



Miss Violet Niimi (center), Cherry Blossom queen Honolulu, poses with two Japanese actresses in Tokyo, Mitsuko Kimura (left) and Fujiko Yamamoto (Miss Nippon).

HONOLULU NEWSLETTER

Nisei queen visits Japan

By LAWRENCE NAKATSUKA

Honolulu
Hawaii's 1953 Cherry Blossom Queen has returned from Japan with some souvenirs, a lot of memories and what she calls a "broadened outlook on life."

Miss Violet Niimi, reporting on her month's tour which she won in the Honolulu Japanese Junior Chamber of Commerce contest, said she was given de luxe hospitality wherever she went.

Mayors of several cities in Honshu and Hokkaido welcomed her. Even a prefectural governor was down to the railroad station to greet her. She chatted with movie stars at five studios.

"It was all new and exciting for me," Violet recalled upon her return in early October. It was her first trip abroad since she had visited Japan as a six year old.

"My horizons have been broadened," the comely, 22 year old Nisei said with becoming earnestness. (Violet was an honor graduate at the Univ. of Hawaii last June.)

"I didn't realize how confining living in Hawaii could become. Now I want to travel, probably to the Mainland next."

But first she wants to teach, which means she must complete her fifth year training at the University of Hawaii Teachers College this year. Then she wants to do pupil counseling.

"It is difficult to pass on knowledge to children through vicarious experience," Violet remarked. "As a teacher I should know, from first hand experience as much as possible, what I am teaching."

Take Japanese culture, for instance. "I didn't realize how old Japanese culture really was, until I visited Kyoto and Nara, where I saw buildings that were thousands of years old."

Or take the economics of Japan. "I visited several relatives on the outskirts of Hiroshima, in a small farming community."

"The farmers lead a simple life but by comparison they are far better off than many people in the large cities who receive very low salaries and pay high rents."

"In Tokyo I was told of cases where tenants were forced to pay three months rent in advance, in order to get

living quarters. But the tenants don't get the money back later, as they should."

Violet also told of seeing the homeless people, many of them disabled veterans, who spend all their time in railroad stations, begging.

"All this was sad but educational. I want to go back to Japan to spend more time and really get to know the country."

Violet's mother accompanied her on the trip that was arranged "just about perfect" by the Japan Travel Bureau. Incidentally, Violet received generous publicity from the Japanese press.

She was showered with souvenir gifts—pearls and linen from Hokkaido, lace and fabrics from Kyoto, jewelry from Nagoya.

To show her appreciation to the Japanese Junior Chamber, Violet is prepared to assist in putting over the 1954 Cherry Blossom Festival next spring.

What her role will be she doesn't know yet but she surmised that it probably will be by way of publicity and in assisting the girls who vie for the Cherry Blossom crown.

The Rev. Susumu Yamane was ordained and installed as pastor of the Ogden Japanese Union Church by the Utah Conference of Congregation-Christian churches.

S.F. ISSEI ELIGIBLE TO VOTE IN ELECTIONS

San Francisco

Out of some 120 Issei who have become eligible to vote by naturalization in San Francisco, close to 100 are believed registered for the special election held last Tuesday. At least 75 were registered at a special registration period arranged by the San Francisco JACL several months ago.

It was the first time in U.S. history that a sizeable number of former Japanese aliens were able to vote.

Watsonville-born Nisei naturalized as citizen

San Jose

Kiyoshi Tokutomi, 30, was naturalized Oct. 21 in the San Francisco federal court by Judge Louis E. Goodman. Although born in Watsonville, Calif., he spent 22 years in Japan and was drafted as a Japanese national into the Japanese army in August, 1945.

By reason of this service, the U.S. government determined he had expatriated himself. His attorneys, Wayne M. Kanemoto of San Jose and Fred Okrand of Los Angeles, filed a suit to establish his citizenship last year.

However, upon his return to the U.S., the suit was dismissed and a petition for naturalization under the old Immigration and Naturalization law was filed. The petition was favorably acted upon by the court.

Dr. Kurumada drafted as major by army

Salt Lake City

Dr. Jun Kurumada, practicing dentist for the past 15 years here, is being inducted as a major at Fort Sam Houston, Tex., next week. His family will remain at the present residence, 1260 E. 5th South, until his permanent assignment.

Twice JACL chapter president here, Dr. Kurumada is a recognized bowling and golf ace. A farewell dinner-dance in his honor was held recently at Peeler's Forest Hill cafe.

Dr. Tom Kono, Salt Laker now in Tokyo, is expected to return home in December to continue Dr. Kurumada's practice.

EVACUATION CLAIMS

GOV'T DISCLOSES METHOD USED TO COMPUTE FARM CROP LOSSES

Washington

Regardless of how anticipated profits or earnings may be concealed, they cannot be compensated within the meaning of the Evacuation Claims Law, the Department of Justice notified the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League.

The government enunciated this principle in an adverse adjudication involving crop losses. The ruling further disclosed the method used by the government to arrive at a determination of compensable farm losses in an evacuation claim.

When the Justice Dept. was considering this decision, the JACL submitted a strong memorandum urging judicial methods

used by most courts of law. The legal precedents supported by JACL-evaluated crop losses by the "market price of probable yield, less the cost of marketing, harvesting and bringing to maturity."

In rejecting the JACL-recommended judicial formula, the Government stated it would place the claimant in the same financial position that he would have occupied had he been permitted to harvest and market his crops and had he been successful in that endeavor for no reduction would be made on account of profits or earnings, attributable to risks, managerial skill, etc., accruing between time of loss and the date selected for the determination of the market price.

According to the Justice Dept., proper calculation of crop losses under the evacuation claims program is "made by multiplying the potential market value of the crops on maturity by the average percentage of the total of costs, of planting, growing, harvesting, and marketing the crops, that had been incurred by the time of such loss; and by subtracting from that figure the amount received by claimant on the sale of the crops."

The Government stated that the judicial precedent used by most courts would result in compensation for anticipated profits or earnings and, as such, is not payable as an evacuation claim loss under the Act.

Its own method, noted the Justice Dept., "attempts to attribute to a growing crop that portion of prospective profits and earnings due to work already done and risks already incurred which the owner, if a willing seller, under no compulsion to sell, would have insisted upon receiving as part of the sale price; but at the same time, it seeks to eliminate that part of the net gain that a willing buyer would have demanded as a reward for his investment and for incurring the future risks of maturing, harvesting, and marketing the crop."

The Dept. of Justice acknowledges that its calculation is not perfect and "any claimant is privileged to demonstrate, if he can, a better method of utilizing the proof that he is able to adduce."

MASAOKA WEST COAST ITINERARY ANNOUNCED

Washington

Mike Masaoka, Washington Representative, left the nation's capital yesterday afternoon for the west coast.

He was expected to meet with National and Chicago chapter officers to discuss their problems last night.

The weekend of Nov. 7, he will attend the Northern California-Western Nevada District Council Convention in Stockton, giving the banquet address to the delegates.

The next weekend he will participate in the Central California District Council Convention in Fresno. He is also scheduled as the banquet speaker for this Convention.

He is to report to the National Officers and to the delegates attending both Conventions on the evacuation claims program and the naturalization problems of certain Issei.

The week between the two conventions will be spent in San Francisco and the week after the Fresno meeting in Los Angeles.

● Six rare European books, one a first edition of Galileo's Dialogue, were discovered in an Osaka library. Published in Latin in 1632, it was found among 20,000 volumes donated by a wealthy Japanese.

Washington, D.C., Clers honor Medal of Honor Nisei hero at testimonial

Washington

Hiroshi Miyamura was feted at a testimonial dinner by the Washington, D. C., Chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League the evening of his decoration by President Eisenhower.

Miyamura, only living Nisei Medal of Honor winner, was honored at the Washington, D. C., JACL Chapter dinner for his outstanding contributions to the Nation and to all persons of Japanese ancestry.

Under the toastmastership of Mike Masaoka, DC Chapter members, with delegations from the Seabrook and Philadelphia JACL chapters, enjoyed a light and informal evening highlighted by a question-and-answer period with the Nation's highest honor winner, himself a member of the Albuquerque JACL chapter.

Mrs. Terry Miyamura, wife of the honored guest, is also an active member of the same chapter.

Miyamura informally related his many experiences while in a Red prisoner of war camp in North Korea. Noting that only two of his fellow prisoners in his company accepted the Red propaganda, he explained that

his group discussed sports and food when they were supposed to be discussing politics.

"We just didn't go for the Communist bunk about America," said Miyamura when asked how he felt about the Red indoctrination program. "They (Red Chinese indoctrinators) tried to picture America as a place of evil, but we knew better."

"The Reds treated us much better when the truce talks improved and we received better food," he answered to explain the varying treatment received during his 28 months as a prisoner of war.

Mrs. Terry Miyamura was presented with a souvenir plate by Ethel Fukuyama on behalf of the Chapter. It was explained that her husband has been receiving many awards and citations for his gallantry, but, as JACL wives will realize, considerable sacrifices are made by the wife of such a celebrity. "Terry has been most gracious during her visit here," expressed Mike Masaoka.

Col. Campbell C. Johnson, Assistant to the Director of Selective Service, commended Miyamura and other Allied prisoners of war who refused to accept

Communist ideology for their "forthright and stout devotion" to the Nation all during the many months of Red indoctrination attempts.

"We must perfect our democracy at home in order to better seal the only 'pure product' of human dignity and welfare to the many countries now wavering under Com-

munist pressures," added Colonel Johnson.

Just prior to the Miyamura testimonial supper, Henry Gosh, Shiro Nose and Mel Smith, all with the U. S. Public Information Service, formerly the Voice of America, recorded a broadcast with the Medal of Honor winner and his father for

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Judge William A. Black of the Denver District Court addresses the Mile-Hi JACL during Nisei Memorial Services at a new citizens program. Seated (left to right) are Rev. Waichi Oyanagi, master of ceremonies; Rupert Arai, Memorial Service chairman; John Noguchi, chapter president; and Min Yasui regional representative. (Story on page 2)

—Photo by Bill Hosokawa

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Metropolitan Denver's naturalized Issei honored by 200 at chapter fete; civic dignitaries congratulate 20 new citizens

Denver Central YWCA. Twenty Issei from the Metropolitan Denver area were honored as the first Japanese in this region to become naturalized Americans at a potluck supper and program sponsored Oct. 30 by the Mile-Hi JACL, at the

Two hundred persons, including state and city representatives, were present to pay tribute to the Issei. Special guests honoring the Issei were: Supreme Court Justice Wilbur Alter, representing Gov. Dan Thorn-

ton; Councilman James Fresques; Thomas Curran, administrative assistant to Mayor Quigg Newton; and Judge William A. Black of Denver District Court.

