Vagaries

by LARRY TAJIBI

HOUSING PREJUDICE

Denver

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TOKYO TOPICS: by TAMOTSU MURAYAMA

Newshawk who was always restless, on-the-go in America realizes life-long ambition: to be editor and publisher

T. John Fushki is a boy from Almadina, Calif. Among his many visits to the Pacific Coast before the war, he was nicknamed "Fuzzy" or "Johnny." When he entered journalism at heart, it was his long ambition to become an editor and publisher. Well, he has it now: editor and publisher of the "Oriental Digest." (Last July 15, Larry Tajiri delivered a column in the Pacific Citizens on the same person, who authored a paper-bound volume, "On the Tipping Editor.")

John's father went to America many years ago as a Buddhist priest, but was later converted to Christianity and eventually ordained to the Methodist ministry to become pastor of the Alameda M. E. Church. Hence, John's early schooling in Alameda. ... When John was graduated from Pomona Junior College, he was responsible for getting him a job with the Hokubut Akan, a very popular weekly newspaper in San Francisco which was being published by former staff writers who attract the S.F. Nickel. John was restless and ambitious.

Nisei tourists cited for visiting Japan with insufficient funds

Irvine, Calif. The passport visa section of the local Japanese consul general will not issue any visas until Oct. 1 when new visa regulations go into effect.

The new regulations do not call for such change, but stricter enforcement of some of the requirements has been ordered. This particular order results from the requirement calling for tourists to show evidence that they have at least $100 in the form of travel checks or bank statement when applying for a visa.

Nearly all Japaese tourists bring sufficient funds, but some Nisei and oth. d'Ja. tourists have been known to have gone to Japan with little money.

The new regulations call for visa applications to be made in duplicate.

SUMITOMO BANK OPENS SACRAMENTO BRANCH

(San Francisco) The Sumitomo Bank (California) has been authorized to open a branch in the Sacramento area by the board of governors of the Federal Reserve System and the superintendent of banks. The office is expected to open on Nov. 1, with S. Uno in Sacramento as vice-president and J. W. Truth, manager.

The Sacramento branch will be located at the corner of Fourth and N streets.

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From the Frying Pan
BY BILL HOSAKOWA

AFTERNOON OF CONVERSATION

Devon C. Okura, a Coloradan by way of California, has a deep and moving affection for the United States. His regard for this country is accentuated by the fact that he spent a good part of his life in this country before coming back to live in Japan.

Mr. Okura was born in Golden, Colo., May 14, 1889, to parents of Japanese origin, who emigrated from Japan, his father, Mr. Wataru Okura, having come from Aomori Prefecture, and his mother, Mrs. Okura, from Gunma Prefecture.

He received a good education in the United States, and the Okura family has a long history in the Golden area.

Mr. Okura is a member of the Golden Athletic Club, and is an active participant in local community affairs.

OKURA'S FRIENDSHIP GOES BEYOND THE

usual entertaining and sight-seeing that the Nisei and Jap. localites have extended to the Japanese officers. Yes, he does these things, too. But in addition to that he tries to encourage intellectual discussion among these visitors about the essence of American democracy—what makes it so special to American think and believe, and why.

In connection with this one-man educational project, Okura has arranged the houses with four of his closest friends. They have a two-and-a-half-hour half-burial service, in the course of which some penetrating questions were asked by the visitors. I attempted to answer them as well as I could, and sometimes there just weren't any answers. Okura did double duty as moderator of the discussion, for I found my Japanese interlocutors-distressingly shy.

Because the Japanese officers are alert individuals, well educated and certainly above average intelligence, I think you might be interested in hearing about some of the things they were interested in.

They wanted to know, first of all, whether America isn't about to experience a swing to the totalitarian right as the result of the activities of men like Hitler, Mussolini and the like. Aside from a discussion of domestic communism. (I didn't think so.) They asked how large a part Japan plays in the Pacific, and what that means for the future of the United States. (I quoted the question as being simplified, one of them said something to that effect.)

The people in Japan feel that they are at the focal point of international attention, and they remind us that America's foreign policy is built around Japan's economic and strategic position. The Japanese government has spent a great deal of money on the improvement of foreign policy in Japan in recent years and with emphasis on the United States as the central power in the Pacific area. He said that the United States was still a great power in 1961 because the United States, he maintained, that she had given all the aid she could for industry and the like. If she couldn't, she would have to rely on the United States to build a better economy. In Japan, he pointed out, there are laws against stealing, just as there are laws against theft in the U.S. and Japan, was guilty of stealing Chinese territory by force; she had no right to be in China on a mission of invasion and conquest.

