

Plan Recognitions Luncheon At National JACL Convention

SAN FRANCISCO—A Recognitions Luncheon will be held as one of the official events during the 12th Biennial National JACL convention in San Francisco, June 26-30. The luncheon is scheduled for Saturday, June 28, in the Crystal Room of the Whitcomb Hotel, according to Yori Wada, chairman. Some 20 persons from the San Francisco Bay Area who have contributed effectively to the field of better human relations will be recognized and honored. The luncheon will be held at the Whitcomb Hotel, the site of General DeWitt's First Army Headquarters from which issued the orders for evacuation ten years ago.

Main speaker for the Luncheon will be the Rev. Harry Meserve, pastor of the First Unitarian Church in San Francisco, who will speak on the topic, "The Role of the Nisei During the Threat to Freedom." The Rev. Meserve has been outspoken in his opposition to the loyalty oath for teachers, and is the organizer of the Institute for Freedom which was recently attended by labor, management and church people of San Francisco. The luncheon is open to all boosters, official delegates, and friends, it was announced. Working with Wada on the committee are Shinako Ninomiya, Dr. Richard Horio, Wallace Nunotani, and Yukio Wada.

Move to Recommit Omnibus Measure Defeated in Senate

WASHINGTON, D. C.—A motion by opponents of the McCarran omnibus immigration and naturalization bill to send the measure back to the Judiciary Committee for further study and hearings was defeated in the Senate on May 19 by a vote of 44 to 28.

In hurdling its major Senate obstacle, the bill now awaits an actual vote on enactment, Mike Masaoka, JACL ADC legislative director, reported.

"While the sizable margin of victory on the motion to recommit is encouraging," said Masaoka, "the real test is still ahead."

Masaoka cautioned against "premature optimism" as a result of the vote on the recommitment move.

The motion to recommit was introduced by Sen. Hubert Humphrey, D., Minn., who has contended in Senate debate that adequate hearings have not been held on the McCarran measure.

On May 16, however, the Minnesota senator conceded, after the bill's sponsor—Sen. Pat McCarran, D., Nev.—had recited the history of hearings on the McCarran and Walter bills, that the subject of immigration and naturalization had been thoroughly covered during preliminary work by the Senate Judiciary Committee on the bill.

Immediately after the recommitment move was voted down, Sen. Lehman, D., N. Y., introduced a substitute bill for the McCarran measure. The Lehman proposal amends portions of the McCarran proposals and features a provision for the "pooling" of unused immigration quotas.

McCarran Bill Passed by Senate

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uals in apprising members of the Senate of widespread interest in the passage of a measure for equality in naturalization and immigration.

The JACL ADC official noted that Sen. McCarran, in a speech on behalf of the measure on May 19, read a telegram from the Northern California-Western Nevada JACL district council which endorsed the omnibus bill and urged its prompt enactment.

The telegram, signed by Council Chairman Masuji Fujii, said:

"The Northern California-Western Nevada district council, composed of 23 chapters of the Japanese American Citizens League in meeting assembled Sunday, May 18, unanimously commend you for all your efforts in behalf of the omnibus immigration and naturalization bill. We urge your continued efforts toward Senate pas-

Auto Loses Race To Stork, Baby Born in Car

LOS ANGELES — The automobile lost a race to the stork here on May 17.

Mrs. May Kuriyama, 21, was en route to the Japanese Hospital in Boyle Heights from her home in Gardena. She was riding in a car driven by her sister-in-law, Inez Kuriyama, when the stork caught up with the speeding vehicle several blocks short of the hospital.

Inez, one of the Nisei Week queen candidates last year, stopped the car and rushed into the Hollenbeck Police Station nearby and came out with two police ambulance attendants, Dave Miller and C. E. Ritter. With their help, the baby, a girl, was delivered.

Mrs. Kuriyama also has a boy, Jerry, age 1.

Dr. Yamauchi Gets Promotion at Colby

WATERVILLE, Me. — Dr. Hiroshi Yamauchi recently was promoted to assistant professor in physics at Colby College.

Dr. Yamauchi, a native of Honolulu, received his Ph.D. from Harvard University.

Sequoia Chapter Receives \$500 From Issei Groups

REDWOOD CITY, Calif. — The Sequoia JACL chapter, newest in the JACL organization, this week acknowledged the donation of \$500 from former members of the Redwood Gakuen and the Redwood City Nurserymen's Association.