Justice Alter, in presenting congratulations to the new citizens from Gov. Thornton, said it was a source of gratification not only to the United States but also to the state of Colorado that the Issei, who were formerly not permitted the privileges of citizenship, were now entitled to all the rights and privileges of American citizenship.

Congratulating the Issei upon their new status, Justice Alter said, "I want you to have the feeling of security which you never had before."

Councilman Fresques recalled the "dark days of World War II," when the rights of the Japanese Americans were severely curtailed. Some public officials, Fresques said, were afraid of aggravating the situation and compromised with the rights of citizens in handling the "Japanese problem."

Fortunately, Fresques said, all assurances made by public-minded citizens and officials on behalf of the Japanese Americans were kept by the Nisei and the Issei, and the fears of other citizens were replaced by a feeling of confidence.

The mayor's representative, Thomas Curran, asked the new citizen Issei to participate actively in the governing of the city of Denver, pointing out that complacency toward government was an enemy of good government.

Curran said that while most citizens have only occasional contact with state and federal officials, they do have almost daily contact with representatives of their city government.

Judge Black spoke during brief memorial service to Nisei war dead. The District Court judge recalled the memorable record of the 442nd Japanese American combat team.

The Japanese Americans today are enjoying the fruits of their labors, Judge Black said.

Pointing out that members of the famed combat unit fought for their parents' and families' right to live as normal and equal Americans, Judge Black said, "As they were true to every one of us, let us be true to them."

Twenty newly-naturalized Issei were present at the supper program.

All of them were given lapel pins in the form of American flags, gifts of the Mile-Hi chapter.

Responses to the gifts and speeches were made by the Rev. Takeo Agatsuma, Mrs. Some Kosuge and Mrs. Misao Uba.

Speaking in Japanese, the Rev. Agatsuma said that citizenship was not necessarily a matter of words and manners.

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Hit & run victim

San Francisco Mrs. Suzu Ashizawa, 1536 Webster St., is convalescing at home after being struck down by a hit and run driver a half block from her home last week. A driver in a car behind the hit and run driver supplied police with the latter's license numbers.

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CAPSULES

Edward Y. Hosaka, agronomy specialist in pasture grass, will leave Hawaii for an eight-month stay in early December to investigate possibilities of introducing legumes into Australia.

The Burlington Zephyr collided with a loaded farm trailer belonging to **Yukata Hiratsuka**, a Derby (Colo.) farmer, who told highway patrolmen that while crossing the railroad tracks, the trailer became unhitched from his pickup truck. He was unable to push the trailer off the track before the collision. No one was injured.

Three Loomis residents, **Mr. and Mrs. Ryoichi Tanimoto** and **Frank Hirota**, narrowly escaped death Oct. 10 when the car in which they were riding was hit at an intersection near Fairfield. Driver of the other car, a soldier, was thrown out and crushed between the two cars, dying instantly. Witnesses said the car driven by the soldier failed to make a stop before turning out of a side road onto Highway 40.

Hairstylist **George Ohashi** of Denver, wife Bernice and daughter Susan left last week to attend the National Hairdressers' Convention in Miami later this month. He is official Colorado state delegate. They plan to return after a visit to Cuba.

Clifford Sugimoto of Mt. View, Calif., a graduate from the San Francisco College of Mortuary Science, is now associated with a Bay Area firm.

Darting across the street, 3-year-old Steven, son of Mr. and Mrs. **Bud Nakashima** of Dinuba, suffered a broken collar bone. Driver of the car was not held as it was impossible to avoid hitting the small boy.

Dr. A. Ray Olpin, president of the Univ. of Utah, spent a month lecturing in Japan on American viewpoints and way of life as guest of the State Dept. International Information Division. He was home last week from a three-month global tour. He found Japan "punch drunk with American money," but worried over its economy and defenses after U.S. troops are removed. "My message to

Death sentence of Kawakita changed to life, \$10,000

Los Angeles Tomoya Kawakita, 31-year-old strander sentenced to the gas chamber at San Quentin for treason against U.S. war prisoners in a Japanese prison camp, is headed for life imprisonment at Alcatraz.

The commutation of his death sentence came this week from the White House after President Eisenhower acted Oct. 29 on an appeal for presidential clemency. It was the only recourse after the U.S. Supreme Court rendered a 4-3 decision to uphold the death sentence meted here by U.S. Judge William C. Mathes Oct. 5, 1948.

The Calexico-born Nisei went to Japan in 1939, remained there throughout the war and was among the first stranderes to return in August, 1946. Three months later, he was sighted by one of the former prisoners at Oeyama camp. After 11 weeks of testimony in court during the summer of 1948, Kawakita was found guilty of eight of the 15 overt acts of treason. Since his arrest, he has been held at the County jail.

President Eisenhower's commutation order said the "interests of justice" do not require Kawakita's execution and added:

"It has been further made to appear to me that the interests of the United States and the people thereof do require that the said Tomoya Kawakita be confined in a penal institution for life."

With the sentence of life imprisonment was an added fine of \$10,000.

Under federal law, criminals serving life sentences become eligible for parole after 15 years. Kawakita's attorney, Morris Lavine, who carried the case through the courts, said the President had received hundreds of letters from Japan urging clemency.

them was that they must build their own future by creating new economies and developing new research, research not only new to Japan, but new to the world."

VERY TRULY YOURS:

Community history project

By **HARRY K. HONDA**

A heartening sidelight has been born from a PC Holiday Issue theme, **Contribution of Persons of Japanese Ancestry to the American Scene**. . . As long-winded as that title may be, it covers the contributions of pioneer Issei and successful Nisei. Thus far, many of the articles to be featured in the 72-page Christmas issue will be in tribute to the Issei. . . And since this theme and the other, **Japanese Heritage**, will be perennial topics in future Holiday Editions, some of the articles this year will be "introductory" in form with hopes that in subsequent years, a more detailed account can be published.

What tickled our hearts was the report from the Livingston-Merced chapter headed by Frank Suzuki, who was asked to dig up old photographs of the Livingston Agricultural Project. . . For the past weeks, he and his committee of ten chapter members visited old-timers of the neighborhood. What they heard from the old-timers was humorous, nostalgic and fascinating. . . Because it is a task to be able to recall precisely what did happen 40 or 50 years ago, some tales were rather vague in details. . . They did learn an Issei now retired in Japan had kept a diary of those early days when the "sifting sand dunes of Livingston" were its only landmarks. . . The chapters' effort has resulted in the project to compile a community history. This is an item each chapter can develop with justifiable pride. . . With the Issei in the twilight years, it behooves each Nisei community to gather as much material for their archives. . . Old photo-

graphs, press clippings, diaries, old letters, scrapbooks and firsthand accounts from memory are valuable to enable some future writer to document the Issei Story, to me the best Japanese American story possibility.

These pioneers may have been unlettered and uncouth, in the ways of their adopted country, but their virtue of honesty and perseverance are indelible marks in the making of western United States. . . Their diligence was the envy of his white neighbors. It aroused jealousy and hate. It culminated in alien land laws and the evacuation. . . Despite these setbacks, their children were reared to be true and patient. What followed has been told eloquently in the pages of the PC in the past two decades by the past editors. . . A serious study of the struggles of Issei during their youth in the U.S.A. can only make us bow our heads in humility and appreciation.

There should be no excuse for any Nisei to feel ashamed of what the Issei have accomplished against great odds. . . It is my personal hope that all Nisei vernaculars would assist in chronicling the Issei story before it's too late. . . The collection of anecdotes alone would rival some of the historic tales of other American pioneers who came west. Here, the Issei is cast as the pioneer who went east.

So, to Livingston-Merced, congratulations for calling in that committee of ten to compile a community history. . . Who's next?

Washington Newsletter

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MIKE MASAOKA

HIROSHI MIYAMURA . . .

What does the President of the United States, himself a highly decorated soldier, first say to a Medal of Honor winner as he awards him the nation's top honors for military gallantry?

According to **Hiroshi Miyamura**, first of seven Korean war heroes to be so honored on Oct. 27, the President smilingly whispered to him, as he fastened the ribbon bearing the Medal of Honor around his neck, "Relax . . . at ease."

Hiroshi, or Hershey as he prefers to be called, would have preferred to follow that admonition but his schedule in the nation's capital just wouldn't permit it. From the time of his landing at Washington's National Airport Sunday morning, Oct. 25, until his departure five days later, he was subjected to VIP treatment by a grateful country to which he has given so much.

Modest, shy, and still somewhat surprised that his activities in Korea had earned for him the nation's top medal, the pleasant-looking young Nisei hero is the kind of person who, though tired from over a month of continuous travel to banquets and public appearances and not yet completely recovered from his POW experiences, insisted upon taking an overnight flight to Washington to participate in the Nisei Memorial Day services at Arlington National Cemetery.

Characteristically, though he shares with only one other Nisei the Medal of Honor, he paid this tribute to the Nisei war dead of World War II, "These are the real heroes."

Highlight of his trip, of course, was the presentation of his Medal of Honor by the President of the United States on the north portico of the White House at noon, Oct. 27. As if the Medal of Honor were not enough, he was selected as the first of seven to be personally decorated by the Chief Executive.

In the proud annals of Nisei military history, this White House recognition will rank with that July day in 1946 when President Truman personally decorated the 442nd Regimental Combat Team with its seventh presidential distinguished unit citation, the equivalent of the Medal of Honor for combat organization. A quiet participant, as a private first class, in those memorable ceremonies seven years ago was Hiroshi Miyamura.

Other highlights included a luncheon given in his honor at the Japanese Embassy by Ambassador Eikichi Araki and the informal testimonial banquet sponsored by the Washington, D. C., JACL chapter. Through questions and answers, Hershey revealed his experiences in Korea and his distaste for communism.

His Army escort while in Washington was 1st Lt. Joseph Rogers of Detroit, Mich. By coincidence, Lt. Rogers was a West Point room mate of George Shibata of Garland, Utah, first Nisei ever to be appointed to the Military Academy. Lt. Rogers also commanded Hershey's company in Korea, although it was after the Nisei's capture by the Communists.

Recent atrocity stories out of Korea makes one ponder just how this Nisei POW was treated. As he himself reports it, the Communists believed that they had captured a Japanese national and they used all the tricks in the books to force him to confess this in order that they might substantiate the allegations they were making at the time that the United Nations were using Japanese troops. They couldn't believe that he was an American soldier, even though he could not read, write or speak Japanese. After 18 months or more of trying to break him down, they gave up and imprisoned him with other Americans. After that, he was treated just as were the other Americans.

