'Justice for all . . . '
JACL: The JACL Decade

THE THEME of this year’s Pacific Citizen Holiday Issue is the celebration and commemoration of the passage of the McCarran-Walter Act in 1943, a summer which saw the realization of a dream held for close to three decades by immigrants from Japan to the United States of America.

This legislative triumph is also a concrete sign that the JACL has come of age. The process was greatly accelerated by what happened on December 7, 1941, and thereafter. Forced to grow up suddenly, the youthful organization shouldered its responsibilities and became a true leader when such leadership was desperately needed.

The story of the JACL during the past 10 years could be told by no more competent person than Larry Tajiri, who edited the voice of the organization during the critical years. Following is his account of the “JACL Decade.”

The JACL came of age on that December Sunday when bombs fell on Pearl Harbor.

It was as if the Kidos, the Yatakes and the Togasaki’s, men who had nurtured the JACL through its first decade of existence, had prepared for some eventuality when the organized strength of the Nisei would be needed.

The emergency arrived on December 7. The news of war struck the Japanese American community with a double impact. No other single group in America, not even the German Americans in World War I, has faced the particular crisis with which the Japanese Americans were confronted. The fact of enemy ancestry was compounded with color and racial identification.

The JACL’s role in the pre-evacuation period has been misrepresented in some quarters. The JACL never advocated mass evacuation nor approved it.

The JACL opposed mass evacuation, but when the military decision for wholesale displacement of the Pacific Coast population of persons of Japanese ancestry was announced, the JACL counseled compliance. The JACL’s position was compounded out of a concern for the future security and welfare of Americans of Japanese descent. It was based on the conviction that the Nisei had no future, except as Americans. All of the JACL’s wartime decisions followed this thesis.

Not all of the JACL’s wartime policies were popular, particularly those embodied within the relocation camps. The bitterness, the frustration and the resentment expressed by some Nisei were natural reactions. Any other group of Americans probably would have reacted similarly to the same set of circumstances. The projection of these attitudes into anti-social channels, into refusal to cooperate and to practice the obligations of their United States citizenship, led some down a bitter road, first to the segregation camp at Tule Lake and later to the bleak barracks at Uraga in Japan. The great majority of the Nisei, however, were able to judge the evacuation from a clearer perspective. They kept their tempers, their sense of humor and their American citizenship. They repudiated the appeal of a renegades existence.

The JACL’s wartime leadership had no blueprint for action. They met each situation as it arose. Their reactions were those of the great majority of the Nisei, in and out of the camps. The JACL’s importance in that difficult period was that it was able to articulate the desire of the great majority of the Nisei to play a part in the defense of their native America.

The JACL’s influence on government decisions, particularly in respect to the policies of the War Relocation Authority, was overshadowed by the Dies Committee in 1943 when it charged that the Nisei organization was dictating the WRA’s program. Nothing was farther from the truth as anyone who knew Dillon Myer, then director of WRA, can affirm. Mr. Myer has a mind of his own and no one, including congressmen, dictates to him, as special interests have found in trying to influence policies of the Bureau of Indian Affairs of which Mr. Myer has been commissioner for the past several years.

But the JACL did have a beneficial influence on the government’s resettlement and relocation program. The JACL gave voice to the desires of the evacuees in the camps to re-establish America’s living in normal communities and its support spurred the WRA’s emphasis on outside relocation. The JACL’s request for military service for Japanese Americans, together with a similar behest from Hawaii, helped make up the War Department’s mind to organize a Nisei combat unit and later to reopen the draft to the Nisei. The JACL’s decision for military service, determined at its emergency convention in Salt Lake City in November of 1942, centered in part on the concern and some of the JACL delegates were attacked and beaten on their return to the camps. This decision, however, long since has been vindicated.

During the war years the JACL shunned demagoguery for the more difficult course of providing leadership which looked to the future rather than sought to exploit the nationalism and frustrations of the present. The JACL’s policies were not always the most popular but they proved to be right in the end.

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A comprehensive procedural report by the Immigration and Nationalization Service, the House Committee on Immigration and Naturalization, the Senate Committee on the Judiciary, and the Senate Appropriations Committee on the McCarran-Walter Act is now available. The report is a substantial legislative document that provides an in-depth analysis of the bill and its impact on immigration law. It is an essential resource for understanding the legislative process and the policy considerations behind the McCarran-Walter Act. 

**THE SENATOR EXPLAINS THE LAW**

Senator Pat McCarran

December 19, 1952

TO THE DEPARTMENT

Attached is the McCarran-Walter Act of 1952. The law's co-author and champion discusses the principles and provisions that led to its enactment.

**ABOUT THE AUTHOR**

Chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee and chairman of the Senate Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization, Senator Pat McCarran has been United States Senator from Nevada since 1933. Prior to his service in the Senate, Senator McCarran was associate justice of the Supreme Court of Nevada from 1913 to 1917 and chief justice of Nevada's highest tribunal until 1919. He received his B.A. degree from the University of Nevada in 1914, his M.A. degree from the same university the following year, and was Honorary LL.D. from Georgetown University in 1951.

3. Provisions are made for a more thorough screening of aliens seeking to enter the United States for greater efficiency pursuant to the recommendations of the administrative officials of the enforcement agencies.

4. The exclusion and deportation procedures are improved.

5. The naturalization and denaturalization procedures are strengthened to weed out unsavories and other undesirable citizens.

Several years ago an act was passed by Congress setting up uniform procedures to be followed by administrative agencies in holding certain evidence. It has been found that the detention of aliens under the provisions of that law has been insufficient.

When the Administrative Procedure Act was first enacted it was contended by the Immigration and Naturalization Service that its administrative procedures required a substantial amount of time and detention, so the Immigration and Naturalization Service, and the Appropriations Act of 1952, and the Immigration and Naturalization Service were completely exempted from the procedural requirements of the Administrative Procedure Act.

Exception Terminated

Under the provisions of the new law as enacted, this exception is terminated. The procedural requirements to be followed in the conduct of deportation cases are set out in detail. Except for the failure to comply strictly with the due-process provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, I believe that the procedures set forth in the new law are in substantial compliance with the procedural requirements of the Administrative Procedure Act. I believe that the impracticability of adopting the procedures of the Immigration and Naturalization Service into the law is that the procedures are more expensive and cumbersome, and other undesirable citizens before they enter the country.

**STUDY AND INVESTIGATION**


discussed hereafter.

**INDUSTRIAL CHARACTERISTICS**

The full text of theMcCarran-Walter Act is provided here, along with an analysis of its provisions and implications for immigration policy.

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“With firmness in the right...”

The End of Racial Exclusions

Champion of our cause in the House tells of his fight

by Francis E. Walter, M.C.

About the Congressman

One of the small number of survivors from American 1940s Oriental Exclusion Act

Democrats in Congress to stand against the removal of living in than other ethnic groups and, therefore, the mere fact of their dwelling among us would be sufficient to make us suspect. This again is the difference between the Orientals and other aliens.

The League of Nations, and it was then that a combined effort to help the Japanese nationalist movement push Japan into the camp of our potential ene-

English regiments when the United States was involved in World War II. The Chinese were included in the list of those excluded, and the Chinese Exclusion Act, passed in 1882, was not repealed until 1943.

In 1946, the Smith Act was passed, which made it a crime to advocate the overthrow of the government. However, the racial bar was retained in that statute and no person has ever been convicted of treason due to its provisions.

Nevertheless, at the end of the war, the Japanese were considered as former residents—fully as treaty merchants, owners of ships, etc., and were granted a special status with which they were never to be granted by any other nation.

The treaty was signed in 1941, and it came into effect on December 19, 1943. It provided for the evacuation of the Japanese from the islands of the Philippine Archipelago and the surrenders by Japan of all rights to the islands to the United States.

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"I rejoice equally that our country [has proven that it is worthy of you]."

by Walter H. Judd, M.C.

In 1946, laws were passed extending immigration and naturalization provisions in the Filipinos and Portuguese. They were now independent and friendly.

Second, making Chinese who had uncles and grandparents be admitted on a quota basis, the quota being only slightly over 100 per cent.

Fifth, extension of the same privileges to natives of countries that were independent and were also receiving a quota. This would allow only China, Benin and India at the same time, which would establish a broad base for other Asian people to become eligible later; etc.

Sixth, application of the above to a quota of 10 or 100 immigrants, which would be a basis for the colonial systems in the Far East and the nations of the Western Hemisphere.

Seventh, for possible future workers were created for charging persons of the nation to whom the quotas of Chinese and Portuguese. This was to get around the objection of the Congress that was a limitation of the congress because there were no quota of comparable immigrants from all nations, and the Japanese would become eligible when they gained attention and the Japanese.

This was the formula the Interior Committee adopted.

My sixth suggestion was, in the hope of preventing the extinction of the Chinese, all the Chinese citizens were to be eligible with a quota of 10 or 100 immigrants, which would be a basis for the colonial systems in the Far East and the nations of the Western Hemisphere.

Equality of Status

Eighth, a proposal to achieve equality of status. As for the citizens of all nations, not only from Asia, chargeable to the subject of the laws, but also, in the laws which are to be worked out, they shall have the power to be enabled to vote.

As stated above, the House Committee adopted the fifth formula and sent it to Congress in October 1943 that bill granting immigration provisions to Chinese and Portuguese as a privilege to "Chinese persons of Chinese descent," at the Department of the Interior.

Even then some "liberals" and "conservatives" alike cried, "Not good enough!"—deferring the 1943 act of the House to the Culture-War Act because it does not do all they want. But I was more than now it is for that it is better to talk of the law than to get nothing because what you can get others to do, but not the law.

As the says the camel's nose was under the heavy load, which was not only a great wrong, but also proves the point of our national interests and security.

Keep Issue Alive

The next thing was to keep the issue alive to the public and international Town Meeting of the American Legion, which some delegate committed to not be related to the racial question was added to it in the Senate which caused the President to veto it. It was passed by the House over his veto, but the majority leader of the Senate failed, despite his promise, to bring it up for vote in the Senate.

When Congress convenes next year, Dr. Judd will be representing Wyoming in the House for his sixth congressional term in 1946 for his next term prior to his election to Congress.

Scholarly, earnest, hardworking and a fluent speaker, Dr. Judd is the prototype of an ideal Congressman.
Our New Citizens

New Citizens

Our New Citizens

from the Hon. James P. McGarney
Attorney General of the United States

It is a pleasure, indeed, to send greetings to the members of the Japanese American Citizens League through your publication, the Pacific Citizen.

Japanese Americans have demonstrated a deep loyalty to this country. A brilliant page in our nation's history was written by the gallant Nisei troops as they fought for the ideals of democracy in World War II. These brave soldiers are continuing to fight for the principles of freedom, providing a challenging example for liberty-loving people everywhere.

Since our country was built by many millions who came to these shores from all nations, it is especially heart-warming that a provision in the Immigration and Nationality Act removes racial barriers to naturalization.

May those now who are eligible to become American citizens, in fact as well as in spirit, continue the good work of helping to promote the democratic way of life—liberty, justice and opportunity for all peoples.

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SEASON'S WISHES
Our New Citizens

December 19, 1952

Our politicians have at last come to appreciate the benefits of the "little people," who have been growing impatient with the slow pace of immigration legislation. The Congress, through the efforts of Senator E. L. Curran, has finally passed the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952, which will allow us to bring our relatives to America.

The new law allows for the entry of persons who have been married to American citizens for at least 10 years. It also permits the entry of persons who have been lawfully admitted to the United States for at least 10 years and who have been continuously resident in the United States for the last 5 years. Finally, it provides for the entry of persons who have been lawfully admitted to the United States for at least 10 years and who have been continuously resident in the United States for the last 5 years.

These changes will have a profound impact on our community. We can finally bring our families to live with us in America. This is a great day for all of us, and we are grateful to our politicians for their efforts.

Greetings,

Loyalty, Honor, and Protection
Congratulations!

From Dillon Myer

Former head of the War Relocation Authority extends his greetings

LIKE ALL friends of the Japan- 
ese American people, I feel a 
strong personal gratification in the 
removal of the last major 
legal barrier which formerly pre-
vented our foreign-born Japanese 
residents from attaining Ameri-
can citizenship and enjoying the 
benefits which go with that 
status.

Because of the barrier, the In-
stand who came to this country in 
the latter part of the last century 
and the early part of this century 
have suffered discrimination over 
a long period of years. In the 
final report of the WRA en-
titled "A Story of Human Con-
servation," 1946, pages 185-189, we 
had the following to say:

"The history of the natural-
ization laws in this country is 
short and confused. It is 
true that Japanese aliens were 
declared ineligible for natural-
ization in 1924 and because of 
that fact were subsequently 
barred from immigration. Pre-
cisely the reverse is true. 
Japanese aliens have never been 
eligible for naturalization as 
American citizens and it was 
this fact of illegibility which 
was not included from immi-
gration under the 1924 statute. 
Until the period im-
mediately after the Civil War, 
the barrier of naturalization 
in the United States was con-
fined exclusively to 'free white 
persons.' Then in 1870 the 
statute was broadened to 
include 'persons of African de-
scents or African nativity.' No 
further change was made until 
1940, when the privilege was 
extended to 'members of races 
indigenous to the Western Hemi-
spheres.' In 1943 the previous 
absolute bar against all orient-
als was lowered in the case of 
the Chinese. It still continues, 
however, in the case of all other 
orients.

"There are a great many 
reasons why this purely racial 
restriction should be removed 
from our naturalization laws. 
But perhaps the most important 
is that it has been used by rac-
ist elements in various Western 
states as a basis for discrimi-
natory legislation which sev-
erehly hampers thousands of 
people from making a living 
merehy because their ancestors 
happened to be Japanese or 
Filipino or Hindus. The so-called 
'alien land laws,' for example, 
are nearly all phrased so that 
their provisions apply to 'aliens 
ineligible for naturalization.' 
This formula, sharply delimit-
ing the economic opportunities 
of Japanese and other oriental 
aliens while staying within the 
allowable limits of the Constitu-
tion, was discovered over 30 
years ago by U. B. Wells, the 
than attorney general of Cal-
ifornia and his close associate 
Prancie J. Hene, co-author 
with Wells of the first alien 
land law. Devised originally by 
two able legal practitioners 
and rabid anti-orientalists, it 
has stood the test of time and 
court decisions and still pre-
vents the Japanese in the West 
Coast states and some of the 
isolated Western states from 
owning or leasing farm land and 
— in some areas — even 
from sharing in its profits.

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From Dillon Myer

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Thus, in these particular states, the Japanese aliens, whose whole background and training may be agricultural, is prevented from engaging in farming except as a paid laborer despite the fact that he may have had sons in the American armed forces who have given up their Brrn for their country.

"WRA believes that this situation is wholly indefensible and recommends the passage of legislation which would extend the privileges of naturalization equally to members of all the races of the world. In addition, the Authority feels that all discriminatory state laws or local regulations against persons of Japanese descent which still remain in effect and which would not be abrogated by this process of broadening the naturalization laws should be repealed."

These recommendations made by WRA in its final report to the American people were based not only on our belief in the principles of justice and the law but on our first-hand knowledge of the actual effects of discrimination. I will remember that many of the Nisei who joined the 442nd combat team during the war were deeply concerned because farm real estate which they had bought and developed over the years in the West Coast states could not be inherited by their foreign-born parents under the so-called alien land laws. I also remember the great concern that many of the alien-born parents had about the possibilities of discrimination on their return to these states from the relocation centers. Unfortunately, this concern proved in many cases to be well founded.

In addition to the land laws which had been on the statute books for many years, other bills had been passed making it unlawful for aliens who were not eligible for citizenship to secure hunting and fishing licenses, and this was typical of the kind of discrimination which was possible so long as citizenship rights were withheld. In other words, the basic fact for naturalization under Federal law was used as the justification and the pretext for practically all of the discriminatory state laws which were enacted.

All good Americans can take pride and satisfaction in the fact that the legal barrier to naturalization has now been eliminated and that the results of so much discriminatory state legislation has thus been swept away. The Japanese American Citizens League, the Anti-Discrimination Committee, and all of the other organizations and individuals who helped to carry on this fight are to be congratulated on the excellent persistent job that has been done.

Moreover, I believe that congratulations should be given to the Issei and Nisei of the United States for their conduct throughout the years under the burdens of discrimination. The Japanese American people as a whole have set few examples of self-discipline, thrift, loyalty, hard work and interest in education, which has impressed fair-minded people everywhere and which has helped considerably in the long and hard battle now so successfully conducted.

