



RECORD TURNOUT SEEN IN LONG BEACH NAT'L JACL BOWLING TOURNAMENT

Long Beach

A record entry of 107 teams (83 men's and 24 women's) will converge on Long Beach, Mar. 2-6, for the ninth annual National JACL bowling tournament as schedules and rosters of teams were released this week by Easy Fujimoto, tournament chairman.

And to accommodate the tournament, Virginia Bowl and Ken-Mar Bowl alleys will be commandeered. It is the first in JACL bowling tournament history that facilities of two houses are being used.

Four men's and one women's team are being entered from Hawaii for the first time. Bowlers are also coming from Seattle, Idaho, Chicago, Denver, Salt Lake City, Northern, Central and Southern California.

An unusual aspect of the 1955 tournament is that out-of-town teams outnumber the local teams, 63 to 44. Much of the spectator and bowlers' interest will center on the competition between Marigold Arcade (Chicago) and Sequoia Nursery (Redwood City), both two-time national team champions for retirement of the JACL perpetual trophy. Takahashi Imports of San Francisco, with a tournament high 959 team average, figures to prevent.

Leading contenders for women team honors are Main Bowl (850) of Seattle and Tashima Brothers (841) of Los Angeles.

Team rosters:

Men's Teams

1st Squad—8 a.m.

1. Gil's Auto Service (8:30) Salt Lake City—Jim Ichijima 167, Gil Oshiro 148, Mas Akiyama 17, George Sonoda 171, Seiko Kasai 174.
2. Plamore Bowl No. 1 (8:25) Honolulu.
3. Paramount Bowl (8:25) Ogden—Toyse Kato 167, Yori Kosaiku 160, Buster Miya 160, Jim Nakano 164, Shig Miya 174.
4. Denver Nisei (8:22)—Don Miyake 170, Henry Konishi 162, Tom Nakayama 160, Bill Chikuma 163, Iwao

Nishikawa 167.

5. Fowler JACL (8:19)—Tom Mukai 168, George Matsubara 160, Frank Matsuoaka 163, Charlie Mura-se 161, George Umamoto 167.
6. Miyako Hotel (8:17) Los Angeles—Frank Kawakami 172, Yosh Shijo 162, Genzo Nishida 168, Lefty Watanabe 173, Jimmy Sujishi 155, Joe Takahashi (alt) 152.
7. LABCC No. 1 (8:06) Los Angeles—Tom Sakauye 160, Elise Nakazawa 165, Stogie Kanogawa 165, Frank Okuda 149, Jim Kayasuga 167.

8. Brother's Cleaners (8:02) Los Angeles—Bill Nakano 165, Lefty Kiyohara 168, Fred Takata 152, Jim Sugita 143, Sharkey Sugita 174.

9. SJNBA No. 3 (7:80) San Jose—Hank Yoshioka 150, Saku Taketa 155, Asa Yonemura 150, Jack Suhamma 155, Hiro Honda 170.
10. Stormy's Cafe (7:79) Salt Lake City—Dick Shiba 159, Stormy Mitsui 140, Nick Tasaka 146, Jeri Tsuyuki 169, Ike Oki 165.

11. Plamore Bowl (7:75) Honolulu.
12. LABCC No. 2 (7:58) Los Angeles—Shig Maruyama 148, Kay Hanami 153, Min Furuto 153, Hank Sugihara 156, Hiff Fukui 148.

2nd Squad—10:30 a.m.

1. WLA JACL (8:76) West Los Angeles—George Sakamoto 164, Sus Ioki 179, Ted Oshinomi 173, Shibo Ikuta 178, Frank Kishi 182.
2. San Gabriel Nursery (8:72) San Gabriel—Dave Aizawa 179, John Matsumoto 191, Mits Hazama 180, Tak Kiriyaama 164, Steve Goya 157.

3. Pete's Sporting Goods (8:73) Buena Park—Mickey Kadowaki 175, Frank Ota 166, Sam Sechi 167, Lloyd Wells 175, Pete Oliver 190.

4. SJNBA No. 2 (8:67) San Jose—George Sakamoto 176, Bob Yamamoto 173, Roy Suzuki 173, Bill Kuwada 169, Tosh Tsukamoto 176.

5. Broadway Bowl (8:67) Alameda—Rich Kurakazu 169, Tosh Yuto 178, Wat Watanabe 166, Tak Mikami 174, Hank Yamashiro 180.

6. SFNBA (8:64) San Francisco—Joe Yamamoto 177, Hisashi Saiki 172, Tom Kono 172, Gus Fujimoto 172, George Suyekawa 171.

7. A-1 Florist (8:60) Gardena—Joe Nagaoka 178, Tak Kawashiri 172, Bert Shimane 171, Sam Mibu 163, Lou Sakata 176.

8. Clyde's Sport Shop (8:56) Los Angeles—Hit Ohara 172, Frank Mizufuka 165, Hiro Kayasuga 172, Min Imai 169, Mas Nakashima 178.

9. Crown Produce (8:52) Los Angeles—Tod Yamanaka 176, Joe Jio-bu 170, Carl Kawagoe 166, Babe S. Tawa 163, George Tsuji 177.

10. Koby's Appliance (8:51) Gardena—Tom Hide 167, George Kobayashi 167, Clarence Takaki 170 Mits Motobo 167, George Murakoshi 180.

11. Gardena Farms (8:50) Gardena—Yuji Imamura 17, Aki Watanabe 172, Frank Yamamoto 169, John Ku-

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JACL urging members to push Hawaii-Alaska statehood bill

ONE ISSEI, TWO NISEI NAMED TO GRAND JURY

Weiser, Idaho

Washington county of Idaho has apparently topped the rest of the nation in assigning more than one person of Japanese ancestry on the grand jury at one time. It has three, including one naturalized Issei, probably the first Issei to be chosen for such a post in the country.

The Issei is Teiichi Ogami of Weiser Flat. Nisei members are Frank Nakai and Jim Kakakawa.

Japanese woman-student marries Nisei, has status changed without re-entry

San Francisco

The former Makiko Nakata, who came from Japan last year for the purpose of study, was granted a permanent resident status after marrying Tetsuo Doi, teacher at Lowell High School, according to Den Morozumi, legal consultant.

As Mrs. Doi, she applied for a change in entry status from student to a permanent resident. Previously, such an applicant was required to leave the country voluntarily and re-enter under the new status.

The San Francisco immigra-

tion office, however, granted her request, permitting to stay in the country permanently. It was pointed out similar cases in the past have permitted women students from Japan to have their status changed upon marriage to American citizens without leaving the country.

Gila camp YBA funds to buy library books

Berkeley

The Berkeley Buddhist Study Center, in announcing that some \$50,000 had been contributed toward their \$80,000 edifice which is expected to be completed in early March, acknowledged \$259.30 from the Gila WRA YBA funds.

George Esaki of Monterey and William Nakatani of Berkeley, acting trustees, stated the sum is to be used for the purchase of books for the library.

Nisei Canadian loses in city council elections

Grand Forks, B.C.

Y. Sugimoto, making his first bid to a city council seat, was defeated by J. B. McDonald, a 30-year veteran councillor in late January special elections. Final tally showed the Nisei behind by 27 votes and 50 above the third candidate.

Mizokami brothers expand farming, cited potato shippers of the week

Blanca, Colo.

The team of the three Mizokami brothers—Mike, Tom and Sam, all born in La Junta—was recently cited as "shipper of the week" of Red McClure potatoes by the San Luis Valley Potato Administrative Committee.

With the death of their father in 1944, who first specialized in the growing of cantaloupes in the Rocky Ford area, the eldest son Mike, who had been studying chemical engineering at Oklahoma A&M, returned to the ranch to take over operations with his brothers. Since then the three have increased their harvests from 600 acres of vegetables and potatoes.

It wasn't until 1949 that they started growing potatoes. In 1952, the Mizokami Brothers decided to ship their own potatoes and about 120 cars were shipped. The following year, washers and driers were installed and about 150 cars were shipped.

This season the company is operating in its new warehouse and is packing McClures and Russets in various weights and expects to ship between 400 and 500 cars.

This past season, they also shipped 380 cars of lettuce, carrots, spinach, cabbage and cauliflower. They started growing and shipping cauliflower and lettuce in 1944, engaged in experimental planting of carrots and lettuce to see if a commercial quality could be attained. By 1950, volume in carrots was very heavy. Three years later, they were being shipped in cellophane packs.

Mike, as general manager of the packing and shipping, is 36 years old, married and with two sons, Warren, 7, and Bryant, 3. Sam, who with his younger brother Tom supervises extensive growing operations, is also married and has four children: Shirley Jean, 9; Duane, 7; Ronnie, 3; and Marlene, 1.

Full-scale hospitality assured visiting bowlers Nat'l JACL bowling tourney

Long Beach

Fun and recreation will feature the hospitality program planned by the committee for the National JACL Bowling Tournament scheduled here Mar. 3 through 6.

With all social events taking place at the Wilton Hotel, tournament headquarters, a "get-acquainted" mixer-dance open to the public without charge will be held on Wednesday evening, Mar. 2, under the direction of committee chairman Fred Ikeguchi assisted by Ty Kajimoto, Tom Miyawaki and others.

A hostess-reception committee including the tournament queen and her court will be on hand to greet tournament bowlers at the mixer. Music will be provided by Joe Sakai and his combo with the evening's fun to begin from 8 p.m.

"This mixer dance has been planned at considerable expense and preparation in order to provide an atmosphere of friendly hospitality and to enable all tournament bowlers, especially out of towners, to get acquainted with each other," said Easy Fujimoto, tourney chairman.

A luncheon reception highlighting the women's tournament will be held Friday, Mar. 4, under the chairmanship of Aiko Wada assisted by Janet Kakurai, Haru Kobata and Kazuko Matsumoto. All girls entered in the tournament will be guests.

Climax of the tourney will be the traditional Awards dinner-dance on Sunday, Mar. 6, under chairmanship of Sue Joe and Smokey Iwasaki. They will be assisted by:

Tak Urugami, George Iseri, Nobie Narita, Tak Kawashiri, Aiko Butsumyo, Kazuko Matsumoto, Take Hamagiwa and Tets Takeuchi.