During his heroic action that won for him the Medal of Honor, he was wounded by shrapnel in the right leg. After his capture, the Communists gave him no medical attention and the leg had to heal by itself. Fortunately, it healed rather well.

Speaking of Communist indoctrination efforts, Miyamura declared that they weren't too effective, at least with his group. When Chinese instructors were around, we paid some attention but once they left we spent our time discussing what was happening in the states, he said. He charged that the Communists' efforts to discredit the United States were so crude that, if the situation were not so serious, they would have been funny.

Fighting in Korea was "tough", he said, because it was always one mountain after another. He also said that in his estimation many of the Communist troops that participated in fanatical charges were drugged, because they kept coming, eyes glazed, rifles in hand, to be mowed down like grass. The only reason they made some advances was by sheer manpower, he guessed.

As for his own heroism, in which he killed more than 60 Communists while covering the withdrawal of his squad, he modestly said that any 442nd man could have done the same, maybe even better.

One thing that he remembers about his POW camp is that it wasn't enclosed by barbed wire as were the WRA relocation centers of World War II. The camp was in North Korea, near the Manchurian border. It was in a valley surrounded by mountains.

Just as the 442nd in the public mind exemplifies the sacrifices and loyalty of Japanese American troops in World War II, so Hiroshi Miyamura symbolizes the continuing devotion of Americans of Japanese ancestry to the land of their birth. We Nisei can be proud of him because he represents the best in us.

As he returns to his home in Gallup, to consider plans for the future, we Nisei want him to know that our good wishes are with him and his family. We stand ready to help him in every way possible, even as he has helped us by reminding all Americans anew that "Americanism is a matter of the mind and the heart", and not of race or ancestry.

TOKYO TOPICS:

Postage stamps of Japan

By TAMOTSU MURAYAMA
Japan Bureau, Pacific Citizen

Following the American custom of not printing postage stamps bearing the likeness of persons still alive, the commemorative stamps honoring the departure and return of Crown Prince Akihito were poorly designed with allegorical pictures. Only distinction was the return of the Imperial chrysanthemum crest — forbidden on stamps during the Occupation period — upon the return of the Crown Prince last month from his long trip of Europe and North America.

It was Baron Mitsu Maekawa who proposed a world-wide postal system and on Mar. 1, 1871, the Japanese government initiated its postal service and simultaneously issued its first series of postage stamps. He is known as the "Father of the Japanese Postal System".

The first stamps of Japan



MURAYAMA

show two dragons facing each other within a Greek border with the value printed in the center with characters in black type. So simplified are these stamps that no symbols or characters mention they were issued in Japan. The dragon, having originated in Indian mythology, is one of the four sacred animals of the Orient. The others are the phoenix, kylin and tortoise.

The list below shows the number of different kinds of stamps that have been issued since the first stamps of 1871:

Ordinary stamps	259
Coil stamps	7
New Year issues	12
Airmail stamps	28
Commemoratives	193
National Park issues	75
Scenic stamps	20
Culture stamps	18
Patriotic stamps	3
Community Chest issues	4

Postal services since the war in Japan have been about the busiest. The government has issued many new ordinary issues and commemoratives. Such important events as the re-opening of private foreign trade on Aug. 15, 1947; the 75th anniversary of the Universal Postal Union on Oct. 10, 1949; the

Northwest Airline plans for trans-Pacific tourist fares blocked by Japan

Honolulu

Northwest Orient Airlines will not drop its efforts to establish tourist-class fares across the Pacific, despite Japanese government action in blocking such fares for the present, J. W. Mariner, NWOA vice-president, said here this week.

Airline officials are attending sessions of the International Air Transport Association which began here this week.

Northwest had proposed tourist-class fares to affect part of the seats on its trans-Pacific Strato-cruisers effective Nov. 15. Opposition to the fares was filed by Japan civil aviation authorities with the U.S. State Dept. last week.

Trans-Pacific tourist fares were proposed at 70 percent of first-class fares by Northwest.

Peace Treaty, Sept. 9, 1951; the 75th anniversary of Japan's joining the Postal Union, Feb. 19, 1952; and the Crown Prince issues were among outstanding commemoratives.

On Oct. 29, a 10-yen commemorative in honor of the 75th anniversary of the Tokyo Astronomical observatory, and an ordinary 40-yen stamp came out. This is something rare in postal administration for both commemorative and a new ordinary stamp to be placed on sale for the first time on the same day. It is one way to keep stamp collectors throughout the world very busy.

The left-wingers and fanatical Reds criticized the Japanese Post Office severely when the Boy Scout issue was printed on the occasion of the first national jamboree in 1949. They maliciously claimed the Boy Scouts were but a tool of American colonization and rearmament.

Tad Fujita, well-known San Francisco YMCA basketball star of the '30s, new residing in Berkeley, is well-known in Japan as a stamp collector. He is secretary-treasurer of the Japanese American Philatelic Society, which publishes a neat and beautiful publication, "Postal Bell," which provides specific information on current Japanese stamps.

National CL submits brief opposing yen claims dismissal legislation

Washington

JACL's views on the unconstitutionality of a bill introduced by Sen. Dirksen (R., Ill.) to authorize the Dept. of Justice to summarily dismiss all yen claims against the Office of Alien Property were submitted in a brief prepared by Frank Chuman, JACL legal counsel, of Los Angeles.

It was prepared in reply to letters sent by Sen. Langer (R., N.D.) to George Inagaki, national president, and Mike Masaoka, Washington representative.

While the Senate Judiciary Committee, headed by Sen. Langer, favorably reported this legislation in the last session, twice the Senate "passed over" the Dirksen bill when placed on the unanimous consent calendar. The JACL then argued the bill unconstitutional because it provided for what amounted to confiscation of private property without due process of law.

Yen debt claims are for money, deposited in Japanese banks doing business in the U.S., vested by the government under the Trading with the Enemy Act due to World War II. The same act also provides for return of such deposits under certain conditions.

The Dirksen bill, it is charged, will destroy the claims merely on the ground that administrative expenses are too high to process the claims. As much as \$20,000,000 involving from 10,000 to 15,000 depositors, Issei and Nisei, are at issue.

"The Senate Bill attempts not only to destroy the statutory right of the claimant but also by abrogating this relief destroy further the depositors' contractual right established with the various Japanese pre-war banks in question. Clearly,

George Theophane Kurata, formerly of Los Angeles and Chicago, is in Tokyo engaged in Korean relief for United Nations. He formerly was director of International Refugees in Italy.

such confiscatory governmental action without substantial equity to base such action upon constitutes an unconstitutional act of depriving a person of property without due process of law," the JACL brief argues.

Miyamura —

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overseas broadcast to Japan.

Henry Goshu is well known to Nisei as "Horizontal Hank" of the Merrill Marauders under Gen. Joe Stilwell in the South Pacific during World War II. Goshu is a member of the New York JACL Chapter.

Included in the Miyamura party as guests of the Washington JACL Chapter were his wife, Terry; his father, Yaichi Miyamura; his brother and wife, Sgt. and Mrs. Kei Miyamura; fellow prisoner of war and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Lee McKinney of New Mexico; and boyhood friends, Mr. and Mrs. Amelio Gregorio, also of New Mexico.

Col. and Mrs. Campbell C. Johnson attended as guests of the D. C. Chapter.

Dr. George Furukawa, president of the DC Chapter, was in charge of general arrangements with Mrs. Gladys Shimasaki and Mrs. Etsu Masaoka assisting.

Out-of-town JACL members who attended the Miyamura testimonial dinner included:

Mr. and Mrs. Sasagawa, Ben Ohama, pres., Philadelphia JACL; Gloria Aoki, vice-pres., Seabrook JACL; Ray Bano, representing Bridgeton, N. J. American Legion; Yuji Hirata, Ryuji Yokoyama, Dick Kunishima, and Sue Yokoyama (sec.) of Seabrook, N.J.

Seabrook, N.J.

Medal of Honor winner Hiroshi Miyamura was welcomed by Charles F. Seabrook, president of Seabrook Farm, during a gathering of new Issei voters Thursday last week. Dick Kunishima arranged the brief stopover here prior to a week-end visit of New York.

The Shoemaker Post 95 of Bridgeton American Legion presented the Gallup hero an American flag at a dinner tendered by the company and attended by some 40 persons.

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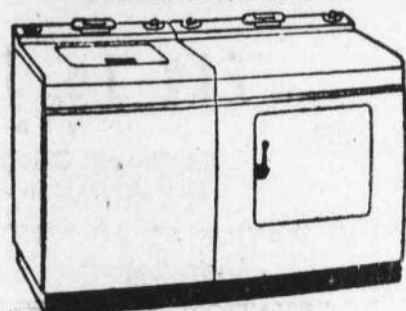


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Around Chicago . . .

Roosevelt College will open a psychological service center for the public soon on the eighth floor of the college, 430 S. Michigan . . . Some 500 high school students from Cook, Du Page and Lake counties, will attend a human relations conference Nov. 12 at Thorne Hall, Lake Shore and Superior St. . . **Fairway Club**, local Nisei golf group, elected **Mrs. Jane Fujimoto** (wife of Dr. C.C. Fujimoto), president. Others include **Mrs. Masaye Hiura**, v.p.; **Mrs. Alice Tanahashi**, sec.; **Florence Mohri**, treas.; **Mrs. Iku Wada**, tournament chmn.; and **Marion Yoshioka**, handicap chmn. . . Couple of weeks ago, the new **Japan Art Shop**, 1342 E. 55th St., was opened by **Mrs. Mary Watanabe**. She has a shop in Miho Air Base in Nagoya. Her husband is a chinaware manufacturer, the Kato Co., Nagoya . . . **Chicago Buddhist Church's** Boy Scout troop 515, its Explorers and Cub Pack 3315 will hold its sixth anniversary dinner, preceded by a court of honor soon. **Tom Ito** is scoutmaster of the troop, now composed of 16 boys. **George Osaki**, Acorn Cleaners proprietor, heads the Explorer and **Mike Fujimoto** is in charge of 18 Cub scouts. The troop is engaged in life-saving and swimming classes at George William College, 5315 S. Drexel Ave., on Saturdays, 4-5 p.m. All boys of scouting age are invited.

Personals . . .

