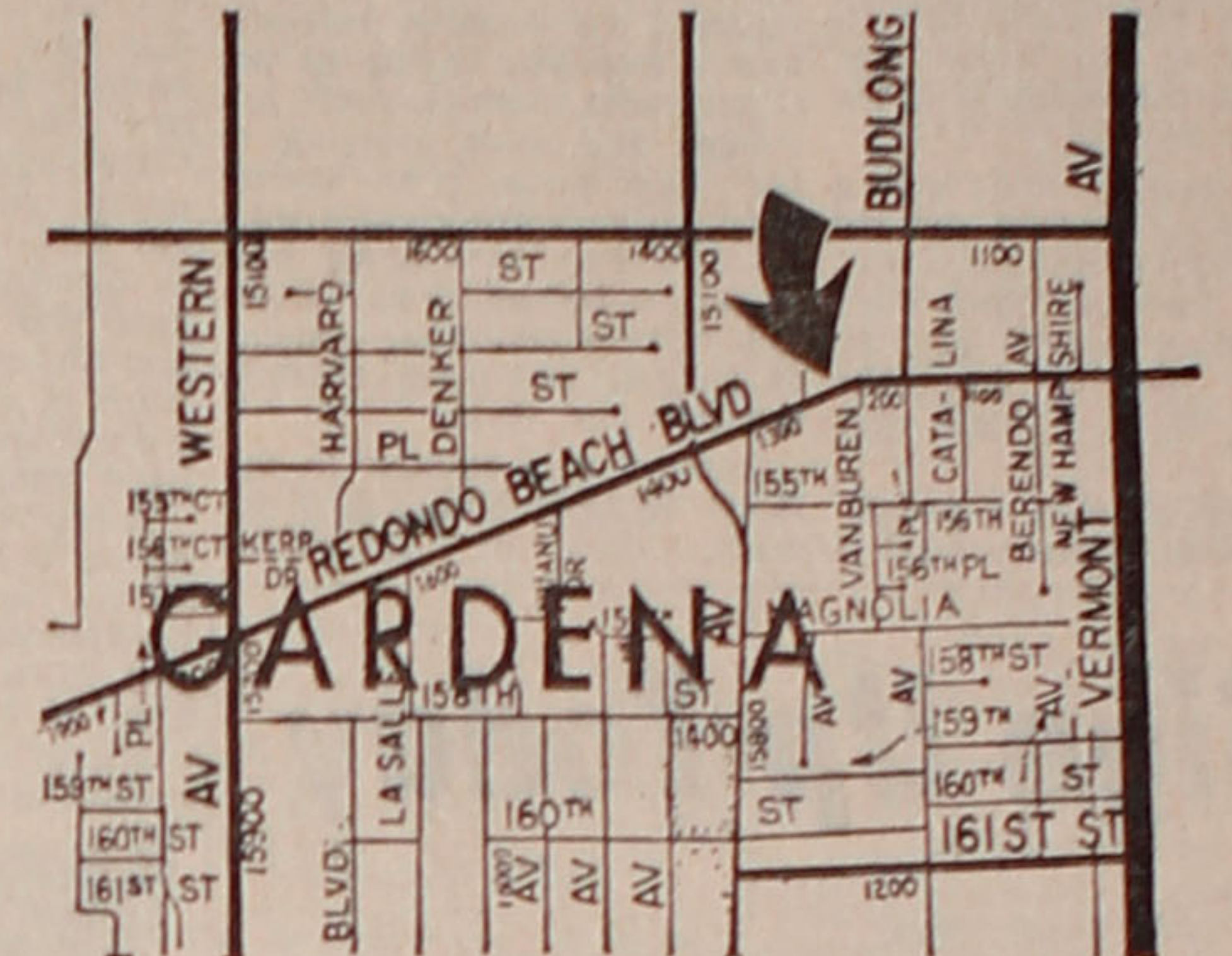
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