Toastmaster will be Dr. Toru Iura, president of the South-



Two officials of Coast Oyster Co., Aberdeen, Wash., display for Northwest Orient Airlines stewardess Virginia Dahleen wool hats which Charles Johnson (left) took to Japan for distribution to children of Sendai. Vern Hayes, vice-president of the oyster firm, was present at the Seattle-Tacoma airport to bid bon voyage to Johnson and some 1,000 wool hats. Company officials, making annual trips to Japan in connection with imports of tiny oysters which are grown to maturity in the Pacific Northwest, noted a prevalence of colds among children and made arrangements to send the wool caps.

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VERY TRULY YOURS:

Juvenile Delinquency

By HARRY K. HONDA

A Nisei faculty member at one of our Los Angeles junior high schools was quite concerned over the increase in the number of Nisei students going "haywire" . . . Juvenile delinquency in urban areas is not a new problem. It has even commanded congressional attention in the past years. Sociologists have been combatting the issue and there are a number of own friends in the law enforcement and welfare fields striving to find the answers . . . Maybe an answer can be found in what a Catholic priest recently related to a colleague, "Get tough!"



Father Walter E. Schmidt, SJ, has been credited with cutting juvenile crime by 20 per cent in Santa Clara, Calif., while the national rate was increasing . . . "Juvenile offenders should be treated with love and kindness, yes. But kindness does not mean indulgence . . . Let the sob-sisters and just-one-more-chance pleaders have their way, and juveniles soon develop a contempt for law. Kids may be immature, but they catch on quick. And when laws are held in contempt, they are broken again and again." . . . The priest's hometown is typical of other larger cities where there are minority groups—Negro, Mexican, Italian, etc.—in a fast-growing economy. Ten years ago, there was one playground and one theater. Juvenile crime was nearly out of hand . . . Today, his Santa Clara County Youth Center has a membership of more than 4,000 youngsters of all colors and religions. From 500 to 700 teenagers flock to the center each night . . . "That estimate of a 20 per cent decrease came from the police chief and he gave the credit to the youth center . . . I think the police chief overestimated the center's work," the priest continued, "you can't stop juvenile crime with youth centers alone, no matter how well-equipped or how well-run they are . . . Basically, children must be taught that right is right, and wrong is wrong; that lawful acts will be rewarded, and that unlawful acts will be punished."

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A group of judicious Santa Clara citizens, not prone to give in to emotional appeals, forms a lay court, which investigates cases, the young priest went on . . . If a boy is caught for a \$10 theft, no leniency is shown. It tries to uncover the persons, places and things behind the crime. If convicted, the lad is under probation—meaning, reporting to the Lay Court each week and telling what he has been doing. Furthermore, the boy is made to get a job and pay for damages out of his own salary.

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Asked to generalize the greatest single reason behind juvenile crimes, Father Schmidt said the offender usually feels unwanted and is alone. "He knows that if he acquires property, or performs thrilling deeds, he will be accepted by someone, if only his fellow offenders . . . But behind all that is the lack of love in the home." Going deeper into the picture, he points out the "overemphasis of rights of an individual and the under-emphasis of obligations" as an even greater fault in American society which could turn our nation into a police state, if it isn't corrected . . . "With every right, there is an obligation. I have a right, and you have an obligation to protect it. You have a right, and I am obligated to allow you to have it . . . Yet our children get a full lesson on rights, and very little on obligation . . . Labor union spokesmen are always hollering about their rights, and whispering about the obligation of their members to do an honest day's work for employers . . . Business shouts for rights—free enterprise—and mouse-like squeaks about obligation to consumers and employees . . . Parents themselves, by cheating on income tax, by disobeying laws, by trying to circumvent laws, bring up their children with a contempt for obligations . . . Our society heavily stresses the value of material things. We say a man is worth \$1 million; he is worth \$10,000, or he is worth nothing . . . The potential delinquent may be pushed by the thought that the more he can lay his hands on, the greater his value will be."

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FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover hits the nail on the head on the problem of delinquency when he said it would never be corrected until society embraces firm religious convictions—convictions that there are right actions and wrong actions . . . There's an adage: Spare the rod and spoil the child, which appears an effective truism even today.

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WASHINGTON NEWSLETTER

By Mike Masaoka

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Hawaii-Alaska

Statehood

Statehood for the long deserv-
ing Territory of Hawaii has just cleared its first major hurdle. On Feb. 16, the House Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs voted by a 19 to 6 margin to favorably report a bill extending statehood status to America's two remaining territories—Hawaii and Alaska—together.

In the last Congress, packaging both areas into a single statehood bill was a political maneuver by both the opponents of statehood for either or both territories and the Democrats to assure that the Republicans who were then in control could not grant statehood to traditionally GOP Hawaii while denying equal status to historically Democratic Alaska.

This year, even though the Democrats are now in control, the same motivations continue and the opponents and the Democrats have tied the two territories into a single package again. The deal, and a smart one politically, is to put the President on the spot, provided, of course, that a combination bill is approved by both Houses.

The President has come out in favor of immediate statehood for Hawaii and his lieutenants have made it known that for national defense reasons he does not believe that Alaska is yet ready. The Democratic strategy is clear, to force the President to decide whether he wants statehood for Hawaii badly enough to pay the price of also admitting Alaska at the same time.

In an effort to make the package deal more acceptable to the White House, the Committee accepted an amendment by Democratic Delegate from Alaska E. L. Bartlett authorizing the President to set aside up to 40 per cent of certain northwestern land as military reservations. The White House has not yet indicated whether such an amendment removes their basic objections to Alaska statehood now. Ranking GOP and chairman of the Committee in the last Congress, Dr. A. L. Miller of Nebraska, is reported to have said, however, that the Bartlett amendment will allow the President to sign the package bill.

The next big hurdle, and the one that killed a similar proposal last year, is clearance by the House Rules Committee. According to the best polls, seven of the 12 members oppose statehood for either or both territories and presently would vote to pigeonhole the Committee approved measure.

So, it is clearly up to the House leadership on both sides of the aisle to force the Rules Committee to clear the combination bill for floor consideration.

Speaker of the House Sam Rayburn, probably the single most influential member of the House, a regular Democrat from Texas, is opposed to statehood for either the Islands or the Northern Outpost. But he feels that if one secures statehood the other also deserves it. He has been reported in the press as saying that the Rules Committee will not bottle up this bill this year.

The GOP leader, who was Speaker in the last Congress, Joseph W. Martin of Massachusetts has expressed himself in favor of Hawaii but against Alaska. He has intimated that he himself is not willing to pay the price of having Alaska too in order to welcome Hawaii into the sisterhood of states.

The House showdown is shaping up.

And great credit should go to Chairman Clair Engles, Democrat of California, and Mrs. Joseph R. Farrington, Republican Delegate from Hawaii, for securing such early House Committee action which will allow considerable

time for rallying the needed forces to secure statehood.

Delaying tactics represents the most potent opposition weapon; if they can hold off consideration of the statehood bill until the final days of the Congress when the Legislature is so bogged down with "must" legislation, they feel that they can prevent passage again this term.

Because favorable Committee action was taken so early in the First Session, the pressure this time is on the opponents. And it may be that Statehood may yet become a reality in the 1955-6 Congress. At least chances are better than ever.

The adversaries can read the handwriting on the wall; they know that it is only a matter of time before Hawaii becomes a state. So, in a desperate diversionary effort, they have come up with the so-called "commonwealth" concept and they hope to use this alternative to delay once again justice and recognition to the Territory of Hawaii.

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Salary Increases

With tongue in cheek, 283 members of the House of Representatives voted themselves a \$10,000 a year increase. Federal judges, United States attorneys, and various other officials also were voted comparable increases. Only 118 voted against increasing their own salaries.

Pundits and jokesters have had a field day at the expenses of the congressmen.

Seriously, though, to this writer from his personal experiences with the lawmakers, every member of both the House and Senate are well worth more than the \$25,000 a year they will receive if the pay bill becomes effective.

Almost without exception, they are able, conscientious, and honest citizens who put in long hours trying to make this nation a better place in which to live and the individual lot of their constituents a more satisfying one.

Congressmen have momentous decisions to make that will affect for better or worse our individual and collective lives and fortunes.

And yet, they are subjected to all manner of criticisms, much of it without foundation by those who have no alternatives to suggest. They are also called upon to bear expenses which the average individual can't appreciate, because he is not in the political arena.

It is difficult enough to induce qualified and dedicated men and women to accept public service, with all the untold sacrifices and sufferings it entails. The least we as citizens can do for our elected representatives is to com-

mend them for voting themselves a raise which will allow most of them to more nearly make ends meet.

Few persons in private industry spend so much of their time at their work for so little in the way of compensations, monetary and otherwise.

This writer urges the Senate to concur in the House action, to the end that the annual salaries of all members of Congress will more nearly approximate their worth and value to our democratic society.

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Reciprocal Trade

House passage of the so-called Reciprocal Trade Agreements bill is now a matter of history. The cornerstone of this Administration's foreign economic policy is now in the Senate, where it may face the same kind of bipartisan opposition that it barely defeated in the House.

Because so much has already been written about the legislation and its meaning, from all angles, none will be repeated here.

Rather, our comments will be devoted to the value of a single vote and to the difficulties in which an honest congressman finds himself when he is faced with legislation of this kind.

By a single vote, a "closed rule" was adopted which prohibited amendments from the floor. Had that single vote been against that "closed rule", the trade-tariff bill would have been emasculated by so many amendments that its final passage would have been a greater defeat for the Administration and the Democratic leadership that supported the President than no bill of this nature at all.

The fate of this nation internally and also externally was at stake, as was the destiny of the free world. And yet a single vote of just one of the 435 members in the could have decided this grave issue.

Perhaps this illustration will explain why on many occasions this lobbyist or another will concentrate so much time, trouble, and attention to a single congressman. It could be that decisive.

To most representatives, Reciprocal Trade legislation is that kind of dilemma which they face so often but is so seldom if ever met in private business, for instance. So much depends upon the decision that lesser people would be unable to determine just what they should do.

There is, of course, the national interest. And even the question of what the national interest is, may not be so clear and unequivocal to all persons to the same degree.

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TOKYO TOPICS:

Scarred Faces

By TAMOTSU MURAYAMA

Tokyo

The name—Hiroshima—is indelible in the minds of men because of the first A-bomb. While there is no price for the 230,000 lives lost and untold damage to property, the Americans are trying to repay for what caused the unconditional surrender of Japan.

Hiroshima is on the comeback, in spite of the various problems still associated with the atomic bomb.