Among the 6,000 students at Northwestern University are a handful of Nisei. **Yoko Arakawa**, 1620 N. LaSalle, formerly with the Skyleens, and **Jean Harada**, 3237 W. Pierce Ave., a member of the Dawnelles, are in the Women Off-Campus Club, a social group for those living outside of Evanston, home of the university . . . **Gladys Ishida**, 1115 E. 61st St., who was recording secretary for the local chapter in 1948, and worked for World Government at the Univ. of Chicago, is returning to the United States via Europe. The former Modestan was studying Japanese repatriates from the U.S. for her doctoral thesis at the Univ. of Michigan. She has her master's degree in political science from the Univ. of Chicago. Her brothers, both CLers, **Calvin** is a chemical engineer for U.S. Rubber at Joliet; and **Julius** is with Spiegel, mail order firm, in the credit dept. . . **Corky Kawasaki**, 4583 S. Oakwald Ave., now in the import & export business after serving as director of Chicago Resettlers Committee, is a cheerful man today after being naturalized, thanks to the McCarran-Walter naturalization bill. He recently returned from a business trip in Japan. He noted the rapid changes of the Japanese language and introduction of slang. An Issei who's been in the U.S. for the past 25 years or more would be a stranger in post-war Japan, Corky says. Daily habits there are reverse of what they have been accustomed to in America. Autos are either white or black. Because recreational facilities are virtually non-existent, the youngsters play "pachinko"—a pinball machine . . . His oldest daughter, **Noreen**, 16, is assistant swimming instructor at Hyde Park High School.

NO. CALIF.-WESTERN NEVADA CONFAB

Mas Satow to conduct chapter clinic; Issei meeting, elections scheduled

Stockton
A "chapter clinic" will be a highlight of the two-day biennial convention to be held by the Northern California-Western Nevada District Council in Stockton Nov. 7-8.

Purpose of the "clinic," to be led by Masao Satow, National JACL Director, is to help chapter programming. During his discussion, Satow will give details of some of the successful activities engaged in by JACL chapters all over the United States.

A similar clinic held at the last District Council convention two years ago, conducted by Satow, proved to be an outstanding hit with all delegates.

The Northern California-Western Nevada District Council has its own "chapter of the year" program, originated by Kenji Fujii, which presents annual awards to the three chapters in the District Council (composed of 24 chapters) which have had the best programs for the year.

Chapters winning awards for 1952 were Placer County in first place, Livingston-Merced, and Sequoia.

A loyal group of National JACL supporters, the members of the Thousand Club, will be especially honored at the Sunday luncheon.

The 1000 Club is composed of JACL members who pledge \$25 a year to the support of National Headquarters.

The idea of the "Order of the Tie and Garter" was originated in 1947 by the present JACL National President, George "Callahan" Inagaki, who became first chairman of the group.

There are 46 currently active members of the 1000 Club in the Northern California-Western Nevada District Council.

JACLers will have an opportunity to play golf on Sunday morning, according to Dr. James Tanaka, general co-chairman of the Convention Committee.

Stockton has some excellent year-round golf courses which will be made available to JACLers that morning.

San Francisco
Issei leaders of Northern California are especially invited to attend the fourth post-war Biennial Convention of the Northern California-Western Nevada JACL District Council to be held in Stockton on Nov. 7-8, it was announced by Haruo Ishimaru, regional director.

"The Issei have long been the most faithful supporters of the JACL program which has endeavored to secure equal rights for Japanese Americans," Ishimaru said, "and since they are now eligible to become citizens, many Issei are joining the JACL as either special or regular members. The JACL is working on a program whereby they may become an integral part of the organization."

For the first time in the history of the District Council, a meeting of Issei community leaders of Northern California will be held in conjunction with the convention. Special reports will be given by Mike Masaoka and National Director Masao Satow concerning problems affecting the Issei in particular.

Stockton
Nineteen JACLers have been nominated for the five vacancies on the Executive Board of the Northern California-Western Nevada District Council for the coming year, it was announced by Jack Noda, chairman of the District nominating committee.

The nineteen are: Kenji Fujii, Bill Fukuba, Fred Hashimoto, Tok Hironaka, Sam Itaya, Wayne Kanemoto, David Kihara, Bill Matsumoto, Masako Minami, Walter Morimoto, Tom Nakashima, Jack Noda, Joe Omachi, Alice Shigezumi, Kaz Shikano, Takeo Tachik, Yoshimi Terashita, Bill Tsuji and George Yuge.

Election will be held during the Biennial Convention of the District Council to be held in Stockton this weekend.

Present District Council officers are:

Giichi Yoshioka, chmn; Harry Itaya, vice-chmn; Grace Aikawa, secy; Tom Miyahara, treas; and Masuji Fujii, Florence Dobashi, Fred Hoshiyama, Ginji Hizutani, George Nishita and Tom Yego.

Serving with Noda on the Nominating Committee are: Bill Matsumoto, Kaz Shikano, and Bill Tsuji.

INTERMOUNTAIN DISTRICT CONFAB

Inagaki keynote speaker at seventh biennial IDC confab at Pocatello

Pocatello
National JACL President George Inagaki will be the keynote speaker at the opening ceremonies of the seventh biennial Intermountain District Council JACL convention Nov. 27 at Alameda Jr. High School.

CHAPTER MEMO

Mile-Hi JACL: Candidates for the 1954 chapter cabinet are being sought by a committee headed by Y. Terasaki, assisted by Sam Matsumoto, Mas Takata, Haruko Kobayashi and Roy Mayeda. Nominations are being accepted until Nov. 15 at T. K. Pharmacy, AL 4825.

Newsletters Received: St. Louis Newsletter.

Shigeki Ushio is master of ceremonies of the opening ceremonies.

The three-day meeting, chaired by William Yamauchi, will be climaxed with a dinner-dance at Hotel Bannock, site of the convention. Dr. Thomas T. Tucker of Idaho State College is the main speaker. Newly elected IDC officers will be installed by Hito Okada of Salt Lake City, former national JACL president. Joe Saito of Ontario, Ore., is toastmaster.

Another highlight is the bowling tournament at King Pin Bowl with Ace Morimoto as chairman. Bowling awards will be made during the dance intermission.

Other committeemen include: Junji Yamamoto, pub. rel.; Kinuko

MOUNTAIN-PLAINS CONFAB

Largest Thanksgiving weekend turnout anticipated by Mile-Hi host chapter

Denver
Committee chairmen for the Mountain Plains District Council convention, scheduled here Nov. 28-29, were announced this week by John T. Noguchi, Denver JACL president, and George Masunaga, district council chairman.

Sue Maruyama will head the banquet committee, with Dick Yanase in charge of the convention dance.

Registration and housing will be arranged by Ruby Okubo and Dody Madokoro, respectively, with Sam Matsumoto in charge of program.

Pre-convention registration

is now being urged by the convention committee, which expects the largest turnout in JACL convention history for the Thanksgiving weekend conference.

Highlights of the two-day meeting will be a dinner and dance on Sunday evening and the first rolling of the annual Mountain Plains Bowling Tournament, which will be open to both men and women.

Information on the convention and the bowling meeting may be obtained from the Mountain Plains JACL office, 1225-20th St., Denver 2, Colo.

Endowment Fund Contributors

San Francisco
An additional \$1,028 was received this past week for the National JACL Endowment Fund, boosting the total received to date to \$62,621.32. National Director Masao Satow reported that an additional \$10,000 was being placed in

trust with the Bank of America in Los Angeles. This now makes a total of \$55,000 which is in trust.

Voluntary contributions to the fund received by the JACL this week include:

CALIFORNIA

Berkeley—R. Kasai \$20; Lomita—Mrs. Kornaki Yumiba \$15; Los Angeles—Chizuo Hasegawa \$35; Nakamon Hasegawa \$30; Mrs. Akizo Kawamura \$5; Magokichi Nagamine \$25; Ikumori Sakihara \$1; Kyukichi Takahashi \$25; Sadazo Yotsumura \$25; Kohei Yoneyama \$30; Madaga—B. Aoki \$5; T. Kurisu \$5; Y. Shitanishi \$10; Iwao Tamura \$10; Modesto—Jack A. Kiyoi \$35; Patterson—Jitsuzo and Misao Fukuhara \$150; Pomona—Susumu Emori \$15; Sacramento—Mrs. Tomiye Kimura \$50; San Francisco—Fukutaro Seto \$20; K. Yamauchi \$10; Sanger-Joseph S. Ogawa \$20; San Juan Bautista—Glen N. Kowaki \$25; T. Numata \$10; Santa Barbara—Frank S. Mori \$100; Sebastopol—Kanichi Oda \$25; Stockton—Magosuke Nakamura \$30.

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San Francisco

Five District Council Conventions, in the next five weeks will make us a weekend commuter for at least four of them. Stockton will host the Northern California-Western Nevada Convention Nov. 7 and 8, and Central California convenes the following weekend in Fresno, with Mike Masaoka headlining both meetings.

Comes a breathing spell, and then we put out to Denver for the Mountain-Plains gathering Thanksgiving weekend with National President George Inagaki covering the Intermountain District Council confab being held concurrently at Pocatello. We hate to miss the IDC Convention, but even with fast plane travel one can't be ubiquitous.

National Treasurer Dr. Roy Nishikawa will represent National at the Pacific Northwest Convention Dec. 5 and 6 at Portland.

Being that our Chapters are so widespread, our staff overloaded, and we have to exercise rigid control over finances, our attendance at these District Council Conventions will have to substitute for meeting with Chapter officers and members in their own bailiwicks.

Again we urge JACLers to take advantage of these gatherings for a better understanding of JACL and their part in its program, to be undergirded with the sense of unity, to partake of the encouragement and inspiration which these meetings have come to mean.



PLACER COUNTY'S SILVER ANNIVERSARY: November also brings the annual Goodwill Banquet of the Placer County Chapter which this year is celebrating its 25th anniversary. It is most fitting that National President George Inagaki be the guest speaker.

First organized as the Newcastle Chapter, this chapter was one of the eight original JACL groups which met in Seattle in 1930 to form the National organization. Incidentally, Tom Yego, still one of the Chapter's sparkplugs, represented the group at that First Biennial. It was our pleasure to be present at the Goodwill Banquet last year. This affair has grown so large that finding a place to contain it is a real problem.

The guest list is an imposing Who's Who of the County, and each year the area's top people eagerly look forward to this Banquet to reaffirm their friendship and pay respects to the Japanese people in Placer County.



WE SALUTE THREE DISTINGUISHED AMERICANS: We would like to report that your National Headquarters sent three special messages during the month to three distinguished Americans in behalf of the National organization. Recently honored at "Pat McCarran Day" in Reno was Sen. Pat McCarran for fifty years of public service coinciding with his golden wedding anniversary. The Senator began his career as a member of the Nevada State Legislature and it includes twenty years in the Senate.