I would like to take this opportunity to extend not only congratulations but also warmest holiday greetings to all of my Issei and Nisei friends throughout the country.
A Significant Step...

From the viewpoint of the Japanese people, the passage of the Walter-McCarron Nationalization Bill by the United States Congress is one more significant step toward the creation of a lasting peace between the United States and Japan. The weakened leadership which brought about the revision of the Oriental Exclusion Act of 1924 deserves the commendation. All fair-minded men may take renewed hope from this concrete expression of tolerance and international good-will. To my countrymen, both here and in Japan, the provisions of this law which apply to Japan exemplify the new era of understanding between our two countries and the hard work and years of effort which so many have given toward the attainment of this goal have not been in vain. Again, the Japanese community in the United States has demonstrated a sincerity and devotion to strengthening the foundations of a firm Japanese-American friendship.

To all officers and members of the Japanese-American Citizens League, who, with foresight, wisdom and great patience, have contributed to this revision, I wish to extend my personal note of sincere appreciation and best wishes for continued success.

(signed) KIKICHI ARAKI
Ambassador

JACL Decade

In 1942 and 1943 the JACL was reduced to a fraction of its former size through evacuation from an organization with 40 functioning chapters and some 20,000 members to a skeletal framework consisting of a national headquarters and Washington office and a handful of the chapters' members. During these two years the remnants did not have resources left for the support of the chapters in their last functioning districts. The Internee Committee was made up of eight chapters in Utah and Idaho. These chapters provided the funds to keep the JACL alive until the WRA's resettlement program was well under way and the evacuees were on a more or less intimate level to the JACL's objectives and activities.

One of the major functions of the JACL during the war was the publication of the Pacific Citizen, its weekly newspaper, from Salt Lake City. This PC played an integral role in bolstering evacuation morale and in providing information and ammunition so that the friends of the Nisei could fight the campaigns of hatred then being waged against the evacuees on the Pacific Coast.

The PC and the maintenance of the Washington office which provided national service to Mike Masaoka's genius of making friends and influencing legislation were two of the primary functions of the JACL in this period. Before his departure for training with the 442nd Combat Team, Mike Masaoka gave evidence of his ability to obtain the support of otherwise inconsiderate, provincial forces on behalf of the Nisei when he helped block passage of a bill which would have given the War Department authority to intern Nisei in concentration camps on the basis of ancestry alone. The bill, sponsored in the Senate by Tom Steyer of Tennessee and in the House by John Rankin of Mississippi, would have been railroaded through.

Omnibus Nationalization Bill was not the last-minute efforts of senators Nye, Taft and McCarron of Utah and Clark and Doherty of Idaho, nor was it made in response to a demand of the State of Minnesota, Republicans, and the state which was our birth and origin, but which was published but which played a major role in the JACL organization during the early war years was the ability of these two people, Mrs. Akiyama (Mrs. Mitchell) Shigeji, and the JACL's Eastern representative, to get the support of the Carnegie Field and other institutions for the JACL's work. Dr. T. Y. Takano, past national president of the JACL, and Baby Tsuchiya also pioneered with public relations teams of the Midwest and East.

The names of the Nisei who were instrumental in the JACL's public relations work during the war are numerous. They will be remembered in some, in a more definitive study of the JACL, for the rest of time. Some of them, like T. Scott Miyakawa and Morton Tsurusaki, to name only two, made considerable contributions which enhanced the welfare of the Nisei population.

George Inagaki, now national president, is a personal example of how many Nisei who contributed time, work and material goods to the JACL, the JACL's program. Before enlistment in the Army, George and Mike Masaoka toured the nation, 2001 in 1941 and Paul Revere in a wagon, telling the people of the Nisei who were citizens and the enemy that they were citizens and the enemy of the Basic Nisei. In 1946 the JACL planned a pattern of activity which was to dominate the organization's thought and action for the next six years.

At the first post-war national convention at Denver in March, the delegates formulated a three-point (Continued on Page 33)
Many Aid in Equality Fight

"Justice is Not Automatic. It Took A Emilie Zola to Free a Dreiffuss"

By Robert M. Cullum

Our New Citizens

—WAS PHOTO BY HIKARU HANSAKI

We Who Became Gold Star Mothers

It was hoped to bring satis-
ment behind this objective effec-
tively to bear. When called upon
members of the committee all
ways responded most generously
of their time and influence. In
wider application, however, the
CEN lacked a city by city or
natastional structure through
which to work. As a direct mi-
hine of public sentiment, its
contribution was relatively
slight, a weakness which fa-
imately was matched by the
JACL-ADC strength.

Principal Contribution
In practical application, its
principal contribution was tech-
ical, or, in the builder's metaphor
architectural. This function
flowed through a very active ex-
ecutive committee which met
monthly and was carried out by
an executive secretary. (A posi-
tion filled by myself after the
first few months until the end of
the first session, Stat Congress,
in the fall of 1940.) Mike Masashita
was a member of this
eactive committee, and either he
or Etsu Masashita were always
in attendance, a fact which provided
complete coordination be-
cause the efforts of CEN and
JACL-ADC. Funds for operation
came through JACL-ADC, a con-
siderable number of church
groups, an Isei group in Los
Angeles and a direct mail solic-
tion. After a year of main-
taining a separate office, CEN

moved in with JACL-ADC for
economy and even closer work-
ning relationship.

The CEN executive committee
brought together experience
paired by those who fostered
the earlier and successful legislative
effort to gain citizenship and na-
turalization privileges for the
Chinese, East Indians and Fil-
pinos. A first question we took
up was "what kind of legisla-
tion" and second, "who to
sponsor?"

Not Simple
The legislative approach was
not merely a matter of securing
enactment of a simple bill to end
racial discrimination in naturali-
sation. To do so would have
immediately raised the specter
of "hordes of alien immigrants,"
under the quotas of colonial pow-
ers or on a non-quota basis from
South or Central America. Whate-
ever the reality of this fear, it
wrote the exclusion provision
within the 1934 Immigration Act,
and as a practical consideration,
the possibility had to be elimi-
nated.

This could be done in two ways:
by specifically limiting ma-
terialization or ineligible Asians
to those "here in the United
States, leaving immigration mat-
ters" relations, alone, or by follow-
ing a formula to hold Far East-
er immigration to the actual
quotas as was worked out in the
cases of China, India and the
Philippines Islands. Specifically,
the latter approach most estab-
lishable limitations based on Rask-
nancy and quota.

A careful and detailed survey
of informed opinion of congress-
men, State and Justice Depart-
ment technicians, and other people
of experience in the field of both
legislation and immigration problems,
convinced us reluctantly
that we must proceed along those
lines of the naturalization and
immigration issues. Traditionally
these issues had been
joined. To separate them means
a piecemeal approach of much
lower appeal. (On the broad
matter of the principle of na-
aturalization quotas, there was
complete unanimity that to ques-
tion this principle would be fatal
to our hopes at the outset, what-
soever the individual preferences
of the members of our executive
committee.)

Problems
In the course of checking, we
were told by some that a bill
finally dealing with the whole
subject was impossible to con-
ceptualize. This would set up South
American quotas, and by others
that Congress, just having
passed legislation to admit Jap-
ingar laborers, for naturaliza-
tion claims, and for stay of de-
deportation. (Continued on Page 15)

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period, would do no more to the direction we were seeking.

In addition, Congress contained many members who believed all immigration should be restricted to the barest possible minimum, a belief just then under heavy fire by proponents of passing Displaced Persons legislation. Indeed, throughout the entire period of active work on an Independent bill, DP legislation continually took precedence in committees of Congress and in the interest and energies of congressmen. Particularly in the Senate, many members whom we should have been able to count upon for active support held back because of a more pressing interest in the DP matter.

Nature Decided
Once the nature of the bill had been decided, the question of drafting and of sponsorship came to the fore. Congressmen Walter H. Judd of Minnesota had filed the latter, having had a long-standing part in earlier Chinese, East Indian and Philippine island legislation, and an active long-term interest in Far Eastern affairs.

Late in the fall of 1947, during the last days of the first session of the 80th Congress, a preliminary "Judd Bill" was introduced, seeking to lift all racial restrictions on naturalization and making quotas to emigrate to the United States available to all indigenous peoples. At Dr. Judd's request, technicians of the State and Justice Departments undertook an informal scrutiny of this bill. Early in the second session, Dr. Judd introduced a new nature bill for the same purpose, differing primarily by the introduction of the concept of the "Asia-Pacific Triangle" as a means of carrying out the special immigration formulas. This was the bill HR 5004, upon which the major Congressional hearings for equality in naturalization legislation were held.

Intensive Study
The weeks intervening between introduction of Dr. Judd's first bill and HR 5004 had been ones of intensive study and general consultation on the part of the CEN staff as well as by many administrative officials whose positions required them to deal with the subject matter. The new language was gone over in detail

by the CEN staff and, of course, Dr. Judd was in all development. It is particularly noteworthy that HR 5004 was led by State and Justice Department officials who were made policy, not only minor technical with positive support from the heart and the language.

Staff work included an in-depth and detailed study of immigration to and status in immigration to and status in in the parallel complex of legislation and naturalization law in effect and the proposed new bill. HR 5004, a detailed proposal of what each section of this accomplished, and before hearings, a report were received from All sources concerning Japanese immigrants in the United States.

Research Done
In preparation of the present document, the staff of the CEN has studied the usage of the 1913 Alien land Act of California, the Japanese Act of 1924, of the one of the Chana, East India, and Filipino legislation was made it find all points of the language position as a background to prop or study of the new bill.

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Mike: I knew him then...

“He was brash... He was intense... and as he does now, he spoke with authority... ”

by Richard Akagi

A well-known personality has to suffer is the occasional more pedestrian soul writes about, pegged on the not

his poker playing of these later days, was stringent and frank. When one afternoon a small card affair was held on the high school girl's team on the ard was regarded, “Beware of the Yellow Peril.”

It was probably meant to be a joke since Mike was a popular campus figure. But it was hitting below the belt and Mike stormed in on Joe Curtis, the history instructor who was also his close friend, over which turn the campaign had taken. Nothing more was said about the incident. Bad part of it, however, was that we were involved, including the writer, was even aware that anything untoward had taken place.

First Meeting

My first meeting with Mike was not memorable. In fact, it was a pointless idea about the event. Perhaps that is why I recall it so well.

When our family moved to L.A. from S. Iowa, we met Akira Manoaka, who in those days had the faculty of concocting and carrying through various bits of devilment in an unoffended, matter-of-fact way.

Even while the last syllables of our mutual introductions still hung in the air, Aki suggested a project for the first of the terms to which I went my physical education section of the academy, I noticed a used inner tube from Yoshiba's bicycle parked just outside the main door. We were pre-engaging an assignment which, I believe, Yoshiba obiously had no further use.

What inner tube? To quote a phrase, very loud, the following day I wandered to the market, searching for a place where there was a market, that is, a place where there was, Akira behind the counter said, “What do you want to do with the inner tube? We saved yesterday?” Aki or his twin seemed to me then, snapped, “What inner tube? I'll show you!”

I was somewhat depressed at being so publicly received, but I thought it was Ben who straight-

ned us out. “Oh, you want Aki,” Ben said, and, I knew there stood glowering.

It was too bad that it happened that way. It would have been more for you readers if I could have reported something a little more heroic in the nature of it than this drissy episode. But perhaps at another time, through the eyes of another historian...

Mike was a member of the Boy Scout Troop No. 46, with Aki and I also joined. Mike's experience seems worth mentioning since this was one field of endeavor in which he was particularly medi-

Mike never got beyond the rank of a Second Class Scout, he was one hurdle which kept him from the First Class badge. He couldn't swim. He had been taught how, and still has a phobia about water. Of course, I'm a poor one too to make stern rules on Mike's deficiencies here, for I began and end-

ed my Scouting career as a Tenderfoot.

Since then Mike has been a life-long Scout, No. 46, for formed at the Japanese Christian Church. Perhaps originally we had some hope of competing with them, but we soon jumbed that idea, since the

Nisei Scout troop in short order developed into a party of modest lodges to the ranks of Star, Life, and Eagle; before we had even adequately mastered our knots.

Although Mike couldn't swim, I'm sure he read books on swimming. It would be original of Mike to be an authority on the subject in one way or another. Perhaps that was

River Jordan

The Jordan River is a well-known body of flowing water. It was as it is and cool as any...

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that would stand up against all argument.
Indeed, our whole effort was di-
rected toward preparing our case
with painstaking objectivity and
accuracy, condensation for ready
assimilation of fact, and a com-
plete lack of antagonistic pre-
judice.
We set out to convince the in-
formed, expecting key people to
convince the rest concerning
the adequacy of the proposed legis-
lation.
This was the architecture of the
plan, and it had to be right if the
structure was to be solid.
Continuing up the hearings, by
agreement, Mike Manada took
the humanizing of the bill and
that of World War II, while
CEN concentrated on documenta-
tion and the technical side. Ed-
ward K. Enomoto appeared for the
committee, drawing deeply on his own
personal experience as a Justice De-
partment officer dealing with the
evacuation, and as a director of
Enemy Alien Control. We all
muttered also, the material we had
prepared.
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ceived by the Judiciary subcom-
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restricted immigration—that the bill may be used as a basis for breaking down quota restric-
tions; and that we will de-

port from this area quota philosophy written into the bill and begin, as we have done here, allotting quotas to sepa-
rate political units.

You are convinced that the bill is so restricted that that would not be done or could not be done administratively.

In point of fact, Congressman Gussert was not only a "re-

strictionist," he was the principal spokesman for immigration re-

strictions in the House. His acceptance of the formula pro-

vided very necessary assurance on

that key point . . . . " . . . a flow of immigrants" Without this support it is very doubtful that the Judd Bill could have been reported out of committee, es-

pecially while displaced persons legislation kept the general ques-

tion at white heat.

Election Year

If the reception afforded the hearings made us jubilant, we should have remembered that Congress is under especial pres-

sure in an election year, and this was 1948. Despite a most friendly attitude, HR 2401 did not receive committee action during the 80th congress.

When the 87th Congress con-

vened in 1949, five identical bills were offered the first day by Messrs. Judd, Walters, Miller, Farrington and Yatsco. The first general legislation to clear the House Judiciary Committee was the Judd bill, the committee rep-

ort being signed by Congress-

man Gussert. In March, it passed the House at a gallop with only a scattering of votes against.

In the spring of 1949 we had no illusions that there would be any change in the Senate, we were unprepared for the specific amount of difficulty, the huge ma-

jority vote in the House!

Codification Planned

By this time, the Senate Judi-

ciary Committee had plans well-

advanced for general codification of Immigration and Nationality law. Not only was there resistance to any new specific legis-

lation on this subject (especially on Dorothea Perino) but the Judd bill was acted upon to strengthen the likelihood of passing the whole. We were told directly that a separate bill would not be re-

ceived out of committee, that the Judd bill would be incorporated in an omnibus measure, "codifi-

ing" for the larger effort. And that was that, despite all efforts to secure action.

Thereafter Mr. Secord intro-

duced a citizenship-only bill, and pressed hard for it, with CEN stickering largely to the Judd Bill, although at times we all worked on one or the other. This short bill was killed at the session's end by the dissenting vote of Senator Russell. (It is at this point that my close association with knowledge of events ended.)

From the point of effectiveness of the Committee for Equality in Naturalization, its work had been carried about as far as an could be, without realizing it, we had about completed our contri-

bution at the time of House pas-

sage of the Judd bill. the JACE

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A JACL staff member sheds light on a little-discussed angle in the fight for naturalization-immigration by Sam Ishikawa

As I LOOK over my experiences in JACL for the past five years, I find that there were many disappointments, many dreams which didn't come true, many insurmountable problems which were overcome. These unpleasant experiences seem to me like a bad dream, as the more pleasant ones seem to me like a pleasant dream. For these experi- ences with you, not because they are great or are of any great consequence in the ward and world of life, but because I believe that these experiences as a JACL staff worker have given me a better understanding of what the American way of life really means.

As a youth of 24 in July, 1947, I went to New York to receive the title of JACL Eastern regional director. The trip was extremely thrilling, but with youthful determination I was going to do my best. I had been to college and thought myself well trained in the matter of politics, especially since I had had some political experience. I had even worked some with the Independent Voters of Illinois in Chicago and I had asked the official East regional JACL to take me in college but to be thrown out the window. I knew the big problem of selling the New Cause to Congress was a problem of selling the new idea to an impenetrable body of people who were used to the old idea. The stage was set and the re- sult was that I was told to go and sell the cause of the New Cause. Everyone tried to sell the truth in the sincerest way he or she knew. Although I was young, the rest of us were not, and these were my experiences of pur- pose. Very few questioned the honesty of our state- ments because we were telling the simple truth in a way only that, I believe, is the secret of JACL's success. That is why Mike Masaohn has been so successful at the Most Successful Lobbyist.