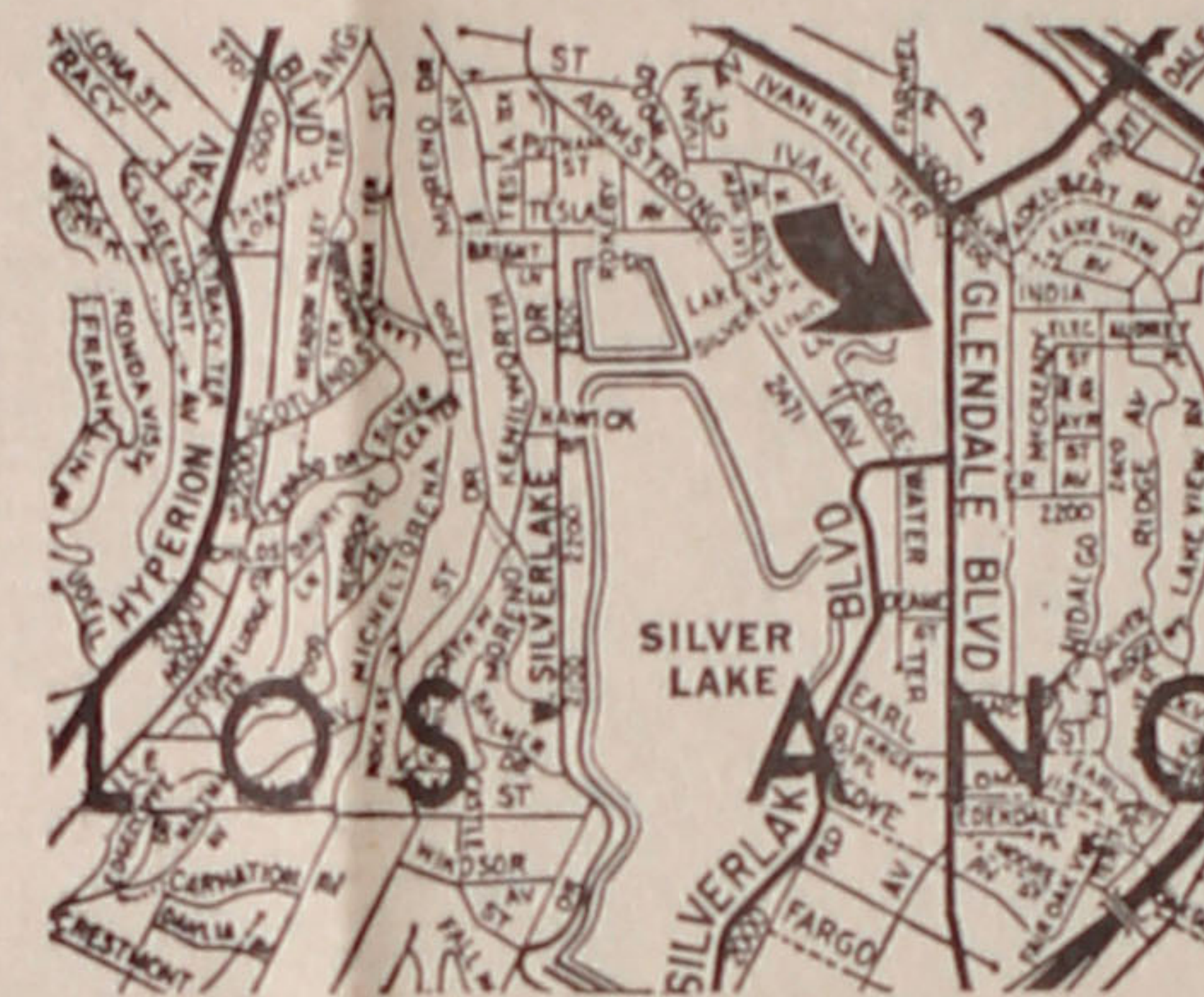
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