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# Over 1,600 Issei citizens on Veterans



# Over 1,000 Issei sworn in Hol ywood Bowl as citizens; part of biggest naturalization class in U.S. history

By HARRY HONDA

Los Angeles Threatening rainclouds could not keep the 15,000s away from the Hollywood Bowl on Veterans Day, when 1,024 Isserwire among the 7,568 citizenship and in the state of the could be supplied to the state of the could be supplied to the state of the could be supplied to the c ship applicants naturalized in the biggest class at any onetime in American history.

Federal Judge Peirson M. Hall convened the court at the world-famous amphitheater in the early afternoon as gray, wet clouds obscured the sun. By the time Henry Imanaka, interpreter for the immigration station at San Pedro, was sworn in to assist the Japanese-speaking group, a light drizzle began. Umbrellas of varied colors bloomed spontaneously.

The Bowl's public address system kept its steady pitch— lmanaka reading the Oath of Allegiance in Japanese while the response from Issei, standing here and there in noticeable clusters along the terraced rows, echoed meaningfully.

#### Remember the Boys

Taking heart the significance of Veterans Day, the judge ad-monished the assemblage to remain, in spite of intermittent showers, recalling that the boys in France, in Burma and in Korea stood in mud and rain to preserve the American concepts of freedom. "A little, blessed rain won't hurt," he thought of Los Angeles's first drenching of the season.

Herman R. Landon, district director of Immigration and Naturalization Service, in his motion for admission of some 7,600 to U.S. citizenship, de-clared there were also 300 Spanish - speaking applicants

The familiar blue-tinted setting of Hollywood Bowl assumed a judicial air when the bailiff banged on his gavel at 1:45 p.m., and recited "Hear ye . . ." The backdrop of several fluttering Flags on the right side was accented by maroon-garbed members of the Manchester Youth Chorus of the L.A. Bureau of Music and the Los Angeles Police American Legion Post band on stage.

Congratulatory addresses on the meaning of citizenship were made by Agness Underwood, city editor of the Herald-Express, and Ugo Carusi, former I&NS commissioner and now with the FOA refugee section in Washington, D.C.

#### Li'l Tokio Hustle

Earlier in the day in Li'l To-kio, five busses chartered by the So. Calif. Japanese Cham-ber of Commerce were loaded o standing room capacity. rived at 9 a.m., two hours before time of departure.

"We've waited over 30 years for this day," one aged Issei explained. "We don't mind waiting another three hours."

Sons, daughters and even grandchildren of new Issei citizens accompanied them to the Bowl. Some were carrying Japanese-style box lunches to beat the traffic to the Bowl. And the jam on the Hollywood Freeway skirting the entrance to the Bowl was reminiscent of opening night of the past symphony season-the long string of auto headlights was missing. The Japanese C. of C. had

earlier scheduled a celebration that evening, but cancelled it and that 68 nations were repre- in deference to the many pri-

vate parties at homes of the newly naturalized that were being arranged by the families.

#### Perry Post Ushers

Charter members of the Commodore Perry Post, men who fought in World War I and then had to beseech Congress to pass a special law 15 years later to be given the privilege of naturalization by virtue of military service, accompanied Issei applicants to their special seats.

While no actual count has been made, it was the genera feeling in Li'l Tokio that there are close to 2,000 naturalized

Issei in Los Angeles alone. Judge Hall, prior to the swearing-in, recounted the fundamental concepts of freedom and how it was applied in America through the Ten Com mandments, the Sermon on the Mount, the Declaration of Inde pendence and the Constitution.

He summed up his short talk on the concepts of true liberty and human freedom through four principles: brotherly love, faith, reason and truth; in con-trast to the four principles of the godless ideology that is seeking man's soul: hate, substituted for brotherly love; fear for faith force for reason; and ignorance instead of truth.

#### JEMS name Rev. Foriumi as new president

Los Angeles

The Rev. Howard Toriumi of the San Francisco Church of Christ was named president of the Japanese Evangelical Mis-sionary Society, which sponsors radio broadcasts and conducts special evangelical missions in various Nisei congregations in

Portion of the assemblage on Veterans Day at Hollywood Bowl where over 1,000 Japanese alien became U.S. citizens is silhouetted against the rim of the famed outdoor

#### HARRY MIYAKE NAMED TO GUADALUPE CITY POST

Guadalupe

Harry N. Miyake was ap-pointed last week to fill the seat of Charles Lester in the city council, because the latter was moving out of the

Miyake, president of the Santa Maria Valley JACL chapter, and local Buddhist Church board of directors member, was once a candidate for the office in a recent election and had lost in a close tally.

A new generation of sons and daughters-50,000 foreign-born-was born on the first Veterans Day celebration from Guam to Puerto Rico and in 109 American cities in the largest mass naturalization c e remonies ever witnessed.

There were 16,020 immigrants taking the Oath of Allegiance in New York at the Polo Grounds and Ebbets Field. The largest single group was in Hollywood Bowl, where over 1,000 Issei were sworn in.

(On the basis of a spot check, the New York I&NS office estimated 160 Japanese were sworn in as citizens on Veterans Day in ceremonies held at Polo Grounds and Ebbets Field.)

Elsewhere there were another 600 Japanese naturalized. '

In a message welcoming the new citizens, President Eisenhower declared:

a. . . You are following in the footsteps of millions that have come before you, of intermingling races and bloods and cultures, to build this country. You will add your part to this great nation."

In St. Louis, 12 Issei were among 300 naturalized on Veterans Day. There were 17 Japanese-born at Portland, Ore.' Among the 80 at Bremerton were three from Japan nat-uralized aboard the battleship Missouri, being mothballed at the Puget Sound naval drydock.

Seattle saw 69 Issei sworn in as new citizens by Fede 1 Judge William J. Lindberg. And 250 were naturalized in San Francisco.

#### Three Arizona Issei join ranks as U.S. citizens

Phoenix II

Three Issei were in the packed courtroom of U.S. District Judge Dave W. Ling as 131 aliens renounced allegiance to the lands of their birth and solemnly pledged allegiance to this Nation on Veterans Day.

Jack Ong, past commander Turn to Page 6

## SUPREME COURT DEADLOCKED ON CEMETERY DISCRIMINATION ISSUE

Washington

The United States Supreme Court ruled on one of the cases Monday in which the Japanese American Citizens League is involved by the filing of amicus curiaé briefs.

By a 4-4 tie vote, the Supreme Court blocked a \$180,-000 damage suit against the Sioux City (Iowa) cemetery which refused to permit the burial of an American Indian killed in army service in Korea

As is customary in tie votes the high court did not issue any written opinions and did not reveal how the individual justices divided.

#### No Grounds for Suit

The court's action upheld an Iowa Supreme Court decision that Mrs. Evelyn Rice, white widow of Sgt. John Rice, had no I this decision.

grounds for suit. The Iowa court said it could not declare void any private contract containing a restrictive covenant.

The question of cemetery discrimination has been and still is a vital problem for persons of Japanese ancestry in this country, for in many sections of the nation's cemeteries, burial is restricted to Caucasians.

Mrs. Rice sought to sue the cemetery for "humiliation and mental suffering."

The even division of the court

resulted from the death of Associate Justice Robert Jackson. The President has nominated John Marshall Harlan to fill the vacancy. If Harlan is confirmed by the Senate and sworn in before 25 days elapse, Mrs. Rice could ask the full-ninemember court to reconsider

### TOKYO TOPICS

#### By TAMOTSU MURAYAMA Red flags waving . . .

Tokyo Like other working groups in Japan, native civilian person-nel employed at U.S. military installations have been long organized and it has been estimated 120,000 out of the 170,-000. non-military Japanese at U.S. Security Force bases are members of the Zenchuro.

That's the popular form meaning Zengoku Churyugun Rodosha Kumiai (National Garrison Forces Workers' Un-

Like other labor unions, Zen-churo chorused the "Yankee— jo Home"



waving me, uge signs and ed flags at emon stra ons from me to time. Labor he linistry has warned ng gainst vioduring nce during

But the unions, only threatened by edicts from the government, were unchecked and became more violent in their tactics.

Red flags became more numerous. The demands that the Americans go home became louder. So they began to leave not because of union demands-but the international situation in Asia permitted it after the cease of hostilities in Korea.

So fast has been this withdrawal of American personnel that some who were waving red flags yesterday waved them-selves out of a job at the same time. With each withdrawal of U.S. security troops, Zenchuro felt the pinch even keener. As if gasping for the last breath of existence, Zenchuro called a strike recently for bigger and fatter retirement allowances.

The now-unemployed Zenchuro member, who shouted the Yankees go home yesterday, finally realized his folly. Fantastic, when you look the situation

over.

#### Press union . . .

Latest development in the Japanese labor situation is the growing dominance of the Press Workers Union of Japan with its membership of 38,000 and its recent affiliation with the General Council of Trade Unions, known as Sohyo, comprising the left-wing radical group of Ja-

panese labor.
Only recent turn of events have revealed the extent of Sohyo's influence in the field of Japanese journalism editorially.

The recent visit of Diet members to Red China and Soviet Russia drew top prominence on front pages almost to the point of nonsense.

The release of Japanese prisoners of war from Communist China was played up. It was accorded the sympathetic pat-tern—possibly to convince read-ers that Red China is kind and wonderful today. The truth of the matter is that Red China has kept former Japanese soldiers for nine years, only returning those who were thoroughly indoctrinated in the communist philosophy. There's nothing to be thankful for when only brain-washed Nippon war veterans are permitted to go home.