This correspondent was among the supporters during the early days of the Occupation to establish a children's center and the peace memorial in Hiroshima. Recently a New Yorker sent a \$1,000 check to aid orphans and victims at the Hiroshima Peace Center. Some of this may underwrite a trip to America for some of the worst victims—

young girls whose faces are scarred and misshapen with atomic "keloids".

Japanese doctors are expected to accompany the group in order to gain valuable knowledge in technique in extending similar treatment to others.

What American medical science can do to restore the angelic qualities of these girls in a tangible manner will be greatly appreciated by the people of Hiroshima.

Japan prays for world peace. She also prays that the atomic age will be means of improvement in living conditions. Japan is aware of the communist propaganda against the use of atomic energy, but she also knows the world needs the same power to benefit mankind when used constructively.

★ HONOLULU NEWSLETTER ★

Democracy Steps Up

★ LAWRENCE NAKATSUKA ★

Racial democracy is continuing to work out well in Hawaii. Neither cynics nor other detractors can halt the steady progress this Territory has been making towards giving each racial group its proper place in the community.

An outstanding example can be cited in the "coming of age" of two minority racial groups in the political arena. For the first time, the Filipino and Korean communities will have legislators of their own race in Hawaii's Legislature.

Naturally there is much rejoicing and pride expressed in these legislators by their respective groups. They are being winned and dined in grand style.

By comparison with the Filipinos and Koreans, the Japanese in Hawaii are oldtimers in political. Years before World War II, the first legislators of Japanese ancestry were already serving in the Territorial Senate and House of Representatives.

Today, they number 21 out of the 45 members of the Legislature, the largest representation from their racial element so far.

And so it has been with every other immigrant group. After Captain James Cook, the English navigator and explorer, opened up Hawaii in 1778, the white man helped the native Hawaiians to adopt a new form of government, gradually replacing a monarchy with a constitutional type of government.

By the time of Hawaii's annexation to the United States at the turn of the century, the islands were advanced enough to organize themselves shortly thereafter as an American territory, in the traditional manner of new areas brought into the Union on the continent.

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Chinese in early political prominence

The Chinese, who were the first Oriental immigrants, having arrived first more than a century ago, came into political prominence very early. Their inter-marriage with the Hawaiians facilitated their entry into government service.

The Japanese, the second Oriental immigrant group, following the Chinese by 30 years, stepped out into politics after World War I. Their activity, however, was curtailed during World War II when elected Nisei officials voluntarily withdrew from public offices.

With the end of the war, however, they reentered politics in large numbers and succeeded fairly well. In proportion to the total population (about 40 per cent), the number of Nisei in the Territorial Legislature is just about par.

The Filipinos, latecomers among the immigrants, are only now beginning to feel their political strength. Numbering about 63,000, they comprise about 13 percent of the total population.

They have been slow to take their places in the political scene for several reasons: being latecomers, they occupied a low spot on the economic scale. Most were ineligible or unwilling to become citizens; the young element has only recently come of political age in sufficient numbers to be influential.

The Koreans, because of their small population, have not counted much in the general political picture. They number about 7,000, less than two per cent of the total population.

The Filipinos now have Rep. Peter A. Adjua in the Legislature, the first American of Filipino ancestry to be elected to that body. A young lawyer, Adjua won election last November in his first political race. His victory was all the more impressive because he ran as a Republican, in what turned out to be a Democratic year in Hawaiian politics.

His party honored him by having him serve as master of the ceremonies at the \$100 plate Lincoln Day dinner last week.

The Koreans have Rep. Philip Minn in the Legislature, the first of his race to be elected a legislator. A Democrat, he swept into office in the Democratic landslide last November, after having failed in several previous attempts.

As sure as Hawaii will remain under the American flag, the Filipino and Korean groups will have, in years to come, more and more of their kind in political offices. Reps. Adjua and Minn are the first but certainly not the last in their line of elected officials.

That's the way it has been with the other races, and that's the way Hawaii wants it . . . to each its proper place in the sun.



Vacationing last summer in New Orleans, the J. D. Sasaki family celebrated the 16th birthday of their son, Edwin (right), at the Blue Room of the Hotel Roosevelt where Vaughn

Monroe (left) and his orchestra was engaged. Commented Mrs. Sasaki: "a very pleasant personality off the air and on the stage as well." —Sextet Photo Co.

Nisei optometrist, evacuated from Fresno, makes good in Michigan; active in city and professional circles

Ann Arbor, Mich.

Contrary to Horace Greeley's advice "to go west, young man," Joseph D. Sasaki, Nisei optometrist who was active in the pre-war Fresno American Loyalty League, headed east when the crisis arose and today is regarded as one of the successful professional men in Michigan.

The 42-year-old JACLer is engaged in politics, teaching, fishing and bowling, scouting, scroll - designing, has written several professional papers in the Michigan Optometrist and National Optometric Weekly.

(Last week, Dr. Sasaki was elected first vice-president of the Ann Arbor Council of Churches. In March, he will present his paper on "Anoxic Sympatheticotonia" before the medical section of the Michigan Academy of Science, an affiliate of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Dr. Sasaki is married and has a son Edwin, who is active in school, competed for musical honors last summer among 400 youngsters from the county and finished among the six finalists, edited the junior high school yearbook, and featured as an expert in archery in a radio program.

Precinct Chairman

As an acme of community acceptance, Dr. Sasaki last August was elected delegate by Washtenaw County Republicans to the state convention and a member of the GOP county central committee. He and his wife are both active in Ward I at Ann Arbor.

(Sasaki was named to the Republican State Convention to be held in Detroit, Feb. 19, as

delegate from the Ann Arbor first ward.)

As ward precinct captain, he assists in the political campaign of his party. Last summer, he graphed a map for each individual ward and precinct in the county at a saving of \$400 to the central committee.

He was also active in other civic projects, such as the Red Cross and Community Chest, Ann Arbor Junior Chamber of Commerce, personally designed and printed scrolls for various personalities.

Affiliations

In addition to membership in various optometric professional groups, Dr. Sasaki is a life member of the Washington Institute of Medicine, Omega Delta fraternity (as foundation member of the Delta chapter), and Michigan Academy of Science, Arts and Letters.

During the war years, he taught Japanese at the military intelligence school at Univ. of Michigan. He illustrated and authored the "Japanese Picture Dictionary" while on the ASTP and Civil Affairs Training School faculty at Michigan.

The range of his club affiliations is about as wide as any one man could imagine. He is or was a member of the JACL 1000 Club, YMCA, Michigan chapter of UNESCO, Ann Arbor Bowling League, First Congre-

gational Church, its Young Married People's Society; Izaak Walton League, the Masonic Order, Jr. Chamber of Commerce, Boy Scout troop 7 committee, Optimist International, and the Advancement Committee of the Washtenaw-Livingston Council.

In 1948, he was honored as the outstanding man of the year by the Jr. chamber. He was also cited for his chairmanship of the Americanism and International Relations committees.

The top professional honors given to the ex-Fresnan was the Emil Arnold Award by the Michigan Optometric Association for his published work on the "Neuro-endo-ocular Syndrome" in 1950. Since that time, he has several other professional papers published.

He has been invited to present several lectures before other groups.

More recently, Dr. Sasaki was awarded membership as a fellow in the American Academy of Psychosomatic Medicine, regarded as unique for one in the field of optometry to be accorded recognition in the field of medicine.

And when the proper number of interested parties are gathered, he may yet organize a JACL chapter at Ann Arbor—something he has had in mind since relocating there.



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● Old business properties and dilapidated homes along 55th St. from Kimbark to the Illinois Central tracks will be replaced by four-family maisonettes, two-story row houses, 12-story apartment buildings and a shopping center, according to the Southeast Chicago Commission, which was granted \$6.1 million in federal subsidy last week. Land acquisition starts Apr. 1.

Around Windy City . . .

● Leonard Graves, understudy to Yul Brynner, will replace the star of "King and I" after Mar. 19.

● Claudia Jeanne Satow, 7, daughter of the Mark Satows, 4257 Cottage Grove, is appearing nightly in "The King and I" again; but a few months ago when the company was in Los Angeles, she was flat on her back—a victim of polio. Rapid treatment saved the child and spent only three weeks in the hospital.

● Wataru Okuma, new Japanese consul-general here, was welcomed a community reception last Sunday at the Old Cathay Restaurant.

● A woman pushed her way into the apartment of Mrs. Mitsue Taniguchi, 28, 606 Belden Ave., on Feb. 15, pressed a pocket knife against her 18-month-old daughter who was asleep, and robbed \$26 and a wedding ring. The same woman had sold her artificial flowers the day before, the victim told police.

About People . . .

● John Fujiwara, 18, 1315 E. 62nd St., and senior at Hyde Park High School, is editor of the school yearbook Aitchpe. The Los Angeles-born youth placed varsity football at center. His dad, Mack, employed at International Harvester, is from Hawaii. Others in the family include brothers Tom, recently discharged from the Army; Wayne, active in Chicago Buddhist Church Scout Troop 515; and sister Jean, former dental receptionist for Dr. George Hira, and now secretary at the American Bar Ass'n.

OMAHA JACL HONORS NEW CITIZENS, PIONEERS

Omaha

A successful Omaha JACL Recognition Dinner, attended by 75 persons, honored recently naturalized Issei citizens and Omaha Issei pioneers at the YWCA Feb. 12.

Fred White of the local naturalization office and his wife were among guests. William Ritchie was the main speaker. Max Hanamoto responded for the new citizens; Mrs. K. Watanabe for the pioneers.

IN HONOR OF

George Tsukagawa of Los Altos was elected chairman of the Los Altos-Mountain View Council for Civic Unity last week.

Seiji Horiuchi, Brighton (Colo.) Jr. Chamber of Commerce president and a Mile-Hi chapter vice-president, was awarded the 1954 Distinguished Service Award for outstanding men in his community. Selection is based upon achievement, leadership, community service, personal character and ability. He is a graduate of Colorado A&M, member of the Optimists, is assistant pastor at the Methodist Church, and credited with stimulating the 1954 J.C. membership drive.

Brotherhood speakers

Chicago

Several Japanese Americans have been scheduled to speak during Brotherhood Month (February) on various brotherhood programs throughout the city.

CHAPTER GRATEFUL FOR AMERICAN FLAG GIFT

Gilroy

The Gilroy JACL chapter publicly acknowledged the gift of Bill Ventre, who gave the organization an American Flag, at its recent annual dinner at Hotel Milias. Joe Obata and his 1955 cabinet officers were installed by Haruo Ishimaru, regional director, at the same time.