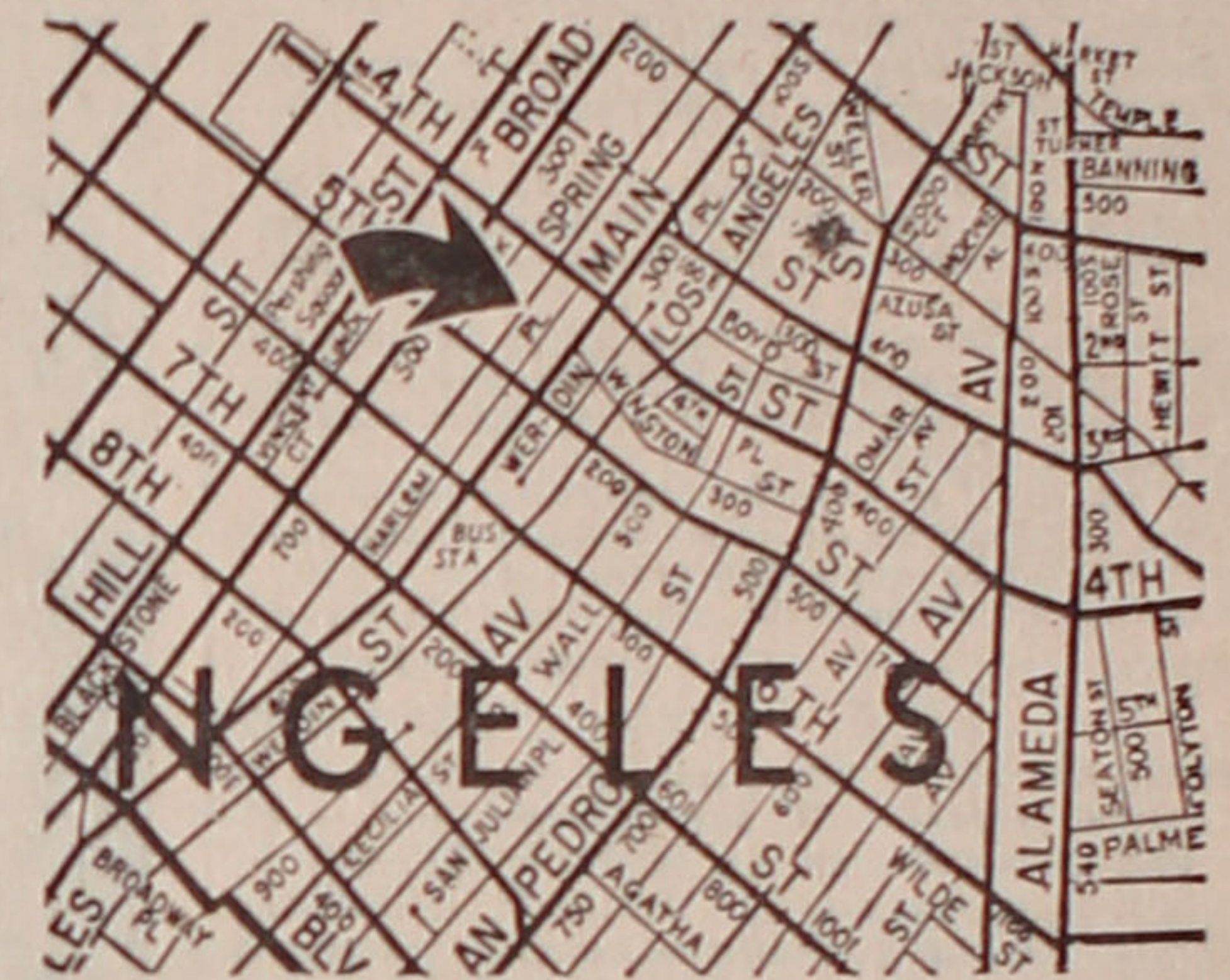
Fountain Valley. 2 blocks north of San Diego Freeway, 17400 Brookhurst St.