Harry Higaki, chapter president, said the donation was an expression of confidence in the new group by Issei of the community.

sage of this bill and to prevent any movement to recommit this bill to committee."

Two Nisei Soldiers Construct Japanese Bath at Warfront

WITH THE U.S. 3RD DIVISION IN KOREA—A public bath, Japanese style, has been constructed by two Nisei soldiers serving as interpreters with the 15th (Can Do) Infantry Regiment in Korea.

The unique bathhouse is located in the room of an abandoned Korean farmhouse near regimental headquarters.

It was conceived by Cpl. Shigemi Nakasaki of Los Angeles and Pfc. Masahiko Konatsu of Orosi, Calif.

"It's a far cry from the celebrated baths in Tokyo," Nakasaki said recently, "but it serves its purpose."

A 55-gallon drum has been fashioned into a makeshift tub and was mounted over a small fireplace to assure warm water. Drainage pipes carry away the water. This has been covered with rice mats.

"Instead of making the long trip to the crowded shower," Konatsu added, "we merely fill the tub, light the fire and relax."

Rose Kaji Will Be "Miss Homecoming"



REDWOOD CITY, Calif. — Rose Kaji, winner of the "Miss Homecoming" contest to select a hostess for the National JACL convention in San Francisco this June, accepts a trophy from Dr. Tokuji Hedani, convention chairman.

Miss Kaji, who was the candidate of the host San Francisco JACL, was crowned by Mayor Floyd Granger of Redwood City. Selection of the winning candidate was made at the Northern California-Western Nevada JACL district council meeting on May 18 in this city.

Judges were Mrs. Jernice Gibbons, Mr. and Mrs. David Schultz, Rodney Buckmaster, Kiyo Kato, George Inagaki, Bob Sugishita and Hirotsuke Inouye.

Miss Kaji also received a \$50 check.

(Above) Seven girls competed in the "Miss Homecoming" competition. They were (left to right) Grace Haratani, Alameda; Martha Iwasaki, Placer; Lorraine Yokotobi, Marysville; Miss Kaji; Sumi Iwashige, Salinas; Tama Tsuchiya, Eden Township; and Lil Nomura, East Bay.

—Photos by Kido Studio.

Schedule Set For National JACL Parley

SAN FRANCISCO—A tentative schedule for the National JACL's 12th biennial convention here June 26 to 30 was announced this week by Dr. Tokuji Hedani, chairman of the convention board.

The national board of the JACL will meet all day, June 25, in a preliminary meeting before start of regular convention activities. Registration will also start that day at 7 p.m.

The regular schedule is as follows:

Thursday, June 26
Registration, Hotel St. Francis, 8 a.m. till 10 p.m.
Council session, 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon.
Official delegates' luncheon, 12:15 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.
National committee meetings, 1:45 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Official opening ceremonies, Colonial Room, Hotel St. Francis, 7:30 p.m. - 10 p.m.
Convention mixer, 10 p.m.

Friday, June 27
Registration, 8 a.m. - 10 p.m.
Council session, 8:30 a.m. - 12 noon.
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Thousand Club social, 6 p.m.

Saturday, June 28
Registration, Whitcomb Hotel, 8 a.m. - 12 noon.
Council session, 8:30 a.m. - 12 noon.
Luncheon, all delegates, Whitcomb, 12:15 p.m. - 2 p.m.
Group picture, City Hall steps, 2:30 p.m.
Fashion show, Whitcomb, 3 p.m.

Sunday, June 29
Registration, Buchanan Street Y, 8 a.m. - 12 noon.
Council session, 8:30 a.m. - 12 noon.
Official delegates' luncheon, 12 noon - 2 p.m.
Panel discussion, 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.
Hair stylists - dress designers' contests. Time to be announced.
Convention banquet, 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.
Sayonara ball, Fairmont Hotel, 10 p.m.
Golf, bowling, tennis, fishing and bridge events will be held Friday and Saturday.



Nominations Still Open for "Nisei of Biennium" Award

SAN FRANCISCO — "Nisei of the Biennium" nominations will continue to be accepted until June

2, it was announced this week by Fred Hoshiyama, chairman of the JACL National Recognitions Committee.

Said Hoshiyama, "Because of the prestige which the award carries as well as the important public relations function of informing the general public of the achievements of Japanese Americans and their contributions to American life, we want to be sure that every opportunity is given for our outstanding Nisei across the country in all fields of endeavor to be properly recognized."