YWCA Centennial appeal among Japanese started

Los Angeles

Birthday gift solicitations in midst of the YWCA centennial celebration this year are being sought by an Issei-Nisei committee, locally composed of:

Mmes. K. Sugina, G. Nakamura, Y. Takagaki, J. Kanazawa, R. Nishikawa, A. Aspinwall, F. Tayama, K. Mukaeda, T. Saito, S. Nagata, S. Nobe, F. Chuman and G. Takeyama.

The national \$5,000,000 appeal will be used for expansion of YWCA ideals throughout the world.

Seeks third term

Berkeley

Mayor Laurence L. Cross, president of the Pacific Coast Japan-American Mayors Conference, announced he would seek a third term on the Apr. 5 ballot.



Being introduced by 1955 Mt. Olympus JACL chapter president Mas Namba (left) are his cabinet members (from left to right): Kiyo Nishida, 1st v.p.; Lou Nakagawa, 2nd v.p.; Hannah Kubosumi, rec. sec.; Ko Takeuchi,

cor. sec.; Nob Mori, treas.; Aiko Nishida, pub.; Selma Mori, hist.; Harry Okubo, social; and Tom Matsumori, sgt.-at-arms. Absent were Amey Harada and Tomiko Tamura, social chairmen.

—Photo by Shig Hoki

Oklahoma college professor prefers grading papers hard way—in Japanese

Norman, Okla.

Many teachers dislike the task of grading students' paper but a Univ. of Oklahoma history professor does it the hard way—in Japanese.

Through the university's correspondence study department, Dr. Percy Buchanan teaches a Japanese language class of 6,300 miles from his office.

A Japanese native aids in the teaching of pronunciation, but each members of the class is on his own when it comes to the memorizing the difficult characters of the language. Each student follows Buchanan's study outlines and then sends the lessons to him for grading.

Buchanan is well qualified to teach the course. He was born

in Japan of missionary parents, went to grade school there and returned after college to become a missionary for 15 years.

During World War II he served in intelligence.

The affable soft-spoken professor said his best student is not in Japan. He is an inmate at the federal prison in Leavenworth, Kansas, who enrolled to help pass the time.

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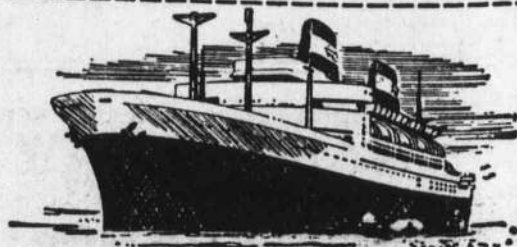
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★ SCENE FROM THE GOLDEN GATE ★

Pleasant Echoes

★ HARUO ISHIMARU ★

Although I believe the No. Calif.-Western Nevada district council has been particularly fortunate in the attendance and success at quarterly meetings, I have been hearing so many pleasant echoes of the last meeting held in Turlock on Feb. 6 that was hosted by Cortez and Livingston-Merced chapters that I would like to recapitulate the highlights of that outstanding day.

Unquestionably, credit goes to the members of the two chapters which have really been among our most active. Both of them have "come in the money" for our Chapter of the Year program. JAMES KIRIHARA and ERNEST YOSHIDA were the co-chairmen and they, with their committee, really put on a wonderful performance. One of the major factors that contributes to the success of any meeting is good attendance. Through mailed notices supplemented by phone calls the two chapters responded with great turnout which accounted for much of the 200 delegates.

The business session was pretty routine except for the presence of National President GEORGE INAGAKI who explained the situation regarding evacuation claims and the Committee for Japanese American Evacuation Claims. California State legislative progress was reported on by yours truly.

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The feature which stole the show during the afternoon was the "Program Workshop." Chairman was JERRY ENOMOTO assisted by FRED HOSHIYAMA, JOYCE ENOMOTO, VI NAKANO, HARRY ITAYA, JOHN ENOMOTO, KENJI FUJII, and HARUO ISHIMARU. FRED HOSHIYAMA gave an illuminating general introduction to the techniques of programming. Using colored slides, he pointed out the necessity for a 3-D concept in programming; depth, dimension, and diversity. Fred is associate executive secretary of the Buchanan St. Y and is top-notch expert on group work. He is one of the most useful members of our whole national organization. VI NAKANO, founder of the Womens Auxiliary, gave a very charming report on a highly successful first year. HARRY ITAYA, who is the Superintendent of Grounds for the San Joaquin County Fair Association, related steps involved in participating in the exhibits at county fairs. He also pointed out the lucrative prizes available to enterprising chapters. KENJI FUJII gave a resume on the highlights of chapter activities relative to the Chapter of the Year reports.

Some future columns will be devoted to detailed accounts of the winning chapters' activities. The only criticism of the Program Workshop was the lack of time, however workshops will be incorporated as regular features of each quarterly district council meetings.

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The banquet was handled beautifully by genial toastmaster GEORGE YUGE. A pleasant and distinguishing difference of this dinner was that there was no main speaker. A few words of greetings were extended by special guests State Senators James A. Cobey and Hugh P. Donnelley, Assemblyman Ralph M. Brown, Turlock Mayor Kristoferson, and Vice-Consul Shochi Ban.

Other special guests included National President GEORGE INAGAKI, 2nd National Vice President KENJI TASHIRO and Central California District Council Chairman HIROSHI MAYEDA. Resolutions were introduced by KAY KAMIMOTO, executive board member from San Benito County. Unanimously adopted were bills implementing our California State legislative program, namely relative to Old Age Assistance for the Issei non-citizens and for the removal of the Alien Land Laws from the constitution of the state of California.

A surprise presentation for outstanding leadership was made to JACK NODA, District Council chairman. Upon the announcement of GEORGE NISHITA, past chairman of our district council and chairman of the DC Recognitions committee, Jack was awarded the highly coveted Sapphire Pin, the top recognition by the national JACL for exceptional leadership. The presentation was made by Inagaki. The Lions Club also presented Jack Noda with a Distinguished Community Leadership Pin.

The Third Annual Chapter of the Year Award was made by Chairman Kenji Fujii. Winner for the outstanding performance in 1954 was the brilliant San Francisco Chapter. The award was received by Jerry Enomoto who was recently re-elected president and who has made a particularly significant contribution to local chapter programming. He paid tribute to the cooperative work of the chapter board and members for the outstanding program in 1954. Runner-ups were the Cortez and the Sequoia chapters.

The day's business and festivities were concluded by a dance. The host chapters are to be congratulated and thanked for their highly successful efforts.

It seemed to me that with the excellent start for 1955 as indicated by the enthusiasm in evidence at the first quarterly district council meeting, we'll really hit a new high in activity in our area and our goal of 5,000 members in 1955 for our district Council will become a reality.

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CHAPTER MEMOS

Omaha JACL: The 1955 membership count is up to 106 members, surpassing last year's mark, it was reported by Mary Misaki, newly appointed corresponding secretary succeeding Emiko Watanabe who resigned to study nursing. The chapter cabinet, led by Frank Tamai, continue in office for another year as officers serve a two-year period beginning with the even year.

Sequoia JACL: The first general meeting under the new cabinet headed by Hiroji Kariya last week at the Buddhist Church featured bingo with white elephant gifts as prizes.

SELMA WOMEN'S GROUP
START FOURTH YEAR

Selma

The fourth annual pot-luck dinner (turkey was the main fare) of the Selma JACL Women's Auxiliary served to honor the old cabinet members and introduce the new. Mrs. Meri Misaki was the toastmistress of the Jan. 29 event here.

Mrs. Helen Yamamoto, president, will be assisted this year by:

Mrs. Betty Okazaki, v.p.; Betty Jo Wakasa, rec. sec.; Mrs. Mary Abe, cor. sec.; Ethel Otomo, pub.; Nancy Matsunaga, Mrs. Yoshiko Kataoka, Mrs. Meri Misaki, Mrs. Yo Iwamura, group chmn.

The Auxiliary presented outgoing president Mrs. Shizuko Kobashi a gift.

PRESS FILE:

DEATH—Robert B. Laing, 58, freelance photographer who has supplied San Francisco pictures for the Pacific Citizen, died of heart attack Feb. 10 at the Fairmount Hotel where he was covering a Bank of Tokyo party. He had served as military police in Japan from 1945-1947 and honorably discharged as a lieutenant-colonel upon his return to the states.

HOPE OF 1955—Rather than reverting to self-segregated communities, as once was true on the West Coast, it is our hope that the Nisei and the Sansei of the future will be more closely integrated into the larger community.

Outstanding people like Bill Hosokawa of the Denver Post, or Dr. George Ogura in the coroner's office, to name only a couple have achieved status on the basis of their abilities. There are hundreds more, in varying degree, we know, but would hope that would become the general rule of the Nisei and Sansei.

As our kids grow up, through the schools, and into the community life of Denver, we think we can afford to be optimistic. The climate of human relations is favorable in Denver, and we believe that our children can have a future in this region. We're almost fully reconciled that there will be many intermarriages and that's probably for the good too.

We're reminded of that because our eldest daughter, now six years old, has a boy friend who has promised to marry her. Barney is a freckle-faced, tow-headed kid, and he agonizingly brings presents to Iris. We say "agonizingly" because he seems tortured by the fear that whatever presents he brings, she won't like them. —Min Yasui, Colorado Times.



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● **Livingston-Merced:** The chapter's 1000 Club membership has hit a new high in 1955: from last year's two to 18.

● **San Francisco:** New memberships and renewals received at National Headquarters in January, 1955, are as follows:

SEVENTH YEAR

Mike M. Masaoka, Washington, D.C.; Sim Togasaki, Alameda; Dr. Yoshiye Togasaki, Lafayette, Calif.

SIXTH YEAR

James Y. Abe, Salinas; Ira Shimasaki, Bethesda, Md.

FIFTH YEAR

Mrs. Etsu Masaoka, Washington, D.C.; Frank Suzuki, Livingston, Calif.

FOURTH YEAR

Seichi Mikami, Fresno; Miss Mary Minamoto, Yokohama, Japan.

THIRD YEAR

Mrs. Sally Furukawa, Washington, D.C.; Harry K. Honda, Los Angeles; Gerald M. Ogata, Parlier.