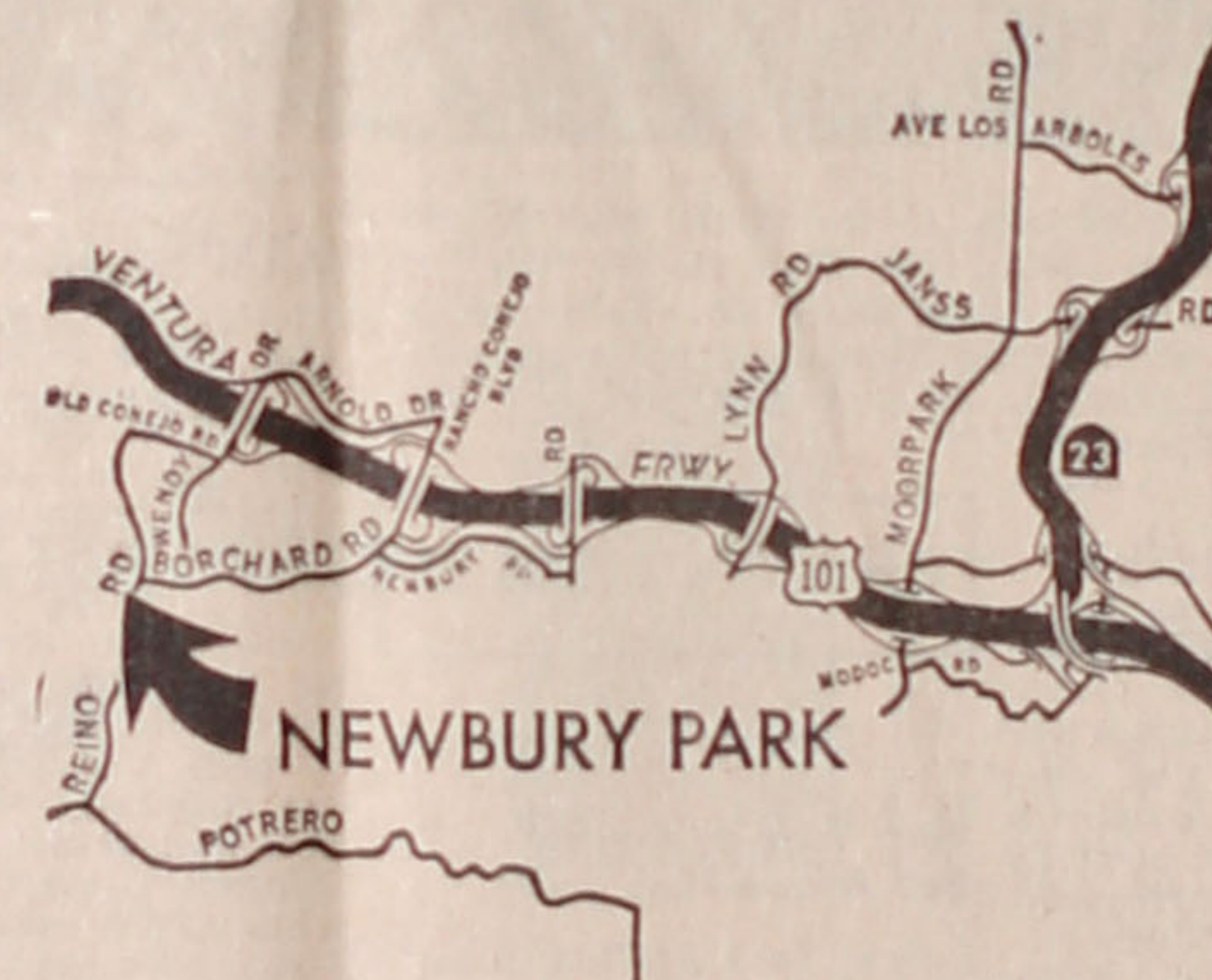
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