As JACL staff workers did as staff workers do. There were activities, of course, and as the time progressed the number of activities grew. We had regional conferences and local conferences, and a lot of other activities. This was the first time the Nisei had had such "big time politics" in Washington. To give you some insight into the politics of which we were a part, let me tell you about one of our recent and unusual projects. This project, we might call it, resulted in the creation of the Western Washington JACL. Operation West Virginia started on October 1st, 1952. With the aid of a call from Mike Masaohn, our JACL legislative director in Washington, asking me to work on getting Senator Revercomb's support for the coal and coke industry's claims bill. The senator from West Virginia was a member of the Republican's political and the chairman of the powerful Senate Sub-Committee on Immigration. We needed his support, and he had it.

"What leads us to have on our trip," he said, "is Mike. "None," replied Mike enthusiastically. "This country needs only one thing—a trip to Washington, DC. I think it might be useful to have our contacts there. The only thing left for us is to go to the New York libraries to make a comprehensive study of Senator Revercomb's past activities.

"You boys, now minister of the University Christian Church, Long Beach, Calif., and then a student at San Francisco University, was asked to do this study for us and to bring us the results."

I was skeptical but agreed. I reported back rather disappoint- ingly, i.e., I was able to muster up a five-page report on Senator Revercomb's background. Checking every detail, we found very little which might make any impact on his character.

Call on Agencies

We called on every major agency (sympathetic to our cause) in New York City to see whether they had any contacts in West Virginia, and they said they did not have. They had no encouragement. The Citizens Committee on Displaced Persons, which was working for a liberal immigration bill in the Act, in which they had told us that their men were thrown out of West Virginia as Communists by the American Legion for trying to do what we are now trying to accomplish. Another agency, the Young Democrats of Revolutions, doesn't like for anyone to do any people or anything with the word democratic, and will do everything to oppose such attempts.

Because encouraged, I reported our findings to Mike Masaohn as being negligible and disappointing. Sincerely, I had hoped Mike would have hit me for being West Virginia trash, but Mike's only reply was, "Jim, go down there and see what you can do."

"Definitely."

I went to Washington to look for Senator Revercomb and was surprised to find that he was the only senator on the map for me.

Operation's Beginnings

Operation West Virginia had begun. The flight via Eastern Air- lines was long, and I reached...
Operation West Virginia

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enough to give me an introduction to Moe Bolarsky.

I went to see Moe Bolarsky, who was connected with the law firm of Townsend and Townsend. If you will remember the famous "Portal to Portal Cases," Tom Townsend and Moe Bolarsky were the attorneys for the United Mine Workers before the Supreme Court. Moe Bolarsky is considered to be a liberal Republican and knows quite a bit about West Virginia politics. When the question was put to him, "How can we get Senator Revercomb," he threw up his hands saying, "I don't know... but I will do everything I can to help you.

Moe Bolarsky, on his own initiative, then proceeded to call on a few of his friends. Nine out of ten of them hadn't the faintest idea as to how to get to Senator Revercomb. Furthermore, they didn't even know who the Senator's close friends were; but the 10th man stated that Bill Lively was probably the Senator's closest friend. But no one seemed to have any idea what we might receive an introduction to Bill Lively.

Another Introduction

With this problem, I went to see Dr. Miyakawa. He didn't know Bill Lively, but his friend Dr. Vernon Peterson might be of some help. Dr. Peterson, explained George, was considered to be one of the three outstanding doctors in Charleston, and does not belong in politics. Dr. "Pete" is a very kind man and lives across the street from the Miyakawas. We were getting closer. Previously with Dr. Miyakawa we were two blocks away, but now we were across the street from the famous senator.

After telling our object of my trip to Dr. "Pete" and his charming wife Jane, their immediate reaction was to say we shouldn't set up a dinner meeting with the senator at the Edgewood Country Club. But, in thinking it over, I decided we should give it a try as I thought we had transpired in Washington. I was not too sure what the result would be, but decided to go through with our Washington office's experiment.

Interestingly enough, it came as if the declining of this invitation actually impressed Dr. Peterson on the extent that he was willing to help us out even more. Dr. Peterson mentioned a friend of William Lively. I immediately asked him for an introduction which he gave. I found out later that William Lively is considered to be one of the largest real estate men in Charleston. He is an attorney by profession and real estate by occupation. Lively is the son of Judge William T. Lively, who was an influential Republican and a respected judge.

Full of People

When I went to see Mr. Lively, I found that his office was full of people waiting to see him on business. I prepared myself for a two- or three-hour wait and settled myself to several magazines, but to my surprise, as soon as I was answered by the secretary, he came rushing out and showed me into an adjoining office. In a few minutes he asked me to tell him about my program. After he had heard about it, he stated that he was completely sympathetic to the vacation claims bill. Furthermore, Bill Lively said he was willing to write a letter to Senator Revercomb and talk to him the next time he was in town. I could tell by his reference to Dr. "Pete" that he was doing this as a personal favor to Dr. Peterson.

Operation West Virginia had come a long way. Primarily through the good help of Dr. Miyakawa and Dr. Peterson, the doors which were closed started to open. Furthermore, I had discussed our program and received the support of Moe Agas Ocktree, the President of the West Virginia League of Women Voters, Dr. R. E. Edwards, the executive secretary of the West Virginia Council of Churches, Charles Hodges, executive secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, Rev. R. D. Alston, the Methodist pastor, and many others.

Next Helpful

Using the name like Dr. Peterson, Dr. Austin, and Mr. Lively, I was able to get an interview with Mr. Charles Meadows. Governor Revercomb is perhaps the most "Christ-like" man I have met in politics. He expressed his complete sympathy to our JACL program and was most hospitable in giving us guidance and counsel as to what we should do to get Senator Revercomb's support. The governor was frank in stating that he knew the senator personally and related to the senator through the marriage of his sister to Horace Revercomb, the younger brother of the senator, but could not be of direct help.

Governor Meadows stated that unfortunately he was not a Republican and therefore he could be of very little help. However, the governor said he would do anything which we might ask. Governor Meadows emphasized that the best way to approach the people of West Virginia on our AEC program was to emphasize the importance of the atomic energy program. He was willing to help if we could get some good people to speak on this subject.

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Open Doors

The governor opened several doors for us. One of the more important doors was an introduction to Arthur Dayton, who is the legal council for United States Steel and a very close friend of Senator Revercomb. I learned he lived in the same house. With Dr. Peterson we were across the street from Senator Revercomb. I learned he lived in the same house. From this geographic bias, we were beginning to make good headway.

Operation West Virginia

In Charleston was rapidly coming to a close. There remained one more objective—that was Dr. Revercomb. There was no sign of encouragement except from the receptionist: "Will sorry for me? Now as I was about to leave, a handsomely dressed man walked into the inner office without saying a word. Now we went to the receptionist: "Who was that?" "The receptionist replied smilingly, 'That's Dr. Revercomb.' "I excused myself. "Do you think it would be possible for me to see him?" AIService said: "I'll ask him, again, though this must be the last time.

After waiting for about another hour and 30 minutes, she came out and said, 'Doctor will now see you.' The moment had arrived after those long days of waiting. The first words from the doctor were, 'I am a very busy man. What have you got to say?'

After outlining our JAACL program to the doctor, I tried to get his confidence by establishing some sort of rapport. Because I had heard that Dr. Revercomb had served with the United States Navy in Japan, I thought we might approach him by asking his opinion of Japanese. But to my horror, I discovered that it was a big mistake to mention Japan to the doctor. His first comment was, 'God, the Japs certainly are primitive people.' But it didn't turn out too badly because for the first time he began talking, however, mostly about the missionary conditions in Japan. The doctor then talked about his own missionary experiences in Wakayama, Sarno and Okinawa.

44th Mentioned

Pleading in my first attempt to establish a good talking rapport, I tried to impress him with the magnificent record of the Nisei G.I.'s in the 44th. His comment was, 'What else can you expect? The Japs were fighting for their own needs. If they didn't fight for the United States, they should have been shot.'

About the only favorable thing he said about the 44th was, 'I respected them for their fighting spirit.' Continuing his remarks he said, 'The niggers' tried to fight in the last war, but they only made a half-hearted attempt and made a complete flop of it.'

My morals were dropped by the statement, but when he made those uncomplimentary remarks about the Negro and Nisei G.I.'s, I began to breathe with resentment. No one, including Senator Revercomb's brother, was going to call Niggers 'niggers' and the Nisei 'Japs,' in a derogatory tone. Revercomb would say 'Jappes,' and Revercomb was going to say 'Japanese.' This confirmed for about an hour and toward the end of our conversation, Dr. Revercomb was saying 'Japaneese' and 'Japanese Americans' as regularly as I.

Past Contacts Bad

During our conversation, it turned out that all of the doctor's comments with the Nisei in the past had been bad. All of his friends, including some Nisei, he had not liked the Nisei. They told him, 'The Japanese are understanding the whites in the vegetable market.' This, he said, 'was primarily because of our cultural background.' He kept on insisting that the 'Japs' can live on a lower standard of living and out-compete the Caucasians in any business. Interestingly, he felt that there has been no real racial prejudice against Japanese Americans, but that the Caucasians opposed Japanese on economic reasons.

In a roundabout way we came to the question of the naturalization. Dr. Revercomb stated that the naturalization bill was big, especially since the Nisei and Issei had proven their loyalty to the United States. However, as an immigration was concerned, he said, 'If you know what's good for you fellows, you better lay off that kind of stuff.'

After three days of waiting for his input, we finally got a chance to meet and talk with Dr. Revercomb. It is gratifying to know, however, that even though he couldn't go along with our program 100 per cent, he was sympathetic to fair play. He emphasized payments and was willing to go along with the naturalization bill. There wasn't a single person who was contacted during Operation West Virginia who didn't go along with most of our program once he had heard the facts. I believe that this is confirming proof that the American people usually favor fair play and justice.

Minor Incident

Operation West Virginia is merely one minor incident in the great magnitude of work which was required to seek support for gaining equality in naturalization. The successful Operation West Virginia was, we shall never know. But we do know that Senator Revercomb, during the last sessions of the 80th Congress, stood up on the floor of the Senate, whether the Japanese Nisei's bill had been passed, the West Virginia bill had passed, and the West Virginia bill was, the next saying: 'Oh, boy. That's all over.'

Multiply Operation West Virginia by the work of the AJC staff working throughout the country, and multiply thousands of times. Operation West Virginia supporters worked rather than those of you who have a real insight into the equality in naturalization and migration.

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Work to Do

"We have work to do. Let's go at it, keeping in mind our threefold obligations: first, to our country and its war effort; second, to the Japanese Americans and nation residing here in the United States; and third, to our organization, which is the only hope for leadership in these difficult times..."

"May we do our work so well that... future historians will write our names with those of other Americans who helped chart the democratic way for others to follow in our pursuit of life, liberty and happiness."

Lost Americans overlook this somewhat flabby (but greatly sincere) admonition, let us at this point pin the names of the WRA center directors in addition to the six mentioned above...


Big Volume

An indication of the volume of business undertaken is found in the minutes. When mimeographed by the JACL headquarters staff, they filled 1134, legal-sized pages of single-spaced elite type. A supplement of the minutes, including reports filed by the various conference committees, made a book almost twice as thick.

The delegates reported on, discussed, critiqued and made recommendations on almost anything and everything that had to do with Japanese Americans. WRA's operation of the centers would have been impossible were they not in advance research.

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On this resolution the delegates voted only as to whether they should ask for the right of a military duty, or for equal treatment under selective service. There was no question about the necessity of asking for acceptance in the armed forces. In calling for the resolution, Mike Masaocha declared: "Through baptism of fire, or in battle, we will show all to the world how our loyalty lie." Kim Togashi moved for the resolution to be continued by Henry Shimizu who said: "We have made a most significant decision, and one which will be proud to recall in the years to come."

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Meeting of Conference

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We Whose Thoughts are Also with Less Fortunate Relatives in Japan

American worthy of their heritage. We, as Japanese Americans, haven't much left, but we do have our citizenship, our ideals, and our future to fight for; and that is more than enough.

"We know what many of you have been through. We know, as you know, what many of you are returning to the WRA centers only to be hunted and your very lives threatened because of your participation in this conference. I know of no words which could describe our admiration for you, or how proud we are to be associating with you in a cause which we all must know is just. I call upon each of you, and all our members, to carry on in spite of all that may come because it is in our faith and our future."

"Dedicated" Convention

It was, as I wrote in my "Pying Fun" column that week, "the damnedest conversation ever heard—an intense, serious, and purposeful session of meetings having to do with the destinies of 14,000 human beings, conducted on a marathon day-and-night schedule. Delegates were so engrossed in their problems that discussions were held all day and half the night—at the conference hall, in restaurants, in the hotel rooms, and even in the men's lounge to which all the delegates drifted during their sojourn, given their honor by a Salt Lake group."

That same week, Col. Karl R. Hoadley, assistant chief of staff in the Fourth army's civil affairs division, was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal for "exceptionally meritorious service" in the evacuation of persons of Japanese ancestry from the west coast.

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National President's Message
At Critical Juncture of JACL

AS THE WALTER-McCarran bill goes into effect on Christmas Eve, equality in naturalization and immigration will become a reality to the Japanese people in America. This will herald the culmination of our hopes and aspirations for nearly four decades. It marks the end of many unavailing anti-Japanese laws which oppressed our progress for nearly a half century. Aided in a special class of "eligibility to citizenship" because of their race, and neither will we be stigmatized by the tauntings as "racially inferior." This equality will open unknown vistas of new opportunities without the need of bearing the heavy yoke of discriminatory laws.

Pay Tribute
During our holiday festivities, I hope we shall pay tribute to the countless thousands who have over the years sacrificed to make this day possible. Many of those whom we should not have forgotten any longer will be with us no longer, but we shall

—a George Inagaki

1952 WALTER-McCarran bill

Evacuation Claims Progress
This year, we also can be thankful for the progress made in breaking the log-jam in the evacuation claims program. With the Congressional amendment passed by Congress in 1951, the government was able to process these claims in much speedier fashion in 1952. We were able to award $17 million to over $16,000 claimants. With the great work done by our Washington office, we were able to secure enough appropriations for the U.S. Treasury to pay $13.5 million of these awards. These payments can be well used by the recipients to replant their properties emptied by the 1942 evacuation.

With the passage of the Walter-McCarran bill, the year 1952 marks the completion of JACL's work for two generations. Now, all of the major objectives set for the Anti- Discrimination Committee at the 1946 Denver Convention are finished. With these accomplishments we can close, perhaps, the most exciting chapter in JACL history.

We have reached a significant point in the progress of our organization and we as members are in a unique position to shape its future course. In 1953, we shall be building the permanent foundation to preserve the gains we have made, and to promote further welfare of all persons of Japanese descent. The naturalization program for the Island and the mainland is underway to make every necessary preparation to build this foundation.

Help Naturalization
Our members must be asked to exert their utmost energies to help insei to become naturalized citizens. Our national organization, in every way it can, will assist the chapters to help in our naturalization drives.

Once our insei members are naturalized, they should be welcomed into our chapters as full-fledged members. With the Insel in our organization we shall truly have a Japanese American organization. We no longer need to be an organization in which only a part of the community can be members. No longer can statistics be made from an "all American JACL," composed of insei and Nisei. Now there

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George Inagaki

needs to be a forced division of our community.

We can well use the counsel and guidance which the Insel can give us in the twilight of their lives, with their counsel from long experience and wisdom, and with our youthful energy, we can push on to greater future endeavors.

Endowment Fund
The JACL Endowment Fund will build our financial foundation for the future. The establishment of the Endowment Fund will provide the necessary funds to expedite our national work without the annual "break-back" funding drive. We believe we will be a partial answer to our present "boom and bust" JACL financing based on "emergency" solicitations. The contributions to the Endowment Fund will become a permanent part of the National JACL treasury and income from it will provide for the future needs of our organization. We hope our chapters will work hard to make this Endowment Fund a reality.

While we work to build the JACL Endowment Fund, and to help naturalize the Insel, we shall need to work with renewed vigor to strengthen our JACL chapters and to make them into alert and efficient organizations. The year 1953 will give us an opportunity to reappraise and organize our chapters to give real services in their respective communities. We must preserve the programs for the aged, "emergency" organization and we must make our chapters a vital part of our community.