SECOND YEAR

Noboru J. Doi, Parlier; Shichisaburo Hideshima, San Francisco; Jun

FIRST YEAR

Hideyo Adachi, El Cerrito; Eric Andow, Winton, Calif.; Gene A. Hamaguchi, Livingston; Miss Mary K. Hamamoto, San Francisco; Eddie Hitomi, El Cerrito; Harry H. Iseki, Parlier; Buddy Iwata, Livingston; Miss Irene Iwata, Silver Spring, Md.; Buichi Kajiwaru, Livingston; John Katsu, Washington, D.C.; Miss Dorothy Kawai, Richmond; Kaz Kawate, Sanger; James K. Kimoto, Richmond; James Kirihara, Norman Kishi, Livingston; Ben Koga, Parlier; Tatsuo Koga, Ogden;

Mile-Hi membership
drive nears 200 mark

Denver

The Mile-Hi JACL membership drive, as of Feb. 5, hit the 196 mark, according to Betty Suzuki, membership chairman, who also led chapter solicitors with 98 signed.

While enrollment has been limited to eight of the membership committee, 15 other solicitors have yet to turn in theirs to demonstrate that the chapter is "indeed, Mile-Hi and miles ahead."

In recent years, the chapter has led the nation in memberships until the summer months when Chicago and west coast chapters surpass the Colorado chapter.

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JACL bowling—

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roda 168, Gene Yamamoto 171, Abe Fukui (alt) 166.

12. Yamasaki Market (850) Long Beach—Mas Ikemoto 170 Jim Tamai 170, Shory Hashimoto 170, Harry Iwasaki 170, Tomizo Joe 170.

13. Trophies by Paul (848) Los Angeles—Eddie Matsueda 180, Geo. Okamoto 154, Paul Uemura 162, George Matsumura 167, fifth man from Hawaii.

14. Aloha Cafe (848) Salt Lake City—Bob Sato 164, Tak Kojima 1662, Pete Oki 168, Yosh Ozawa 175, Charles Sonoda 179.

15. Hall, Haas & Vissey (848) Los Angeles—Art Yamami 167, Mas Minamide 161, Ken Uyesugi 167, Tsug Yamami 175, Elden Kanegae 178.

16. Nishimoto Trucking (846) Indio—Kaz Nagata 170, Kengo Taka 169, Sam Musashi 170, Hide Nishimoto 165, Mac Nishimoto 172.

17. Selma JACL No. 2 (845)—Tosh Namba 177, George Tanaka 166, Kats Komoto 159, Rich Doi 168, Ray Nakagawa 175.

18. T & T Service (841) West Los Angeles—Jack Nakamine 161, Min Oba 175, Ben Oba 163, Tosh Ikegami 158, Harry Tashima 178.

19. Arlington Bowl (839) Los Angeles—Ted Shimamoto 175, Tom Yamasaki 167, Joe Nakashima 160, Bob K. Wada 161, Ken Watanabe 176.

20. Albany Bowl (837) Albany—Don Kuge 170, Yoko Yokomizo 166, Ken Nakahara 163, Mas Mitsuyasu 171, Fred Yamashiro 167.

21. Dyer Implement (833) Pocatello—Fred Tominaga 169, Harold Tominaga 163, Jim Sato 160, Ike Kawamura 166, Frank Tominaga 175.

22. Shepherd Tractor Equipment (839) Garden Grove—Charles Ishii 170, Jim Hasegawa 170, Ko Takahashi 160, Fred Mizusawa 170, Frank Mizusawa 169.

23. Dunkos (833) Los Angeles—Oshi Tomomatsu 167, Tuck Uemura 170, George Woo 152, Ich Fukunaga 159, Kayo Hayakawa 185.

3rd Squad—1 p.m.

1. Standard Produce (903) Salt Lake City—Harry Imamura 180, Speedy Shiba 184, George Sakashita 181, Choppy Umemoto 179, Bob Shiba 179.

2. Southwest Produce (901) Los Angeles—Kaz Meifu 185, Tacie Kurimoto 176, Yutch Hori 177, John Kwan 180, Yo Natsuhara 183.

3. Kaimuki Bowl No. 2 (900) Honolulu.

4. Gardena Sporting Goods (900) Gardena—Koya Kurihara 179, Ko Arihara 180, Mas Shimatsu 181, Louis Sakamoto 175, Ty Kajimoto 185.

5. Cooke's Insecticide (899) West Los Angeles—Shig Nakagiri 192, Jum Mochizuki 175, Yoh Shimazu 170, Hide Nakayu 175, Bob Nakagiri 187.

6. Coffee's Strawberries (894) Sacramento—Jim Matsui 188, Joe Hom 185, Gil Ishisaka 170, Tsuto Hironaka 173, Dubby Tsugawa 178.

7. Marigold Arcade (892) Chicago—Tom Hashimoto 181, Harley Higurashi 178, Watts Uchida 178, Sock Kojima 174, Bob Miyakawa 163, Tome Fujii (alt) 154.

8. Major Bowl Recreation (891) Long Beach—Dick Iseri 172, Shig Kadota 188, Tats Tadehara 180, Geo. Iseri 179, Haj Fukumoto 180, Smokey Iwasaki (alt) 174.

9. China Food (890) Salt Lake City—Pap Miya 186, Tom Yamada 172, Hito Okada 167, Ken Takeno 186, Wat Misaka 179.

SPORTSCOPE

Mitsuho Kimura, San Francisco Dojo instructor, became the first man in the United States to be promoted to sixth-dan on his merits by the Tokyo Kodokan. He now wears a black and red check belt.

Chiharu Igaya, the Japanese skier at Dartmouth, made his collegiate debut at Hanover, N.H., Winter Carnival in outstanding fashion by negotiating the slalom with the two fastest times of the afternoon, 54.6s and 55.6s.

Frank Toyota, only Nisei in professional ice hockey, and wingman for the Washington Lions, sparked a last period rally Feb. 12 that netted five goals to win 5-3, over New Haven Blades. Toyota, who started his game in Canadian leagues, is flashy and free-swinging.

DOWNTOWN L.A. 'OPEN' SLATED MAR. 6 AT RIO HONDO GOLF COURSE

Los Angeles

The Downtown L.A. Open Golf Tournament sponsored by the Downtown Los Angeles JACL Chapter and held under the auspices of the Southern California Nisei Golf Association will be held at the Rio Hondo golf course Mar. 6, southland Nisei golfers were informed this week.

Under chairmanship of Duke Ogata, the tournament will be in cooperation with the SCNGA, according to David Yokozeki, chapter president.

Prizes include trophies for first and second low net on each of the three flights, a low gross open trophy plus 10 prizes in each flight and merchandise for low gross. Joseph's Men's Wear will donate a suit of clothes for everyone making a hole on one plus prizes for every entry making eagles.

The SCNGA will donate prizes for birdie shooters and also for the low 9-hole score. The Down-

town L.A. JACL is donating \$100 toward the purchase of trophies and prizes. Presentation of trophies will be made by "Miss National JACL" queen Janet Fukuda at the awards dinner at Rio Hondo Golf club following the tournament.

The entry fee (\$6) includes green fees, prizes and dinner. Ogata revealed. Entries will be closed as soon as 150 applications are received, he stated.

Golfers who do not belong to any golf club may file their entries with Joe Ito of Joseph's Men's Wear. Maximum handicaps allowed will be 22. Tee off time will be 10 a.m.

Other tournament features include a golf shoot on the par 3-8th hole conducted by JACL girls, with chances sold for 50 cents per shot and golf ball prizes for landing on the green.

A driving contest will be held on the first hole with a dozen golf balls to be won by the longest ball.

10. Albany Bowl No. 1 (887) Albany—Mit Ikeda 178, Gene Takei 173, Milt Wakayama 174, Shig Nomura 185, Mas Nakao 177.

11. Champion Seed (885) Buena Park—John Ishii 176, Yoneo Kariya 173, Jim Sakamoto 179, Hiro Yamada 178, Tom Sakamoto 179.

12. Kapiolani Bowl (900) Honolulu.

13. LABCC-Gardena (885) Gardena—Sus Kitani 177, Joe Tamura 178, Ben Nishinaka 178, Tom Miyawaki 175, Tad Uemura 177.

14. Northside NBL (884) Chicago—Harley Higurashi 176, George Kasai 176, Tucker Ozima 171, Shug Mizukami 173, Frank Kebo 183.

15. Virgil Barber Shop (883) Los Angeles—Jackie Tom 178, Shoji Matsubara 175, Thomas Nakano 164, Eugene Louie 180, Kaz Gojibori 186.

16. Growers Produce (881) Alameda—Harry Ushijima 180, George Ushijima 172, Jim Ushijima 169, Jim Lee 180, Jug Takeshita 180.

17. Bowl-Mor Lanes (881) Denver—John Noguchi 173, Vern Namba 175, Tom Ioka 178, Bill Matlocks 178, Bob Mayeda, 183, Hootch Okamura (alt) 182.

18. S. T. Produce (880) Sumner, Wash.—Ben Yoshida 173, George Ota 178, Dick Osaka 178, John Asahara 171, Dick Fujita 180.

19. Eastbay NBA (879) Berkeley—Spider Yuto 172, Min Ishida 169, Yon Takahashi 169, Ike Takei 183, Mo Katow 186.

20. Doi's Cleaners (878) Salt Lake City—Al Oshita 170, Juddy Doi 170, Ozzie Kano 177, Toshi Igata 180, Ike Ogata 181.

21. Sanwa Bank (878) San Francisco—Mitch Takahashi 172, Charles Yonezu 176, Hi Akagi 175, Mas Sawto 171, Hank Uemene 184.

22. George's Super Service (877) West Los Angeles—Tad Nakagiri 175, Kichi Takahashi 170, Mits Oba 170, Jim Kitsue 183, Perry Miyake 179.

23. Selma JACL No. 1—Kane Umamoto 181, Buzz Noda 182, Ban Yorizane 159, Kiyu Yamamoto 175, Shig Nagao 180, Vine Hays (alt) 174.

24. San Carlos Bowl Nisei (876) Redwood City—George Korenaga 178, Rich Namba 175, Dick Arimoto 170, Gunji Togami 178, Frank DeBarbie 174.

4th Squad—3:30 p.m.

1. Takahashi Imports (959) San Francisco—George Inai 190, Art Nishiguchi 192, Warren Fong 190, Henri Takahashi 193, George Gee 194.