We congratulated former Gov. Earl Warren upon his appointment as Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court. The majority of the Nisei have had a chance to watch his growth in wisdom and stature at close range.

We were happy to send a message to Dr. Galen Fisher who was named Berkeley's Outstanding Citizen. We first met Galen as a fellow "Y" secretary, but most Japanese Americans and especially JACLers will remember him as a leading member of the Pacific Coast Committee for American Principles of Fair Play during those dark days when our loyalty was being questioned and being put to the acid test. His wise counsel has been especially invaluable to JACL.



HOLIDAY PC: This year the PACIFIC CITIZEN will be mailed again to every JACL member and the mailing is now being addressed. Even at this late date there are some Chapters who have not sent in the names and addresses of their members, and this means that these members will not get the Holiday PC unless they are subscribers.

Incidentally, this will include only those members who have signed up through Oct. 31. All subsequent signups, i.e. after Nov. 1, will be considered 1954 members. The '54 membership cards are now on press and will be distributed within the next half month. The membership leaflets will have to be a bit later since thus far our brains have not secreted any new ideas for same.



NATIONAL JACL SUPPORTING MEMBERSHIPS: We are counting heavily upon the National JACL Supporting Memberships to provide the necessary oil to keep our JACL machinery running. In review again, all donations to JACL will be classified as Supporting Memberships in amounts of \$5, \$10, \$15, \$20, \$25 and above. Local Chapters deduct local dues so that these members will also be supporters of the local Chapter program.

For Supporting Memberships of \$25 and more, a year's subscription to PC will be included. The amount of the Supporting Membership forwarded to National Hq. will be credited toward the local Chapter's National budget quota.

Where the net amount to National is at least \$25, the individual may elect to be a member of the JACL 1000 Club. In other words, 1000 Club members will be henceforth considered National JACL Supporting Members, and in the words of Tokuzo, "ultra-ultra" supporting members.



ONE THOUSAND SPEAKING: And speaking of the 1000 Club, our experience in the past is that most of the members are recruited or renewed at National Biennials and District Council Conventions, so we have prepared display posters for each of the DC meetings coming up, listing all the 1000 Club members in good standing and indicating the number of years of membership.

In addition, all 1000 Club members in attendance will be sporting green carnation boutonnieres, and depending upon the powers that be, special fun and frolic get-togethers will be featured at these DC conventions. The PC Holiday issue will carry a complete roster of the One Thousanders across the country.

An inventory of the 1000 Club shows that since its inception in 1947, 653 have joined. Membership being voluntary, joining one year does not commit a person for twenty five bucks each year for life, for circumstances arise which do not allow people to be as generous as they would like to be.

Of the total who have joined, 337 have renewed their membership for a second year, 202 have continued for the third year, 113 renewed four times, 54 are listed as five year members, and we have four six-year members and eleven Life Members. Currently we have 273 members in good standing.

New citizens —

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He asked for a "return to God" and the spirit of Puritanism as the way toward fulfillment of their pledge to become good citizens of their newly-adopted country.

Mrs. Kosuge said that most of the Issei took a long time before coming to the realization that the United States was truly their country. Many of the Issei, she said, always believed they would someday go back to Japan. It was only after their children were born, and their grandchildren came, she said, that the Issei came to the sudden realization that America was their country, too.

Rev. Waichi Oyanagi of the California Street Methodist Church was master of ceremony. Nancy Sogi sang the National Anthem, accompanied by Sets Sumikawa. The presentation of pins were made by Jean Fujimoto, while Haruko Kobayashi read the roll call of new citizens.

Dr. M. George Takeno, assisted by Sumi Takeno, were in charge of general arrangements.

Gladys Taniwaki was chairman of the buffet supper which preceded the program. Mrs. Taniwaki, who supervised the seating and feeding of two hundred persons, was assisted by: Masako Furuta, Fumi Yabe, Mary Takamine, Hana Takamine, Jean Fujimoto, Florence Uyeda, Haru Tanaka, and Kana Yoritomo.

The ceremonies were followed by a Nisei program directed by Sam Y. Matsumoto and an Issei program directed by Harry G. Matoba. Color and sound films were shown at the Issei program.

Approximately 60 youngsters were entertained meanwhile at a children's Halloween party held under direction of Toshio Ando, Bess Shiyomura, Haru Tanaka and Chiye Horiuchi.

Prizes were awarded for the best Halloween costumes, with judging done by the children. Prizewinners included Susan Ando, attired as "Mighty Mouse," and Joy Yoshioka, dressed as a gypsy.

The Issei guests of honor were:

The Rev. Agatsuma, Mrs. Mitori Goto, Mrs. Tomo Ida, Mrs. Sumi Iguchi, Mrs. Noye Kawakami, Mrs. Kuni Kutsutaka, Mrs. Hisako Kuroda, Mrs. Kosuge, Mrs. Yoshie Maeda, Mrs. Hatsuko Menda, Mrs. Misayo Mizoue, Mrs. Yoshi Mori, Mrs. Yoshio Saita, Mrs. Tsuyuo Saito, Mrs. Tsuki Shinto, Mrs. Toki Takeuchi, Mrs. Shika Hokunaga, Mrs. Misao Uba, Mrs. Ichiyo Uyeno and Mrs. Mitsuhei Mayeda.

Mrs. Frances S. Kondo, Mrs. Matsuo Koshi, Mrs. Kimi Nakayama, Mrs. Tatsuno Oka, Mrs. Tsuyuko Sally Suyama, Mrs. Moichiro Tanabe and Mr. Saichi Sato.

Jean Fujimoto was in charge of the special guests committee, assisted by:

K. Takeuchi, Haruko Kobayashi and True Yasui.

George Masunaga was official greeter, assisted by:

Sue Maruyama, Fumi Katagiri and Dorothy Madokoro, hostesses.



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HARUO ISHIMARU

District Council Convention

Los Angeles

By the time this column gets out to the general public, the Northern California-Western Nevada DC convention (held in Stockton, Nov. 7-8) will be part of JACL history.

Sam Itaya, current president of the Stockton chapter, has really been shaping things up for the convention and if his efforts and those of the host chapters, Stockton and French Camp, are any indication, the convention will be a whing-ding.

Sam's Barber Shop has literally been the headquarters for the Stockton chapter this year. (Obviously, Sam is a barber, but we understand it's not a clip joint.)

Two other Stockton JACLers hold down interesting jobs. Bob Takahashi, third national vice-president, is correction officer at the Deuell Correctional Institute, which is part of the California penal system. First-time offenders and non-recidivists are sent to this house of correction in the hope that they can be rehabilitated. The Deuell Institute is one of the new projects of the state penal system.

Harry Itaya, Sam's older brother, and district council vice-chairman, holds down the very interesting job of grounds supervisor of San Joaquin County Fair, which is the third largest fair in the state. Harry has long been associated with the San Joaquin County Fair and in the past has presented many winning displays. We are sorry that the fair won't be on during the convention because it would be an excellent opportunity for city slickers attending the convention to have Harry take them on a personally-conducted tour of one of the most interesting experiences in a rural exposition.



Placer County Banquet

One of the biggest and most successful projects put on by an JACL chapter is the annual goodwill banquet thrown by the Placer County chapter each year this time. To this dinner Placer County JACLers invite hakujin friends and Issei supporters. It is said that many hakujin look forward to an invitation to this annual event, which is one of the largest affairs in all of Placer county. We think that the goodwill and understanding that it has engendered in the total community outstanding.

The roster of the past speakers sounds like a "who's who" of the JACL and includes in recent years Masao Satow, Mike Masaoka and Sab Kido. This year, the main speaker will be George Inagaki, national president. Our best wishes to the Placer County chapter for another successful banquet.

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SPORTSCOPE:

Leading Bowlers of the Week

Space would not permit the continual listing of those who tally 600 series in bowling week after week. Random choices of scores show the following this week . . . **Isao Kameshige** of Ontario, Ore., had the crowd on edge with eight straight strikes then getting an 8-count spare, another strike and a spare to rack up the season's highest game (268) and finishing with a 631 series . . . Kameshige, **Lefty Inouye** and **Heizi Yasuda**, with 179 averages thus far, lead in their league . . . In Seattle, there's **Nobi Takahashi's** mighty 652, **George Iwasaki's** 609 and **Tuck Mikami's** 604. **Lois Yut** framed a 540 to lead the femmes . . . In Arizona, **Lindy Okabayashi** rolled a 626 last week . . . At Salt Lake City, **Tom Nakamura's** 601 is top in the Wasatch League . . . **Hugo Ogawa** of Sanger JACL posted the season's high game & series at Fresno Nisei with a 255 and 620 . . . **Kim Furuya's** 503 for San Francisco Nisei Woman was high last week. **Ike Takei's** 620 and **Harry Ushijima's** 608 were reported in the East Bay Classic. **Nobu Asami** might hit her 600 yet as she tapped a 223 game and 578 series last week. **Ayako Kawamoto** hit a 231 and 557 series . . . **Ken Shibata** of Sacramento had a 257 in his 610 series . . . At Gardena, it was **Yo Zoriki's** 606 and **Shig Nakagiri's** 604.

ODDS AND ENDS: The touring New York Giants in Japan have played before 346,000 fans in 11 games before Lippy Durocher and eight players flew to Korea to chat with GIs. They lost their only game last Saturday, 2-1, from the Yomiuri Giants, Japanese professional baseball champion. The Lopat Major League All-Stars were drawing similarly large crowds on their tour of Japanese stadiums . . . **John Minoru Osako** of Chicago and **Lee Hunt** of San Jose State are the two U.S. representatives at the world judo championships starting Dec. 4 in Paris. Each country is being allowed two members . . . **Tom Yagi** of Livingston is returning to the starting line-ups as San Jose State center this weekend when they meet College of Pacific at the Spartan stadium.

Ishimaru -

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This chapter was recipient of the first "chapter of the year" award in our district council and we doubt whether there is any other JACL chapter in the country which is more active.

15 Fish That Day

Writing from Los Angeles, I would like to take this opportunity to thank my many friends of the JACL who were so kind and thoughtful to send messages of condolence and sympathy upon the passing of my father.

It seems that there is a rush of Issei who are dying, and it makes us Nisei sad, not only for our personal loss, but for the passing of a heroic generation.

My father was among the oldest of the living Issei. Born before the Meiji era, he would have been 87 this coming December. He came to the United States almost exactly a half century ago. He and my mother celebrated their Golden Wedding anniversary five years ago just before her passing. I am sure he led a full and happy life, living to see not only his children but also his grandchildren grow up and have children of their own.