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Hello, Citizen" his Filipino customer answered...

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The English and citizenship classes at the McKinley Community School for Adults has a preponderance of Issei who had left Japan years ago to prepare themselves for American citizenship. A rush of students resulted from the passing of the Walter-McCarran Act.

The SILVER airplane landed at Honolulu's International Airport with residents of Hawaii returning from a trip abroad. They were home in time to enjoy atmosphere of lei and balmy air, when suddenly they encountered a "Citizens first, aliens last!" and the Issei tore again the distinction they had suffered all their lives.

The personal director of a large firm repeated solemnly but sincerely, "Sure, we don't hire any of your citizens."

The situation indicates that Hawaii is a paradise like Hawaii in its inequalities among the races.

But fairly with the recent passage of the Walter-McCarran Act, through its shortcomings, all racial differences in citizenship and naturalization were wiped out. That is the greatest dividend effect of the Bill. Many younger Issei feel in their 20's and 30's, but a grandmother of 70 recently registered in citizenship class in adult night school, and feels she is not too old to learn about America.

Applications are being received at the Immigration and Naturalization Service, but these have been slow to be filed as many believe that they must wait until Dec. 31, the effective date of the Bill. Many of Hawaii's Issei are in their 40's and 50's, but a grandmother of 70 recently registered in citizenship class in adult night school, and feels she is not too old to learn about America.

The majority of Issei feel that they are still young enough to enjoy citizenship. After all, they reared children, marked time, and they hope to live for a long time yet. Others pessimistically feel that they cannot apply for citizenship. Their citizenship will go to the world, then, those who argue, and they cannot take naturalization papers with them.

Avoid the main effect of knocking down racial barriers to citizenship, other effects of the Walter-McCarran Act are:

1. Hawaii's American citizens who have married nationals of Japan, Korea and other Far Eastern countries will now be able to bring their wives into this country as permanent residents without regard to quota limitations, provided they meet all other requirements of the immigration laws. Women as well as men may bring alien spouses into the country.

2. Relatives, particularly parents of American citizens will be given preference under the immigration quota. Aged parents who till now were unable to come to Hawaii to spend their final days may now enter the territory.

3. The status of natural-born children born of parents who have been in residence in Hawaii for 10 years or more, who have the possession of land and are enjoying a status not unlike citizenship will be determined by the courts.

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An informal history of a highly informal organization— the 1000 Club
by Harold Tokuzo Gordon

"It was highlighted by Descon Scott putting on his priestly disguise and rounding up the band with a bucket of water in the middle of the band and doing a "sensahumor." The function at the Chicago Convention in 1966 is still offered to the members in all 1000 Club conventions. If no one in attendance will ever forget Grand-Daddy and Bob, the appearance of a Yatabe's appearance in a diaper is a "sensahumor." Beautiful Yatabe's appearance in a diaper is a "sensahumor." Beautiful Yatabe's appearance in a diaper is a "sensahumor." Beautiful Yatabe's appearance in a diaper is a "sensahumor.

Peas were abundant in the 1000 Club JACLers as photographic evidence of the kind of shenanigans that go on behind closed doors at the "Order of the Tie and Gardner" blowouts. This shindy took place at the San of pease acceptance speech. Bow ties are mandatory on men.

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Is the JACL on the Right Track?

by Haruo Ishimaru

JACL Regional Director for Northern California

RECENTLY in San Francisco, a community forum discussed the provocative question, "Is the JACL on the Right Track?" A corollary title for the meet- ing was, "Why the JACL Failing its Functions?" The purpose of this particular meeting was to present helpful criti- cism to the program of the JACL, which was agreed to be well organized. However, the title is particularly intriguing, "Is the JACL on the Right Track?"

It is not only not only of the JACL, but of the Japanese American community. The JACL is a valid one which is selected of any organization that prefers to work for the community. Any organization that would primarily re-examine and re-define its program and objec- tives. The JACL is no excep- tion.

What is "Right Track"? It is attempting to analyze this within the definition of "right" one is the first problem. A good and practical interpreta- tion of the "right" track would be "Are the officers, chapter members and staff of the JACL carrying out the in- structions and decisions made by the local chapter on the national, region- al and local levels?"

It is the principal interest in the question, then, obvious. It is understanding of such funda- mental JACL decisions would be more helpful. Of course, the jacket to be could be throughout the possible facet of the JACL. Perhaps a general idea of the question would be, "What do people want? Do they Idp of JACL opinions and deci- sions?"

Unanimously, in either case it is certain that the logical per- sons to decide should be those who are knowledgeable and interested in the JACL. In Japan, Americans and who have constructedly and consistently followed the JACL or have evidence directly from personal attempts at any local and national levels.

Is the JACL "necessary?" In the analysis of this whole matter, perhaps one should start by determining whether the JACL or any other similar organiza- tion is needed among the Negroes and American citizens of the Diaspora. This is a question which needs to be determined and either they feel may be academic.

It would seem that the first step is not only difficult because of the loyalty of existing JACLers and Issei supporters but it would also sacrifice an organization that has not only won the loyalty of members and friends among the Issei and Nisei but the respect of national and local leaders of all races and recognition and admiration in our governing bodies. Any attempt to build such an international group will have to rely on the same leaders now supporting the JACL.

"Security through Unity" The purpose of this article is not to develop a blueprint point- ing toward perfection; that is the function of meetings on the na- tional, regional and chapter levels. Rather, we would point out that the established ideas of the JACL should be a target toward the fulfillment and perfection. The JACL has two slogans.

One is, Security through Unity. It is evident and agreed that the Nisei have come of age. We point out that the slogan should be interpreted in a fuller meaning as security through unity until for Japanese Americans alone but for our total American community.

"In a Greater America" We Americans of Japanese an- cestry are tremendously proud of our pioneer parents who have set- tled twenty-five homes for Americans, creating veritable gar- dens of the western wild- erness. We are proud of our Nisei ancestors who have so dramatically demonstrated their loyalty not only on a foreign battlefield but in each and every day devotions to their duties as American citizens. Great have been our efforts in such a short time—and by such a few; yet our contributions are only beginning.

We invite not only loyal JACLers and supporters but also our critics to aid and join us in the fulfillment of our dreams. Only through our understanding and understanding of our responsibilities as American citi- zens can we truly maintain the ideal embodied in our second na- tional slogan: "For better Americans in a greater America."
BOOKLEARNING AT 60

Issel throng to naturalization classes to prepare for citizenship

Photographs by Ray Hoshizaki

It WAS GOING to be a cold night. Mrs. Yamamoto could see that when she gathered in her war and started preparations for an early dinner. It was Monday night, and her naturalization class would begin promptly at 1:30. When Mrs. Yamamoto hurried through her dishes and took the "J"-cur to the Centenary Methodist Church, it was already 15 minutes before class time. All around the church, she could see cars being parked—new Fords and old Chevrotas and several gardeners' pick-up trucks.

At the church door, she fell in with several of her classmates and exchanged comments on the weather as well as little jokes about not doing her "homework" again.

In Chapel

The small, auxiliary chapel to the church was more than half

paintedly explains the whys and
whereof of the dry facts that
his students will have to know to
pass their naturalization exam.

Mr. Kondo has a sly sense of
humor and loves to draw parallels
in Japanese and Anglo-American
history. A little sermon on Jeffersonian democracy was phillie
explained by pointing out that Japa
nese parents are apt to yell at the child and impress their aut
hority on him do not know the real meaning of the type of demo
cracy advocated by our third Pres
ident.

Then he draw examples from
Japan's recent history to show what tragedy can recall when
power is lodged in the hands of a few unscrupulous men rather than
in the hands of the people.

From that, we went on painless
ly to explain the reasons behind the Bill of Rights.

Typical of Mr. Kondo's students
is Tomazo Watanabe, a youngph
ishing 60-year-old Issel with
crew cut. Mr. Watanabe works in
the offices of the White Memorial Hospital in Los Angeles and has a
daughter who is a nursing student
at the California Hospital. He
comes from Okayama prefecture and has been in the United States
since 1967.

Another is Masaharu Kazawa.

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Mrs. M. Hirata

Come to U. S. in 1915.

as much as possible, Mr. Kondo

MRS. M. HIRATA

To invade Watanabe
A 60-Year Old Student

filled already, and some of the studen

ners' corners before the passage of
the McCarren-Walter Act over the
President's veto this summer. Re
vival of the 75 to 80 students en
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(Continued from Page 28)
who is in his early 70’s and looks
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ks originally from Okayama pre-
fecture in Japan. He came here in
1898 and is now retired with seven
children (three girls and four
boys) and eight grandchildren.
Representing the descent side is
Tomo Yasunaga, whose birthplace
is Fukusuka prefecture in Japan.

Masaehiko Kawata
7 Children, 8 Grandchildren

Another of Mr. Kondo’s students
is a leader in the local Japanese
community. He is Chochiro Aka-
masu, one of the many who in
their ambitious youth migrated to
America from Hiroshima prefecture.
Characteristically, Mr. Akama-
su was handling the registra-
tion end of the class for Mr. Kon-
do.
Students like Mrs. M. Hirata,
mother of four and grandmother
of six, whose contributions to the
use of their adoption have al-
ready been made during their ac-
tive years but who are still willing
to spend long hours at “booklearn-
ing” at their age in quality legal-
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THE EPOCH-MAKING 12th Biennial National JACL Convention in San Francisco, came to a highly successful close on Monday, June 30, with a huge banquet and the traditional San Francisco Ball. Almost 900 persons registered for this "Homecoming" and also "Victory" Convention, and some 2500 persons participated in various convention events, according to Mrs. Minnie H. H. Nord, registration chairman.

The convention had begun on Saturday morning, as usual, with the Presidential vows of the Washington JACL on "Owen Hill" was received. However, the entire mood of the Convention changed two days later when news of the Senate override of the veto was announced. Years of joy were shed and shouts of gladness filled the Council rooms and the Convention headquarters in the lobby of the Valencia Hotel. Delegates who had fought so tenaciously for the passage of the naturalization legislation for six years released all pent-up emotions.

"We Like Mike"

Almost 500 delegates went to the airport the following morning to see Mr. Mike Mansfield, national JACL legislative director, who had had a major role in the securing of naturalization rights for the Issei. Signs reading "We Like Mike" greeted the national legislative director and his party as they stepped off the plans for the Washington Hotel.

The remainder of the Convention was marked by a sense of reverence, however. The major question to consider was: should the national leadership do anything now since their major legislative objective of the past six years had been realized?

The host San Francisco chapter had its annual delegation program for the convention, and delegates participated in full in all of these events.

Opening Ceremony

An opening ceremony program was held on June 26, at the Vichy Springs Hotel, Dr. Monroe E. Dessau, board president and journal editor of the University of California, delivered the keynote "Welcome Home." He issued a challenge to the Nisei to build a higher standard of Americanism. Americans, stand forth courageously against any and every attempt by direct or indirect means to destroy our democracy and abide the rights of any group of citizens, . . . stand up in this defense as you approve those who stand up in yours.

A solemn War Memorial Service for the Nisei War Dead was held during the Opening Ceremonies. The large Combined Bay Region Vocal Chorus under the direction of Frank Ooka sang its selections, including the JACL hymn—words of which were written by Marion Tajiri.

Following the Opening Ceremony, the Convocation (The "Cable Car Maze") was held in the adjoining room. Here, delegates were able to meet other delegates from all parts of the country.

On the second day of the convention, June 27, officials and delegate programs took part in the various special events—guiling and fishing derby, sightseeing and bowling. The "Cable Car Maze" that night was an especially joyous occasion, as the Thousand Clubbers had a dual celebration—commemoration and the passage of the McCarran Bill. At this time, Harold "To-Ko" Higashi, former president of the club, announced the election of new president of the club.

On Saturday, June 28, the Local Recognition Luncheon was held, at which 36 persons from the Bay Area were recognized and honored for their work in the field of better human relations. The following were honored:

Dr. Alfred G. Risk, professor of philosophy, San Francisco State College; and Mrs. William Davis, associate director of University of California Berkeley, Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Kingman, general secretary of University of California Berkeley; Allen C. Black, president of the California Federation of Civic Unity; Stephen Thornton, American Friends Service Committee; Edward Howden, San Francisco Council for Civic Unity; and Earl Rahn, State Frith.

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Francisco Council for Civic Unity; and Earl Rahn, State Frith.

On the occasion, the Mrs. Harry L. Kingman, pastor of the First Unitarian Church in San Francisco, spoke on "The Role of the Nisei During the Present Threat to Freedom" at the Luncheon. The dinner was held in the hotel. He said, in the fact that it will produce people who refrain from thinking or expressing themselves because they fear the consequences, "the defeat of liberalism to democracy is an inept people,"

The answer to the threat is explaining rhetoric or democracy, said. 1) Keep sams and help others keep sams; 2) Work with others who desire to preserve freedom, otherwise we will lose the other better organized groups; 3) Realize that the struggle for Pacific (basic human security) goes hand in hand with this struggle for freedom. The ultimate question we must ask ourselves, he said, "Are we part of the problem, or are we part of the solution?"

Mrs. H. L. Kingman was also held at the Whitley Hotel, former headquarters of the Wartime Civil Administration (WCA) which carried the evacuation 30 years ago.

A Fashion Show was held short after the luncheon. The following ladies modeled the latest fashions from the Joseph Magnin Company in San Francisco: Mrs. R. H. Raki, Renee Manada, Martha M. Ros, Mrs. Harry Miyashima, Rose Uga, Mrs. Yosh Morris, Mrs. Isma Nishida, Martha Ohshima, and Mary Ann Oye.

Special Events

Special events for the day included a Bridge Tournament and the Bowling Tournament.

That evening, a Pioneers Night Program was held at the local Buddhist Church. In spite of the rainy weather, some 400 guests attended of those, 396 were the "pioneers" who were the honored guests for the evening. Following the dinner, Mike Masakado addressed the group. Masakado said that the naturalization legislation "best gift" to From Nisei to the Issei as a token of appreciation for the courage, the loyalty, and the unifying effort of the Issei in this country.

On Sunday, June 29, the Convention Dinner was held "in the grand splendor" at the Pink Horse Ranch, just west of Los Altos. Under the co-chairmanship of Bob Ooka, chairman and with the help of the San Mateo and Sequoia Chapters, the San Francisco Convention was moved out into the open spaces of the Santa Cruz mountains. Here official and boosterdoers, together with the (Continued on Next Page)
Victory Celebration at S.F.

A solid amount of good, hard work goes into the making of a JACL national convention as witnessed this assembly of serious-minded council members at a session in the Hotel Whitscolm at the San Francisco meet.

Achievement awards were presented to the following persons:

Patrick Kyoshi Okura (Science, medicine and other profession); William "Bill" Hoshikawa (Human relations); Tomoko Kana (Fine Arts); Carl Sato (Farming, Industry and Business); and Ford Hirozono (Athletics).

Yasu Honored

The Nisei of the Bienuen award—the highest honor—was presented to Minuo Yasui of Denver, Colo. Yasui, a Denver lawyer, spent nine months behind prison bars to test the constitutionality of the evacuation of 1943. Yasui, who is affiliated with 56 civic organizations, is also the JACL regional director for the Mountain Plains area without salary.

In the closing remarks by Dr. Takeji Nishikawa, chairman of the Convention, the various committee members were thanked. The five associate chairmen were especially cited for their unflagging efforts.

Mrs. Teiko Kurose, innumerable Yoshino, Dr. Karl Hirata, Gichi Yuboshi, and William Yokumoto.

Following the banquet, the Convention Sunnaya Ball—traditionally the closing event for the JACL Conventions—was held at the Gold Room of the Fairmont Hotel. A Capacity crowd was present to enjoy the dancing and entertainment during the evening.

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Tom Toyoshima
When it rains it pours. No 9057 Nisii athlete prior to this summer has ever come closer to the Olympic Games. So what happens? At the Helsinki games of last July 18-August 3, three Americans of Japanese ancestry won three gold medals—symphonic of world athletic supremacy.

Two Hawaii lads, Ford Konno and Yoshimasa Okawara, took the 1,500-meter freestyle and 400-meter backstroke swimming championships, respectively. California's Tommy Konado dominated the field in weightlifting.

Nineteen-year-old Ford's giant victory in the grueling metric mile swim was particularly outstanding. To triumph he defeated favorite Shiro Hashimine with a sensational rally in the closing stages of the race.

His 1,500-meter victory, incidentally, put the United States ahead of Russia in unofficial team point standings for the first time since the Games started on July 19. Uncle Sam had never relinquished that lead.