2. Sequoia Nursery (945) Redwood City—Dick Ikeda 187, Gish Endo 186, Tad Sako 180, Tats Nagase 192, Fuzzy Shimada 200.

3. Capitol Meat (938) Sacramento—Yulene Takai 183, Shig Imura 183, Ben Hom 185, Kenneth Shibata 192, Kenneth Yee 190.

4. Holsum Egg (937) Sacramento—Angel Kageyama 190, Tosh Kawasaki 182, Virgil Yee 186, Mas Fujii 189, Paul Yasui 190.

5. Denargo Box (932) Denver—Ken Matsuda 188, Frank Sahara 188, Jim Ota 183, John Sakayama 185, George Otsuki 188, Hootch Okamura (alt) 182.

6. Voit Rubber (931) Los Angeles—Johnnie Yasukochi 182, Jensen Ushijima 185, Hiro Hirabayashi 184, Shiro Kitabayashi 185, Hank Aragaiki 195.

7. Lakeview Restaurant (927) Chicago—Rocky Yamanaka 187, Edo Yamauchi 185, Art Omori 181, Jim Hashimoto 184, Shig Nabeta 190.

8. Sav-On Service (926) Los Angeles—Hy Sechi 193, Taddy Shimizu 186, John J. Lyou 180, Harley Kusumoto 180, Tad Yamada 187.

9. Virginia Bowl (924) Long Beach—Jim Yasutake 182, Rich Takeyama 180, Fred Hasegawa 185, Sam Kawamichi 183, Easy Fujimoto 192.

10. Times Wholesale Florist (923) Los Angeles—Taki Taketomo 189, Shozzo Hiraizumi 181, Kaz Katayama 181, George Yasukochi 184, Geo. Wong 188.

11. Atlas Vegetable Exchange (922) Los Angeles—Tok Ishizawa 192, Ed Tsuruta 183, Paul Ishizawa 180, Lloyd Hahn 184, Nobe Ishizawa 183.

12. Main Bowl (921) Seattle—Kennedy Oyama 188, Morrie Yamaguchi 182, George Tanagi 181, Frank Yokoyama 18, Tak Shibuya 190.

13. Hawaii Team (920) Honolulu.

14. Electrical Contractors Supply (919) Pocatello—Poe Sato 198, Joe Badger 175, Sam Tominaga 172, Ace Mori 187, Shin Kawamura 187.

15. Sawtelle Garage (917) West Los Angeles—Dick Okamoto 178, George Miyake 178, Mas Takahashi 186, Jim Okura 186, Jack Miyake 189, Hal Ishikawa (alt) 169.

16. H & F Produce (915) Los Angeles—Joe Murakami 185, Ichiro Kamakina 174, Richard Takata 180, George Kobo 188, Kobo Fukutake 188.

17. Rio Hondo Nursery (914) South Gate—George Shibao 187, Fred Takahashi 179, Scotty Sakamoto 179, Sho Sakamoto 178, George Watana-

be 191.

18. Mike's Richfield Service (913) San Francisco—George Furuya 182, Mike Inouye 178, Dick Ogawa 175, Yosh Amono 186, Skeets Inouye 192.

19. W. Fay Co. (912) Los Angeles—Stan Wong 178, Dick Ung 183, George Obayashi 178, Sol Tringali 185, Jack Okamoto 188.

20. Boise Valley JACL (908) Boise—Kay Inouye 182, Tom Takatori 166, Jim Oyama 174, Tony Miyasako 183, Jim Erlanson 197.

21. Paul's Malt Shop (908) Long Beach—Chick Uemura 180, Bob Hayamizu 185, Bob Kuriyama 175, Art Kajii 178, Jim Abe 190.

22. SJNBA No. 1 (906) San Jose—Mike Murotsune 188, Tets Fujikawa 178, Roy Murotsune 177, Tak Abo 183, Jim Nagohara 180.

23. Mayfair Nursery (906) San Jose—John Kasano 184, Frank Ichishita 182, Vic Hirose 180, Mich Shimoto 180, Mike Sakuda 180.

24. Blossom Shop Florist (905) Sacramento—Ted Moy 186, Bob Watanabe 184, George Otani 173, Shig Sakamoto 177, George Chan 185.

Women's Teams

1st Squad—1 p.m.

1. Pick-Up (731) Idaho, Denver, L.A.—Amy Konishi 150, Jane Hada 143, Mary Arima 131, Lois Itano 151, Pauline Kurushima 156.

2. Eastbay NBA (730) Oakland—Yuki Shimada 143, Sumi Shimada 131, Kay Nawate 126, Terry Kuge 152, Nobu Asami 178.

3. LABCC No. 2 (723) Los Angeles—Sets Maeda 157, Toy Yamamoto 127, Mary Suzawa 138, Mitzi Kamikawa 141, Donna Nakagawa 160, Fusa Kubo (alt) 141.

4. SLC All-Stars (721) Salt Lake City—Jane Ozawa 130, Kiyu Oshiro 155, Hime Tobari 141, Lucille Nakamura 141, Grayce Imai 154.

5. Sacramento Bowl (701) Sacramento—June Katsumata 134, Grace Shigaki 137, Meriko Ishigaki 140, Bubbles Keikoan 145, Mary Nakashima 145.

6. San Carlos Bowl (700) Woodside—Sayo Togami 136, Yoneko Arimoto 141, Hiro Namba 131, Alice Inami 150, Lorraine Inouye 142, Mineko Kusuda (alt) 130.

7. LABCC No. 1 (711) Los Angeles—Marge Miyakawa 168, Susie Ito 142, Miye Musashi 125, Mary Nakatani 134, Tomi Aigaki 142, Dot Nakayu (alt) 164.

8. Ikeguchi Insurance & Realty (670) Long Beach—Helen Zoriki 134, Ruby Fukunaga 133, Kaz Matsumoto 128, Bessie Yamamoto 125, Samie Nakaji 150.

9. SLC Nisei League (665) Salt Lake City—Grace Kasai 125, Madge Hakata 125, Anna Inai 125, Mako Arai 133, Maxine Kato 157.

10. San Jose NBA (656) San Jose—Tula Ochitani 134, Lil Hinaga 127, Happy Taketa 124, Sachi Inouye 131, Aggie Sakamoto 140.

2nd Squad—3:30 p.m.

1. Main Bowl (850) Seattle—Carol Datz 173, Yoyo Konishi 162, Miye Ishikawa 165, Lois Yut, Mickey Oyama 177.

2. Tashima Bros. (841) Los Angeles—June Jue 178, Mary Matsumura 162, Mas Fujii 158, Chickie Seki 155, Chiyu Tashima 189.

3. Bowl-Mor (789) Denver—Sally Furushiro 156, Betty Fujiki 150, Evelyn Ota 149, Mary Urano 165, Tay Kondo 169.

4. Western Bowl (787) Los Angeles—Miyo Yasukochi 158, Beverly Wong 157, Jeannette Miyazaki 148, Bette Uemura 160, Dorothy Nakayu 164.

5. Ken Mar Bowl (775) Long Beach—Haru Kobata 157, Bernice Nagakoka 151, Mas Matoi 148, Janet Kakurai 153, Saji Mibu 166.

6. Marigold Arcade (775) Chicago—Lucy Sato 168, Alko Haga 139, Flora Morita 144, Bessie Miyata 156, Toshi Inahara 168.

7. Unnamed Team (774) Los Angeles—Shiz Nakazawa 156, Mickey Tsuruta 151, Sets Nishida 150, Neola Martin 154, Dorothy Tanabe 163.

8. H & F Produce (773) Los Angeles—Rhoda Kobo 161, Rei Ima-yamagita 149, Mas Hata 145, Sumi Matsui 161, Cherry Sugano 157.

9. General Produce (769) Sacramento—Fumi Tsukiji 153, Jean Nakatani 146, Aya Takai 158, Eiko Sato 159, Katy Moy 153.

10. San Francisco Nisei (769) San Francisco—Jen Hayakawa 150, Norma Sugiyama 156, Chiz Satow 150, Grace Yonezu 151, Kim Furuya 162.

11. Kikkoman-Shoyu (766) San Francisco—Fumi Kondo 159, Sumi Sasaki 145, Betty Akagi 147, Suzy Toda 157, Micki Inouye 158.

12. Hawaii Team (750) Honolulu.

13. Clyde's Sporting Goods (742) Los Angeles—Yas Yasukochi 143, Sumi Kamachi 155, Jeanne Kusumoto 142, Noble Lyou 152, Mari Uemura 150.

14. Bourdet Laundry (737) San Jose—Sachi Ikeda 150, June Aki-zuki 144, Kaz Ikeda 141, Martha Kitayama 145, Emi Murotsune 157.

OFFICIAL SCHEDULES

9th Annual Nat'l JACL Bowling Tournament Mar. 2-6, Long Beach, Calif.

Easy Fujimoto, Tournament Chairman

Men events & Ragtime Doubles at Virginia Bowl, 25 Chester Pl.
Women events & Mixed Doubles at Ken-Mar Bowl, 21 S. Cedar

Mar. 2 (Wed.)—Mixer, Wilton Hotel, 8 p.m.

Mar. 3 (Thu.)—Ragtime Doubles: 12 noon to 1 a.m.

Mar. 4 (Fri.)—Men's Sweeper: 12; 2:15, 4:30, 6:45, 9 p.m. Women's Sweeper: 7 and 9 p.m.

Mar. 5 (Sat.)—Men's Team: 8, 10:30 a.m., 1, 3:30 p.m. Women's Team: 1 and 3:30 p.m. Men's Doubles: 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 p.m., 1, 2 a.m. Women's Doubles: 6, 7, 8, 9 p.m.

Mar. 6 (Sun.)—Captain's Meeting, Wilton Hotel, 9 a.m. Men's Singles: 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 a.m., 1, 2, 3, 4 p.m. Women's Singles: 1, 2, 3, 4 p.m. Mixed Doubles: 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 a.m. Additional squads on Saturday morning. Award Dinner-Dance, Wilton Hotel, 7:30 p.m.

★ THE SOUTHWESTER ★

Clinic Critique

TATS KUSHIDA

Yep, it was worth the effort.

Reactions to the second annual chapter clinic of the Pacific Southwest District Council held on Feb. 13 were highly favorable according to results of the evaluation sheets passed around the 150 participants.