Events, such as these, occupy prominent columns in the Ja-panese daily press. This should be regarded as a major accomplishment of Red policy in the press.

And unthinking politicians and leaders play into the hands of Communists, supporting the so-called "peace fronts". It has unstabilized the domestic political situation. (This past week, reports from Tokyo have indicated the possible ouster of the pro-American government of Premier Yoshida by the time he returns home from his tour of U.S. and Europe.)

Because of the confused press and the economic unrest, many people here do not realize the dangers that lurk around

the dangers that lurk around the corner.

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WASHINGTON NEWSLETTER By Mike Masaoka

# **Conservative Control**

By any analysis of the makeup of the next 84th Congress that convenes next January, the conservative elements of both the Democratic and Republican Parties will continue to control the Congress.

In other words, generally speaking, the same coalition of Dixiecrats and Midwestern Republicans that have dominated the last several sessions will remain in actual charge of the legislative processes.

In last week's Newsletter, it was pointed out that 13 of the 19 standing committees in the House of Representatives and ten of the 15 standing committees in the Senate will have Southern Democrats as chairmen in the next Congress. In addition, the ranking Democratic member will be a Southerner on 14 of the 19 House committees and on 11 of the 15 Senate committees.

On the basis of the present 83rd Congress, Midwesterners will be the ranking minority (GOP) members on 14 of the 19 standing House committees, and on nine of the 15 standing Senate committees, in the next Congress.

Accordingly, little change in the legislative atmosphere is anticipated, even though the Democrats will take over nominal control of the new Congress from the Republicans.

#### Thin Margins in Both Houses

Although the Democrats will have a working majority of almost 30 seats in the House, divided among the 19 standing committees it means less than two more votes on each of these committees if the House tradition of allowing a representative to serve on only one standing committee is observed. Thus, it is expected that as the Republicans did in the 83rd Congress, the senior Democratic members will serve on several committees each.

On the Senate side, the Democrats will have working majority if Independent Wayne Morse of Oregon votes with them on organizational matters. This will be the reverse of what he did two years ago, when he voted with the Republicans to create the tie that enabled Vive-President Richard Nixoon to cast his vote and break the tie in favor of the Republicans,

If the Oregonian changes his mind before Jan. 6, he can again create a deadlock by voting with his former GOP colleagues on organizational matters. Then, the Vice-President can again break the tie in favor of the Republicans by casting his vote. The Democrats are trying to make certain of his vote, however, by offering him some major committee posts and it is anticipated by all observers that the Democrats will organize the next Senate.

Seldom in history has one man had so much power that the organization of the United States Senate is in his hands for two consecutive Congresses.

As in the present 83rd Congress, a single death can change the majority in the Senate from the Democrats to the Republicans. While most of the senior Democrats are considerably older than the ranking Republicans they are from the South where Democrats control the governoorships, another organizational change in the next two years is unlikely however.

Moreover, the Democrats, by winning several governorships from the GOP earlier this month, have strengthened their position on this score.

#### Importance of A Single Vote

Those who would minimize the importance of the individual ballot were reminded again in this last election that just a few votes can change the entire complexion of almost every national election.

If the GOP could have mustered only 8,254 more votes in just three western states-Oregon, Wyoming, and Montana-they could conthe Senate for the next two years, for then the lineup would have been 50 Republicans, 45 Democrats, and one Independent, instead of the 47 Republicans, 48 Democrats, and one Independent that it will be.

The GOP could also have won these same three states if they had been able to convince only 4,128 of those who voted for the Democratic candidates to vote for their nominees

On the other hand, the Democrats could have had a 50-45 majority if only 12,489 more Democrats had voted in Ohio and New Jersey, or if 6,245 voters who voted for the Republicans had instead voted Democratic.



In several congressional races, less than a hundred votes would have resulted in the election of the defeated candidate and an estimated less than 20,000 ballots in the close contests would have allowed the Republicans to retain control of the House.

#### California and the GOP

Though loss of the elections means that California's dominance in the Senate is ended (Vice-President Nixon's influence on the Senate will be less and Sen. William F. Knowland will no longer be Majority Leader), this same balloting has probably increased the Golden State's prestige in the Republican Party.

Gov. Goodwin Knight was re-elected by an overwhelming majority and Sen. Thomas Kuchel, who was appointed to the Senate seat vacated by Vice-President Nixon, was returned to the Senate by a sweeping majority when a close race had been predicted.

The election results have projected four Californians into the race for the 1956 GOP presidential nomination if President Eisenhower declines to run for re-election.

They are Chief Justice Earl Warren, Governor Knight, Vice-President Nixon, and Senator Knowland-not necessarily in that order.

Chief Justice Warren appointed both Senators Knowland and Kuchel to the Senate. Thus, if he seeks the Presidency, he may have the support of both Senators, although Senator Knowland may feel that since he has supported the Chief Justice twice for the GOP nomination he is entitled to be a candidate in his own right in 1956.

For some time, it was thought that Governor Knight long in the shadow when the Chief Justice was governor, would team up with the Vice-President to stop any Warren-Knowland movement. All this may have changed with the Governor having defeated the pro-Nixon forces in the state party convention and his smashing success in the Nov. 2 elections. He may seek the presidential nomination him-

The Vice-President, by his active role as the official spokesman for his party in the recent elections, is now well known among the party officials and workers throughout the entire country. Moreover, the assignments given to him by the White House may indicate that the President is grooming the young Californian as his successor.

All signs point to an interesting struggle for power in California between these four prospective presidential aspirants.

The Chief Justice and the Governor must make their bid in 1956 because their ages almost preclude any ambitions beyond the next presidential race

Both the Vice-President and the Senior Senator from California are young enough to bide their time and wait for 1960 and even 1964 if they are so inclined, however, thereby making certain alignments and compromises possible that may make the confests even more interesting.

#### P INIONS

#### Power of Single Vote

Portland Oregonian

There has seldom, if ever, been a more spectacular demonstration of the power of the individual voter than that provided by (the Nov. 2) election. As this is written, the winning margin of Senator-elect Richard L. Neuberger is approximately 2000 votes, actually fewer than the number of precincts in the state. It follows that, if the vote had differed by as little as an average of one vote per precinct, the result would have been the re-election of Senator Guy Cordon.

In New Jersey, the margin between the Democratic and Republican candidates for the senate seat was even smaller, considering the size of the vote.

And on these two hairline decisions rested immense issues, including control of the senate and consequent defeat or victory for partisan measures in the congress of the United States.

If ever again you hear any one say, "Oh, my single vote won't count for anything, just remind him of the election of November,



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### VERY TRULY YOURS

#### By HARRY HONDA

What Naomi Kashiwabara says about "provincial", I couldn't state any better, so we'll let him take over this week. An electronics engineer for the U.S. Navy at San Diego, he has contributed to Nisei newspapers in the past.—HH.

#### Once a hick-always a hick By KASHIWABARA

At a Boyle Heights JACL party recently I heard a new acquaintance refer to himself and to his hometown in the north as "provincial".

This word "provincial" is a word I, and probably you, have heard several times from fellow Japanese of varying erudition.

People in central California are "provincial" to people in Los Angeles; Nisei who associate with Hakujin in Los Angeles call other Los Angeles Nisei "provincial"; Chicago Japanese refer to all Los Angeles Japanese as again "provincial".

It may be proper to stop this worship of urbanity and consider the following:

(1) Congressional Medal of Honor winners come from small towns in Texas and New Mexico bearing names like a Randolph Scott movie.

(2) Presidents of the United States come from small towns in Missouri and Kansas bearing names like, again, a Randolph Scott movie (who is this fellow Scott? Is he in the JACL?).

(3) Smog.

(4) Big cities are full of fast-buck promoters, crooks, panderers, and jay-walkers.

(5) It actually takes no high intelligence or character to go to an expensive night-club in Hollywood, Chicago, or New York; all it requires is money.

(6) Smog.

(7) The three most beautiful women I know come from hamlets in California called Salinas, Lindsay, and Woodlake.

(8) Mike What's-his-name is from a town in Utah.

(9) In "All the King's Men" Willie Stark cried, "Hicks! Hicks! You're a hick! I'm a hick!" and had he played his cards right he might have gone all the way to Pennsylvania Avenue.

(10) Smog.

# An Interesting Week

LAWRENCE NAKATSUKA

It was a week of interesting events for Japanese and Japanese Americans in Hawaii.

News of note included the largest mass naturalization ceremony in Hawaii's history, with Japanese outnumbering all others among those sworn in.

A new Japanese consul general arrived, just in time to greet Japanese Premier Shigeru Yoshida but too much in a haste to bring along his wife and 10 children from Japan,

A veteran Nisei employee was promoted to Honolulu district manager of the Post Office. He is now boss of his former

Another Nisei finally beat the Pruzzle contest, the only winner out of 415,000 entries in one of the most successful newspaper stunts.

Now, for the details -.

#### 260 Japanese naturalized

Hawaii was the last American spot to swear in new Americans on Veterans Day, November 11, and it did a superb job.

Earlier in the day, some 50,000 subjects of 50 nations were naturalized as U.S. citizens in ceremonies which started from Guam and moved westward to the Mainland United States and Puerto Rico. Hawaii came last because it is the closest to the International Date Line on this side.

Of four naturalization sessions in Hawaii, the largest was in Honolulu. Facing a flag-decorated platform in a Honolulu high school auditorium, 623 aliens severed ties with their old

Of the new U.S. citizens, 260 were Japanese, or about 42 per cent. 151 of them took the Oath of Allegiance in their native tongue; 169 in English.