He preceded this triumph with a second place finish in the 400-meter freestyle to France's Jean Boiteux in what has been described as the greatest 400-meter duel ever to take place at the Olympics. Placing only about a meter behind the winner, both Ford and Jean came in with the fastest time ever recorded for the 400 in a long time.

Boiteux came in with a 4:30.7, while Kono finished in 4:31.3. You get an idea of the magnitude of these marks when you recall that Hirohito Furukashi first amazed the swimming world back in 1949 at the Los Angeles National AAU meet with his record-shattering long course mark of 4:32.3.

Again it was Konno's terrific 200-meter sprint in his third lap of the 800-meter freestyle that contributed heavily to Ford's epic 1500-meter dash win. The U.S. at Helsinki.

Interestingly 1951 rates as Ford Konno's greatest year. In addition to his Olympic stunt, the Honolulu boy gained a grand slam at the National AAU Indoor and Outdoor championships. He took the Outdoor 440- and 460-yard freestyle and the mile, earlier in the year at the Iowa 299, 440 yards and 1,500-meter freestyle at the National AAU Indoor championships.

His other title wins this year NCAA championships—first in the 440- and 460-yard freestyle; Big Ten championships—first in the 220- and 440-yard and 1,500-meter freestyle.

Getting back to the Olympic scene Ford's 1,500 victory. His winning time was 18:30, plenty fast considering that it bettered the then existing Olympic record by some 42 seconds!

He has done even better, however. Back in the summer of '51 at the 100-meter Washiki War Memorial, he swam the 1.00 in 18:19.6, a mark which still stands today as the then lowest Olympic record by some 42 seconds!

Ford Konno has topped this. The Nippon star has at a distance of 100 is markable 18:10.9 at the L.A. National of '49.

By the way, Hashimine's 1,500-meter defeat came as a terrific blow to the Nippon ace. He really had his heart set on winning this one.

Just before the race, Hashimine pulled out to Konno and shook hands and ushered himself thusly: 'In 1965 you beat me in every race. But yesterday, my time trial was 18:34 while you made 18:52. So today, I shall best you.'

Undoubtedly Ford was born fitted with a certain amount of natural ability in the natatorial art. But the magic credit for his phenomenal swimming success must go to his superb physical condition which comes with hours of monotonous daily practice.

His biggest assets are his terrific leg drive, tremendous reserve power and a great competitive heart. He is most dangerous when the blue chips are down.

Although considered the world's top dog swimmer today, Konno, interestingly enough holds no record for the 100-yard, one of the eight that shows in the 800 meters. His time is definitely faster than the world record, but after many attempts, he has failed to cross the finish line.

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Both Ford and his father, Jack Konno, are mechanics. Ford in his own, the only athlete of the group.

Currently a sophomore in an athletic scholarship at the University, the Olympic champion has his eye on a future minor in business administration.

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Kono's is a Story
by Henry Taketa

A SKINNY LAD in poor health who took up weight lifting during the war eventually became a world champion in the sport is the Horatio Alger story of young Kono Tomo of Sacramento, Calif.

The "tag" to his first name was added to a degree some day in this newspaper, and the "0" in his age probably would have taken place in this lifetime. But the "0" is significant in that it marks the end of an era.

At Helsinki in the 1952 Olympic games Kono lifted a total of 1,420 pounds to win the gold medal in his weight class. The effort showed the previous Olympic record of 1,382 pounds set by S. Shams in Egypt in 1948. In the process the weight-lifting Kono also set a new Pacific-wide and world record for the two-hand lifting with 773.25 pounds on the Egyptian Shams.

Little Known Fact

One of the little known inside stories in the Olympic games was that in order to prevent Kono from winning, the Japanese authorities had to reduce from 1,420 pounds to 1,382 pounds the weight he was allowed to lift. The idea was to spell the defeat of Kono the world in the Games was held as a miraculous achievement.

The 12-year-old champion first learned of his interest in the barbells through his father who decided that he should take up weight lifting to build his poor physical condition, at Tuke Ymca in San Francisco during the last winter.

He joined a small group headquartered in the Ymca but had to train without benefit of any professional assistance. The young lifter worked out of his own accord.

When the Kono family returned to Sacramento after termination of the war, Kono continued his weight lifting activities by joining the local Ymca. However, the barbell test was not of the accepted program of the institution, and Kono pursued his interest on his own initiative at the YMCA.

Attraction

It was while Kono was a Junior Champion in 1949 that Kono attracted attention. Bob Hough, coach of the weight lifting team and considered the best in the sport in the nation, was impressed by this 13-year-old at a meet. When Kono won 835 pounds, Hough declared him a rising star.

"I never realized just how strong Kono was until he had won 353 pounds in the coast meet. He told me he had to buy the stuff to last him 20 years."

In 1950 Kono won the PAA light weight championship and in 1959, the California state and U.S. national championships. In 1959, Kono represented the United States at the International Weightlifting Competition in Copenhagen.

However, it is in international competition that Kono has shined the brightest of his career. He was placed second in the world in 1959 in the light-weight class.

Olympic Champion

In 1956 Kono returned to Copenhagen and successfully lifted a total of 1,420 pounds to win the gold medal, the first American to win an Olympic weight lifting gold since Robert Parry won in 1938.

Kono was one of the first weight lifters in the world to be introduced to the Olympic Games and he has been a regular competitor since.

His victory at the 1956 Games marked the beginning of the weight lifting era in the United States.

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It will leave you asking Why? Why? Why?

By MITSU YASUDA

The FIRST time I met him, I heard, I should say, was over the phone one afternoon. My office phone rang at that. "I am an alien," he said, "and I have been forced into the news of the Calif-Carun Bill very closely. I have also read..." He went on with measured words, smoothly and deliberately.

To anybody, he would have been any alien, Italian, German, Swiss, and very Americanized alien, his English was so perfect. But it seems to me that somehow Issei or Nisei, no matter how perfect their diction, could be identified by another Nisei over the phone. At any rate, this gentleman was an Issei, and not such a bright education, an old one. He said he had heard about a lot of things in the JACL, and he was interested, very much interested. He wanted to know more about our work, now we proposed to get himself and his friends American citizenship... and so on. But he was able to poke a word in, I told him the day and the time of the next JACL meeting.

I would have forgotten about him if it hadn't been for the fact that it was the first time I had heard English spoken so well by an Issei, and the fact that he refused to leave his name, which I thought a little funny because everybody, the JACL meeting was adjourned and everybody stood around the mikes, and I recognized the perfect English before the conversation, and I said, "Oh, you must be the gentleman who...," and he said "Yes, of course. Now I would like to know a little more about this thing..."

A slight tap on my shoulder and an "Mrs. Matsumoto of the middle of a juicy bit, and, I turned around somewhat astonished. The little man, not more than 5 feet, began thanking me courteously, but unsentimentally, for the information that I gave him. I recognized the perfect English before the conversation, and I said, "Oh, you must be the gentleman who...," and he said "Yes, of course. Now I would like to know a little more about this thing..."

But that's really the whole point. Mr. Matsumoto is a New Yorker, lived here 40 years. He has a 65,000, four-liters, gold. He has never spoken a word of Japanese to me. He speaks the language of course.

I've heard him speaking to other Issei. But to any Nisei's home and often good, Japanese, were always answered in English. So, I'm glad he's a man of my own era.

Well, Mr. Matsumoto turned out to be sincerely interested in the Calif-Carun Bill. He asked me many questions, so many I pretty much had to be an expert on the law. He even came up to the office a couple of times, and I would subscribe to a number of bilingual newspapers, plus the Pacific Citizen, so I took to the habit of passing them up, marking interesting bits of information on the Bill, and dropping them off at the office of the apartment house. It took me of the way only a little, but each time, he would call and thank me for them.

Oh, it's true that all other Isseis were interested in the Bill, too. I have a mother and father, and haven't forgot that all of them should have decided to call in individually for advice. But Mr. Matsumoto's constant concern, researching pertinent questions, his action in each advance step telephoned to me always, made me excited and worried about the Calif-Carun Bill as if my own citizenship were at stake. And it wasn't long before I started feeling personally responsible for getting him his checked papers.

Well, when the Senate passed the Bill, we chortled. I say this with special enthusiasm because it was the first time I heard Mr. Matsumoto laugh, and he has a very nice sort of long and unobtrusive. He wanted to donate some money immediately to the JACL, which was promptly accepted. He wanted to go to Washington to thank Mike and Fuso personally, but I was too busy with other business. I only told him in the last that, just then. Not that I didn't think the Manzanars would extend their hospitality, but my eyes were on Mr. Truman, and I had just had time to say, when you were asked. As it happened, of course, the Bill was vetoed.

I guess the saving grace of Issei lives in the Old Country philosophy of "sangoka:" "sangoka:" It's a good one. The Nisei have their practical reckoning, the re-toes be denounced. But poor old Mr. Matsumoto. He was crushed, really crushed. He was had just all time, and I bet his hands were shaking as he called me to ask if it were true.

"I heard it over the radio..."

"And the radio, you know, is very strong at times. It isn't so, it isn't? The President couldn't do that..."

I've told many a white lie in just such situations. Sometimes swear by my oath, but this I couldn't deny. The best I was able to do was to force one into my voice.

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THE MAP

"After a pause he said, "One ought not live with a sword in hand."

by Hiroshi Kashiwagi

IT WAS THAT time of hunger in February. It was when many complained of the tramp, drove off them who came every day in one hand and the other extend- ed. Mama said the hands warned to reach out from their throats. like great, what she could, but still she complained. But for me it was crazy about automo-

biles. That was all I could think about day and night. I especially liked to hear papa talk about cars and make it a point to bring up the subject. When the picture advertisement came I placed it on papa's desk where he couldn't help but notice. Sometimes papa leaned through the paragraph but mostly he couldn't be bothered. He remarked that we must be eating and then cursed as he tried to balance books that he said would never balance.

I think it really started with the map that came as a supple-

ment to papa's New Year maga-

zine. Papa had the map pasted on the kitchen wall and when he talked he pointed to it so often that I soon became quite familiar with the colors and shapes and names of many places. But the places were all faraway, as far away it seemed as the stars.

Whenever I could get away from school and chores I sat on the broadfront of the house where the Lincoln Highway absorbed before my eyes alone for Kiku was always with me. I tried to talk to her, but I could not, and when I managed to get away from her, she no longer seemed familiar with "the white woman," and I didn't believe her.

Then I decided I hated to play with Kiku but I liked the game so much that I always weakened when she began it. Kiku couldn't play it by herself. We would board one of the cars that passed and since were free to chose we chose the finest, the biggest and of course, the new-
est and then we would go for a ride past the fruithouse, the sa-

loon, the service station, the "End of City Limits" sign, a grove of olive trees, the grammar school, then orchard country. The road was familiar as far as Auburn five miles away but beyond that were only dota and names on the map but if I remembered to call out quietly some place like Boston or Minnesota I would go on without asking and our jour-

ney would take us farther and farther away. But never too far.

Kiku would say, "I'm hun-

gry," or develop a sudden itch and scratch her stomach, or sit someplace like her teacher and wave and holler, "Hello Miss Thomas," and we would be back again sit-

ting on the broadfront in front of the store.

"Aa, we come Kiku!" said Betty.

"Why? I didn't do nothing."

Sammy came to town quite often with his father and every time we asked him why Betty didn't come Sammy said she had to stay home.

"Why?"

"Cause she don't work like I do."

"I wish Betty could come some-

times, then I could play with her," Kiku said.

"Aw, she never can come," Sammy said with finality. "I wish the could come," I said and was sorry I had said it. But one Sunday Betty and Sammy walked into the market, it was such a nice day, we all took a bath and decided to come for a ride." Sammy's father explained happily to papa. They laughed and went into the kitchen where papa kept his wine. The lady and mama had so much to say that they didn't know where to begin. They bowed several times.

"How are you?" the lady said. "How are you," Mama said.

"We all took a bath and decided to come for a ride," the lady re-

peated. Mama took up the baby and made much of it, then she gave Betty and Sammy and even me and Kiku a thoroughly good spin. We ran out to the broadfront. Somewhere that was the happiest place to eat our chocolates. Betty and Kiku set up on the box.

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while Sammy and I foolishly stood on

"Can't run, Betty?" Kiku was beginning to entertain her. "We always
come here and watch the cars," she continued.
always: we can.

"Well, almost everyday," she said.

"Gee, I like to sit here," Betty said.

Sometimes we play games," Kiku said.

"What kind of games?"

"It's not really a game," she said.

"What is it then?" Sammy asked.

"You want to play it, Sammy?"

"Sure, if it's not sissy.

"It's not sissy to do driving," Kiku's big mouth already split the

"Driving?" Sammy said, "I drive my father's car at home.

"This is different. It's a big car."

I tried to explain the game and Kiku interrupted me several
times and I told her to shut up.
Finally Sammy caught on.

"Well go in a Buick coupe," he said.

"This is fun," Betty said.

"I know it. I was going to tell you so," Kiku said.

"I'm wearing a white dress." She said.

"Where're we going?" Sammy asked impatiently.

"Pasaraya," I said.

"I want to go to Sacramento, Kiku," he said.

"We'll go to San Francisco," Sammy said.

"San Francisco? Do you know the road, Sammy?" Betty asked.

Of course Sammy didn't know the road, but I said, "Sure you know.
Remember Sammy?"

I'm been to San Francisco lots and times," Sammy said catching
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tried, I didn't know what to do. The man and I sat and talked about the dirtiest and heaviest job in his hand. He got me some crackers and as I ate them I started writing the letter I had to write. I got up with the box of letters and I watched him eat his piece and then he said I accepted. The next day I had a box full of mail and he helped me deliver it. I think he was almost amused by the time I got it all of it marching his at that moment. He started to hitch and and the voice of the man. And I was so mad I was for and muttered out quite quietly. The man looked and all of it smacking his teeth. He started to hitch and I asked, "Do you want to go?"

"I don't want to go," I walked and some were the train. I'm going to the door. But I didn't play the game. The man stopped and said, "We don't play. Now I lie in the shadow of the house many times and when I thought about not eating and when I look at it once, I give him some more time."

"I'm sorry," Papa said waving his hand, and the man, "Here is the super market near the door and said inside the house."

"Oh, Japanese?" Papa asked, "I'm sorry, but I have to come in." He said and he bowed. "I'm sorry," I said and when he turned on his sagged went inside the kitchen to freshen him. He said, "You are married, I think."

"I'm not married, what I mean," Papa said and his voice was a little higher, I said to say, "Please, papa, he continued, "Do you know that there are Japanese families here who go hungry?"

"And they are too proud to ask help. I suppose," the man said."

"Exactly," Papa said. "I had pride once."

"That's hard to believe."

"Oh yes I was pride and poor and miserably unhappy. And it was in Chicago that I learned something," After a pause he said, "One ought not live with a sword in your hand."

"What?" Papa shouted jumping to his feet. This frightened the man and the man asked another word he was gone.

"Papa?" I screamed breaking for the door. Mama stopped me and asked sharply, "Where are you going?"

"To see the stars. I blurted out."

"Whatever you say, but you have told me nothing."

"I know, but I have told you nothing."

"Nothing." Whatever he said."

Nothing, the voice of the man. And Pops asked, "I know, but I have told you nothing."

"Nothing..."

"Just you wander?"

"Yes I live on the kindness of people like you."

"But that's no living."

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Maybe he lost his nerve...maybe it was just Christmas...

by Paul Itaya

TARO SATO looked up and down the street impatiently. Well, I'll wait a minute, he decided. Casually he glanced into the window of the electrical appliance store. The toy train circling the track in a miniature country scene. In both of the rural scenes a cord with a yellow hat, Santa Claus pointed to an announcement of one shopping day left "Christmas. "Phew," he muttered, "ain't got time for that sort of thing!" He hurried on his way.

Out of the corner of his eye he watched the man approach, saw that he was Japanese. Quickly he half-shoved back to the window, all the time mentally observing the oncoming figure. The man turned and Taro stood quietly, yet with bated breath. He sized the situation when he saw the man stop and then enter the First National Bank which was next door.

Taro straightened his tie, tugged at his coat, and walked through the door. Once inside he approached the counter. He took the man was busily writing. From the edge of the counter Taro drew out a small black notebook, picked up the sharpened pencil and began writing. Suddenly the man looked up, saw him, and nodded; Taro waved a "Merry Christmas" and walked dejected. A few minutes later he walked down the street, his face waving laughingly, looking at the Christmas decorations, the distance he could hear Christ- mas music and the talking of people. Finally he left the Salvation Army shop. Unnerved he was compelled to stop at the front of the electrical appliance store where he was staying. For some moments Taro stood motion- less, his mind blankly next move.