His manner of going was quite fitting for his life, we felt. He was full of energy to the last, collapsing very suddenly following a stroke while fishing. Fishing and gardening were his favorite pastimes. He had caught 15 fish that day. We know he died painlessly and happy. We were proud of him and we shall miss him.

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New appointments made for Nat'l JACL keg group

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The new National JACL Advisory Board on Bowling was announced by National JACL Director Masao W. Satow after conferring with various representative team captains and bowlers from all areas who have participated in past National JACL bowling tournaments.

In order to give stability to the Advisory Board, several members are reappointments who have served on the Board since it was created in 1950. These are:

Gish Endo, San Francisco; Eddie Matsueda, Honolulu; Buzz Noda, Selma; and Fred Takagi, Seattle.

New members named to the Board are:

Shig Imura, Sacramento; Choppy Unemoto, Salt Lake City; John Noguchi, Denver; Ichiro Fukunaga, Los Angeles; Easy Fujimoto, South-

Dr. Ernest Torigoe, who finished his two-year tour of duty in the army, will resume his practice in dentistry in San Jose.



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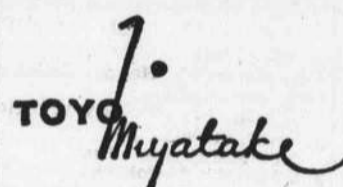


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gate, and Dyke Miyagawa, Chicago.

Satow publicly thanked those Advisory Board members who are retiring at this time:

Dr. Takeshi Mayeda, Denver; Dr. Jun Kurumada, Salt Lake City; James Kozuma, Chicago; George Kobo, Los Angeles and Harley Ku-

The National JACL Director stated that these fellows had contributed much to the development of the JACL National bowling tournaments and had also contributed much to Nisei bowling.

THE SOU'WESTER

TATS KUSHIDA

Last week, this column highlighted the kinds of community service rendered by the regional office in Los Angeles. It failed to mention an important aspect of this service; namely, that no charge is ever made nor donations solicited for services performed even at considerable time and expense to the JACL.

This is one of the basic policies of JACL—that it function as a free public service organization—a policy justified in the light of the JACL budget being met through contributions from the Japanese community itself.

While future financial needs of the JACL will be met almost entirely by three levels of JACL membership—regular chapter, supporting and 1,000 Club—the regional office will continue to offer its community services free of charge.

The second major activity of the regional office is organizational service. By this is meant services to the Pacific Southwest District Council, its seventeen chapters and the National JACL.

The Los Angeles office is actually a PSWDC district office for the bulk of its annual budgetary needs are raised by the PSWDC chapters.

As the executive headquarters for the PSWDC, the office works closely with district officers and maintains communication with the chapters on all PSWDC matters. The district office handles the paper work of the PSWDC such as preparation and distribution of meeting notices, informational memos, agendas, minutes, reports, resolutions, news release and general correspondence. Coordination of fund raising efforts of this area is also the responsibility of this office. Assistance is given in the planning and preparation of the biennial district council conventions.

Special services are extended to any PSWDC chapter upon request. These include assistance on chapter programming including speakers and entertainment, publicity, fund raising, installation ceremonies, speaking engagement, organizing community projects such as citizenship classes, naturalization form-filling program, alien registration and other chapter services.

It is the Sou'wester's desire to visit with each of the PSWDC chapters at least once a year, not only to give whatever service or assistance is requested but also to become acquainted with the chapter personnel.

As regional director, this writer is called upon to represent the JACL as "daihyo" at funerals, meetings, social functions and other public occasions requiring representation from the organization.

Frequent meetings are held with JACL national board and staff members on matters of policy, procedure and program enabling this office to better serve as liaison between chapter and district and the national board.

Several national JACL projects have been assigned to this office which require the preparation of literature, mass mailing, maintenance of records and schedules, reproducing and dispatching twice-weekly bilingual news releases to all vernacular papers, and correspondence with headquarters, the Washington office and members of the national board.

Among these project assignments have been the national JACL Endowment Fund, the JACL Movie Project, the JACL Supporting Membership plan and the national JACL Convention for 1954. This office recruits and supervises volunteer manpower needed for various projects.

For a little over a year, the Sou'wester has been serving (part time) as the business manager of the Pacific Citizen, weekly JACL official organ. This responsibility entails the solicitation and accounting for weekly advertisers in the PC, serving on the local PC operations board, coordinating the chapter ads and greetings for the annual PC Holiday Issue and other managerial duties in consultation with the editor, the general manager and PC board.

The PC, no longer requiring a JACL subsidy, is the one bright facet of JACL finances, the paper being able to contribute to the national JACL budget to some extent.

Among the JACL boards and committees on which we serve are the PC board, the Nat'l JACL Study Commission on Immigration and Naturalization, the 1954 National JACL Convention Board, the National JACL Evacuation Claims committee and the PSWDC Credit Union.

Non-JACL boards and committee include the L.A. County Conference on Community Relations, Calif. Dept. of Employment Regional Advisory Board, Friendship Day Camp, Japanese Youth Project Committee and the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

While much of today's and last week's columns include aspects of publicity and promotion, next week's, the final of this series, will be devoted entirely and specifically to JACL public relations activities.

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Los Angeles Newsletter

HENRY MORI

★ The sixth annual Christmas Cheer project was launched Monday to raise funds for needy Japanese American families who might find their Yuletide season a little bit lonely this year-end.

The program is spearheaded by Mrs. Sue Takimoto Joe of the Club Service Bureau, an affiliate of the JACL.

Tats Kushida, So. Calif. regional director, will act as general chairman for the humanitarian undertaking which was inaugurated in 1948 by Sam Ishikawa.

As the first batch of mail requesting for contributions—be it money, foodstuff, household items, toys, or gifts—went out late Saturday, Mrs. Joe announced. Other members in her committee are:

Terry Kuwata, Blanche Shiosaki, Lily Otera, Tee Kanemitsu, John Watanabe, Mrs. Susie Akai, June Aochi, Yaye Marumoto, Bessie Yanamoto, Fred Kitagawa, the members of the Vandas and other volunteer clubs.

★ Civic officials and community leaders paid tribute to a 43-year old barrister who became the first mainland Nisei to gain a judicial post at a Sunday dinner-testimonial.

It was held in honor of Municipal Court Judge John F. Aiso but when the response given by the Burbank-born former Superior Court Commissioner was over, the appreciative audience was made to feel that it was they who were the honored.

Dynamic speaker Judge Aiso, who won first place in an oratorical contest at Hollywood High School in the late 1920s only to be given "a second spot" nationally because of his ancestral background, said the "time was ripe" and the element of chance was right when his appointment came through.

He left no stones unturned to say that it was the many fair-minded and justice-loving leaders, the Japanese American soldiers who fought so valiantly in the last war, the forever loyal Issei parents who lived through hardship and discrimination who made such an occasion as a testimonial banquet possible.

A pen and pencil desk set was presented to the former Army lieutenant-colonel by Assistant U.S. Attorney James Mitsumori in behalf of the community-at-large.

★ As medical men were busily engaged in studying smog as a probable attribute to increase in cancer of the lung, Angelenos went through another bad week.

Several government workers in the Federal Bldg. were so nauseated from the fumes they were forced to go home. One was Assistant Postmaster Warner S. McIntyre, 62, who was ordered to Queen of Angels Hospital.

Southland farmers were told, too, that their crop losses this season (because of smog) will be over a million dollars.

Louis DeMartini, chief of the County Farm Bureau, said Los Angeles has lost its agricultural leadership. Crop damage from hydro-carbons in the air is causing farmers to move from the county, and adding ruin to more existing areas.

DeMartini declared his own farm crop loss in Compton this year was about \$9,000, destroying at least 18 acres of growing vegetables.

Other affected areas cover from Mexican border to Santa Barbara county and east to San Bernardino. Riverside was listed as one of the worst spots.

★ A two-story building next door from the shop where the Pacific Citizen is being printed each week is getting its face lifted. It will soon be a medical building for several Nisei doctors.

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VITAL STATISTICS

Births

AZEKA—Oct. 10, a girl to the To-kuo Azekas, Hughson, Calif.

FUJITA—Oct. 23, a boy to the Yoshio Fujitas (Chiyeo Grace Sugidono), Watsonville.

FURUKO—Oct. 13, a boy to the George Furukoas, Acampo, Calif.

HANE—Oct. 12, a girl Gayle Hifuyo to the Satochi Hanes, San Jose.

HIRAI—Oct. 21, a boy to the Roy Hirais, Nyssa, Ore.

HIROSE—Sept. 16, a girl to the Ken-ichi Hiroses, Fowler, Calif.

ICHIMOTO—Oct. 14, a boy to the George Ichimotos, Caruthers, Calif.

IIZUKA—Sept. 26, a girl Jo Anne to the Tokuji Jack Iizukas (Mitsuko Ito), Los Angeles.

ITO—Sept. 25, a boy to the Ben T. Ito, Sacramento.

IWATA—Sept. 25, twin daughters Joanne Harumi and Joyce Naomi to the Takio Ted Iwatas (Mary Yoshiko Yabumoto), Los Angeles.

JEFFREY—Oct. 8, a boy Kenneth William to the J. Ben Jeffreys (Mitsuye Shino), Norwalk, Calif.

KAI—Oct. 3, a boy Thomas Jiro to the Tsutomu James Kais (Alice Masae Izumi), Los Angeles.

KOBAYASHI—Oct. 16, a girl to the Harushisa Kobayashis, San Francisco.

KONRAI—Oct. 6, a girl Denise Kay to the Delvin Takushi Konrais (Sumiye Yuasa), Los Angeles.

KUWATA—Oct. 1, a boy to the Noble N. Kuwatas, East Palo Alto, Calif.

MATSUMOTO—Sept. 3, a girl to the Harry T. Matsumotos, San Diego.

MATSUSHITA—Oct. 16, a girl to the Kiyoshi Matsushitas, Seattle.

MIKAWA—Oct. 20, a boy to the Roy Mikawas, Kersey, Colo.

MOODY—Sept. 20, a girl Torine Marie to the Troy L. Moodys (Mitsuko Shida), Los Angeles.

MURATA—Oct. 4, a girl Judy Ann to the Robert Muratas (Miyoko Sugita), Los Angeles.

NAGATA—Sept. 17, a boy to the Nobuo Nagatas, Fresno.

NAGATA—Oct. 15, a girl to the Harry Nagatas, Fresno.

NAKAMURA—Sept. 14, a girl to the Kiyoshi Nakamuras, San Diego.