It was a stirring occasion for the 2,000 persons packed into the auditorium. The snappy Marine band music, patriotic songs and oratory, colorful display of flags, the solemn words of the presiding judge, the mass swearing in of new citizens in five languages-all had ther part in making the ceremony worth remembering.

#### Continental manners charm

An affable Japanese consul general by the name of Masahide Kanayama arrived from Tokyo, and immediately won new friends with what one greeter called his "Continental man-

An apt description, for he has spent 17 of the last 19 years in his government's service in Europe.

He was stationed in Paris, Geneva, Rome and the Vatican City. Eleven of those years, he spent in Italy. He speaks Italian

His 10 children-five sons and five daughters-range in age from 2 to 17 years. His wife and family will join him later. He rushed from Japan in order to be on hand to welcome Premier Yoshida on the last stop of his long tour abroad.

#### Postal district manager appointed

George T. Hara of the Honolulu post office was never too busy to look after the "little things" that mattered to "little people." people."

When a worried, unemployed widow failed to receive her unemployment compensation check, George searched for it. After he finally found it, he had it sent special delivery to the

Now, after more than 30 years of loval service, he has been named manager of a newly-created Honolulu postal district, with jurisdiction over Hawaii, Guam, Wake, Trust Territory, Samoa and other Pacific islands.

He was senior assistant superintendent of mails in Honolulu when he was appointed. His promotion puts him over his

He took his oath of office with 16 other district managers at a luncheon sponsored by the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce in that city last week.

#### Finally—a Pruzzle winner

If you haven't played Pruzzle, you don't know frustration. It's a game newspapers have started to promote reader interest and increase circulation.

It is similar to a cross-word puzzle but the words you choose must be just the ones the Pruzzle editor has picked. This al-

lows many alternate words but only one correct answer. After it had published eight Pruzzles and received more than 415,000 entries, the Honolulu Star-Bulletin last week announced that John K. Ikeda, a government land surveyor, had turned in a perfect Pruzzle. The prize: \$475 in cash.



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Kenjiro Tanaka, the Santa Monica (Calif.) Is is who was invited to attend a White House pre-naturalization reception, shakes hands with President Eisenhower. "I'm very happy to meet you, Mr. Tanaka," the President said. -JACL Photo.

### TOUCH OF ORIENT IN CALIFORNI RTILE GROUNDS FOR LITERA

Los Angeles

The Pacific Coast, California in particular, has all the necessary ingredients to become the country's principal literary production center, according to Edward Weeks, editor of Atlantic Monthly, who recently lectured at the Los Angeles City College evening division.

Describing the area's potential in arts and letters, he declared:

"There is an awful lot of material uncovered here and by uncovered I mean untouched.

You have a mixture of

bloodstreams and some wonderful international campuses. Foreign blood adds yeast to communities if these people are encouraged to contribute their racial richness.

"California writers ought to be the interpreters of the Orient. This subject is of portentous importance for the future. We need the right interpreters to prevent the entire East from dropping into the Communist orbit.

You Californians have lived with Orientals for generations and you know them better and are more sympathetic with their problems.

#### FIVE BROTHERS ALE JOIN LEGION POST TOGETHER

Imperial

Five of six brothers who farm 350 acres with alfalfa, tomatoes, lettuce and melons here have all signed up as members of the American Legion Post 107 here. They are all sons of Mr. and Mrs. T. Kodama, pre-war Imperial Valley residents. The sixth son, who also served in the Armed Forces as marine, is studying radio-television in Los Angeles.

brothers with distinction during World War II are Harry, 31 (Co. I, 442nd); James, 34 (390th MP); George 32 (Ft. Knox Armored Tng. Ctr.); Shosaku, 36 (ATIS); and Oscar, 28



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#### IN HONOR OF

Masahide Nonaka, 27, search biochemist with the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture, is the first Nisei named to the federal grand jury of San Francisco. He began his four-month term this week. The jury is scheduled to meet on Wednesdays to seek indictments against violators of federal laws.

(611th Graves Registration

#### SUPREME COURT TO HEAR **ORAL ARGUMENTS ON** SEGREGATION DEC. 6

Washington

Varied arguments on how the Supreme Court should carry into effect its order of last May 17 that school segregation was unconstitutional were submitted in briefs, as requested by the court, by midnight Nov. 15. Oral arguments will be heard

Attorneys for Negro parents who are principals in the school segregation case would accept a slight delay but only until next September to wipe out racially segregated public

However, six Southern states suggested integration be handled by federal district courts. Arkansas urged the court to send the cases back to Congress; South Carolina suggested that it go back to the various state legislatures, and Virginia doubted desegregation would ever be effected satisfactorily in some of its areas.

The combined Negro brief contended, on the other hand, that all States having segregated schools were put on notice by the Supreme Court's opinion that changes must be made, and that "there are no legal precedents justifying a plea for de-

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# Chicago

SMOKY SAKURADA

#### Mass Naturalization

Over 200 Issel were among the 2,800 persons sworn in as U.S. citizens in the mass naturalization ceremonies Veterans



Day at the Medinah Temple, where the where the Court of Northern Illinois was con-vened by Judge Win G. Knoch Knoch . . . Dr. John T. Rettaliata, president of

Illinois Institute of Technology, was the main speaker. Kenji b Nakane of the Japanese American Service Committee assiste in arrangements. John Yoshino, Abe Hagiwara and Corky Kawasaki represented the JACL and were seated on stage with other dignitaries.

#### Around Windy City . . .

Over 170 high schools were represented in the one-day meeting of the Tri-County High School Conference on Human Relations last week. Sponsored by the National Conference of Christian and Jews, John Y. Yoshine, director of job opportunities for the American Friends Service Committee, served as moderator of the group discussing "Discriminafion in Employment" at the Univ. of Chicago campus.

The Chicago JACL meeting last week featured a panel discussion of PTA leaders. Chizu liyama moderated. Mrs. Richard Miyaki, active Near-Northside PTA worker, has promised a column for us on this event. Vernon Duncan and his

Officers for the 1955 term will be headed by Kumeo Yoshinari, re-elected chapter president; assisted by Dr. Frank Sakamoto, 1st v.p.; William Fu-jii, 2nd v.p.; George Teraoka, 3rd v.p.; Sumi Kobayashi, 3rd v.p.; Sumi Kobayashi treas.; Toshi Nakamura, cor sec.; (recording secretary to be appointed later); George Tanaka, aud.; Jean Shimasaki, Dr. George Okita, Marji Kiku-chi, Helen Hori, Yoshi Nishimoto, delegates-at-large.

#### About people . . .

Vernon Duncan, 234 E. 61st St., (see above) who was one-time a member of Katherine Dunham's troupe, is a dancer and delineator of West Indian folklore. He has been degreed by Roosevelt University and by Roosevelt University and Services except for photograph of Chizenship and that they are lic expense. Roy Hoshizaki of the House of Photography will be present, he teaches Afro-Cuban, calypso and modern dance at Roosevelt Univer-H sity, Northwestern University and Penthouse Studio.

Other members of the group performing at the last JACL meeting were Elinor Defibaugh (Kaimuki area), of Honolulu (Kaimuki\_area) 5 ft. 9 in. hula dancer of French, Dutch, Chinese, British and Hawaiian extraction; Jeane Comp-mson, Jack Bell and Shrley Roberts in the other dance numbers aloincluding a modern dance ined terpretation of "Gomen Na-

Dr. Benedict Mayers, a local CLer and author of "Gomen Nasai", was present. He also has authored a new song "Sayonara". Both he and Duncan created "He makes My Living Worthwhile"—a calypso number. They also have ambitions of taking the troupe on a Japan tour.

#### Bridge tournament

Denver Dorothy Uchida and Sam Matsumoto were winners of the Nov. 5 duplicate session of the Mile-Hi JACL Bridge Club, held at the Yasui residence. Florence Uyeda and Bud Ichida placed second, and third place tie winners were Amy Miura and Ken Yabe, and Doris Matsumoto and Dr. T. K. Kobaya

# INTERMOUNTAIN DIST. COUNCIL MEETS NOV. 28

Mas Satow, National JACL director, will meet with delegates of JACL chapters of the Intermountain District Council, Nov. 28, at the Ben Lomond Hotel here. He will discuss the mandates of the National JACL Convention held last September in Los Angeles.

Also on the agenda are con-stitutional amendments and allocations of assessments, according to Jimmy Ushio, IDC chairman.

. The district council meeting begins with noon luncheon at the hotel and adjourn with the banquet at Kay's Noodle Parlor here.

Nomination and election of IDC officers except chairman will be made also. Assisting Ushio are:

George Sugai, Mas Yano, v-chmn.; George Nukaya, treas.; and Doro-thy Mukai, sec.

#### SALT LAKE AUXILIARY **ELECTS MRS. HACHIYA**

Salt Lake City Mrs. Josie Hachiya, wife of the chapter president Rupert, been elected chairman of Marge Nishikawa, v.-chmn., and Mrs. Grace Kasai, sec .treas.

The Dec. 3 meeting at the home of Mrs. Mary Shiozaki, with Mrs. Miki Yano co-hosting, will be devoted to preparing Christmas baskets for the needy.

They have also launched a save your nylons" drive for shipment to Japan next year. | sident.