"Why do I act this way?" Taro asked himself. "I probably get the fault of my mother's. Hey, why do I worry? Why don't I go out and have some fun? Why do I get so excited?"

Taro circled into a large garage. In the garage Taro sat and lit a cigarette, then with an air of concentration, settled down to his task with practiced and deft hand.

It was just five when he got downtown.

"As I walked along, the street, the store windows were, that are looking out for the British boys."

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TARO HAD bugged itself into making notations in his book. When he got to the Third Avenue he was still the same old Taro. He passed down the street and moved toward one of the windows. From a second story window Taro stood and began making notations in his book. When he got to the Third Avenue he was still the same old Taro. He passed down the street and moved toward one of the windows. From a second story window Taro stood and began making notations in his book.
New cups

Mixed prepared teaspoon until teaspoon water

Hana 19, to

GREETINGS MILTON TAZUKURI

large hours.

KAZUNOKO - KUROMAME - TAZUKURI - OSONI

Kazunoko NO KOJI-ZUKU
1 lb. dried KAZUNOKO
1 box (1 1/2) dried KOJI
5 cups Sake
4 cups SHOYU

Break kauzomoku into small serving sizes, about one inch each. Wash many times in lukewarm water until the water becomes clear. Rinse in cold water and drain. Dry well with a clean cloth.

Add kauzomoku to the remaining ingredients and place in a large glass or stone jar. Cover tightly. After 10 days, stir once from the bottom. It will be ready to serve after the ingredients are combined.

KUROMAME
1 lb. KUROMAME
6 cups water
2 cups sugar
1 tablespoon SHOYU
1 teaspoon salt

Wash kauzomoku. Add measured amount of water and let stand overnight.

The next morning, place the pan on the stove and cook over a very low flame for 12 hours. Use the very lowest heat possible for this cooking. While the beans are cooking, add cold water, occasionally so that the beans will always be kept under water. Then let the cooked beans stand overnight.

The next morning, warm the beans slowly until they reach the boiling point. Pour into a strainer and drain well, about two or three hours.

Add the sugar. When it comes to a boil, add the soy sauce and salt. Stir and remove from the stove. The kuzu may be prepared several days before New Year's Day. It will keep indefinitely if kept in a covered container in the refrigerator.

Place tanzomoku on a cookie sheet and dry in a moderate (320 degrees F.) oven about 18 to 20 minutes. Cool to room temperature. Then coarsely so that the heat is evenly distributed and watch carefully that they do not burn.

Cook shoyu and sugar together slowly until the mixture attains a heavy, syrupy consistency, about 5 to 6 minutes. Remove from fire and pour over the tanzomoku. Mix well.

This may also be prepared several days before New Year's as it will keep indefinitely without refrigeration.

OSONI — SUMASHI STYLE 
Preparations for sumashi-style ozoni:

MEZUNA - Mizuna is a green. Wash in cold water and boil in salted water until almost tender. Cool in cold water, drain and cut into 1-inch-long pieces. Spinach, shingiku or mitsuba may be used in this recipe if desired.

KAMABOKO - Slice red hana

abekas into thin slices with a knife or fancy ridged cutter.

DAIKON - Peel daikon, then slice crosswise into slices about 1/4 inch thick. Thinly shave. Stir-cook until tender and drain.

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TAZUKURI
1/2 lb. TAZUKURI
(small dried fish)
1/4 cup sugar

SATOMO - The following ingred-

1 lb. SATOMO (about 10)
1 cup boiling water
3 tablespoons sugar
2 tablespoons SHOYU
2 teaspoons AYATOMO

Peel and wash satomoto. Cut each into two pieces. Cover with a generous amount of cold water and bring to a boil. Wash immediately in cold water several times to remove the excess starch.

Add measured amount of boiling water to satomoto. Add sugar, shoyu and aymoto. Bring to boiling point. Cover and simmer slowly until satomoto are tender. Do not stir during the cooking and shake the pan gently back and forth until stirring is necessary.

DASHI - The following ingredi-

4 1/2-inch squares of KOMBU
1 cup thinly sliced KATAUO
8 cups water

Wipe the kombu with a damp cloth. Boil in the measured amount of water for about 20 minutes to one hour. Then boil kombu in cold water slowly until the kombu floats to the surface. Remove the kombu leaves and all foam as well. Add katsuo to the water and bring to the boiling point. Boil three seconds.

Remove the pan from the stove and let stand until almost warm. Strain dashi through a clean cloth.

To prevent a last minute rush, prepare the dashi in large quantities on the day before New Year's. This recipe may be made or tripped according to your need and will keep indefinitely in a covered container in the refrigerator.

SUMASHI - The following ingredi-

4 cups DASHI
4 cups satomoto

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Mr. and Mrs. Ken Kato, returned from the west coast, have taken up residence in this district.
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and I can't blame you. But you must understand that as now a Christian, I feel it in my duty to stay with my people everywhere. Whatever happens, I try to argue him out of this dangerous idea by saying: 'Why doesn't your government accept as Christian a government that's as Christian as ours?' You're right, and I feel sure I can appeal to the dispensaries of Christianity for protection."

"But I'm not going to argue with you, dear. I've been to the dispensary myself, and I'll tell you this: the dispensaries are but a small step toward what you call a free marriage."

"Why, I've been to the dispensary myself, and I'll tell you this: the dispensaries are but a small step toward what you call a free marriage."

"You're right, and I feel sure I can appeal to the dispensaries of Christianity for protection."

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"You're right, and I feel sure I can appeal to the dispensaries of Christianity for protection."

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ANONYMOUS
RAIN

“Mr. Endo gave the question a lot of thought…”

By HISAYE YAMAMOTO

IT WAS A little past nine.
Sadako, seated across the kitchen table from her father, watched him eat his eggs. He had always eaten them in this particular way; he would probably never change. First, he finished at his leisure everything but the eggs—the two pieces of toast, the tomato juice, the coffee—then, with two expert flips of his fork he tossed the two fried eggs, whole, into his mouth, chewed once or twice, then swallowed, and breakfast was over for him. Well, it could be worse, Sadako thought. She remembered a man in a story who demanded two fried eggs for breakfast every morning, one egg with a deep orange yolk and one egg with a light yellow yolk. Even her husband liked his eggs one way and not another; he could not abide fried eggs with a crusty bottom—the underbase, as she had learned from bitter experience, had to be tender. (She-limit crisp bottoms herself.) At least, her father didn’t quibble about the manner of eggs served him.

Well, what are your plans for today, Oon-san?” she asked. She asked it pretty well, too; she only had to resort to English for “please.”

Mr. Endo gave the question a lot of thought. He gave everything a lot of thought, or he appeared to, but he never said much. Sadako had time to start washing his dishes before his answer came. She had eaten much earlier with her husband, before he left for work, and those dishes were already done. The baby, right on schedule, was already taking her morning nap. Today, because it was raining, she would like to improve a wardrobe inside for the diapers. And there would be no fuss from the baby, Well, it was just as well. It was always such a job getting the Tayler Tod down the steep outside stairs of the garage apartment.

“Sa, I think I’ll visit with the Iwanganas this afternoon. I didn’t see them the last time. Then there’s a movie I want to see at the Fuji-kan. Don’t expect me for supper, I’ll eat something down in Newown-kan.”

“Okay.” Sadako was rather relieved. Suppertime were usually uneasy when her father was visiting from San Francisco, where he worked as gardener for a well-to-do family (it was the same job he had held before the war). She tried her best to keep a pleasant, digestible conversation going, but she always ended up tensely, describing an overly ebullient monologue. Harry, tongue-tied when it came to going, limited himself to observing her pass the salt and pepper. And her father had never been one for indiscriminate chit-chat. Oh, once in awhile, Harry tried, he always put out in helpless English. Once or twice, too, her father had tried a bit of English. But the fact was that these two principal men in her life were, as far as communicating with each other was concerned (and that was what living was, was it not?—communicating with each other?), incompatible.

“Is he anything you want from down there?” Mr. Endo asked sitting fire to his first cigarette of the day.

“Well, if it’s not too much trouble, I think some maple would be nice.”

“Okay.” Mr. Endo smiled at himself for saying so, and Sadako (Continued on Page 56)
Recipe

(Continued from Page 3)

1 tablespoon SHOYU or bragg's AMINOMUTO
Heat dashi slowly to boiling point.
Add remaining ingredients and bring just to boiling point.

TO MAKE SUMASHI-STYIE SOUMON (5 servings) take the following:

1 cup SUMASHI
5 pieces prepared MIYAZA
10 slices red KAMABOKO
10 slices prepared DAIBON
5 pieces prepared SATOIMI
18 squares toasted OSHIKE
2 cups SUMASHI, heated
Place one cup sumashi in a small saucepan. Heat to the boiling point and add nimono, daikon, and okra. Place an astroloon under the pan to keep the ingredients warm.

Place two squares of onocho in each individual bowl. Arrange equal portions of nimono, kamaboko, daikon and okra in each. Immediately pour over each combination the sumashi which has been heating in a separate pan to fill the bowl three-quarters full. Cover and serve at once.

The one cup sumashi which is kept heated in a small saucepan can be used over and over to heat the sumashi ingredients in each. In this way, your meal is hot, and the sumashi is in the bowl.

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With this move, my friend, I checkmate your king —
Yes, certainly, take all the time you need
To find an escape from your predicament.
Meanwhile, let me light my pipe by the window
And drink in the view of the distant bay
Shimmering with lights from San Francisco.
So difficult is it for me to realize
I am back in this house in the Berkeley hills.
My eye sweep to the stars and I recall
Other bitter, cold nights in other lands.
Like islands hidden in fog-shrouded seas
I remember myself a college graduate,
Ranger and armed with a degree in English —
A Nisei who left these shores for Japan,
Filled with dreams of being another Hearn.
But Nippon of those marching years, taunt
With the hunger for a vast continent
And emblazoned in the endless coin of China,
Gave scant attention to pale discourses
On the West. Militaristic pressure
Seemed academic circles to conform
to the brutal pattern of conquest and I found
My thoughts flickering out in a vacuum.
I was offered a clerical post In Harbin
And with alacrity I found a Japan
Spinning inexorably to the holocaust
of Pearl Harbor and end of empire.
In the middle of Manchuria I settled
With my family, thankful for a haven
—I thought—from the gathered storm that broke
Into Pacific war. Here the conflict
Echoed dully and like a lotus eater
I lived until that disintegrating day
When the cream of Japan's Kwangtung army
Spilled pell-mell into Harbin to avoid
The closing jaws of the Soviet forces.
You can have a nightmare and still be thankful
When you awake, but reality itself
Is nightmare to one who finds himself a prisoner.
My captors only smiled ironically
At my claim I was an American citizen,
I became a servant to the conqueror,
Subject to constant indoctrination.
In my daily round of menial tasks,
I sometimes wondered if my relatives
In America remembered me. I often longed
For death as one parched in a desert
Craves the taste of even muddied water.
But will to live is as tenacious
As a root struggling stubbornly for air
And light through a crack in the sidewalk,
And one day to my stunned disbelief
I was told I had been repatriated.
I remembered I shook like a leaf
When I boarded a transport for Japan.
The sea wind was the breath of freedom
And I braced myself to witness
The devastation wreaked upon Japan.
Ah, my friend, you have found a move
to answer my threat against your king?
You will sacrifice your queen? A pity,
But then this is only a game of chess.
Oh, yes — how was my homesickness? I forgot
to add — I returned to Hiroshima.
"Morning Rain" (Continued from Page 4)

...and I’m sure you can hear that rain..."

Mr. Endo shook his head, no.

Then, while Sadako continued to stare at him, Mr. Endo stepped suddenly to the window, cleared an uncluttered space on it with the heel of his hand and pressed out. Soon enough, there came a light rain, which, Sadako noticed, was water dripping steadily from the eaves, from the; limbs of the thorn, stone pear tree down below in the yard stood out black and wetly shining in the whirling air. He closed his eyes, knowing a second's vertigo as he strained with all his might and even then could not hear the sound of that considerable rain, which all this time, must have beenolutely strumming the roof.

"You like the green ones, don’t you, the green ones with kinshei?"

Sadako nodded with unnecessary vigor. She watched him put his overcoat on and thought him the umbrella. As he was going out the door, she realized she had not said a word to him since she had asked him whether he could hear the rain.

"The CEN Story" (Continued from Page 5)

CEN feels strongly on both sides of this issue, and when Edward Adams, former editor at hearings on the CEN, pointedly restricted his remarks to the JACL Bill within the larger measure, General Neal said the JACL-ACSC took the only course in good conscience open to it, for the gains were real and the only loss came from retraction of an established principle. He said McCarran-Walter Omnibus immigration Bill, the most portable result would have been continued racial discrimination in naturalization and continuation of alien exclusion. The rocks on my hillside lie ective in the sun, Some day perhaps, perhaps, Today there is time only for memories, the good feeling that a needed job has been done, and gratitude for the ready hand of so many Real Americans of all walks in life, for the opportunity has been small and part, and most of all, gratitude that the child and their children have proved once again that the one we call the "American dream" is not sterile, that there will be willing hands always to keep building.
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HOMECOMING

In which Grandma visits Uncle Mamoru in an Army hospital in Auburn, where shops carry 'No Japs Wanted' signs

BY TOSHIO MORI

Y OU CAN say I returned from Tupaia mainly to visit your Uncle Mamoru. I'll be shortly transferred to California—will be cloister to home. My future address will be DeWitt General Hospital, Auburn, Calif.,” he said in his letter.

"Auburn! Auburn! California!" I had erred in dismay over the news. "Why Auburn? That's the hothole in California for racism."

All the while in camp I was anxious for my son. He could have been given more sounder surroundings.

"But, Mother, the hospital is under the Army!" exclaimed your mommy. "Mamoru will get the best treatment. There's no doubt about it."

I had counted on visiting Uncle Mamoru the very day of my arrival in Oakland. I had wanted to see him for myself, to convince myself that he was all right—that he was all in one piece. I did not tell anyone of my dread. Suppose Mamoru was—what? Suppose Mamoru was—blind? Did he have others write for him? Didn't he say he was flat on his back? Now what did that mean? Did he have all his legs and arms? I should have been grateful that he had come home alive. I should have realized that I might have been asking too much, but you know how a mother feels for her boy. I wanted to see for myself.

Then I received a severe setback. Here, I was all prepared to take the bus to Auburn. No, I wasn't anxious about my reception in Auburn. At all. I was concerned with was my boy's welfare. I had been secretly mourning my little son. What stopped me from going immediately? No, it was to see my son. It was the terrible news that the travel restrictions on friendly aliens. Even now I had been judged a friendly alien. On some procedure I was transferred from the enemy alien class to the friendly alien.

"What do I have to do in order to get permission?" I demanded of your mother.

"You must get an alien travel permit from the Chinese Consulate General in San Francisco," she said.

"What will it take for me—to fight?" I said impatiently.

I was told to receive a permit from the U.S. Attorney, hoping there would be no red tape. I didn't understand quite clearly what it was all about.

"Why do I need a pass to see my boy in the Army?" I said to your mother, irritated at the delay.

She said humorously, "Probably just a routine matter. Mother, surely, you will be permitted to go."

"I will go," I said firmly. "And you shall accompany me.

"What do you think of the Auburn situation? How do we get and when can we learn——hotel accommodations there?"

We will worry about that when we get there," I said.

"Don't you think it'll be better if we wait a little?" your mother asked wistfully.

I laughed at your mother's waver- ing spirit. However, the moment she realized how unbearable was the situation she was resigned to fate.

At last the permit arrived. I queued long with wanderlust at the official paper. I could not believe that this ordinary looking sheet would get me anywhere. Yet your mommy assured me that I was free to travel—as far as Auburn. Oh, you remember the morning we took off? Yes, that was the time we were at four in the morn-

Ah! I got to see a boy. When I looked at the clock it was almost noon. I was so disappointed that I almost gave up the trip.

"Too late, too late," I cried to myself. "Why, it'll be dusk when we reach Auburn! I'll turn back and start early tomorrow."

But I could not forget my boy in the hospital. I zeroed in on the hospital. Even a glimpse of him would satisfy me. I looked around the station, noticing hundreds of boys in uniform standing patiently in the line. They were all bound for somewhere—for home, for ships, for camps, for colleges—and I looked about me. I was not longer weary. Fulfilled, but at the same time I was as hungry as ever.

After a hearty lunch I felt much better.

"But I could not forget my boy in the hospital the bus. I wanted to get there early. The trip will take over four hours."