NAKAMURA—Oct. 18, a boy to the Rikizo Nakamuras, Woodland, Calif.

NAKATANI—Oct. 8, a girl Rose Shizue to the Willie Nakatanis (Shizuko Manaka), Los Angeles.

NAKAZONO—A girl to the Sam H. Nakazonos, Denver.

NISHIMURA—A girl to the George Nishimuras, Denver.

OGIMACHI—Oct. 9, a girl Diana Gwyn to the Masao Ogimachis (Bunny Sumie Matsumura), Los Angeles.

OKAZAKI—Oct. 8, a girl Eileen Laura to the Seiichi Okazakis (Yaye Mary Takasugi), Puente, Calif.

OKURA—Oct. 5, a girl Kathryn Chieko to the Ben Okuras (Frances Chiyeo Zaima), Los Angeles.

ONO—Oct. 4, a boy Frederic Koji to the Michio Onos (Sumiko Masukawa), Los Angeles.

SAKATA—Oct. 7, a boy Richard Toshiaki to the Tom Toshiyuki Sakatas (Aiko Kakiuchi), Los Angeles.

SATO—Oct. 4, a girl Roxanne Takako to the Teru Satos (Setsuko Yamasaki), Los Angeles.

SHIGEMASA—Oct. 8, a boy to the George Shigemasas, Santa Ana.

SHIGENO—A girl to the Charles K. Shigenos, Denver.

SORAKUBO—Oct. 6, a girl to the Hiroshi Sorakubos, Niles, Calif.

SUDA—Sept. 27, a girl to the Willy Sudas, Fresno.

SUZUKI—Oct. 17, a boy to the James Suzukis, Seattle.

TAGAMI—Sept. 17, a boy to the Roy Toshimasa Tagamis, Fresno.

TAKAOKA—Sept. 18, a boy to the George S. Takaokas, Fresno.

TAMURA—Oct. 7, a girl Ann Naoko to the Joseph Tetsuro Tamuras (Shiori Yasumoto), Los Angeles.

TANIMOTO—Oct. 7, a girl Aileen Yoko to the Akira Tanimotos (Sarah Yoko Kaiti), Los Angeles.

TOCHIHARA—A boy to the Tom K. Tochihas, Brighton, Colo.

TOKUNAGA—Oct. 20, a girl to the George Tokunagas, Eaton, Colo.

TSUTSUI—Oct. 11, a girl to the Sam Tsutsuis, Kingsburg, Calif.

UYECHI—Oct. 4, a boy Glen Alden to the Yoshita Uyechis (Toshiko Uyechi), Los Angeles.

OBITUARIES

KEINOSUKE ISHIMARU

Died of cerebral hemorrhage, Oct. 28, at Torrance General Hospital; funeral at Los Angeles Union Church, Nov. 3. Native of Kochi prefecture. Survived by sons Cy Satori, Haruo, (San Francisco), daughters Mmes. Junko Yasuda, Masako Maki and Kiyoko Hatasaki.

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Engagements

FUJIMOTO-KAWATO — Tayoko to Fusao, both of Los Angeles, Oct. 24.

HAYASHIDA-TACHIYAMA — Toshi to Tak, both of Seattle, Oct. 2.

SUGINO-ISHII — Clara Yae, Gardena, to Harry, Los Angeles.

SUNADA-TSUTOW — Toshiko, Oakland, to George, San Mateo, Oct. 24.

Marriage Licenses Issued

ENDOW-ARASHI — Paul K., 25, Culver City, and Sumiko, 20, Santa Monica.

FUKUMAKI-WONG — Dale M., 23, and Betty J., 21, both of Los Angeles.

FUKUTO-NAKAKI — Tatsue P., 20, and Sumi, 26, both of Los Angeles.

HANAMOTO-SAKAMOTO — Tom T., 24, San Fernando, and Yoko, 20, Sun Valley, Calif.

IBATA-DOTEMOTO — Utah U., 33, and Evelyn M., 32, both of Long Beach.

INUZUKA-HIROSE — Tsueo, 24, and Lillian Yetsuko, 25, both of Berkeley.

ISHII-SUGINO — Haruji H., 28, Anaheim, and Yaeo C., 24, Gardena.

MATSUMOTO-OKAMOTO — Akira, 30, Gardena, and Mary, 28, Sanger.

MAYEDA-INOUE — Shoji, 23, South Gate, and Kristine, 22, Los Angeles.

McFARLAND-NONAKA — Earl Jacob, 42, Oakland, and Irene, 35, Stockton.

MIYARA-ONO — Takashi T., 27, and Midori, 25, both of Seattle.

NAMEKATA-HIROTA — Minoru, 24, Turlock, and May Atsuko, 22, Oakland.

NAKAMURA-TAKAHASHI — Hisae, 30, Gardena, and Tatsuke F., 20, Los Angeles.

NELSON-AKI — William, 23, Redmond, Wash., and Elizabeth L., 20, Molokai, T.H.

NISHIMOTO-OGATA — Jim M., 34, Lancaster, Calif., and Miyeko, 27, Los Angeles.

OGATA-FUJIMOTO — Yoshito J., 26, Gardena, and Fujie, 22, Los Angeles.

OTTO-YOSHIMOTO — Cecil, 38, and Chieko, 38, both of San Francisco.

TAKAHASHI-TAKAHASHI — Makoto, 26, and Ellen Shizuko, 22, both of Berkeley.

TANI-HONDA — Yasuo J., 31, Los Angeles, and Mary, 31, Sun Valley, Calif.

TANIGAWA-MATSUMURA — Noburo, 28, and Yoshiko, 25, both of Los Angeles.

YAMAURA-BROWER — Eugene J., 34, and Roberta J., 20, both of Spokane, Wash.

YOSHIMI-NAGAI — Saburo, 24, and Lillian M., 23, both of Los Angeles.

Weddings

DEKUZAKU-YASUI — Oct. 25, George Dekuzaku and Grace Yasui, both of Florin, Calif.

KURAMOTO-KAMI — Oct. 25, Ben Tsutomu Kuramoto, Pasadena, and Mieko Kami, Glendale, Calif.

MAKISHIMA-AOYAMA — Oct. 18, Morio Makishima and Kikue Aoyama, both of Sacramento.

MIURA-SHIMONO — Oct. 25, Taxi Miura and Chieko Shimono, both of Sacramento.

MIYAMOTO-SHIMOIDE — Nov. 1, Masayuki Miyamoto, Selma, and Emil Shimoide, Kingsburg.

MURAKAMI-YOSHIDA — Oct. 18, Joe Masatoshi Murakami, Los Angeles, and Amy Yoshida, Chicago.

NAKAHARA-KOUCHI — Oct. 3, Tsuyoshi Nakahara, Seattle, and Mary Kouchi, Kent.

OHARA-NAGAI — Oct. 25, Fumio Ohara and Yoshiko Nagai, both of Los Angeles.

SETSUDA-MAKIYAMA — Oct. 25, Charles Hideo Setsuda and Janet Itsuko Makiyama, both of Los Angeles.

SHIBAYAMA-SUYEMATSU — Oct. 18, Zenji Shibayama and Eiko Suyematsu, both of Bainbridge Island, Wash.

TAGUCHI-TAKAMI — Oct. 25, Frank Shigeshi Taguchi, Temple City, and Yoshiye Takami, Los Angeles.

TAMURA-MIZUNO — Oct. 18, Min Tamura and Ruth Mizuno, both of San Francisco, at Carmel.

TANAKA-YAMADA — Oct. 25, Eddie E. Tanaka, Kent, and Betty Yamada, Seattle.

TANINO-ARAKAWA — Oct. 24, Katsumi Tanino, Seattle, and Terrie Arakawa, Fresno.

TSUJIKAWA-CHIHARA — Oct. 4, Stan Tsujikawa, Kent, and Mary Chihara, Bainbridge Island, Wash.

Deaths

AKUTAGAWA, Hagino, 61: Los Angeles, Oct. 16, survived by sons Yukio, Satoru.

FUJIKAWA, Kiyomi, 31: Gardena, Oct. 23, survived by sons Fred, Harry, Tom, Jimmy, daughters Mrs. Sen Izeki, Mary Kashiwada, Bessie Yamanaka and Margaret Kotsuji.

IWAI, Hideaki, 86: Berkeley, Oct. 31, survived by son Sakae, daughters May and Seiko.

KAMEYAMA, Shiroji: Los Angeles, Oct. 18.

KAMIMURA, Kesakichi: Los Angeles, Oct. 27, survived by four daughters Mmes. Fujiko Yokota, Toshiko Nakamura, Michiko Nakaji and Kimiko Shimizu.

NAKAGAWA, Renzo: Spokane, Oct. 21.

MATSUNAGA, Kennie, 6: Selma, Calif., Oct. 24, survived by parents Mr. and Mrs. Niichi, brother Mitsuo, sisters Dorothy, Sally, Toshiko, Sayeko, Mrs. Nancy Kitau-chi (Orosi) and grandmother Mrs. Chito Matsunaga.

MIYAUCHI, Mrs. Maki: Denver, Oct. 16, survived by husband Iwasaki, sons Toshio, Hisashi, Hiroshi, Fred, daughters Mrs. Sue Arai, Mrs. Mi-

yoko Honkawa, Helen and Mary. MORIKAWA, Mrs. Tsutao, 52: San Jose, Oct. 21, survived by husband Kichizi, sons Frank (Oakland), George, Gary, daughters Mrs. Noriko Ikebe (Japan), Reiko, and granddaughters Naomi Ikebe. OGAMI, Denkichu, 69: San Jose, Oct. 26, survived by wife Ima, sons Richard, Sam, Terry, daughter Emmy.

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EDITORIALS

From the Frying Pan . . .

Claims Filing

Representation in Washington is keenly appreciated by unfortunate Japanese Americans who were led to believe that the practice of accepting postmarked income tax returns would apply in the case of their evacuation claims.

The government has distinguished between income taxes, where the government receives money, and claims, where the government pays. The Justice Department took extra precautions with wide publicity that it must actually receive claims by the deadline hour.

Only recourse is through an understanding Congress, which can amend the law to extend the date for filing. JACL's "watchdog" position in Washington today enables a most feasible means to afford such assistance.

Humility

Television fans were given a word-study in "humility" when Arthur Godfrey said he fired his singer Julius LaRosa for losing his "humility" among other reasons. The dictionary tells us humility is "the quality of being humble; deference, courtesy, kindness".

Of course, humility is an admirable quality—none too common among artists, politicians and other classes of people. One commentator hastened to suggest that if humility were a pre-requisite for government employment, the federal payroll would shrink faster than the Republican economy drive.