#### CHAPTER MEMO

East Los Angeles JACL: Auctioneer Edison Uno who will open the chapter Christmas Cheer drive at the box-lunch social tomorrow at the International Institute, 7 p.m. It is open to the public. Martha Tsuji is lunch chairman. Miss National JACL Janet Fukuda and her court, Mary Enomoto and Janet Okimoto, will also be present to have their lunches auctioned, it was reported. On the committee are:

Jean Sato, Mio Fujita, Bessie Ya-namoto, program; Jim Higashi, p.a. system; Helen Nakano music; Tami Kurose, telephone; Nancy Take-matsu, Shiz Kaminaka, refresh-ments

Omaha JACL: Max Hanamoto and Sam Tsuji co-chaired the chapter's annual Hallowe'en and carnival at the YWCA recently. Frank Tamai, chapter president, was in charge of gen-

Were:
Kay Nakadoi, George Hirabayashi,
Mike Watanabe, Mrs. Gary Zaiman,
Manuel Matsunami Bob Nakadoi,
booths; Mmes. George Hirabayashi,
Tak Misaki, Roy Hirabayashi, tick-

Prizes for the best costumes

were awarded to:
Girls—Ist, Janie Takechi as Pocahontas; 2nd. Sumi Misaki as bunny;
3rd. Diane Thomas. Boys—Ist.
Wayne Kaya as Greta Garbo; 2nd.
Jeffrey Shimada as Peter Pan; 3rd.
Conrad Ishii as Lone Ranger.
Salt Lake JACL: Setting for

the chapter's installation din-ner-dance Nov. 19 will be the El Gaucho Inn, 3618 Highland Salt Lake JACL women's Dr., with dinner being served auxiliary. Elections were held from 7:30 p.m. Both senior and last week at the home of Mrs. Mary Nakai. Assisting are Mrs. selling tickets at \$3 per person. junior chapter members are Mrs. Maurea Terashima is ac-

Mrs. Maurea Terashima is accepting reservations by telephone, 4-8261.

St. Louis JACL: Harry Hayashi, chapter president, has appointed Mrs. Michi Shingu, Dan Sakahara, Paul Maruyama and Dr. Masao Ohmoto as memitang the property of the pro bers of the nominatoin committee. Runner-up in the voting for president will be vice-pre-

Kenjiro Tanaka (left) shakes hands with Sen, Kuchel of California during informal meeting in the Senator's Office in Washington. The Santa Monica (Calif.) Issei was invited to Washington to attend President Eisenhower's pre-naturalization reception.

### Sen. Kuchel congratulates Issei aí pre-naturalization reception tor Kuchel said that the natur-

Sen. Thomas H. Kuchel (R., Calif.), warmly welcomed and congratulated Kenjiro Tanaka of Santa Monica, Calif., on his special pre-naturalization trip to the White House, reported the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens

League. The California Senator expressed his happiness that Ta-naka and many other alien Ja-panese are eligible and are be-A m erican citizens. coming Knowing many of them person-ally and "their record of good conduct and achievement in California convinces me that they will be good citizens," he said during the informal meeting in the Senator's Washington office.

On the previous day, Tanaka had met President Eisenhower during a special White House reception. He was the sole person of Japanese ancestry in the group of 22 aliens from all over United States invited to Washington by the President prior to their naturalization on

Veterans Day, Nov. 11. Senator Kuchel said, "It's a wonderful thing for you to meet our great President. He has inspired me in every meeting that have attended with him." During the convention Sena-

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Because of the extreme interest shown since the dramatic naturalization ceremonies on Veterans Day in the Hollywood Bowl when over 1,000 Issei were sworn in as American citizens, the Los Angeles JACL Coordinating Council, through its chairman Mack Hamaguchi, announced another form-filling service, (N-400, Application for Naturalizataion) for would-be

This service will take place at the St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 961 S. Mariposa, on Monday, Nov. 22, 7 p.m.

petitioners.

The Services being made available include: consultation on questions asked on the N-400 Form, typing service, fingerprinting and photographs. There is no charge for any of these services except for photograph-

Would-be petitioners who need transportation are requested to call the nearest chapter president:

Downtown LA, David Yokozeki, que JACL.

MA 6-1246; East LA, Wilbur Sato, AN 2-9028; Hollywood, Arthur En-do, NO 1-6010; Southwest LA, Hana Uno, DU 9-8892 or Mack Hamaguchi, RE 2-5112; Venice, Ken Amamoto, EX 7-8777; West LA, Elmer Uchida, AR 9-0952.

Albuquerque Among the 110 persons from

22 countries naturalized as U.S. citizens on Veterans Day here in the court of U.S. Judge Carl Hateh was Mrs. Emy Suzukawa Wilyat, a Japanese warbride whose husband is serving with the Air Force in Morocco, and 14 other Issei.

She was among those called from the ranks at the request of Judge Hatch to speak briefly on the principles of this Nation and on their feelings about becoming citizens.

One of the more eloquent, she pointed out the privileges of citizenship and that they are

There were six Issei natural-ized on Veterans Day at Gallup, N.M., according to word received here by the Albuquer-

#### NYLONS FOR JAPAN GAINS IN LOCAL POPULARITY

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# 250 Issei Citizens

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The largest naturalization exercises to be held in Northern California were conducted at the San Francisco Civic Auditorium on Nov. 11. About 3,500 petitioners from almost 40 Northern California cities were called to be sworn in as new Northern Cambridge Oliver J. Carter. The Oath of Allegiance was given in five different languages besides English: Japanese, Chinese, Portuguese, Spanish and Italian. About 250 Issei were among the newly naturalized citizens.

Due to the excellent progress of the naturalization program since the Walter-McCarran Act became effective, there were relatively few Issei carried over to this huge program.

Assisting the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service were VICTOR S. ABE, San Francisco attorney, and yours truly.

The first petitioners were called at 8 a.m. I was there by 7:25 to help usher and interpret and am willing to bet that about 75 per cent of the Issei were already in line at 7:30.

The JACL extends these Issei its warmest congratulations.

#### Issei Recognition Banquets

Last Friday and Saturday I attended two banquets horoing new Issei citizens sponsored by the Berkeley and Gilroy chapters, respectively.

The Berkeley Chapter banquet featured Dr. Monroe E. Deutsch, provost emeritus of the Univ. of California, as the main speaker. Toaastmaster was GEORGE YASUKOCHI. General co-chairmen for the banquet were YUKIO KAWA-MOTO and ALBERT S. KOSAKURA. The latter translated Dr. Deutsch's speech for the benefit of the Issei. Also present and extending greetings were Mayor Laurence Cross of Berkeley and Principal Pedersen of the Berkeley Evening High School and, again, yours truly. The dinner was held at the Shattuck Hotel, and almost a 100 Issei were present for the second recognition dinner to be held by the Berkeley Chapter honoring new Issei citizens.

Gilroy, our newest chapter, held a more informal dinner at their community hall. General chairman was JOE OBATA; toastmaster, chapter president HIROSHI KUNIMURA. Extending greetings to the 40 Issei were Principal Hadley of the Gilroy Evening School and GEORGE NISHITA, past chairman of the Northern California-Western Nevada JACL District Council. I had the privilege of serving as main speaker. Also present was GORO YAMAMOTO, instructor for the citizenship class who also teaches Japanese at the Presidio in Monterey.



# **Thousand** Club Notes

SHIG WAKAMATSU, Nat'l Chmn.

• 1954 HONOR ROLL: The PC Holiday Issue will again feature the list of 1000 Club members in good standing for the year 1954, but as of Nov. 30. Because several renewals are due in December and the fact that PC Holiday Issue has an early deadline with the printers, it is suggested the \$25 check be made out today and sent to National JACL Headquarters, 1795 Sutter St., San Francisco, by Nov. 30 to insure inclusion of these names in the 1954-55 Honor Roll.

SEATTLE: Suffering a fractured elbow, bruises and cuts after being thrown out of his automobile by another car in a downtown Seattle accident, PAUL KASHINO, Nisei representative for New York Life Insurance, is reported recovering satisfactorily.



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Some 100 persons witnessed Rep. William A. Dawson (R., Utah) present a wreath in memory of the Nisei war dead at the Nisei Servicemen's Memorial at Salt Lake City cemetery. In front of the memorial are (left to right) Billie Dawson, Mrs. Dawson, Congressman Dawson; Rupert Hachiya, SLC

JACL president; R. Matsukawa, Mrs. Roy Watanabe, Thomas Ogawa, Mrs. George Fujino, Mrs. R. Matsukawa and Mrs. T. Ogawa. Ministers of Japanese Protestant and Buddhist churches participated in the JACLsponsored observances of Nisei Soldiers Memorial Day. -Twilite Photo Service.

#### CAUGHT CHANGING DUDS UNDERNEATH BRIDGE

An Oriental was in jail for investigation Nov. 6 after police caught him undressing under the west ramp of the Broadway

Arresting officers said he was slipping out of women's things into his own attire.

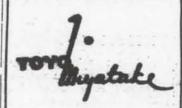
He identified himself as Akira Makino, 31, 831 S. W. 6th Ave., and claimed to be a min-

Police said he admitted he had a habit of dressing up as a woman to attend movies.

#### POLICE BREAK UP NEAR RIOT AT CAFE

Police averted what they termed as a "possible riot" be-tween American-born Japanese and Japanese born in Hawaii by arresting nine persons in a King St. restaurant Nov. 7.

Ill feeling between the two groups has been evident in Seattle for several years, police said. The Nisei have complained that the Hawaiians are contin-ually "bullying" them and "threatening" them, it was reported.