To the question, "Did this Clinic interest you?", 79 per cent replied *very much* and 21 per cent said *yes, some*. "Did you feel the group was interested?" brought 58 per cent *very much* and 42 per cent *yes, some*. Yes, *much* was the reply of 45 per cent to "Did you learn new facts about JACL" while 55 per cent said *yes, some*. A good 42 per cent said *yes, very much* to "Do you feel what you learned will help in your work with the chapter, community?" and 58 per cent said *yes, to some extent*. There wasn't a single negative (*not at all*) mark on these four queries.

More than half reported either *much* or *somewhat improved* change in opinion about the JACL.

And 66 per cent felt *certainly* that the group accomplished anything as a result of the clinic, 34 per cent venturing that it *probably did*, here again no negative response. Only 29 per cent there *should have been* more preparation for the clinic although 71 per cent thought there was *all that was needed*.

As to "Was there enough opportunity for discussion?", 63 per cent thought there was *all that was needed*, 32 per cent said there *should have been more* and 5 per cent felt it *very insufficient*. No, said 45 per cent, *perhaps* said 53 per cent and yes, 2 per cent to the question "Would the clinic have been better if some subjects were omitted?" In the same sequence, it was 13 per cent, 85 per cent and 5 per cent replying to "Should other subjects have been included in the discussions?"

The panel discussion method was deemed *satisfactory* to 79 per cent and *negatively* by 10.5 per cent, another 10.5 per cent being *indifferent*. 34 per cent thought non-JACL resources *should be used*, 55 per cent said *perhaps* and 11 per cent said *no*. As to the social atmosphere of the Clinic, 71 per cent found it *very much enjoyable*, 29 per cent saying *yes, some*.

The proof of the pudding was in the 100 per cent who said *yes*, they would like to see the Clinic repeated in 1956.

A good many comments were written on the evaluation sheets, but all of them were constructive in nature, to be passed on to the next clinic planning committee. Any other chapter or district council wishing to receive some of the packet material given to PSWDC Clinic participants with the view to plan similar clinics are welcome to write us for these helpful items. Just send name of chapter or DC, address and ten new Pacific Citizen subscriptions. All kidding aside, just ask us and you'll get 'em, with or without boxtops.

★ Memo from Gov. Knight

Those among our eleven thousand readers who attended the national confab last Labor Day in Ellay will recall that California's governor, Goodwin J. Knight, being a newlywed, was presented with a gift by the convention when he appeared as guest speaker at the recognitions banquet. Gov. Goody recently wrote to ROY NISHIKAWA, our national treasurer who was then doubling as convention chairman, thanking him for the "beautiful and lovely wedding gift, about which he says:

"This lovely vase now graces the Governor's Mansion in Sacramento with charm and beauty. Mrs. Knight and I were looking at it yesterday, and I knew you would be pleased if I told you it is one of the show pieces of our home here in Sacramento. We want you and all of your friends in the JACL to know how much we appreciate it and how very beautiful it is."

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★ LOS ANGELES NEWSLETTER ★

Transit Troubles

By HENRY MORI

★ For the eighth time in eight years, the Los Angeles Transit Lines asked and was granted a hike in fare from the State Commission. The new dig will be 17 per ride, instead of 15 cents, effective Mar. 7. Out-of-main-zone fares were raised slightly in certain areas.

For our money, transportation facilities here are the louziest in the nation. Where in the country must you spend nearly half a day to travel a 30 or 40 mile roundtripper?

If your timing is bad, it'll take more than an hour on a bus to get to West Los Angeles, a short distance of not quite 15 miles. That's slow moving in a great city like ours.

The LATL, which to our estimation hasn't improved its service since pre-war, says the high cost of operation forces the new raise. Unfortunately people who ride the street cars and busses do not altogether come from high bracket incomes.

The new fare reminds us of those prewar days when with a dollar pass you could travel from one end of the town to another without even batting an eyelash. All you had to do was flash that little pasteboard and you're on.

The city has more than once suggested about building a suspended monorail in the heart of Los Angeles to move the downtown traffic. But the undertaking is tremendous.

Meantime the ever-increasing network of freeways is getting its share of the traffic load.

Effective transportation is a problem, with or without the bothersome sight of street cars rolling along in congested traffic. Ask a conductor what he thinks about private cars and he'll remind you that most of the automobiles have only one or two passengers.

But from the standpoint of the drivers, that's their privilege. They can point out to the fact when tram operators went on strike some years ago the streets were cleared and vehicles moved along merrily, at a quicker pace. That was proof enough that busses and trams actually cluster the streets.

The couple-of-penny hike probably won't matter at all to occasional riders of the LATL but for the every-day patrons the increase can be felt especially when services continue to remain the same; louzy.

We'll have to treat our old family buggy a little nicer what with a bleak future of not being able to afford another new car for a long time.

★ Our 23-month old Bennett has become the ruler of the family. Not since Christmas did we begin to feel the impact of the new member of the family. Child psychologists will tell you that "negative complex" in the youngster begins to creep up between two and three. Our boy is jumping the gun.

Whereas it used to take his mother a minute to change his diapers, now it takes five. He, being a bilingual, needs explanation in both English and Japanese before he would lay flat on his back "for service." That takes time.

'Tis funny, how kids learn to say "no" before saying "yes." Bennett hasn't said the latter word yet. In contrast, he may mutter "OK" or "yah," but never "yes."

His latest vocabulary pieced together goes something like this every morning: "Daddy, o-so-ku naru yo. Shigoto." Now we got two slave-drivers in the house.

We have an inkling Bennett doesn't understand yet why we don't work on a Sunday.

SOCIAL NOTES

Los Angeles Pixies: A club for 7 and 8-year-old Sansei has been organized by Karl Nakazawa at Centenary Methodist Church with the aim of "better fellowship as we grow together". Thelma Takeo is adviser.

Los Angeles Vandas: Outgoing president Ruby Koyama initiated the new cabinet officers at ceremonies at the Biltmore Bowl recently. Installed were:

LaVerne Kurachi, pres.; Janet Kubo, v.p.; Fudge Ikeda, sec.; Michi Uyeda, treas.; June Iwasaki, pub.; Hiroko Kawabata, sgt.-at-arms.

San Diego Jr. Fujinkai: New officers were recently installed at the Buddhist Church with Rev. G. Yamamoto officiating. They are:

Mmes George Torio, pres.; George Uda, v.p.; Keisuke Okuma, treas.; Noboru Tomiyama, sec. sec.; Iwao Yagura, cor. sec.; Frank Hanano, Tom Tsunada, welf.; Ben Sekishiro, pub.

Masaoka—

★ From Page 2

And when this national interest directly contradicts what a specific constituency demands, what should the congressmen do.

It is easy to say that honesty would dictate a vote for the national interest even it may mean certain repudiation by one's constituency.

It is easy for tuna fishermen to agree to lower tariffs on textiles, for example, but when his own "bread and butter", when his own existence as he sees it is threatened by other suggesting that the tariff on imported tuna be lowered, individual self-interest takes precedence over intangible, unseen national interest. He visualizes his self-survival as more important to him than survival of the nation, for to him the nation is in no immediate danger.

This is the kind of daily decision that makes the job of a congressman the most difficult and unwelcome task known to man, for no matter how he votes he is the loser.

VITAL STATISTICS

Births

BERKELEY
NISHITA—Jan. 23, a boy to the Morio Nishitas.

PORTLAND
SAKAMOTO—Jan. 21, a boy Paul M. to the Max M. Sakamotos.

ONTARIO, ORE.
KAWASOE—Jan. 27, a girl to the Melvin Dutch Kawasoes, Vale.
YAMAGUCHI—Jan. 30, a girl to the Kay Yamaguchis, Vale.

SEATTLE
IMANISHI—Feb. 1, a boy to the Fred Y. Imanishis.
OSAKA—Jan. 28, a boy Richard to the Dick Osakas, Tacoma.

SALT LAKE CITY
TOBARI—Jan. 28, a boy to the Joseph Tobaris.

DENVER
FUJII—A girl Gayle Naomi to the George Fujis.

DETROIT
SHIMOURA—Jan. 6, a boy Gerald Robert to the James N. Shimouras.

Marriage Licenses Issued

AKUNE-YAMASHITA — Masato and Tachiko, both of Denver.
ALSETH-SAKATA—Gordon (USN); Arlene, San Francisco.

ECHIGOSHIMA-HASEGAWA — Ray H. and Ellen, both of Seattle.
HOSOKAWA-KINOSHITA — Tom and Pearl, both of Sacramento.
IMAI-TOMITA — George, Hood River, and Sophia M., Portland.

KOYAMATSU-KASHIWAGI — Robert T., 20, Los Angeles, and Patricia K., 21, Seattle.

MAEYAMA-HORIYE — George, 29, Oxnard; Hideko Hedy, 25, San Diego.

MURATA-TANAKA — Frederick, San Francisco, and Grace, Aiea, Hawaii.
NAGATA-TAKIZAWA — George Munee, San Jose, and Ellen, Irvington.
NARIMATSU-IWASAKI — Masato, 40, and Kiyoye, 29, both of San Jose.
SHIMADA-OZAWA — Hachiro, 27, Santa Clara, and Janet Y., 18, South Palo Alto.
TANAKA-MAYEDA — Richard Yukinori, San Francisco, and Mitsuye, Berkeley.
YAMAUCHI-KIKUCHI — Hiroshi, Berkeley; Anna Fusako, San Diego.

Deaths

ISHIKAWA, Rev. Mitsuo, 27; Chicago, Feb. 8 (funeral), survived by parents, three brothers and sisters in Japan.

KAWANISHI, Mrs. Kaneko; Denver, Feb. 11, survived by husband Tachikichi, son Sam, daughter Mrs. Shizue Tawa.

MATSUMURA, Yoshitaru, 61; Chicago, Feb. 7.

MORI, Caroline T., 4; Seattle, Feb. 5, survived by parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hideo, grandparents Mrs. Sute Mori, Mr. and Mrs. Harry K. Uchida (Wapato).

MORITA, Isaku; Denver, Feb. 11, survived by wife Matsuye, sons Hosami, George, daughter Mrs. Michiko Tsunada.

MURAYAMA, Hashime, 76; New York, Feb. 7, survived by wife Nao, sons Ken, Sutei.

OKAHATA, Kichi, 70; Fresno, Feb. 14, survived by wife Chiyeno, two sons and six daughters.