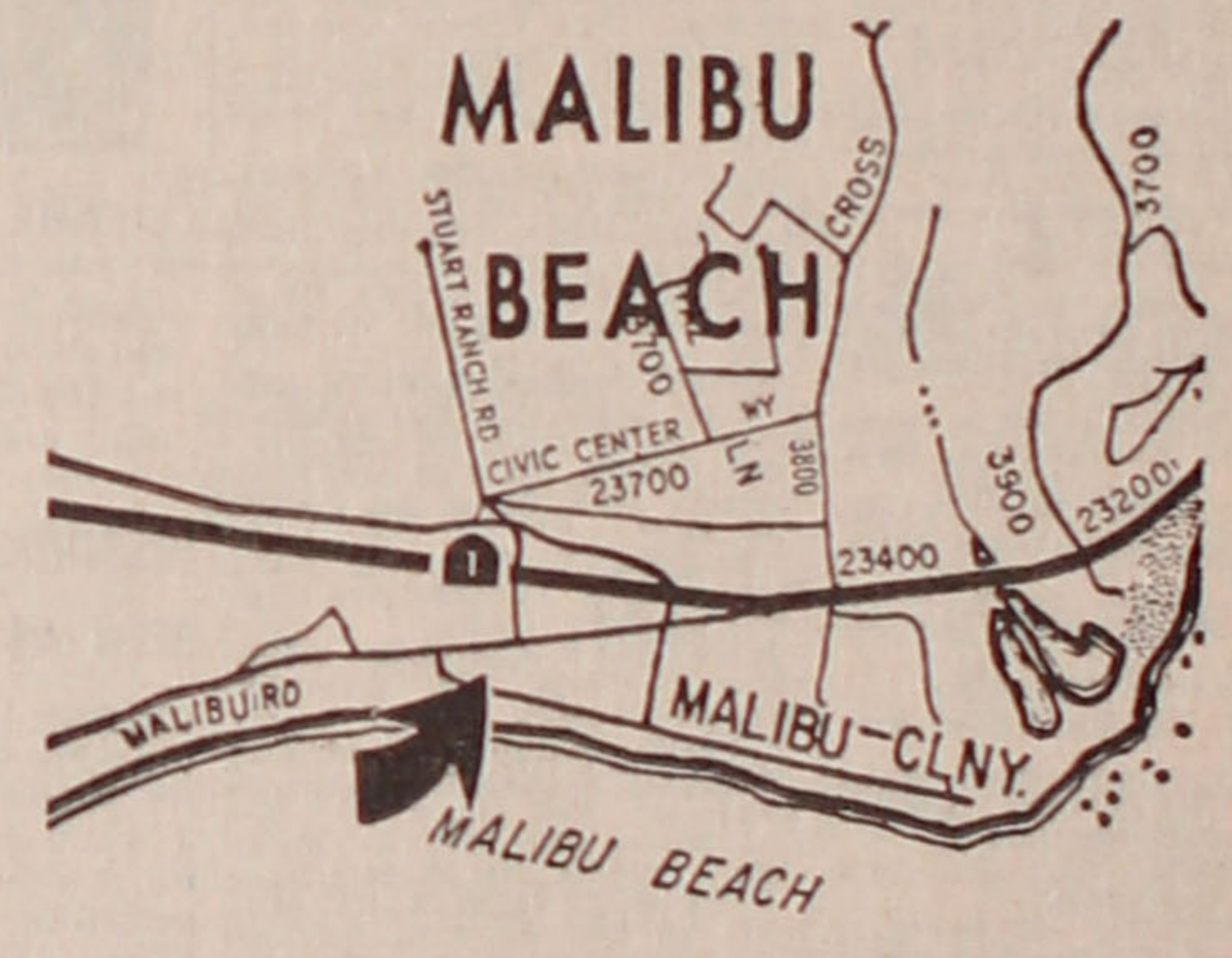
Silverlake. Intersection of Fletcher Drive & Glendale Blvd., 2522 Glendale Blvd.