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# **West Los Angeles community pays** tribute to Southland Nisei war dead

West Los Angeles Sixty-four Nisei of Los An-geles killed during World War II and 20 more in the Korean war were honored at the Nisei Soldiers Memorial Day observance recently at the West Los Angeles JACL-sponsored cere-monies at the WLA Gakuen.

Highlight was the presentation of a plaque bearing the names of West Los Angeles Nisei war dead from the JACL to the community. Isamu Nakao, vice-president of the WLA Japanese Community Council, accepted it on behalf of the community from Dick Jeniye.

Addresses were given by Sho-hei Iwamoto and Elmer Uchida, chapter president.

Masto Karasawa sang "My Buddy" and National Anthem. Colors were presented by a de-tail from the VFW Nisei Mem-orial Post 9938, Shobo Dowichi commanding. Taps were blown by a bugler from Boy Scout Troop 39.

The Revs. Sakamoto of the Baptist Church and Nishinaga

# **Omaha CL sponsors** sukiyaki benefit

The Omaha JACL, under the co-chairmanship of Gladys Hi-rabayashi and K. Patrick Oku-ra, sponsored a sukiyaki dinner co-chairmanship of Gladys Hi-rabayashi and K. Patrick Oku-ra, sponsored a sukiyaki dinner benefit for the Nebraska Wel-uragami and Don Yumori. fare Association Nov. 2, at the local YWCA. More than 80 people attended.

Besides a highly unusual menu for Omahans, the JACL provided entertainment for the diners.

Those assisting with the din-

Those assisting with the dinner were:

Mrs. Mitsuko Anderson, Mrs. Masaye Arikawa, Mrs. Yuri Hanamoto, Mr. Max Hanamoto, Mrs. Kay Hirabayashi, Mr. George Hirabayashi, Mrs. Lucille Kanamine, Mrs. Alice Kaya, Chick Matsui, Mr. Manual Matsunami, Mrs. Mary Misaki, Tak Misaki, Em Nakadoi, Lily Okura, Masako Shimada, Kimi Takechi, Chiyeko Tama, Kiyoko Watanabe, Emiko Watanabe, Mrs. Yoden, Toshi Zaiman, and Hatchi Matsunami.

Assisting the general arrangements and decoration committee were:

committee were:

Robert Nakadoi, Frank Tamai, Lily Okura and Toshi Zaiman. Headed by chairman Emiko

Watanabe, a dozen Nisei parti-

of the Buddhist Church offered memorial prayers. Steve Yagi was master of ceremonies; George Dote, program chairman.

Nisei war dead remembered in the roll called by Joe Sase were:

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John Akimoto, Victor Akimoto,
Yoshiharu N. Aoyama, Frank N.
Arikawa, Hiroo H. Endo, Ted T.
Fujioka, Arthur M. Fukuoka Henry
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Susumu Okura, Lloyd Onouye, Calvin T. Saito, George S. Saito, Atsushi Sakamoto, William Samonij, Andrew Y. Sase, Masao Shigezane, George M. Shikata, Akira R. Shimatsu, Joe A. Shiomichi.
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#### SOCIAL NOTES

Cleveland Jr. Matrons: Scrapbooks were distributed at the October meeting to members to make up for children residing in various charitable institutions. These are to be filled with magazine cut-outs and "what have you" items and distributed at Christmas time.

Gardena . Women's . Circle: Mrs. Amy Haga was elected 1955 president at the last meet-

cipated in the entertainment, including:
Kazumi Watanabe, Janie Takeshi, Bonnie Hirabayashi, Maurine Hirabayashi, Marilyn Kaya, Carol Kaya, Sumi Misaki, Ronald Misaki, Akiya Watanabe, Mieko Watanabe, and Natchi Matsunami.

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Over \$2,000 in prize fees and trophies are to be awarded, according to Jimmy Ushio of Murray, Utah, IDC chairman, making the three-day affair the largest Nisei tournament in the Intermountain area in recent

A dinner-dance has been scheduled for Saturday evening, Nov. 27, at the Hotel Ben Lomond Crystal ballroom.

Toyse Kato, chapter president, is tournament chairman,

assisted by:
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#### Basketball

Southern California NAU basketball league entry deadlines for the Single and Double Ayes has been set for Nov. 26, Rafu Shimpo office.

Bowling

Miye Ishikawa of Seattle pounded out a 222-168-212-602 series Nov. 11 at Main Bowl, the first 600 series for women bowlers at the alleys this year The fifth annual Oregon Nisei Invitational Bowling Tournament will be held at Eastside Bowl, Dec. 3-5, Ted Hachiya, Sam Sasaki and Sue Koga are handling entries until Nov. 26.

## New citizens—

From Front Page

of Phoenician Post 50, the American Legions only all-Chinese post, was among the speakers congratulating the largest naturalization class in Arizona.

New citizens from Japan Frank Takeo Tadano, Frank Gin-uke Yoshikawa and Fukiko Jane

#### 41 ISSEI NATURALIZED IN DENVER COURTS

Smith.

Denver

Forty-one Issei of the Denver area were naturalized as U.S. citizens in the U.S. Federal Court Nov. 5, before Judge W. Knous during the morning session, and Judge Jean S. Breitenstein during the afternoon session. R. S. Tani acted as official interpreter for the court in administering the oath of allegiance to the Issei applicants.

Those naturalized, among the

Those naturalized, among the Japanese, were:
Ai Takeno, Akiye Nakamura, Kay Kazuo Kimura, Yoshinaga Frank Uyenishi, Harry Kennosuke Watanabe, Umeno Eto, Hatsuichi Sumikawa, Ben Toshimune Okubo, Yasuna Frank Torizawa, Kome Hashimoto, Chiye Hirasawa, Kimiyo Nagashima, Tora Otsuki, Shizuo Noda, Kokichi Mikuni, Fukuichi Frank Sumida, Iyono Yamaga, Shige Takamine, Michiyo Noda, Fukue Furukawa, George Yutaka Inai, Hideichi Sakurai, Miye Hatanaka, James Seitaro Hashimoto, John Kiyoji Sameshima, Joy Yuri Arima, June Arima, Iwao Hatanaka, Taro Hada, Yuzuo Honda, Tsuru Hattori, Chiyo Ishida. Toranosuke Frank Maeda, Sho Nakasugi, Omika Ota, Juzo Tamura, Yuwako Takeuchi Miyoko Yago, Seishichi Sam Yago, and Asano Ota.

Los Angeles NVA: Joe Owaki's 10-piece orchestra has been announced as the band to play at the Nisei Veterans Association New Year's Eve dance at the Biltmore Hotel ballroom. Tak Nakaki was announced as

Tak Nakaki was announced as general chairman, assisted by:
Kango Kunitsugu, Steve Sakai, pub.; Paul Bannai. Toru Hirano, hall; Mike Kawaguchi, Dr. Hideo Uba, tickets; Kiyo Maruyama, fin.; Frank Hirashima, George Matsuura, Frank Sotelo, door; Frank Okada, Tee Sugita favors; George Maruya, Pete Ohtaki, Edwin Hiroto and Luis Aihara, queen selection Aihara, queen selection

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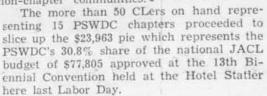
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# The Sou'Wester

If we have over-used the word "gratifying", we apologize for using it again because it seems to describe best our feeling following the final 1954 quarterly meeting of the Pacific Southwest District Council hosted by the Hollywood Chapter last Sunday at the Hollywood Community Center.

Fund raising has become an increasingly difficult and disagreeable task for JACL chapters, yet a necessary one. In enthusiastic recognition of this necessity, the PSWDC chapters, right down the line, accepted increased quotas, pledged to make up previous deficits and even assumed the fund raising responsibilities for non-chapter communities. -



Practically every chapter accepted an across-the-board increase of 13% over last year's quota. Arizona, being at the top of the list, started the ball rolling with former Crossroads editor BOB UNO's positive okay. Downtown LA's DAVE YOKOZEKI went \$20 over the 13% to an even \$4,000 for 1954, and so on down. The only downward adjustment of the quota was for San Diego. Three chapters were absent: Coachella Valley, Santa Maria Valley and San Fernando Valley.

#### Non-chapter area quotas

Climactic in this demonstration of support was the acceptance by several chapters of fund drive quotas in distant communities where there are no chapters. Pasadena will take on the San Gabriel-Monrovia district. West Los Angeles will tackle Santa Monica. East Los Angeles will handle Whittier and possibly Montebello. Venice will sojourn 80 miles to the desert town of Lancaster.

Yokozeki's henchmen from DTLA including FRANK "Costello" SUZUKIDA, DUKE "Formaldehyde" OGATA (Mission Nisei Mortuary) and barrister KEI UCHIMA, and Southwest LA's MACK HAMAGUCHI needled each other into taking on substantial increases by having both chapters accepting the quotas, of Southeast LA (\$1470) and Uptown LA (\$475), respectively, an apparent fasty by Mack.

The national officers present, prexy GEORGE INAGAKI, treasurer ROY NISHI-KAWA, legal counsel FRANK CHUMAN and Washington representative MIKE MASAOKA, as well as former national president SABURO KIDO were more than reassured with this encouraging development.

#### 1955 activities

The remaining business session also approved a generous district greeting in the PC Holiday Issue, launched the 1955 membership drive, announced the second annual PSWDC Chapter Clinic to be conducted by the East Los Angeles Chapter in February and accepted the invitation of Santa Barbara's TOM HIRASHIMA to attend the PSWDC's fourth Biennial Postwar Convention there next May.