I headed to the trip was like crossing the Pacific again. I rode the San Leandro-bound bus and then transferred to the Greyhound bus from Oakland. It was not to be so. As such, everything went wrong at that moment. First we missed the first bus by the dozen, but somehow we missed one by sitting at the wrong gate. The third bus was too crowded. When I looked at the clock it was almost noon. I was so disappointed that I almost gave up the trip.

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but fertile land off the highway. One wondered how people could stand the solitary existence. It was but I speaking. Here, this farmer did not miss the city bustle but found his peace in the small circle of his family, not venturing further than his farm and working hard for its livelihood. He had a fine house, a home even high class white folks would be proud of, but since he was a Japanese the gas company refused to supply gas. It was a private company, children, so it wasn’t the public utility. But the house had electricity.

Yes, I remember sitting in the living room with my young couple, talking of things in common and thinking all the time about my son who was only 10 miles away. As I lay in bed that hot stifling summer night with only a bedsheet for a covering, I could not sleep for a long while. Several times I went to the window and gazed out into the moonlit sky, just picturing Masoru lying face up in his bed and waiting — just waiting. I was wondering if he had come to the conclusion that all was over for him — that he had merely the short hours to live for and nothing else, that he had joined others who were waiting out their time to call it the finish.

II

EARLY next morning Grandma and  
your mother had breakfast with the  
young couple. They had prepared for  
the cow in the barn, and smoked ham.  
Yes, we had cereal and fruit and  
hotcakes too. So much your grandmother had that she did not get up from the chair for a while. Oh, the morning air that wafted in and  
took hold of her. It was too tempting not to take a morning walk, and so she did.

River present was the vision of Uncle  
Masoru as I strolled around the yard.  
To the west, I instinctively gazed, my  
eyes perusing over the thousand rows of vines in  
the vineyard, brushing through the  
orchard and strolling over gentle slopes and jagged hills. Far off I heard the train whistle  
sounding through the valley, calling  
one of much traveling in the past and  
many more to come. “In a short while,  
my boy,” I murmured. “We will meet  
again. We will be together once again.”

Now I saw him lying beside your  
mother in the bed. “On the way at last,” I  
cried. “Take my own blood and flesh  
dearer than the original, I present  
himself before me. So long, the vision and  
the dream! The day is here — the inevitable  
day destined for me and him.”

All the way I hummed a silly tune  
to myself. The warm country morning  
sounded along with me; the bus sang  
and purred along with my humming. Overhead  
great birds, tiny though they seemed, flew  
with the grace of my soul. Not far off  
the dark smoky train hurtled through  
the earth to the heart of my song; the  
smoke from the fire lazily floated and  
dispersed as if my heart song belonged to the sky.

Oh, children, see how it is to live only to suffer and then live again? It will  
tear you, it will break you in pieces.  
There will be homespun tunes that will  
flatter you to the ground, and there will  
be gnawing diseases that will win  
your heart and soul for a while.

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of a buck and a round of applause. Too many poverty mercen-
aries capable of rationalizing, on a split-second's notice, any posi-
tion at all, and willing to take any position at all.

The writer's loyalty is to his own lights and to the sun lights alone. His only duty is toward women, however red her legal guilt, who asked the judge in open court, 'Able anybody on MY side?'

It is also to the 18 year old who, when a judge asked him, 'What in the world do you do all day?' answered, languidly, 'I read, I find a hallway or a waste book and take a shot. Then I lean. I just lean and dream.'

The increasing use of narcotics among the young is a rebellion. A very easy rebellion to be sure. A rebellion against the way we have made the air sick with fear, as well as the fashion, out of that same fear, in which we have packaged Virtue with Success. So that to fail means so much more than loss of money and good. Since it is either the one or the other, young people are sometimes too difficult to com-
Plate at all, not understanding that the only true failure is in not trying. So they just lean, in one way or another. Just lean and dream.

The narcotics traffic is latching on to thousands of young men and women who don't know what to do with their lives. Not that they aren't capable of doing great things, but that they don't know there are great things to be done. "I know right from wrong but I don't just lean on the ground either way."

Well, nobody ever learned much at home and under their condominiums. For those are social occasions; while writing always and everywhere is an secret and anti-social occupation. All secrecy can possibly learn here is what other rights are.

You have to have your own light to go by, and your own purse for buying. And these you find only off by yourself. Off on your own when you learn to see your own pace, take your chances and your own secret time as well.

For in the end it is only in the individualistic practice of life itself that the writer finds the promise of liberation for his art. It is only among the things of the earth that he may mature the strength of his imagination. In the end it is only his life that is possible for him to save, believe in.

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devour your will and hope. Oh, there will be times when you know why some snuff out their own lives, and there will be moments when you wonder if it is because you have come to the same stage.

Then children, hold on. Wait a minute. It takes but a minute to act one way or the other. Reserve a space for one more RO, one more devastation. If you can stand many beatings why not one more?

Ah, children, you will probably discover yourself after the experience a big fool but a knowing one. You will wonder why you were fool enough to take but one chance at life but you will not again wonder why you were living.

On the way we had to transfer at Anbors. Now the place no longer harbored terror for me. Neither did I hate it for its exclusiveness but pitied it its air of isolation. Once again I saw the signs from the moving bus but no longer did I interest me. I laughed to myself. "I am neither here nor there. Ignoring me or knowing me, who cares? I am reading in my soul."

Forever gone were the signs from my sphere. Now there were of more interest. There was a young lady sitting up front whose fral appeared pinched with worry. She sat quite still but I could tell her happenings expressed emotions were getting the best of her. But she was outwardly calm, and my souleded to her.

"Dear lady, you can hate me all you want if it will ease your pain. I know something of the pain and is in the hospital. You have the right to hate, your body, hating me as I am hating you now. Oh, you can understand me and I won't be able to answer you. Don't you see that I have no weapons to fight you with. I have only this poor little arm and my words and they are your worry that is poisoning you and tell me when."

She didn't understand if it will only repay the hurt in you.

I waited and waited but she did not see me. Here I am, here I am, my heart said. You poor little girl. Why did it have to happen to you? Who couldn't all this pain and worry fall only on tough skins like yours.

Suddenly I saw her eyes light up, and my own eyes followed her and there stretched behind us the old brick-red hospital. For a moment I forgot the presence of the young lady as I followed the eyes of my boy on me. I could hardly contain myself readying to get off. Then the poor young lady notified my excitement as I started to rush past her. I paused un-consciously by the seat, staring at her and my own open. My heart stopped a beat. Then I thought I saw a slight nod of the head.

I only remember walking down the long corridor, holding back my tears the lest I could. I didn't feel a scorching. I knew that an old woman was selflessly making a spectacle of herself to the young boy's ward I could not forget the young boy who had asked me.

I do not remember just when I became aware of the beds, but when I did there was nothing else that possessed me so. Row after row in every ward, I saw the form of a bed but everything else was a blur. I did not clearly see the face of each patient. At that moment, it seemed like a serendipity for a stranger to linger long where there experience did not coincide with the occupants of the bed.

Yes, children, I walked past them in hushed tones. I was even ashamed of the echo of my footsteps in the hall. Here is another ward full of beds. Here's another, another, another, another; . . . I thought it would never end.

"Back home I thought of only my boy when a hospital was mentioned, but here I have forgotten my boy," I said to myself.

Your mother nudged my arm. "We're getting close to Manoru's ward." I nodded eagerly, now fully aware of my mission. My boy, my boy, I remembered then the box of rice cakes I had brought along for my boy. As I gazed at the crushed box in my hand a nurse walking by smiled warmly at me. I looked back at the tall figure in white with the wonderful smile. You are more girl in uniform, approached us. When her imperious face relaxed into a more cordial one. I recalled the song which Yoshio often sang. When a body meets a body, a body should a body cry, coming through the eye. . . .

"This is the ward," your mommy said as she led me into the ward.

"It is?" I said eagerly. I couldn't really distinguish the faces as I walked down the aisle. They all looked so alike. Where are you, my boy? Are you at the mass hall? Are you out on the sun porch? Where are you, my boy? I was almost upon him before I recognized him. He putted me. I had not expected him to be in bed. I took a deep breath before I looked again. He was all in one piece. His eyes did not have the ghastly stars. His face had no scars that I could see. Yes, he had all his arms and legs. For a moment I wanted to cry out in relief but held back. I grasped his hands and all I could say was "Hello, my boy."

His must hands grabbed my hands tightly. They are strong, I thought. But he was flat on his back. Why? Could he walk? I was afraid to ask. "Are you any right?"

Smiling, he nodded his head. Then I rushed into the news of home and the trip. Halfway in our conversation he stopped me, calling the ward boy.

"It's stuffy in here, Mom. Let's go out on the porch where it's cooler," he said.

I packed up the box of native delicacies I had brought for Manoru and waited for him to lead the way. I did not get the drift of the scene as the ward boy came over and thung the boxes off my boy. It was then I saw his thin, stilt, chopstick-like legs. At a certain position they began shaking. The boy swept off the bed in relief. All the way to the clinic, so far I and thin Uncle Manoru seemed, and seated him on the whole bed.

"OK, Tosa!" the boy added. (Continued on Page 57)
Yes, Annabelle and Johnny, he asked about you. "Are you keeping," I let them know. "Maybe I won't recognize you." Yes, that was when Uncle Mamoru asked me to get a father's glance for you, Johnny. And for Annabelle, he wanted to give a party dress. He wanted to know all about the nursery conditions, whether the tipped blossoms had been cleared and the plants doing all right. He wanted to know if we were fairly treated. He repeatedly asked if we had not unpleasant incidents.

"No, I feel right at home," he told me. When I related my experience with the sailor and the sailor on the other year, he nodded approvingly.

"Mama, I'm going to have an operation in a few weeks," Mamoru said. "When I turned wide-eyed, he took my hand. "There's no danger. See this big cavity on the top of my head? The doctor is going to put in a plate for me — I'll have a regular shape of a head."

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Now I looked at his head and sure enough there was a big hole, the bomb had hit him. I was in shock, covered with a thin layer of skin and the balder of hair. I met with neither approval nor protest. My boy, my boy. Long ago I watched you take your first steps. Do you remember the day when we started out for a friend's house and you became tired at the halfway mark? Remember how often you ran away and cried in astonishment for you were fast asleep. Remember the times when you finished first at the community picnic race? Remember the days when you dreamed of becoming a big league ballplayer? Remember the games we all played together in the moonlight at Topaz—you in your uniform and I in my borrowed dress. Did you give me? Remember that day at the station in Utah when you joined in the rush to greet me. You'd be there for the last off this year? Oh, adieu, ancient memories. Recline of me, yesterday and give me liberty for today.

Far away I heard my boy addressing me. Maybe he read my thoughts. He cheerfully said, "The doc says I'll be on my feet. I'll walk again, Mom."

How easily said, my boy. How churliness for my sake. Alone you must walk. Others like myself will understand you, but we cannot travel together. You will walk on the old rail line and trail reserve only for you. Be strong, my boy. Undo that private tissue overlapping yourself to others. Continue, my boy, continue.

"I hope I won't hit on the legs, too!" I asked.

"Don't worry, Mom. Just on the head. See that boy sitting on the bed?" Manoru said, probably hoping for overlap to others. "He was hit on the head too, but his case is different. He can walk but lost his memory.

Memory? I thought to myself. What is the poor boy going to do now? He must begin his education all over again," my boy said. "He's going to school every afternoon to learn his ABCs.

"What about that Nisei boy you were talking about? How was he doing?" I asked curiously. "He smiled at us but did not say anything, and hurried away before I could greet him."

"Tom's a-ahhphant," Manoru said quickly. "He can't understand but is unable to express himself. He can't talk so he avoids people as you are possible."

"Is he going to school too?" was all I could ask.

Manoru shook his head. "He's disgusted with school. He went back to school a few days ago. Wants a discharge. "What for?" I told him. He said, "I'm going back on his old farm's farm in Santa Maria. Sooner the better, he says. I told him to stick around, but no. He's going home."

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"Can I be ready for outside?" I said. "Who can stop him?" my boy said. I sat there gazing at my boy, who was going to take his full treatment. I could tell that he was willing to give me the same treatment in order to get well. Perhaps he wanted very much to get well, because he wanted to fill Yoshio's place as well as his own. Suddenly I realized that I had not asked about Yoshio. I looked at him to see if he had read my thoughts. Would it be better to mention Yoshio later?—For Manoru's sake."

Just then your mummy came to tell me that the doctor was ready to see me.

"Go ahead and see the doc. Mom. He's got all the dope on me. He looked at his watch. "I'll be here, but don't be long."

Your mother was asking the doctor all the things I wanted to know. How seriously hurt was the boy? Is he going to get completely well? he asks.

The young doctor who had been overseas looked at me all the while as he talked. "Well," he said slowly, "He has a fifty-fifty chance."

We shuffled the papers in a folder and then studied them. "It's up to him. Now Tata has a fine spirit. If he keeps up his fight, it will help," he said quietly, turning to me again.

I nodded my head. I didn't know whether his words meant good or bad. But one thing I know. All there was to be done for my boy was done now. The rest was up to him and to the extent of his injury.

All the way back to Mamoru's side, I kept thinking of my new situation. I needed adjustment just as much as my boy, "Now you are no longer the old woman who boarded the bus this morning," I said to myself. "You must begin life anew as of now."

You, children, became a bit older that afternoon. Your mother nudged a bit and you felt you, again, about to fight. Something inside me kept urging and refreshing me to料理er of our once beloved boy days I wanted myself. "If nothing beats you any more you will be sitting down for some dull days. Now, my boy, you have something to live for a little longer. Don't you wish to live long enough to see your boy get on his feet again?"

"I am tired of that," Season's Greetings said. I wanted everything to happen to me in order to see that day. I was willing to see many bad days for a few short hours of breathing. Here was my opportunity to keep myself young and flexible. I could join my boy as a soldier of life. Again, I am responsible for my boy, and I am responsible for my life. Yes, I realized once again—I was responsible for everything, and nobody was responsible for me if I could not do something about it.
Plan for Active Year

After a successful ADC fund drive and Eastern District Council convention in the
area conducted by the outgoing cabinet, 1952 members of the Seabrook JACL cabinet
review their past activities and to map out a series of events for this winter and
in 1953. Above are the cabinet members:

Hanging (left to right): Kats Shibata, 1st vice-president, in charge of social and
club events; Katsuma Nishimoto, official delegate; Bill Taguwa, 2nd vice-president
in charge of membership drive; John Fuyama, treasurer.

Sitting (left to right): Sumi Matsui, corresponding secretary; Charles Nagao,
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Reported by Jean L. Kariya

With Jackie Robinson as guest speaker, the JACL New York Chapter installed its 1963 officers in January. Members of the Cabinet were:
Woodrow W. Asia, president; Fujio Saito, vice-president; Toshibo Morita, recording secretary; Yoshiko Mori, corresponding secretary; Gerald R. Kibo, treasurer; Hisao M. Aoki, program director; Chika Itano, membership director; Clara Clayman, finance director; Betsuko Tsuchiya, publicity director; and Jean L. Kariya, historian.

Through the coordination of Program Chairman Hisayo M. Aoki, membership meetings were highlighted by an interesting program planned by the educational committee composed of Peter Aoki, Ina Sugihara, and Lily Fukuhara.

Social Committee
The social committee's program consisted of four dances, picnic, beach party, and a card party.

Six Members of the hard-working committee were Toma Stockon, Nami Hamson, Tomi Fukuhara, Mary Kuki Morita, Nick Kondo, Edward Miyamaura, and Mary Kasahara.

The most active committee was the Social Action Group headed by Lora Sugihara, with the help of the following committee members:
Rita Aoki, Benito Ikeda, Ben Gil, E. James Starr, Woodrow and Hisayo Asia.

Sickens

A delegation of JACL and Issei leaders call upon Sen. Ernest W. McFarland, then Senate majority leader, to thank him for his support in the passage of the Walter-McCarran Omnibus Immigration and Naturalization Bill. Shown here with the smiling Senator are (left to right): Hisayo Aoki, Tad Tsuchiya, John C. Glyn, public relations director; and T. Okahayashi.

By Jerry Eaton

The Arizona chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League is working up a year of parties and accomplishments.

This state chapter has its headquarters at Glendale. It is a rapidly growing city of about 10,000.

Members of the Arizona JACL worked hard and long to use their influence to help secure passage of the Walter-McCarran Bill.

In connection with the passage of this bill, naturalization classes will begin in Glendale in January for about 200 Japanese Issei.