After preliminary sifting of the nominations by members of the National Recognitions Committee, the names of the finalists will be turned over to a panel of judges composed of outstanding citizens of the Bay Area. Announcement of and recognition awards to the finalists will be made at the JACL National Convention banquet on Monday, June 30.

5 p.m.
Pioneer Night, Buddhist Church, 6 p.m. - 11 p.m.
Sunday, June 29
Special church services in the morning.
Convention outing, all day.

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Convention Time Is Drawing Near, San Francisco, June 26-30, 1952

"Miss Charmin" Candidates



CHICAGO—Candidates for a "Miss Charmin" contest now being held in conjunction with the Chicago JACL's ADC fund drive, "Operation Octopus," are (left to right) Kiko Yamashiro, Hatsumi Yoshioka and Jane Sumida.

Miss Yamashiro, 19, is a graduate of Hyde Park High School and is a secretary at M.Y. Finkelson Jewelry Company. Her hobbies are basketball, dancing and swimming and she is a member of the 1952 championship Silhouette Girls basketball team. A member of the Debonnaires, she is sponsored by the Cooperative Investors.

Miss Yoshioka, 17, is a senior at Hyde Park High and expects to continue her studies at the Academy of Fine Arts after graduation. She is sponsored by the Dawnelle Girls club, of which she is a member. Her hobbies are bowling, basketball, dancing and swimming.

Miss Sumida, 18, sponsored by the Lakers, is a pharmacy major at the University of Illinois. Her hobbies include basketball with the Charmette girls, dancing and music.

Nisei Soldier Plays Godfather To 106 Orphans in Nippon

California Firm Will Insure Issei Titles

LOS ANGELES — Following State Attorney General Edmund G. Brown's decision last week not to appeal the State Supreme Court decision invalidating the Alien Land act of 1920 to the U.S. Supreme Court, a Los Angeles title insurance firm announced it was prepared to insure titles to land acquired by resident alien Japanese or other persons "ineligible to citizenship."

The Title Insurance and Trust Co. of Los Angeles announced its change of policy in view of the invalidation of the Alien Land Law which prohibited ownership of real property by "aliens ineligible to citizenship."

Other title insurance firms also are expected to revise their policy.

"We are now prepared to insure title to land acquired by an alien ineligible to citizenship," Lawrence L. Otos, vice-president of the title firm declared.

Otos also declared that Nisei no longer will be required to submit birth certificates as proof of citizenship at the time they purchase real estate.

WITH U.S. FORCES IN JAPAN

—Sgt. James K. Oku of Honolulu, who has played fairy godfather to 106 orphans at the Jimpuen Asylum near Kure for several months, recently received all the reward he ever wants.

A group of parentless children came to the gates of Camp Eta Jima where Oku is stationed and asked for their friend.

When Sgt. Oku arrived the tots presented him with a bouquet of flowers and a group picture of the children. That was all they had to give.

The Nisei sergeant, a veteran of the Korean war, first visited the orphanage last Christmas and was struck by the misery of the children, who wore rags and were forced to go barefoot. He wrote to his brother, Shoichi, in Hawaii for help and his brother, in turn, told the Olivet Baptist Church in Honolulu about the orphans' plight.

The response was overwhelming. Church members shipped hundreds of pounds of clothing to Sgt. Oku who took the gifts to the children. Parcels are still arriving in Japan from Honolulu and each of the 106 children now has one winter and two summer suits of clothing.

Southern California Group Seeks JACL National Office

LOS ANGELES—A request that the national headquarters of the JACL be moved from Salt Lake City to Los Angeles was voted at a meeting of the Southern California Japanese Chamber of Commerce on May 16.

The group also decided to organize a junior chamber of commerce with letters of invitation to be sent to Nisei business and professional men.

442nd Veterans Plan Reunion In New York

NEW YORK—The second annual reunion of the 442nd Veterans Association of New York on June 21 and 22 is expected to attract a large number of former members of the famous Japanese American unit who are now residing in the eastern United States.

A semi-formal dance will be held on June 21 at the Hotel Vanderbilt as a feature of the reunion.

More than 100 veterans, their wives and friends are expected to attend from outside New York City. There are more than 100 veterans of the unit now residing in New York.

Nominations recently were announced for offices in the 442nd Veterans Association. Candidates for president are Irving Akahoshi, Tooru Kanazawa and Conrad Kurahara.

Roy Green, Walter Mackey and Bones Taono are in the running for vice-president.