A surprise prelude to the turkey gochiso that followed was the generous pouring of champagne contributed by Hollywood JACL's good 1000 Clubber and insurance agency boss (U.S. Life), KEN SATO. ART ENDO's host chapter committee headed by irrepressible DANAR ABE provided victuals which even now by reminiscence stimulate our salivary glands.

The meeting provided one of those great moments when you want to say, "It's sure a wonderful feeling to be a JACLer!" :

#### Individual vs. group merit

Last week, we joined a panel of discussants for a serious meeting sponsored by the National Conference of Christians and Jews. The subject was "Minorities View Los Angeles." The place: Olive Hill Foundation. The panel consisted of Mrs. Loren Miller, prominent Negro civic leader whose husband, the eminent civil rights attorney, went to bat for JACL against the Calif. alien land law three years ago in the famed Masaoka case; Anthony Rios, national president of the recently formed Community Service Organization (the JACL among Mexican Americans); and the Sou'wester, Moderator was our friend, Les Claypool, political editor of the L.A. Daily News.

Each of us gave our impressions as to the remaining problems and relative position of our respective groups in the total community. The audience of more than 50 representing as many groups and organizations was not inhibited when it came to the question and discussion period.

One of the two Nisei in the audience presented a point of view that minorities can be integrated into the American community more effectively through individual achievement and recognition rather than through organizational effort, pointing to himself as an example of such individual attainment.

We heartily concur with the positionstated by Dr. Walter Hilborn, prominent attorney and Jewish lay leader who rejoined that while he agrees that individual effort has merit, only through organizational action can group integration and recognition be attained, Dr. Hilborn is now president of the Welfare Planning Council of the Los Angeles region,

#### Hats off to Congressman Jonas

Those of us who were privileged to meet Congressman EDGAR A. JONAS of Illinois last August when he headed the House Subcommittee's L.A. hearings on the Hillings evacuation claims amendment think highly of him. A newcomer to Japanese American problems, he has a deep and sympathetic understanding of the many consequences and ramifications of our 1942 evacuation. This writer's opinion of Rep. Jonas was more than justified when the other day, we read a letter he had written Mike Masaoka. Let the letter speak for itself:

Dear Mike: You undoubtedly have been apprised of the fact that I was not re-elected to the 84th Congress. However, I will try to keep up my interest in the good cause in which we have worked and interested ourselves in the past.

If in any way I can be of service to you in connection with carrying out the objectives of the Japanese American Citizens League, please do not hestitate to call on me.

With kind personal regards . . .

How about that? Here's a defeated congressman who has just become acquainted with Japanese Americans who is willing to carry the ball to help out the good cause in whatever way he can. Our hats off to Congressman Jonas.

#### Some more rhymes

Strangely, this column's enforced respite last week and its resultant literary fiasco seem to have inspired a response from a northerner, appellation KEI HORI, with whose surname we refrain from punning, the Sou-wester already being pungent. Monsieur Hori's dactyllic critique might better have been dedicated to our more rotund colleague of his own city. However, we reproduce it here for two reasons. First, the PC no longer publishes a monthly literary experimental page. Secondly, inclusion in the Holiday Issue requires meeting minimum standards of quality and taste.

My very good friend, name of Tats, Was living on food fit for cats. Told Mother Kushida, "Iru no wa sushi da!" Now goes bats on meshi ersatz.

We forgive Kei because he is one of the 'Frisco crew that's going all out pages of said Holiday Issue with supporting ads from his bailiwick. He promises even more than last year before the Nov. 30 final deadline. Thanks, gang!

#### Holiday Issue deadline

The Pacific Citizen Holiday Issue has received ads to date from the following chapters and district councils:

Chicago, Miwaukee, Santa Barbara, Parlier, Fowler, Monterey Peninsula, Portland, Florin, Stockton, Omaha, Pasadena, Arkansas Valley, Salinas, Santa Clara County, No. Calif.-W. Nevada D.C., Eastern D.C. and PSWDC.

The absolute deadline is Nov. 30, Please rush your Holiday Issue ads and greetings. Don't wait until the last minute. It's later than you think!

#### Kushida's kudos

HARRY OSAKI, famed Nisei silversmith of Pasadena, opened an exhibition of silver and gold work at the Fisher Gallery of USC on Nov. 2. It will close on Dec. 12.

None other than HAROLD R. Tokuzo GORDON graced the glamour spot on the top of page 3 of the Chicago Daily Law Bulletin's 100th anniversary issue of Oct. 21. Tokuzo is sitting at a futuristically designed desk (by Herman Miller) in his new offices in Chicago's Loop. Really kee-ray, the desk LOS ANGELES NEWSLETTER

# 1,000 Issei Citizens

By HENRY MORI

Believe it or not, it drizzled last Veterans Day, But for the more than 7,568 persons who took their Oath

of Allegiance that day at the Hollywood Bowl mass naturalization ceremony their spirit was not dampened.



Among the new citizens were 1.024 Issei who received their U.S. status. Approximately 650 of them took their pledge through interpreter Henry Imanaka of the San Pedro Immigration and Naturalization Office.

In the celebrated group were Mr. and Mrs. Kuniji Inagaki, parents of National JACL President, George Inagaki. The couple, formerly from Sacramento, came to this country from Aichi prefecture some 45 years ago. They had a hop farm before the war in the Capitol City but are now semi-retired.

Then there was an invalid woman who studied her Americanization courses from bedside and successfully passed her exams last June. The 66-year old petitioner was Mrs. Shizuko Funakoshi who, helped by her only son Willie, attended the ritual on a wheel chair. Her husband, Ryosuke, received his papers in July. They have five daughters and 12 grandchildren.

An arthritis victim, Mrs. Funakoshi, who has spent her last five years in bed, said she has been in the United States now for nearly 50 years.

Tomiko Kanazawa, operatic singer, made another successful Li'l Tokio appearance Sunday at the Koyasan Betsuin where a record crowd attended her one evening's concert.

Three years ago Miss Kanazawa, wife of well-known Metropolitan Opera pianist Leo Mueller, gave all her benefit proceeds, which was \$1000, to the Nisei Community Center Fund.

\* The newly organized Japanese American Democratic Club is prepared to take out its charter with the Los Angeles County Democratic Central Committee, announced Attorney Frank Chuman, president.

He was named to head the new group at a dinner held last Friday in Li'l Tokio. His cabinet will be composed of Chohei Kondo, first vice-president; Frank S. Kurihara, second vice-president; Attorney James Mitsumori, recording secretary; Mrs. Kimi Matsuda, corresponding secretary; and Ted Okumoto, treasurer.

John Ty Saito, energetic real estate agent, has asked President Eisenhower to approve a titanic postseason grid struggle between the unbeaten UCLA Bruins and Oklahoma Sooners for "the national football championship."

Seldom is a request like this approved and even if the President gives his nod, the National Collegiate Athletic Association will have much to say in final showdown.

The idea is a gem, and many a sports writer has dreamed un such a drawing card before. But it usually gets buried in the final analysis.

Saito, an alumnus of the nation's No. 1 team, said the money raised through such an encounter can be used to send U.S. Olympic athletes to the 1956 meet.

Avid sports fans think early December at the Coliseum would be appropriate for the half a million dollar show.



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of the mass evacuation and mass detention of persons of Japanese ancestry from the west coast states.

Hollywood grew up during World War II, or at least its oldtime leadership of men interested in the boxoffice was replaced by men of conscience and conviction. Shortly after the war, Dore Schary became head of production at RKO where he produced Crossfire, the first of filmland's many features which attacked racism and bigotry. Schary, distressed by the activities of the hatemongers in opposing the return of the Japanese evacuees to California, wanted to dramatize the story of Nisei soldier. He prepared a script called Honored Glory, which was to tell the stories of a number of American heroes, one of them a Nisei, whose remains are returned to the United States. Before Honored Glory went into production, Schary left RKO to take over the world's biggest film studio, MGM. Later Schary's Nisei project was to emerge as Go for Broke!, the saga of the 442nd Combat Team, which was written and directed by Robert Pirosh.

Meanwhile, Darryl Zanuck, chief at 20th Century Fox, also wanted to say something about Japanese Americans, Zanuck had pro-

duced Laura Z. Hobson's hard-hitting novel and a Negro-white love story, Pinky. Both of pictures had something definite to say against racial and religious bigotry, and Zanuck set some writers to work on a proposed film called I Am a Nisei. Zanuck's Nisei film just didn't jell, but he did have a sequence written into a Joan Crawford film in which Dana Andrews, playing a New York lawyer, leaves for California to represent a Nisei war veteran whose farm is being escheated by the state.

Schary and Zanuck, the heads of Hollywood's two biggest studios, are aware of the motion picture industry's responsibility to the world it entertains. Under their leadership derogatory references to race or ancestry are disappearing from the screen. Dore Schary, who was the keynote speaker at the JACL's recent biennial convention in Los Angeles, had some advice for the Nisei and for Hollywood, as well:

"There have been in the past, and there will continue to be in the future, hatemongers who exploit your diversity and make attempts to divide us . . . These people hope to convince others that to be different is to be alien.

"But the hatemongers, I believe deeply, are losing the war . . . In these days when suspicion and distrust are running amuck like some angry, ugly political Katzenjammer Kids, we must act with strength and stop the clamor and restore order to our political and our moral house . . ."