Downtown L.A. Between 4th & 5th on Spring across from Title Insurance, 426 South Spring St.



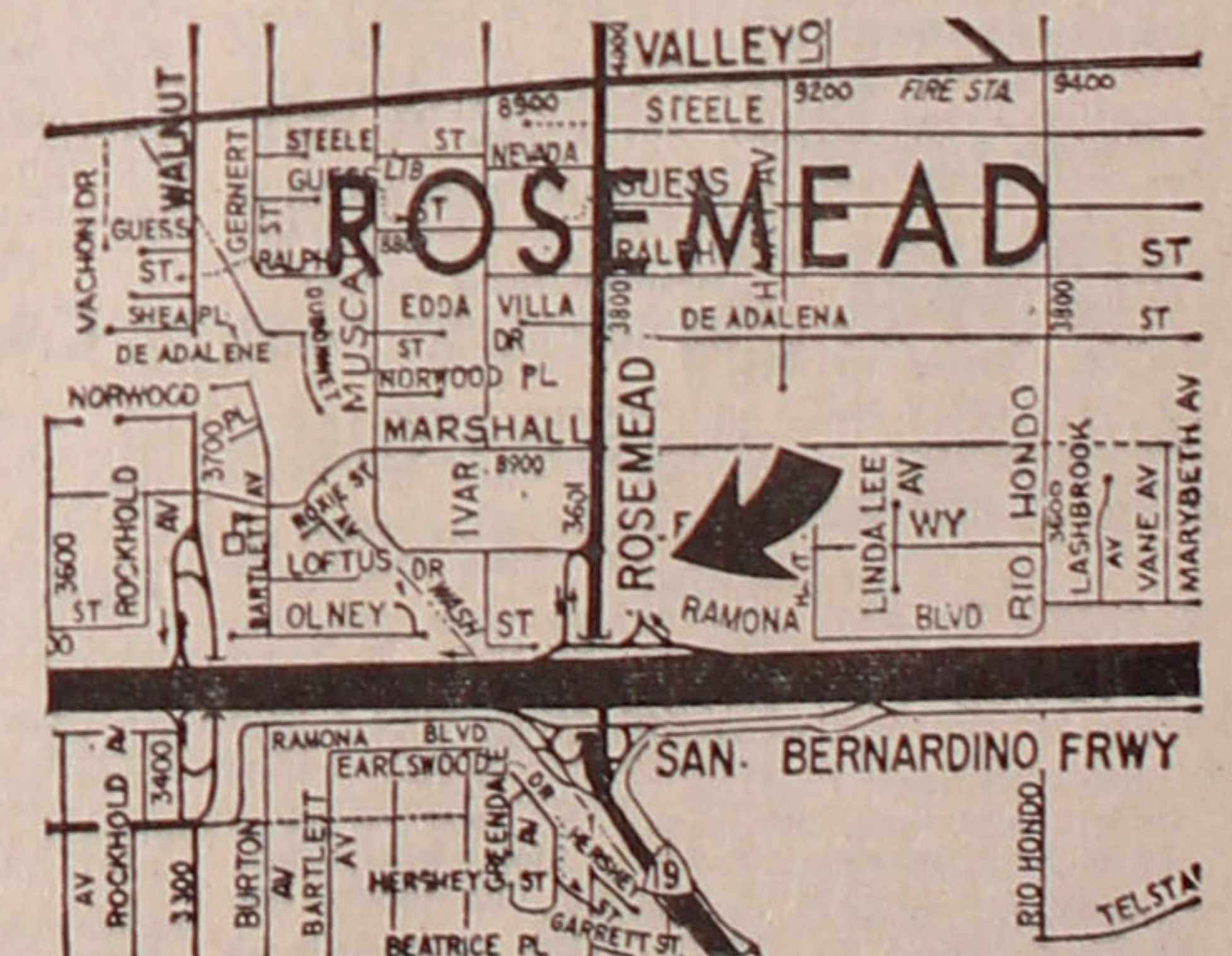
Newbury Park. In the shopping center across from Newbury Park High School, 115 N. Reino Road.