Gene Herbert and Dick Itanaga are candidates for secretary while Min Arita and Rod Matheson are in the race for treasurer.

Other nominations may be made from the floor, according to Bill Kochiyama, present president of the 442nd Association.

Chic Aoyama is chairman of the reunion. Other committee heads are Art Munch, program; Yoshi Ito, Mike Tanaka, entertainment; Kei Yamato, decorations; Ed Hayashi, sports, and Bill Kochiyama, luncheon meeting.

"The reunion will be different from that of last year," Aoyama said. "It will be intimate, that is, without much professional help or talent. Entertainment will be provided by the members and there will be more time to renew old acquaintances and to make new friends."

California Dentist, Mother Reunited After 30 Years

SAN FRANCISCO—The 75-year old mother of Dr. Carl Hirota, local dentist, was reunited with her son after 30 years when she arrived from Japan on May 12.

Mrs. Asa Hirota was able to return to the United States as a permanent resident through the efforts of her son who served during World War II as an officer in the Army.

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Students of Minnesota Nisei Teacher Win National Awards

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—A Nisei school teacher who entered six girls from her Osseo High School shorthand class in the 1952 National Commercial Contest was rewarded when the girls walked off with 17 awards in eight contests and brought national recognition to Osseo High.

Mrs. Arthur Matsuyama of Minneapolis, first Nisei teacher in Minnesota, has been at Osseo for six years.

The achievements of her students in the national competition, which was approved by the national contest committee of the National Association of Secondary School Principals, gave their school sixth place among 18 schools recognized for outstanding achievement.

One of Mrs. Matsuyama's students, Lonna Lee Graff of Osseo 16, was national fourth place winner in the 60-word shorthand division.

A number of Nisei students won honors in this year's National Commercial Contest.

Among them were Florence Yego, Evelyn Yamasaki, Amy Yokota, Sumiye Hirota, Misao Hayashi and Alice Yoshioka, Placer Union High School, Auburn, Calif.; Miyoko Miyooka, Grant Union High School, Del Paso Heights, Calif.; Marjorie Elk Grove High School, Elk Grove, Calif.; June Kumagai, Palo Alto Senior High School, Palo Alto, Calif.; Agnes Hironaka, Grant Union High School, Del Paso Heights, Calif.

Truman Signs Bills to Admit Japanese Aliens for Residence

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The President of the United States signed eight private bills providing for the relief of persons of Japanese ancestry, the Washington office of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee was informed this week.

Four of the private bills admitted for permanent residence the minor alien Japanese children of

American citizens of Japanese ancestry. Three of the bills waived the racial restrictions in our present statutes and permitted the entry of minor Japanese for purposes of adoption. The final bill provided for the entry of a Japanese wife of an American citizen.

The persons for whom the bills were passed are Toshiaki Shimada, the minor son of Mrs. Mamoru Shimada; Yoko Takeuchi, the minor stepchild of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Takamura; Motoko Shirada, the minor daughter of Mrs. Shizue Sakurada; Nobuko Hiramoto, the minor child of Tomo Hiramoto; Manami Tago, for adoption by Cpl. Robert J. McAllen; Kunio Itoh for adoption by Sgt. and Mrs. Herman Robertson; Tsako Suzuki, Sgt. and Mrs. James Jenkins; Mrs. Harumi Cairns, the Japanese wife of Thomas L. Cairns.

Ellis Center Plans Cooking Classes

CHICAGO—By popular demand, a new series of Chinese cooking classes will be started at the Ellis Community Center in their Adult Education program starting May 29 at 8 p. m.

These classes will cover the "more basic and practical Chinese dishes for everyday use," according to Ben Moy, popular instructor. Mr. Moy specializes in Cantonese style cooking, and has been introducing "authentic dishes" to the numerous students who have gathered at the evening classes during the past three years.

A fee of \$2.50 is being charged for the five successive Thursday evenings to defray the cost of these classes. The class will be limited to the first 25 registrants, and is open to the community.

Honolulu Soldier Slightly Wounded

HONOLULU — Private First Class Herbert Kinjiro Fujii, son of Toshio Fujii of Honolulu, was reported slightly wounded in Korea, according to Defense Department information received by his father last week.

War Veteran Gets Honolulu Legal Post

HONOLULU — George Nakamura, a veteran of World War II and a 1951 graduate of the Drake University law school, recently was appointed assistant Honolulu city-county prosecutor, succeeding George Y. Shigemura who has joined the staff of the attorney-general of Hawaii.

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