#### VITAL STATISTICS

#### Births

LOS ANGELES
FUJIMOTO—Oct. 4, a girl to the
Robert N. Fujimotos, Pasadena.
HINO—Oct. 4, a girl Karen Louise to
the Yukio Hinos. Pasadena.
HIROKAWA—Oct. 4, a boy to the
Ichiro R. Hirokawas, Pasadena.
KOBUKI—Sept. 8, a boy Alan Ichiro
to the Jiro Kobukis (Hisako Yabuta).

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KOJAKU—Oct. 16, a boy to the J. Kojakus, Gardena.

MARUMOTO—Oct. 14, a boy to the N. Marumotos, Long Beach.

MATSUKAWA—Sept. 8, a boy David Wayne to the Kihachi Matsukawas (Itsue Kubota).

MATSUSHIMA—Sept. 7, a boy Glen Koichi to the Tooru Matsushimas (Sachiyo Hamada).

NAKAGAWA—Sept. 7, a girl Donna Lynne to the Isamu Nakagawas (Fumiko Nakagawa).

NAKASHIMA—Sept. 10, a boy John Michael Minoru to the Yoneo Nakashimas (Ayako Shintaku).

YAKURA—Sept. 6, a girl Elaine Ka-zuko to the Hiroshi David Ya-kuras (Fumiko Alice Wakabaya-

SANTA ANA
NISHIZU—Sept. 21, a girl to the
Henry Nishizus, Buena Park:
SAN DIEGO

NAKAMURA—Sept. 20, a girl to the Isamu S. Nakamuras.

Isamu S. Nakamuras.

FRESNO

IDETA—Oct. 24, a girl to the Takashi Idetas, Fowler.

KUNITAKE—Oct. 7, a girl to the Albert Masanori Kunitakes.

ONO—Nov. 2, a boy to the Ben Onos, Selma.

YAMAGATA—Oct. 17, a girl to the Frank Haruo Yamagatas.

YEMOTO—Oct. 22, a boy to the Tad Yemotos.

SAN JOSE
ISHIMARU—Oct. 29, a girl Gail
Asaye to the Ernie Ishimaru, Mt.
View.
MAYEDA—Oct. 27, a boy Arthur
Dale to the Edward Mayedas, Los
Gatos.

NAKADEGAWA—Oct. 2, a girl to the Rov Nakadegawas, Richmond. NAKAMURA—Oct. 15, a boy to the Susumu W. Nakamuras.

TANAKA—Oct. 25, a girl to the Ta-keshi Tanakas. TSUTSUI—Oct. 25, a boy to the Al-bert Minoru Tsutsuis. STOCKTON

KAWAUCHI—A girl Karen Mizuko to the T. Kawauchis, Palo Alto.
NISHIYAMA—Nov. 6, a boy to the Roy Nishiyamas, San Mateo.
SAKURAI—Oct. 6, a girl Carol Ann to the Frank Sakurais, Palo Alto.

AOYAGI—Oct. 26, a girl to the Jimmie K. Aoyagis.
KANEKO—Oct. 5, a girl to the Samuel T. Kanekos.

MOTONARI—Oct. 30, a boy to the
Tedamachi R. Motonaris.

NIHEI—Oct. 25, a girl to the Ken Niheis. SUZUKI—Oct. 18, a girl to the Robert S. Suzukis.
TAJIMA—Oct. 21, a girl to the Roy

SACRAMENTO
ARE-Oct. 25, a boy to the James Abes.
NISHIDA—Oct. 22, a boy to the
Itsuo Nishidas, Clarksburg.
OGAWA—Oct. 22, a girl to the
George Ogawas.
TANIGUCHI—Oct. 4, a girl to the
Jack Taniguchis.
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AKIYAMA—Oct. 20, a boy Robert
R. to the Kenji Akiyamas.

NOZAKI—Oct. 21, a girl Linda S.,
to the John I. Nozakis.

SEATTLLE KAZUMURA-Nov. 7, a girl to the KAZUMURA—Nov. 7, a girl to the Larry Kazumuras.
MIZUKI—Oct. 28, a boy Peter to the James Mizukis.
WYOMING
SHINMORI—A boy Robert Charles to the Joe Shinmoris, Douglas.
CHICAGO
EYA—A girl to the Shig Eyas (Rose Shinmori)

#### Engagements

JITSUMYO - HATAKEDA — Sumi Fresno, to Junichi, Ivanhoe, Nov. 1

#### Marriage Licenses Issued CHANG-MURAKAWA — Walter D. S., 24; Lorna S., 22, both of Los

Michael Minoru to the Yoneo Nakashimas (Ayako Shintaku).

OMOKAWA—Oct. 4, a boy to the Kanji Omokawas, Pasadena.
SAKATANI—Oct. 5, a boy to the Yoshito Sakatanis, Monrovia.
SEKO—Oct. 11, a girl to the Tetsu Sekos, Wilmington.
TERAOKA — Sept. 1 a girl Janice Emiko to the Sasuke Teraokas WATANABE—Sept. 13, a boy Mark to the Kaoru Watanabes (Lillian Yoneko, 26, both of Los Angeles, Yakura—Sept. 6, a girl Elaine Ka—WIYAKAWA-KODAMA — Mitsugi, 27; Mitsuko, 20, both of Los Angeles.

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YAMASAKI—Sept. 1, a girl Gay
Elaine to the Hiroshi Yamasakis
(Hiromi Ann Tsuji).

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MIYAKE-SENMARU — Muneo, 27;
Shizue, 24, both of Los Angeles.

WURAKAMI-NISHIMOTO — Tanewo, 31; Chiyoko, 24, both of Los Angeles.

Angeles.

NAGAOKA-HIRATA — Shiro, 29,
Gardena; Sachiko, 27, Long Beach.

NAKASHIMA-DAY—Joe, 33; Sally
Lou, 29, both of Los Angeles.

NIMURA-WAKINAKA — Nobuya,
Penryn; Mae, Loomis.

NOZAKI-ODAMA — Jimmy J., 23,
Los Angeles; Michi B., 21, Wilmington.

OKADA-OCHI — Yutaka, 37, Anaheim; Blanche H., 35, Long Beach.

OKI-MATSUSHINA—Chris H., 19; Yaeko D., 18, both of Los An-

Yaeko D., 16, both of geles.
ONO-YASUKAWA — Samuel T., 31, Sn Jose: and June, 26, Cupertino. QUAN-MINAMIKI—Peter and Norma, both of San Francisco.
SHINOHARA-GOTO — Takahiro, 27, San Gabriel; Shigeko. 26, Pasadona

San Gabrier; Shigeko. 26, Pasadena.

SUGINO-KATO — Masao, 32, Lomita; Ikuko. 25, San Pedro.

TAKESHITA-GOTO — Yoto. 24,

National City; Naomi F., 21, West
Los Angeles.

TANIGAWA-NAKAZAKI — Vukio.

TANIGAWA-NAKAZAKI — Yukio, 56; Hash, 53, both of West Los Angeles, TSUTSUI-TANAKA—George Katsu-to, 32; Kazue, 25 both of Los An-

to \$2; Razue, 29 both of geles.

UYENO-ITONAGA — Koichi Lodi, and Mary Mitsuko, Sacramento. YAMAHIRO-OGAWA — Ke n neth Koichi, 21, and Joyce Hatsumi, 18, both of Berkeley.

YASUDA-HIRANO — Masami, 29, West Los Angeles; Mary Mariko, 29, Venice.

YONAMINE - NOMURA — Kiyoshi, 25; Nancy N., 26, both of Los Angeles.

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Masami, 31, Albuquerque; Masa-ye, 22, Los Angeles. YORITA-TANAKA — Fumio, 31, Pasadena; Tomiko, 31, Los An-geles

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#### EDITORIALS

#### Fundamental concepts

An other 48,000 new Americans joined our ranks as citizens in mass naturalization exercises across the nation and in her territories last week. Appropriately, presiding judges and speakers had extolled the wonders of our Nation, the meaning of Americanism, and significance of citizenship.

Federal Judge Peirson M. Hall of Los Angeles impressed us with his review on the fundamental concepts of life. Undoubtedly, the newly naturalized were aware of them. But to spectators, citizens by birth and away from books on U.S. history and government, his review must have polished long endeared facets of what it means to live in America.

Rather than looking at the material wealth of our country, the judge referred to the spiritual qualities of freedom as the fountainhead that made barren lands productive. And because man creates things to serve him, the judge went on, so government was created by men to serve-not to control so-

On the meaning of preservation of individual liberty under law, His Honor remembered the men who died on battlefields that this liberty be kept. Man, who loves order, is willing to yield some individual liberties for sake of the common good-even die.

Other fundamental concepts included the touch of the Infinite in each manconscience, the greatest force for justice. And no official has personal poweronly official power as granted by law to his office. And that power in the United States is balanced by the three branches of government-to prevent any one branch usurping power and become totalitarian.

What must have rung clear was Judge Hall's declaration that peace without liberty is slavery.

This day at naturalization court was impressive. It behooves each Nisei to attend such a ceremony to strengthen his faith and allegiance to his native land.

#### Chapter reports

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It's still not too late to tell us what the best activities have been this past year. Each JACL chapter has been asked to submit a brief report for our Holiday Issue.

One more reminder: the deadline for all season's greetings (one-line names at \$2, ad-displays at \$5 per column inch) is Nov. 30.

We'd like the chapter reports earlier than that, however.