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1000 CLUB FLIGHT REUNION

N.Y.s first most enthusiastic

By DR. FRANK SAKAMOTO

Chicago New York JACL held its first 1000 Club flight-to-Japan reunion. Their invitation would be at least 20 degrees warmer than Chicago...

Winners were Mas Nakata for "human interest" because he took a unique picture of a Japanese toy peddler on the Ginza, Hazel Matsuo for "best scenery" depicting a farm house as viewed from the plane...

Later I was invited to the Mike Watabe home in Norwalk, Conn., an hour ride from Manhattan.

from Manhattan. Mike really knows how to entertain a guest. Upon riding a New York liner he makes sure he fills you up with the ever-loving New York beer.

After Reunion And what a home this man has in Norwalk. What is most charming are his wife and children (John, Jim and Mia) and their dog "Piccolo".

You guessed it, anyone in the airline business would naturally have the most beautiful wife. I understand she was an airline stewardess for JAL. She is like a beautiful doll and a master at making one feel at home.

After all this super-treatment, I had to head back home. New York does bring one fondest memories. Thank you, New Yorkers, for the kind invitation and congratulations for putting on a successful dynamic reunion.



26th INAUGURAL—Philadelphia JACL cabinet officers being sworn in by EDC Gov. Grayce Uyebara, on March 10 are (from left) George Higuchi, pres.; George Harada, Tom Song, Akira Yoshida, Tetsu Iwasaki, Atsushi Sugiyama, exec. bd. memb.; Hiroshi Uyebara recog.; Koge Suto, v.p.; Russell Mesi, exec. bd.; Gladys Kamihira, sec.; S. Sim Endo, treas.; Hatsumi

Harada, memb.; Edith Honda, hist.; Roy K. Kita del. In the foreground at the Insei table are (clockwise from 12 o'clock position) Suze Kobayashi, Susumu Kobayashi, Hatsumi Higuchi, Anna Mikuriya, Tadafumi Mikuriya, William T. Ishida, May Ikeda, Michio Inouye and Mrs. Suimatsu Kaname.

ONE DOZEN ROSES FOR PASADENA SURPRISE

PASADENA, Calif. — Mrs. Frances Hiraoka (nee Ban), operator of Dorothy Mae's Beauty Shoppe on Green St., was the surprised recipient of a dozen red roses and a pen and pencil set from the Pasadena Tournament of Roses committee.

PSW Nisei Relays slated for June 3

LOS ANGELES — The 22nd annual PSW Nisei Relays, hosted by Pasadena and San Fernando Valley JACL chapters, will be held at John H. Francis Polytechnic High School, 12431 Roscoe Blvd., Sun Valley, on Sunday, June 3 from 9 a.m.

New phone number given JACL-Blue Shield office

SAN FRANCISCO — The JACL-California Blue Shield office, 1634 Post St., had a separate telephone installed in January and the number is (415) 921-8633.

Japanese Proverb

Hosoku Nagaku, Narrow and long. "Love me little love me long."

Nisei cited Fowler citizen of year

FOWLER, Calif. — More than 85 persons attended dinner for Tom Nagata, Fowler's Citizen of the Year, on March 22 at Gandoff Restaurant, sponsored by Friends of Nagata.

Advertisement for Campbell's Flowers, located at 2032 Santa Monica Blvd., Santa Monica, Calif.

Nisei Farmers League urges 15% pay raise

REEDLEY, Calif. — The Nisei Farmers League is recommending its members to pay their workers \$2.30 an hour this season, a 15 percent increase over the \$2 paid last year because it believes that wages of farm laborers must escalate with the cost of living.

Advertisement for Naomi's Dress Shop, located at 116 N. San Pedro St., Los Angeles.

Advertisement for Fred Funakoshi, Reports and Studies Available on Request.

Advertisement for Sam J. Umemoto, Certificate Member of RSES, Member of Japan Assn. of Refrigeration.

Advertisement for KONO HAWAII, Tea Room featuring TEPPAN YAKI.

Advertisement for Mrs. Friday's Gourmet Breded Shrimps and Shrimp Puffs.

Advertisement for Quon Bros. Grand Star, 3-Time Winner of the Prized Restaurant Writer Award.

Advertisement for MAN GENERAL LEE'S JEN LOW.

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Advertisement for The Finest in Japanese Cuisine, New Ginza RESTAURANT.

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PASADENA, 515-22, Aki Abe, 1850 Arroyo Blvd., Pasadena 91103. RIVERSIDE, 512-22, Hank Nakahara, 12792 Wilmac Ave., Colton 92324.