But the best lesson in "humility" so many Nisei have recognized of late is the presence of Sgt. Hiroshi Miyamura, whose heroic actions won for him the Medal of Honor. Had Miyamura's quiet attitudes been known to the red-haired radio-TV emcee, there would have been no misuse of this word signifying rare virtue.

Public Record

When seven men were held in jail in Massachusetts from six to 41 years on the flimsiest charges (including the youth who was confined at 10 for truancy and released 23 years later), it seemed incredible. Officialdom was being overly trusted in its job.

While the judge and jailer know why and whom they confine, the public must know, too. The California legislature, we are glad to say, has made all public records and meetings open to the press and public. "No public official has the right to decide for the people what they should or should not know about public affairs."

His First 'teen Social

Denver

Our Mike the other Friday night went to his first church teen-canteen social. He slicked down his hair, donned his good slacks and went off to join the others of his generation. It didn't happen without a good deal of coaxing for, until now, he'd rather putter around at home than go chasing off to a social. Besides, he took a rather dim view of girls, or at least he professed to.

At first we had been under the impression Mike was going to a movie Friday night with the vague possibility he and his friend were going to meet a couple of girls at the theater. Then I suppose they'd share popcorn, giggle, and feel they were having a fine time. But somehow this arrangement must have gone awry because he came home Friday afternoon and announced:

"I'm going to the social at the teen-canteen tonight. We're going with some girls who're having potluck over at Linda's house. They want to play us football for a while after they eat, and then we're going down and maybe we'll dance."

A game of football with girls? And a dance after that?

It caught this old fogey somewhat off balance. I couldn't remember disporting myself in such manner when I was entering my teens. But Mike was off before I could collect my wits sufficiently to question him.

As I got the story later they didn't play football. But they did dance for a while in the church basement. One of the mothers picked them up after the festivities were over and delivered the kids to their homes. Mike was back and in bed shortly after 10 p.m.

After Mike came home I sat around and tried to remember what I did for social diversion when I was an eighth grader. Some individuals can remember thousands of small

details of their childhood. Not I. I couldn't recall going on parties, neither could I remember girls having much of a part in my activities.

There was one party. The girls and the boys showed up separately. When it was time to go home, all the boys got together into one big band and escorted the girls home, one by one. The bolder boys walked right with the girls, but the shy ones walked on the other side of the street. That was about as close as we dared come to girls, those strange creatures.

I can see even now that Mike's generation has a much better understanding of this boy-girl business than its parents had.

Our Susan was teaching Pete a new game the other day. It consists of holding your hand behind your back and counting, one, two, three. On three, you fling your hand out in front of you, with the fingers held in one of three positions. The hand may be clenched in a fist, which is the symbol for rock. The first two fingers may be extended in a symbol for scissors. Or the hand may be held out open, the symbol for paper.

Rock can be wrapped up by paper, but cannot be cut by scissors. Scissors can cut paper, but cannot cut rock. Paper can wrap up rock, but can be cut to shreds by scissors. The idea is that you try to outguess your opponent as you select the symbol you'll show on the count of three.

All at once I recognized the game as "Jon, Ken, Poh," a Japanese child's and parlor pastime that we played as kids. I tried to explain it to the kids, and to teach them to say: "Jon, ken, poh. Ai go no hoi."

They looked at me dubiously and stuck to something they understood: "One, two, three."

by Bill Hosokawa

Vagaries . . .

Kentucky Colonel Hosokawa

Bill Hosokawa is now a full-fledged Kentucky colonel. He was "commissioned" by Governor Lawrence Weatherby recently when he represented the Denver Post at the annual Sunday editors conference in Louisville.

The illness of Producer Joshua Logan may delay indefinitely the Broadway production of the new James Michener novel, "Sayonara," the story of the love of a Japanese showgirl for an American jet ace. Logan, who visited Japan last year and wanted to bring the Japanese Kabuki theater to New York, bought the stage and movie rights to "Sayonara" after spirited bidding over a number of Hollywood studios, including MGM, for a sum involving more than \$500,000.

Logan, who was producing the Mary Martin play, "Kind Sir," suffered a nervous breakdown and is now in a sanatorium in his native Louisiana.

Logan also was involved in writing the book for "Sayonara" while Irving Berlin is composing the songs for the proposed production.

The girl, Hana-Ogi, in "Sayonara" is a star of the Takarazuka, while her American lover is a young Air Force major from an old-line army family. McCall's, which is now serializing the novel in abridged form, is advertising it as the "greatest love story of our time." The Michener novel will appear in book form under the Random House imprint shortly.

Vern Schneider, whose novelette has been dramatized by John Patrick into the new Broadway success, "Teahouse of the August Moon," is represented currently by a new book with an Asian background. It's "A Pail of Oysters" and has a Formosan setting.

A scene from "August Moon," with several Nisei playing the roles of Okinawan natives, was presented on Ed Sullivan's "Toast of the Town" over CBS recently. The old woman sitting atop the jeep was played by Naoe Kondo.

Broadway ticket brokers have something of a headache, albeit a pleasant one, occasioned by the fact that the two successes of the fall season to date have been "Tea and Sympathy," the boarding school drama which stars Deborah Kerr, and "Teahouse of the August Moon." Many tourists visiting New York don't know what tea to order.

In James Jones' novel, "From Here to Eternity," Private Robert E. Lee Prewitt has

A card expert underwent an operation for appendicitis in Michigan. It was the doctor's cut!

If you meet a bear, advises a Canadian wildlife expert, just walk away and the bear will do likewise. But which way?

A family budget is something that's straightened out every payday so it can be borrowed from until next payday.

by Larry Tajiri

a girl friend named Violet Ogure who goes out with him although she keeps telling that "a respectable Nisei girl doesn't go out with soldiers." . . . Violet, however, is missing from the excellent film which Columbia made from author Jones' angry novel of the life of a Regular Army soldier in the days before Pearl Harbor. In writing the screen play Dan Taradash had to weed out all extraneous characters in order to compress the long book into a two-hour drama. Prewitt, the Montgomery Clift role, has his only love affair with the girl from the New Congress hotel which Donna Reed plays in departure from her usual run of ingenue parts.

The recent exhibition of ten of Yasuo Kuniyoshi's last paintings at the Downtown Gallery in New York city "brings back acutely our sense of loss," Howard Devree wrote in the New York Times of Oct. 25. Done with brush and ink the paintings were completed by Kuniyoshi in the summer of 1952, his last active summer before the illness which resulted in his death early this year.

"These are among his most sensitive evocations," said Mr. Devree, "a strong blend of occidental and oriental. Particularly touching is a landscape with a crow and a flying fish-kite, symbols to him of life and death."

Dorothy Canfield Fisher, one of America's great authors who came to the aid of the Nisei and the JACL in the troubled days of 1942 and became a national sponsor of the JACL organization, is the author of "Vermont Tradition," a "biography of an outlook on life," which Little, Brown has just published.

Leading members of the Fujiwara Opera company of Tokyo appeared with the New York City Center troupe in two presentations of "Madama Butterfly" during the City Center's opera festival during the past week.

The remainder of the Fujiwara company was left behind in San Francisco after a successful west coast tour. The Fujiwara troupe, however, showed a lack of public relations sense when they abruptly cancelled their dates in Salt Lake, Denver, Greeley and other inland cities. In Denver, the troupe was booked at the City auditorium and advertising and tickets had been distributed when the local impressario, Arthur Oberfelder, received an abrupt telegram cancelling the performance. Mr. Oberfelder was out the cost of the ads and had to refund the many tickets which had been sold. He was heard to say that he would never again book the troupe.

"Sayonara," incidentally, is almost a love letter to Japan in novel form. Author James Michener, who hit the literary jackpot with "South Pacific," is the writer most in demand this season for stage and screen properties. Yet Michener is turning his back on gold for a year at least. For the next year James Michener will be writing, but not for money. He is doing a book on Japanese art.

DECADE AGO

November 6, 1943

Troops impose martial law on Tule Lake segregation center; army intervenes as Newell residents defy civil authority; report 20 persons injured.

War correspondent John Lardner reports position of 100th Infantry in Italy "most advanced" of U.S. Fifth Army; situated north of Volturno River.

Nisei troops in Italy would rather fight against Pacific foe, 100th Infantry commander Lt. Col. Turner tells H. R. Knickerbocker of Chicago Sun.

Salinas C. of C. initiates national campaign against Japanese Americans; problem not one of California, but of whole United States.

Box Elder (Utah) county sheriff denies charges of L.A. sheriff, claiming secret Japanese language schools and Little Tokio exists in northern Utah; says evacuees behaving nicely.

WRA chief believes Nisei integration hastened by war.

California American Legion opens attack against JACL before congressmen; John Lechner visit part of campaign to impose restrictions on Nisei.

"This is Bronzeville. Watch us grow!" signs posted in Li'l Tokio (Los Angeles Nipponmachi) as new Negro civic group founded.

Santa Maria pastor, Rev. A. A. Heist, cites citizenship record of evacuees in Methodist church bulletin; Japanese Americans have lowest crime rate.

MINORITY

Eviction of the Negro family of Donald Howard from his apartment in riot-stirred Trumbull Park housing project far Southside was ordered last week by the Chicago Housing Authority. Howard was the first Negro to move in, causing a series of disturbances last July 30. Since then, three other colored families moved in and culminated in the project being patrolled by 1,100 policemen to maintain order . . .

Reason for eviction: Howard gained admittance by "illegal and fraudulent means." Howard's application, made in May, then employed as substitute mail carrier, failed to state his wife was employed as a telephone operator, thus failing to show the family's actual income status to violate admittance requirements . . . Howard denied this, explaining that when application was made he was employed as a substitute mail carrier but laid off two weeks later. It was then his wife got a job as a telephone operator . . . Background: State and federal laws forbid racial discrimination in public housing projects. Nevertheless, Trumbull Park Homes were all white. The Howard move-in was an inadvertence. Applications do not ask for race and the project clerks did not realize the Howards were Negroes. When the CHA built the project in 1938, the neighborhood community composed largely of Serbs, Croats and Poles did not like it. Long smoldering sentiments exploded between the project people and the neighborhood when the Howards moved in.

The NAACP last year netted \$38,000 from sale of its Christmas seals, the largest sum realized in 27 years since the campaign started. Lena Horne is chairing this year's drive again.

After four years of effort by the NAACP, the Davton transit system has agreed to accept Negro applications for bus drivers.

Two hundred Japanese art objects are on view until mid-November at Schleier gallery, 1343 Acoma St., Denver. It is the first such display for a long time, according to museum officials.