TSUJI, Mrs. Haru, 74; Chicago, Feb. 8, survived by daughter Mrs. Roy Kasuyama.

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EDITORIALS

Hawaiian statehood

During the war years of 1942-45 and even during the Korean conflict, mainland Nisei experienced first hand the warmth and perseverance of their brothers in uniform from the Territory of Hawaii. When casualty lists were printed a decade ago in the Pacific Citizen each week, the hometowns of Hawaiian GIs became as familiar as any town in the United States.

A Mainlander in service, be he in Europe or in the Pacific theater, could hardly escape being fused with the proud spirit of the Nisei from the Islands.

The Nisei war record speaks for itself. Reference is seldom made to territorial distinction of the Nisei in this respect. What the lad from Kealakekua did in the service for persons of Japanese ancestry in America was no different from the lad from Hood River or Manzanar. All helped to pave the path of acceptance and recognition.

The buddy-buddy system worked well when things were rough on the frontlines. It can equally work well today, when the Mainlander can directly assist in their battle for statehood.

Prospects of the Islands getting their long-sought status appear brightest in years. We can press our congressmen, especially those in the House, for a vote by the full House on the combined Hawaii-Alaska statehood bill now.

Tragedy of aged

Nearly 100 aged women died in agony last week in a Yokohama fire. It was human tragedy at its darkest. They were living in a converted naval barrack, a two-story wooden dormitory declared a fire-trap in 1953.

The tragedy lies in that a horse wouldn't have been stabled in such a hovel. But in this case, old people past their productive peak, without relatives, were being sheltered and comforted. Only solace to be drawn is the heroism of some of the inmates and nuns displayed during the holocaust.

Nisei communities are taking a step in the right direction by looking after the aged—be it fighting for old-age pensions or building a sturdy old folk's home or bringing comfort to them.

Every Nisei (since so many are passing their midyears) can be haunted by this burning question: if we don't care for the aged today, what will become of us tomorrow? Unless foundations are laid now, the aged Nisei could suffer even greater tragedies.

FROM THE FRYING PAN By Bill Hosokawa

Our Four Youngsters

Denver
Let's get you caught up on the activities of our small fry. (By warning you right at the head of the column about what's to come, all those who take a dim view of reading about someone else's kids can turn without loss of time to some other part of the PC.)

Our Mike, the No. 1 boy chronologically speaking, has been sprouting like a bamboo shoot and has considerable difficulty getting enough nourishment. The amounts of food that he puts away, especially the more expensive varieties like meat and chicken, is staggering. Trying to keep him filled is like pouring gravel into quicksand; there ain't no bottom. It's also an expensive business.

If Mike doesn't grow into a six-footer with enough heft to play left tackle, I will feel gyped.

Susan, our No. 1 girl, has been playing the bull fiddle (she calls it by its more proper name of string bass) in the grade school orchestra. The instrument gives with only snoring sounds and loud and mournful grunts and groans when she plays it at home, but for some mysterious reason it makes music at school with the orchestra.

Since she doesn't have a case for her bull fiddle, Susan's mother ripped up an old sheet and made a sort of shroud to protect it from dust, the elements and other kids. The fiddle being the shape it is, the shroud made it look like a draped corpse. We no longer use the sheet.

Incidentally, the fiddle is so large that it takes one large friend plus Susan, or Susan and two small children to tote it home Friday afternoons for weekend practices. I suggested nailing a roller skate to one of the fiddle's hips so she could push it home but the idea was deemed impractical.

Pete, our No. 2 boy (and No. 3 in the

family) learned to play checkers from one of the neighborhood playmates. After that, nothing would do but that he should get a checkers set for himself. He did, after some considerable teasing. It cost 29 cents for the cardboard board and another 29 cents for some mighty pretty "men" stamped out of red and black plastic.

I couldn't understand how a lad of 6 (won't be 7 until May) could play checkers with any skill. But Pete fooled me. We sat down to play one night and he quickly proved himself to be a crafty tactician. Never knew anyone to be so tickled as Pete is when he pulls a coup, like jumping two of your men without losing any himself. Pete can take down his older brother about half the time and don't kid yourself, Mike isn't throwing the game when he bows.

If Pete continues to improve his game, we'll have to get him a more presentable set. About the time this set wears out, though, I have a hunch he'll be head-over-heels about something else, like kite-flying for instance.

Our Christie (No. 2 girl and No. 4 familywise) has an uncanny ear for recognizing voices over the telephone. Since she's usually the first to run for the phone when it rings, she gets lots of practice. Once Bill Kuroki called for the first time in about six months. "Sounds like Bill Kuroki," she said as she turned the phone over to me. Another time a man asked for Bill and Christie told me: "Guess that's Larry Tajiri." It was.

When a stranger is on the line, Christie is baffled. So she guesses, or says the first thing that comes to mind. The other night she answered the phone and then remarked in a loud voice: "Sounds like an old woman." It wasn't. Just a middle-aging woman who hates to think of herself getting old. Talk about embarrassing!

VAGARIES By Larry Tajiri

Interracial Romances

Denver
they were married at the American consulate when the U.S. first lifted the ban on these marriages.

Three years later, when Frank's tour of army duty was over, the Pfeiffers—there was now a daughter, Penny—crossed from Tokyo to Chicago. In their first two years in Chicago the Pfeiffers ran the gamut. Sachiko had mother-in-law trouble and the Pfeiffers moved out to an apartment of their own. Unfortunately, they found themselves in a hostile neighborhood where women stood about in the street in front of the Pfeiffer apartment and talked loudly about "that dirty Jap." There were threats of eviction and angry notes were stuffed in their mailbox.

Frank told Michener the neighborhood wasn't typical of Chicago. "We had the bad luck to move in among a few families who hated Japanese. Actually, Chicago as a whole is about the best place in America for people like us. About 30,000 Japanese were resettled here during the war, and 20,000 stayed on. Chicago's the second largest Japanese city in America after Los Angeles."

One troublemaker started eviction proceedings against the Pfeiffers, and that night Frank and Sachiko sat down to their big decision. They could fight it out where they were, or they could go back to Japan—Frank was willing. Or they could find a home somewhere else. They took the third course, and Frank found a "shell house"—which is just that, a shell of a house which the buyer finishes—in Melrose Park, a Chicago suburb.

The builder said he welcomed Japanese tenants, but wanted to be sure the neighbors were willing. Sachiko met two families who were planning to buy in the same project, the Rawlings' and the Mohlmans. Neither Mrs. Rawlings or Mrs. Mohlman liked Sachiko immediately. But Mrs. Rawlings, a tall Irish Catholic girl, took one look at Sachiko and said: "We won't move in unless we can have the house next to hers."

Sachiko found ready acceptance among her new neighbors, but one incident, more than any other, convinced her that she was home in America. That was the day she came home from the hospital after Dale was born and was welcomed with a shower given by all the people in the block.

Michener reports Sachiko and Frank are secure in their marriage and unworried by the future, for themselves or for their children. Everybody else seems to be worried for Penny and for Dale. But Sachiko says: "Maybe my children want to marry pure Japanese. Same-same by me. Maybe they more happier they marry pure Caucasian. I like same-same. I content to lose my Japanese blood stream in America. I gonna die in America. Here is my home forever."

James Michener has found in the actual raw material of a GI-Japanese marriage the answer to the negativism of all the unhappy endings of literature's interracial romances.



MINORITY

New York
A proposal of the National Association of Home Builders to erect homes for Negro occupancy only "if suitable suites" can be found was cited as extending racial segregation in housing by the NAACP, which is also urging U.S. Attorney General Brownell to take steps to halt government participation in this practice.

The NAACP has informed the Justice Department on "why the U.S. government should withhold housing assistance in any form unless there is a guarantee that such housing will be open to all persons without regard to race."

San Francisco
Negroes have become the second largest racial group in the Bay Area, according to a social study published by Stanford University, replacing the Orientals. The change came about 1940.

DECADE AGO

Feb. 25, 1945

Gen. Devers awards 2 DSC, 19 Silver Stars, 12 Bronze Stars to Nisei fighting men for bravery on French front.

Night-riding hoodlums blamed for second shotgun attack on unoccupied evacuee's home (Bob Morishige of Selma) in Fresno area; officials promise full investigation and prosecution of perpetrators. S. J. Kakutani home in Fresno also attacked.

California alien land law may face new court test, attorneys in San Diego escheat case (Fred Oyama) argue state's law invalid on grounds of racial prejudice.

Portland Oregonian condemns Hood River American Legion policy in refusing to list Nisei names on honor roll.

Backbone of coast opposition to return of evacuee groups now broken, declares WRA Director Myer; says feats of Nisei troops changed opinion.

WRA annual report shows 33,000 resettled in 47 states and D. C.; 2,500 in armed forces; hope to resettle remaining 60,000 in eight camps by end of year.

Yakima valley farmers plan Remember Pearl Harbor League chapter, aimed to keep evacuees out.

First evacuee family (Kay Magota) returns to Hanford, Calif.

Natives Sons of Golden West will continue racist drive, N. C. Peace Officers Ass'n told.

Henry Ebihara (Japan-born and reared in New Mexico) of Cleveland inducted into Army under new policy; believed to be first Japanese alien taken into service.

CALENDAR

Feb. 26 (Saturday)

Coachella Valley—Election meeting, Fresno—Issei Citizenship Recognition Night, Desert Inn, 7 p.m. Parlier—20th Anniversary banquet, Magnuson's Dining Room. West Los Angeles—Installation dinner-dance, Santa Monica Elk club.

Feb. 27 (Sunday)

Southwest L.A.—Show Valley outing, meet at International Institute, 7 a.m.

Mar. 2 (Wednesday)

Long Beach—Pre-Bowling Tournament mixer, Wilton Hotel.

Mar. 3-6

Long Beach—Nat'l JACL Bowling Tournament; men's events—Virginia Bowl; women's events—Kemar.

Mar. 6 (Sunday)

Downtown L.A.—Golf Open tournament, Rio Hondo C.C. Long Beach—Bowling Tournament dinner-dance, Wilton Hotel.

Mar. 7 (Friday)

Chicago—General meeting, Woodrow Wilson Room, 116 S. Michigan St. 8 p.m. Harry Shigeta, speaker.

Mar. 12 (Saturday)

Coachella Valley—Installation, Bowling Awards dinner.

Mar. 13 (Sunday)

Stockton—Installation banquet, Bruno & Lena's, 6 p.m.