Swamped Leaders

John Tsuchiya, president of the Arizona JACL, and John Glyn, public relations director for the state chapter, swapped Arizona senators Ernest McFarland, upper house majority leader, and Carl Hayden, senior senator from this state, with calls, telegrams, and letters urging passage of the Walter-McCarran bill.

One important meeting was held in Phoenix when the author of this article, the Japanese people, were unable to attend. The meeting was over. I don't believe there was anyone there who didn't think it should be passed," Glyn said.

After President Truman vetoed the bill, the Glendale people didn't give up. They called all contacts to their senators and urged that the bill be passed over the President's veto.

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For the benefit of all JACL members we hereby report the results of the November 27, 1952, Special Tax Ballot Election. The following resolution was passed by the general membership:

WHEREAS, the JACL's tax balloting procedure has been a failure and the JACL has previously said it would not continue to use the tax balloting system any longer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That the JACL shall discontinue the tax balloting system immediately.

2. That the JACL shall create a system of direct democracy to replace the tax balloting system.

3. That the JACL shall implement the new system immediately.

ADOPTED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

The above resolution was adopted by the JACL membership on November 27, 1952. The JACL has since implemented the new system of direct democracy and has begun educating its members about it. The system has been a success and the JACL membership is happy with the change. Our society is a better place because of it.
 calendar shows July for Merced Liberty

A CALENDAR of activities pursued by the Merced-Livingston chapter of the JACL during the past year shows that except for the late summer and early fall membership drive, there was something brewing every month of the year.

FEBRUARY 8—Installation of the 1952 officers was followed by a spaghetti potluck dinner which was arranged by Mrs. Mary Tanji.

APRIL 9—Membership drive was successfully completed with a total of 121 members signed up. The drive was capably headed by Mrs. Kajiwara.

APRIL 26—Beautiful spring day brought out the chapter in a complete chapter picnic at Hagemon Park. James Kirihara was in charge.

APRIL 26—JACL presidents were awarded to past presidents of the Merced-Livingston chapter. They are David Torigoe, William R. Yoshida and Runchi Nakajima.

MAY 19—"Candidate's Night" for candidates for Congress and the Merced County superior court judgeship pleasing their cases to the Joint chapter.

MAY 28—A memorial trip to San Bruno Cemetery was made by chapter representatives to pay tribute to the local hero who are buried there. Franklin Osuna was one of the visiters.

JULY 19—Annual JACL outing at Yosemite was enjoyed by large number of chapter members. The Water Management Drive.

SEPTEMBER 19—Panel discussion on state propositions was held of Past-Delegates meeting. Panel included Mrs. Martha Hasegawa, John Han, George M. Yoneya, Walt Morimoto and Bill Yocum. The moderator was George Kirihara. Jake Kirihara chaired the meeting. Refreshments were served to complete the meeting under the guidance of Grace Kinnison.

SEPTEMBER 15—A harvest wind-up social was held with plans being led by Mrs. Han. Co-chairmen for the occasion were Miss Haskins and Joyce Kinnison.

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WITH HENRY Tanaka as president, the Cleveland chapter started right in January to plan for the year's activities. Aiding Mr. Tanaka in the important work are following vice-presidents: Sabane Yoshimura, secretary; Min Iwanski, treasurer; and Kihachi Kurosawa, assistant secretary. Clinton Bunuda, publicity chairman; Michael Sakata, program and relations chairman; Harry Kaku and Chuck Kadokawa, program and relations chairman; Harry Kaku and Chuck Kadokawa, membership chairman.

The program committee, headed by George Ono, planned a busy year, to culminate in their annual Fourth of July Ball. On Mr. Ono's committee: Mrs. Hana Nakahara, chairman; and the following: Mrs. Tomi Nakagawa, Mrs. Sadie Celebrities of 1953, Tama Sadataki, Kiyoko Nakagawa, Noriko Yoko, and Betty Nako, Yoko Nakahara, Sadie Plemons, and Betty Nakama as members.

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Reported by Ald Tokita and Hisao Nukaya
WITH the 1952 cabin headed by President Hisao Speed Nukaya, the Idaho Falls Chapter had a field of service and fun, consisting of the president and:
Sam Yamasaki, vice president; MasayukiHonda, treasurer; Kenmi Taguchi, secretary; Etsu Sakaguchi and Amy Ninomiya, social chairmen; Joe Nishida and Kenji Yamashita, local secretaries; and Tom Ito, Tom Giella (basketball) and Elton Matthews (football) managers.

15th Annual Picnic
Activities for the year started out with a bang with one of the biggest and most successful events for the chapter, the winter carnival. Each of the Idaho Falls chapters were co-chairmen.

Tournament Held
Our basketball tournament was held on Feb. 14, 15 and 16. Invitations were sent out from teams in Lake City, Utah; Honeyville, Utah; Provo, Utah; Carson, California; two teams from Rexburg, Idaho; and two from Idaho Falls. Joe Nishida and Sam Yamasaki were in charge of the tourney.

Memorial Day was observed by the chapter placing wreaths on the memorial graves and a potluck lunch was held for a number of years.

June Picnic
The month of June was ideal for our annual picnic held by Shelley High School. Everyone from Idaho Falls, Provo and Rexburg enjoyed the outing, bringing a variety of ocean with them.

To Yellowstone
In July, our chapter went on an outing to Yellowstone Park, starting at 6:30 a.m. We proceeded to Jackson Hole to take in the beautiful scenery and to ride the 2,000-foot ski lift.

From Jackson Hole, we went to Jenny Lake for some horseback riding, boating and hiking.

Women folk of the chapter served a delicious lunch at the entrance to the park. Members then went to West Thumb for fish and joy fishing in Yellowstone Lake. The fishing was great and was our last stop. We enjoyed the delicious trout we caught and a wine roast. We all enjoyed the trip and are looking forward to another one in 1953.

Another winner roast was planned for July. Sam Sakaguchi and Amy Ninomiya worked as hard to prepare for a wonderful time, but the weather man certainly wasn’t very cooperative. You, I hope.

Welcome Masako
In August when Mike Sakakibara, his mother and wife Etsu were passing through Idaho Falls on their vacation, we had dinner together at Jack’s Chinese. Mike talked about his experiences while working with the ABA, particularly on the Walter-McCarran hill.

Civil Duty
Along with other civic organizations in Idaho Falls, our chapter took up the project of buying blouses for the new high school stadium. We were to buy a half section of seats.

December Fall Faire
It looks as though December will be a full month too, from our viewpoint. November was planned with a dinner-dance. Our chapter is also working on a building project to be held on the 28th and 29th of this month.

High Calibre Membership Sparks Dayton, O., Chapter
SMALLS, comparatively speaking, in number, but in the calibre of its membership, Dayton, Ohio chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League, is on a high note that has been maintained for two years.

Installation of officers at the Changing Room in January by the Rev. Herman R. Ray as the installation officer, taking their oath of office at that time:
Dr. James T. Taguchi, president; Masuo Yamada, first vice president; William Yuka, second vice president; Mrs. Helen Yokoyama, third vice president; Mrs. Frances S. Yamada, recording secretary; Mrs. Yoichi Ito, treasurer; and Hiroshi Okubo, treasurer.

The get-acquainted party was held on March at the home of Dr. and Mrs. James Taguchi. Dr. Taguchi explained in detail at this time the functions of the JACL and the Walter-McCarran hill.

Hawaiian Guests
A pot-luck supper was held in May at Borden’s Cottage. Special guests were 10 Hawaiian Nisei attending the University of Dayton. They entertained with music on the whistle, singing and hula dancing.

Picnic
Summer came, and the chapter enjoyed a picnic at August at Madison Park. A hamburger fry and fun and nourishment.

October
The regular meeting was held on October. As the season drew to a close, Yoshihara, Mrs. Max G. Scherbier, vice president; Mrs. Takeo Nakamura, on behalf of the Dayton chapter, presented him with the JACL president’s pin for serving 12 years as president of the Dayton chapter.

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On the return trip to the City of Tans, a successful out-of-town meeting was held. Many of the members were again able to see the exterior of the new building which was dedicated in May.

The March安装 was in charge of the annual civic picnic in March, aided by the Dash-K and the San Pedro. The total event was hosted by John Kato, with Bob Kana- gawa as master of ceremonies.

Summer

Big event of the summer was the talent show to celebrate the completion of remodeling of Sanger Community Hall. Talent from both Sanger and Del Rey participated. Sandwiches, cookies, fruit and soft drinks were served to all who attended. A gay evening was enjoyed by all.

The national convention in San Francisco in June was attended by Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kana- gawa, Mr. and Mrs. Kabuki Okuda and Mrs. Tom Nagamata. Many of the delegates attended as hostesses.

Movies

Four Japanese movies were sponsored during the past year at the Sanger-Del Rey chapter. The series of fund-raising movies was a pot-luck dinner and evening in December will bring an active member of the chapter as host.

Other community activities included in the City of Sanger at the present time in October took Mrs. Robert Ahl and the busy Del Rey P.T.A.

Mrs. Riley was a resident of Salt Lake City for many years and was well known to many of the Sanger-Del Rey chapter members.

Mrs. Riley, who has been a member of the chapter for many years, was a well-known figure in the community and was respected by all.

The Sanger-Del Rey chapter is working hard to continue the good work begun by the former chapter and to bring more people to the meetings and activities.

Mrs. Riley was always ready to help with any task that was assigned to her and was a valuable member of the chapter.

In conclusion, the Sanger-Del Rey chapter would like to express its gratitude to Mrs. Riley for her many years of service to the community and to all of its members for their support and loyalty.

Sanger-Del Rey chapter

PACIFIC CITIZEN
Long Beach Harbor Honors Issei in 1952 Activities

APRIL 19—THE NEW president, Mas Narita and his cabinet, Noboru Nakamura, Guy Koyama, second vice-president, Yaye Marumoto, third vice-president, Ray Kuroki, recording secretary, Nobue Nakamura, secretary, and Frank Chuma, official delegate, were installed by the San Pedro Chapter, with Brother Okura representing Los Angeles.

Frank Chuma, then national first vice-president, spoke in praise of the state supreme court's decision and before the Pacific Beach and principal speaker, praised Issei pioneers for their contributions to the development of California.

Frank Chuma spoke in favor of a bill introduced to provide pensions for all 75 years of age and over in all communities. The Issei had few patriots, with a majority of the Korean conflict, was passed special tribute.

Other civic dignitaries present were John S. Gibson, Los Angeles City councilman, and Max Livoni, Long Beach councilman. To Mr. Takehashi, Long Beach JACL's first past president, was toastmaster, Danny, who held the event in Japan round out the evening.

MAY 17—Long Beach Harbor District chapter is the new name of the local JACL chapter. "Be-Pleasure" JACL chapter, which includes most of the harbor district in Long Beach, Wilmington, San Pedro, and the chapter president, Mr. Koichi Miyagishima, was re-elected to the post.

On August 25, an appreciation program was held at the City's Welfare Center, and the ABC supporters also began this month.

Tajiri Farrell
Salt Lake City JACL's honor was the receipt of Farrell to Larry and Gaye Tajiri, long editor and assistant of Salt Lake City JACL. Farrell was also recognized as the editor of the Salt Lake City JACL chapter.

Another ABC benefit movie was jointly sponsored with the MT JACL chapter. On Oct. 25, the chapter-sponsored Jacinto, a Spanish class with Masao Nakamura as instructor, presented a program to an active year to attend the temple square hotel on November 15th and election day, 1953 held in December.

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this very successful event were the Niko Jinkai, JAC, and all other Nisei boys' and girls' clubs in the area.

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FIGHTING FLOOD threats, taking active roles in civic organizations such as the Parents' Touchers Association and Y.W.C.A., doing voluntary work at the Children's Memorial Hospital and sponsoring a host of good times for themselves and their friends occupied the seemingly boundless energies of the Omaha chapter during the past year.

With the mighty Missouri threatening to go on the rampage on Omaha during the spring thaw, men of the JACL chapter there were all voluntary fighters in the struggle to halt the flood waters. Many of them worked from 12 to 48 hours without rest to protect property.

Chapter activities themselves started off to an early start with a special cabinet meeting called following Kansas City New Year's Day at the home of president Cecil Ichiuji, president, to set the state for the 1952 JACL elections.

Following by the busy timetable pursued by this chapter and the committee of president, Taku Nakado, and Mrs. Saki Nakado, and the others, it was decided that the whole board would meet the committee, so the whole board were influential in the member of the cabinet and for a major turn of the board they were influential in the membership over.

Two New Recruits

At the next regular meeting in a new setting there was a new blood in the form of the new recruits of the chapter. These two men were made by Mrs. Hayashi and Mrs. Nakado, and they were influential in the membership over.

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FOWLER JACL at this point is reminiscent of the ox team and log cabin days of the early American republic in which hardy pioneers plodded through rough and roadless terrain to open up the country. Like the pioneers, our enterprise is high and we are young and eager to meet the problems of the Nisei in this community through the Japanese American Citizens League.

Many joiner Nisei attempted to start a chapter in Fowler in the past several years, but with no success. Then in June of this year under the inspired leadership of Dr. George Miyake, Fowler JACL was at last organized.

Dr. Miyake heads our first cabinet, aided by Hake Shitake, vice-president; Howard Renge, second vice-president; George Kamikawa, treasurer; Chisaki Renge, recording secretary; Tatsuno Wada, corresponding secretary; Fred Honeda, athletic director; Frank Sakohira, advertising director; Bill Kamikawa, alternate delegate; and the Rev. Carl Yoshimine, publicity chairman.

Hideo Kikuta and the Rev. Carl Yoshimine resigned from their posts due to press of other activities, and Howard Renge and Thomas Toyama subsequently filled the vacancies.

The membership, under able Fred Sakohira, was conducted and concluded in June with 118 members and 23 officers and members signed up.

March 14—JACL Day

The infant chapter was able to contribute 800 to the JACL drive in June. Tom Kamikawa was the drive chairman.

Law student Howard Renge and Thomas Nakamura took charge of the local chapter's complete 800-Oil Fight.

On June 27, an armistice was declared, and Fowler welcomed the Henry Ohye Honorary Flight pilots at the Fresno Chandler airport. A ben- 365 quiet was held by the Central California District Council during the same evening to honor the pilots. Two of them were Tohru Nishina, formerly of Fowler. They placed second in the second annual flight from Los Angeles to San Francisco, which was held in conjunction with the national convention. Fowler JACL donated $10 to the Nishinos brothers.

Dr. George Miyake and Tom Shibukawa were the official delegates from Fowler to the national convention in San Francisco.

Thomas Toyama was appointed editor for the Fowler JACL monthly bulletin in June. The bulletin honored Nisei veterans to the August issue, approximately 100 of whom served in World War II, with present Korean conflict from Fowler.

Fall Festival Plans

October is when the whole local community looks forward to the annual fall Festival which is sponsored by the Lions Club. Fowler JACL decided to enter a float in the parade, and Clara and Fred Monka, a father and sister combination, were selected as chair- pawn.

The float was designed by Tom Kikuta, who received his honors during his high school days, and created.

During the early part of Nov- ember, Nobu Hirokawa of the national division with our

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The year 1952 was great one—that one that was to realize the biggest and most glorious legislative victories for the Nisei Americans, and we of the Alameda chapter can join with 80-odd other chapters in declaring we did try to do our part in the big effort.

In mid-January, the new cabinet, headed by Roland Nishino, was installed by Mayor Omura, at a dinner. In Mr. Kado наго's presence.

Yasuharu Koike, first vice-president; Masao Abe, second vice-president; Hisao Hiras, recording secretary; Aiko Yamamoto, corresponding secretary; and Yasuo Yamamoto, treasurer.

The new cabinet was faced with the first in the Festival. On the following evening the Fowler JACLers held the much-talked about inaugural dinner.

The local JACL had made a survey of its area, Fowler, who had records in the United States for 10 years, to be the primary hostesses honored at the inaugural dinner. Also present were many officers and commit- men of the group. Tom Shibukawa was the master of ceremonies, and a dinner was held in June to supervise the in- ventory. There was a good turnout of the successful dinner.

Fowler JACLers also helped with the Central California District JACL fall conference on November 16. Dr. George Mi- yake was in charge of entertainment, and Thomas Toyama, in charge of conference publicity. Tom Kikuta led the group in the opening ceremonies with some interesting remarks.

At this writing in mid-Novem- ber, a group of men who are working on the employment service plan for the successful dinner.

Employment Aid

The national office, that to maintain interest in our organization, will direct to the help of the job seekers. This is the only mind, the chapter undertook the employment service plan to pur- suit leads for job seekers. Mrs. Norie Takada is busy in directing this project.

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