### FROM THE FRYING PAN By Bill Hosokawa

# Jets & Dinosaurs

The jet fighter-bomber poised for a moment high in the blue, blue sky. Then it nosed earthward and swooped down, down, down in a sharp, swift, breath-taking dive. A thousand feet, maybe 800 feet off the ground, two arrow-like projectiles freed themselves from the aircraft's wings and shot off in a burst of yellowish flame. Trailing fiery tails, they swept downward far faster than even the speeding plane, smashed into the target with a brilliant flash. Moments later we felt the shock wave in our faces and heard the bellowing kaaarooom of rockets smacking home. The plane, agile as an eagle, had pulled easily out of its dive and was thundering back toward the heavens.

I looked at the boys and their eyes glistened in excitement. In their imagination they were eagles, too, soaring with infinite ease, racing through the skies at the speed of sound, strewing thunder and lightning and death and destruction at will. We had witnessed the Colorado Air National Guard's demonstration of aerial firepower, and a brilliant exhibition

Later, on the way home, I asked a question that had never entered the boys' minds. "What do you suppose it would be like," I said, "if you were civilian, or an infantry soldier, dug in on the hillside those jets were strafing and

The question wasn't quite cricket. It broke an illusion and shattered a daydream. We weren't eagles any more; just some earthlings staring apprehensively into the sky.

Rearing a family of youngsters is like going to school all over again. They are forever asking questions, and you'd better have some answers or be considered terribly stupid. The other evening Pete, our first-grader, wanted to know what kind of noises dinosaurs made. He's a pretty fair hand, thanks to

sounds, cow sounds and sundry other sound effects such as a heavy weapons company leveling at an enemy strongpoint, or the Pa-cific fleet softening Okinawa prior to invasion.

"Nobody," I told him firmly, "knows what dinosaurs sounded like because the dinosaurs were all dead before men came around to hear them." That satisfied him only partially. So we got out the encyclopedia and I read aloud, paraphrasing into basic English as I went along. The way it came out, some dinosaurs were longer than a semi-trailer and so tall that they could poke their noses into a TV antenna on top of a two-story house. They had teeth six inches long set in a mouth half as big as a house door. They first came around about 180 million years ago ("That's a long, long, long, long time ago") and finally all of them died about 60 million years ago. The fiercest of all the dinosaurs was a fellow called Tyrannosaurus who probably could eat up a lion and a tiger and a bear in one gulp apiece, and snap up a gorilla for dessert. And the stupidest dinosaur was one called Stegosaurus who was twice as long as a Cadillac but had a brain only as big as a walnut. He couldn't remember nothin', and probaly didn't even know it if another dinosaur came along and started chewing on his tail.

Now you didn't know all that, did you?

After the session with natural history, Mike and I went to the mat with algebra. The subject was how to multiply a polynomial by a signed number and the instruction said: "When a quantity in parentheses is preceded by a plus sign, the parentheses may be removed without changing the sign of any term within the parentheses. When the quantity in the parentheses is preceded by a minus sign, the parentheses may be removed if the sign of every term within the parentheses is changed."

Now put that in your pipe and smoke it. Oh, we worked it out, all right, but it made me wonder how I ever got out of high school.

television, at imitating elephant sounds, horse



#### ical Association. Philadelphia. Lt. Thomas L. James of Philadelphia became the first Negro dental officer in the regular Navy last week when he signed

MINORITY

Virginia physicians voted last week to admit Negro doctors to membership in their State

The decision means Negroes

admitted to the Virginia seci-

members of the American Med.

medical society.

his oath of office.

Washington

Col. Benjamin Oliver Davis, Jr., son of the only Negro ever to attain the rank of general in the Army, was appointed as the first Negro general in the Air Force. The younger Davis was promoted by President Eisenhower to the temporary rank of brigadier general, the same held by his father on retirement.

#### DECADE AGO

Nov. 18, 1944

First Issei evacuee back in Sacramento to reside indefinitely; permitted to leave Topaz WRA Camp because of illness of his Caucasian wife.

California State Guard Chief says returning evacuees will be protected from violence.

Wounded Nisei GI (Pvt. Raymond Matsuda of Hawaii) ejected from civilian barber shop near Poston, Ariz.

Japanese American combat team attached to 36th Texas Division in France.

Kiichi Saitos (of Belmont, Mass.) first Japanese American family in the U.S. to lose two sons in action; death of Pfc, George recalls letter written to father at time of death of brother, Pvt. Calvin, during battle in Italy.

Casualties among Nisei GIs from western state particularly heavy during past two weeks.

commentator Larry Smith visits Fresno to open war loan campaign, would deport Nisel from U.S.

Housing project adjacent to Seabrook Farms houses 518 Japanese Americans.

Yuba American Legion Post reports protest against Nisei names on county honor roll of servicemen.

CALENDAR



# By Larry Tajiri

# 'Patria' Melodrama

It's been some years now since Hollywood has presented to the world's filmgoers a derogatory portrayal of a person of Japanese ancestry. Today Hollywood has a conscience and a sense of responsibility commensurate with the awesome influence of the motion picture on the minds and hearts of the world's peoples. Its abandonment of Japanese stereotypes coincides with the disappearance of anti-Japanese sentiment on the west coast and elsewhere in the nation, but it also reflects the film industry's general attitude on matters of race and ancestry.

For at least three decades-from 1915 until V-J day-Hollywood's stereotype of the Japanese in the United States who was a possible spy and a potential saboteur. The physical pattern probably was a celluloid version inspired by Will Irwin's Hashimura Togo, the Japanese schoolboy whose letters, brimming with malapropisms, were published in Collier's for a number of years, beginning in 1907. Then, in 1915, when the Hearst newspapers were engaged in a violent anti-Japanese campaign, Hearst film interests in Hollywood produced a serial titled Patria which starred Mrs. Vernon Castle, one-half of the most famous ballroom dance team of that generation. Patria concerned a possible Japanese attack on the United States and was a lurid film which aroused considerable public feeling throughout America. Some of Patria's racist scenes were modified after President Woodrow Wilson interceded with Hearst interests. The President wrote a Hearst official:

"Several times in attending Keith's theater here I have seen portions of a film entitled Patria, which has been exhibited there and I think in a great many theaters in the country. May I not say to you that the character of the story disturbed me very much. It is extremely unfair to the Japanese and I fear that it is calculated to stir up a great deal of hostility which will be far from beneficial to the country, indeed will, in the particular circumstances, be extremely hurtful. I take the liberty, therefore, of asking whether the company would not be willing to withdraw it if it is still being exhibited.'

Patria was cheap melodrama, but its effect in exciting popular sentiment did not go unnoticed. For the fledgling motion picture industry, it was the first large-scale use of the

film's power to inflame hatred against a racial minority in the United States-for Hearst's propaganda was directed both against Japanese immigrants in California as well as against a foreign nation.

In the politically-inspired anti-Japanese campaigns which followed in California in the decade after Patria, a number of films were made which sharpened the American public's attitude toward the Japanese in their midst. In scores of other films, Japanese were cast as menials. In 1920, the California American Legion, then an active participant in anti-Japanese activity, sponsored a movie called Shadows of the West which represen Japanese in dramatic situations which fended to support all of the myths, lies and halftruths circulated agains tpersons of Japanese ancestry by supporters of legislation to prohibit Japanese immigration.

Shortly before Pearl Harbor, Hollywood indulged in cinematic fancies which dwelt upon the supposition that a fifth column of persons of Japanese ancestry would arise in the event of war between the United States and Japan. This talk, of course, was being spread by anti-Japanese politicians, newspapers and commercial interests, and history now records there was no basis of truth for the suspicions which were voiced. But a picture was spawned called Across the Pacific which Warner Brothers produced, and which John Huston directed, in which a Nisei was portrayed as a Japanese agent involved in a plot to destroy the Panama Canal. After Pearl Harbor, there were such films as Air Force, which perpetrated the fiction that sabotage by Japanese Americans was responsible for much of the damage in the Pearl Harbor attack; Little Tokyo, U.S.A., another spy story about an alleged fifth column in downtown Los Angeles; Betrayal from the East, about a Japanese cheerleader at Stanford who turns out to be a naval officer. There also were films about a Japanese student at Texas A&M and about a Black Dragon Society operating in downtown Manhattan. Many of these hate films, for that is what they were, helped condition the public mind to an imeasy acceptance

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dance.
CCDC—JACL Bowling Tournament (tentative).

Dec. 11 (Saturday)
Washington, D.C.—Installation disner-dance, Hotel Windsor Park da Hotel, Fresno.

Dec. 19 (Sunday)

Detroit—Children's Christmas part

MDC — Executive meeting, Hotel Shoreland, 9 a.m. East Los Angeles—Christmas Cheer benefit box lunch social, International Institute,
Chicago—10th Anniversary dance, Hotel Shoreland.
St. Louis—Fall Festival.

Nov. 21 (Sunday)
San Francisco—Auxiliary
Laguna Home. visit to

LA Coord. Council—N400 form fill-ing service, 961 S. Mariposa, 168 Angeles, 7 p.m.

Nov. 25 (Thursday)
Gilroy—Thanksgiving Day dance,
IOOF Temple.

Nov. 26-28

IDC: Bowling tournament, Parse mount Bowl, Ogden.

Washington. D.C.—Election of offiscers, YWCA.
IDC—Bowling tournament dinner dance, Hotel Ben Lomond, Ogden, Sacramento—"Your Stars of Tomes row" talent show.

Nov. 27-28 (Sat.-Sun.) Mile-Hi-JACL bowling tournament Nev. 28 (Sunday) OC—Meeting, Hotel Ben Lomond, Ogden, 12 noon.

Mt. Olympus—Installation dinner. Dec. 4 (Saturday) Mateo — In stallation dinner

CCDC—Annual conference, Haclen-