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HISTORIC FIREHOUSE SEEN AS WORK CENTER

RICHMOND, Calif. — The historic Firehouse No. 1 at 101 Richmond is being sought as a work center for mentally and physically handicapped, according to Contra Costa JACLers Tallak and Nellie Wralstad.

Various fund-raising events are being planned by the Ralph Harmon School to meet a \$70,000 goal by May 1. Most schools that train the handicapped have no room for them after they reach age 21 and it was felt the firehouse could assist the handicapped lead productive lives.

CHAPTER PULSE

April Events

New York schedules Get Acquainted party. New York JACL will have a Get Acquainted Party on Saturday, April 14, 4-7 p.m., at the Ruby Schaar residence.

March Events

Fowler JACL assists at community picnic. The annual Fowler Japanese Community picnic was held at the Parnagian Park on Sam's Son's Ranch on Sunday, Mar. 25, Haruo I general chairman, acknowledged refreshments provided by Fowler JACL.

CALENDAR

April 14 (Saturday) New York—Get Acquainted potluck, Ruby Schaar's residence, 4-7 p.m. April 14—15 West Los Angeles—Hanamatsuri, Buddhist Church. April 17 (Sunday) Seattle—Mtg. JACL Office, 7:45 p.m. April 21 (Saturday) Riverside—Egg hunt, Canyon Crest Park, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. April 19 (Thursday) PSWDC—Nisei Relays Comm mtg., JACL Office, 7:30 p.m. April 20—22 Washington, D.C.—JAYL Retreat, Ocean City, N.J. April 26 (Thursday) Sacramento—Mtg., Nisei Hall, 7:30 p.m. April 26—30 Nat'l JACL—JARP Exec Comm Mtg., UCLA. April 27 (Friday) San Diego—Ed Mtg., Ocean View Church, 7:30 p.m. April 27—28 Seattle—Sukiyaki Dnr, Baptist Church, 6-8 p.m. April 28 (Saturday) Contra Costa—Issel Appreciation Night, J.F. Kennedy High School cafeteria, 5:30 p.m.; Richmond—Shimada Sister City Story. May 5 (Saturday) San Mateo—Japanese movies, 5-8 p.m. May 6 (Sunday) Reno—Bonsai demonstration, May 12 (Saturday) Alameda—Chapter bowling tournament, Mel's Bowl. May 14 (Monday) West Los Angeles—Gen dnr mtg. May 19—20 EDC—Qtrly session, New York JACL hosts. IDC—Qtrly session, Mt. Olympus JACL hosts. May 20 (Sunday) West Los Angeles—Miss WLA JACL's tea. Bay Area Community—Mtg., Eastbay. PSWDC—Qtrly session, Selanoco JACL hosts; Saddleback Inn, Norwalk. June 9 (Saturday) Alameda—Sansk bus excursion to Carmel, 8 a.m., ret' 6 p.m.

ALAMEDA JACL SAVINGS TEA TAGS AND COUPONS

ALAMEDA, Calif. — Tea tags from any tea bag and Betty Crocker coupons are being collected by the Alameda JACL.

There is no deadline on the tea tags which will help get wheelchairs for the Children's Hospital. The coupons are being collected for the Easter Seal Society to summer camp. It takes 42,000 coupons to send a youngster for two weeks.

Advertisement for Double Knit Fabrics for Sale at Factory to You Wholesale Prices!

Advertisement for Mrs. Friday's Gourmet Breded Shrimps and Shrimp Puffs.

Advertisement for Pacific Coast Knitting Mills, Inc., 2724 Leonis Blvd., Vernon 582-8341.

Advertisement for Rev. Nishikawa Due to Dist. Church Post.

Advertisement for OAKLAND — Rev. George Nishikawa, director of the United Methodist church's office of research and development—Asian ministries since its establishment two years ago, will be leaving in June for another church appointment.

Advertisement for The Nisei minister is slated to be named superintendent of one of the nine Methodist church districts in Southern California to supervise churches in the district.

Advertisement for CAL-VITA PRODUCE CO., INC., Bonded Commission Merchants—Fruits & Vegetables.

Advertisement for Eagle Produce, 929-943 S. San Pedro St., MA 5-2101.

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