We talked about American farming practices; the part Christianity played in American life, and (I think) in Japan, too. Well, I can't remember that at any time in history.) We went into a review of history, starting with the development of the Japanese nation in the 19th century, on through the Panama incident of 1912, and to Pearl Harbor. One of the officers, Mr. Konishi, with whom I had held a long conversation, said that he was sent into war in 1941 because the United States disregarded the fact that she gave all the aid she could for industrial development and the like. He didn't think so.

He had a great interest in American thinking, but certainly not in an extreme form, because he knew that the United States had been looking considerably greater concern. Then he had to add that the fact that Japan had succeeded in impressing itself upon the world was a good sign of the fact that Japan had succeeded in impressing itself upon the world.
JAPANESE IN AGRICULTURE

In this economic growth, the Japanese have of course made their contribution. For instance, at the agricultural level—on the sugar and pineapple plantation—that the Japanese build their niche. These laborers are indispensable in the basic agricultural industries.

Consequently, in the rehabilitation plans, and manpower needs declined rapidly. Jobs that required a lot of hands were taken over by machines, in the fields and the mills. As a result, the Japanese labor force has not been seen a few years ago, closer to 28,000 instead of 40,000 in 1945 (sugar and pineapple).

It is true that many have thought of these two basic crops as the only substantial crops under the Hawaiian economy, the assumption of the tourist industry must be nothing short of geotically. Ten years ago, immediately after World War II, there was no one to speak of. The war had shot it over seven years, Paul Honda.

The peak tourist has, however, brought a rapidly rising number of visitors. The figure will top the 100,000 mark this year. They will spend an estimated $105,000,000 during 1955.

POSSIBILITIES OF TOURISM

I recall that only a short time ago some cynics were clicking at the possibilities of the tourist business. They could not see beyond the few hotels on Waikiki Beach. They minimized the employment possibilities.

Today, the Waikiki area is sprouting hotels on every side, and drawing tourists with every ship and plane that comes to the International.

And the best is yet to come. The experts figure that 10 years hence, perhaps 300,000 visitors will arrive in Hawaii every year, with a corresponding increase in their spending volume.

Here, again, the pessimists will say that tourism can be brought to a standstill if war breaks out in the Pacific. Which would be quite true but in Hawaii it could be kept from expanding if there were some means of escaping from the cold reality of this war. In facing this uncertainty, over-caution can be a handicap on getting started.

Hawaii, unfortunately, has had to rely so heavily on Federal aid that the mere thought of a depression can severely affect the island economy, as it did in 1949, when together with a six-month sugar strike, Hawaii suffered a depression similar to that of the 1930's.

Federal spending for armed forces amounted to $275,000,000, which amounts to 40 per cent of the revenue of the state. It would be nice to have a source of income so sure and staple combined.

JAPAN AGRICULTURAL

Hawaii in the years ahead must reach from 4,000 to 5,000 new jobs annually, to keep pace with the young population which is growing at the rate of nearly 3 per cent a year. The main cause of this rate decline the economy has ever had to face, as a long-term problem.

While the pessimists are bemoaning the plight of the blacks, the hard-thinkers and planners are moving ahead in the belief that through the opportunities it offers, this island economy can be harnessed with intelligence and courage. Both natural resources and private enterprise are combining efforts for the uphill struggle.

Large single industrial projects contemplated a $250-300,000 refinery by Standard Oil Co. Only a year ago, when a West Coast brand, the local community was full of enthusiasm. Hawaii, we are told, today has been depressed. No companies are being raised by those who fear a smog problem or a conflict with safety regulations.

But this project indicates the opportunities existing here that have been ignored in the past. Developments are very large; small, and small, industrial opportunities of all kinds will be involved in the development of Hawaii's economic future. It does not take a crystal ball to predict this development.

The employment prospects for the coming generation of young people are promising, and the overflow of this economy, particularly in the expansion of industrial enterprises here.
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SONOMA COUNTY ANTICIPATES TURNOUT OF 100 DELEGATES TO NC-WNDCE PARLEY

(San Francisco) A huge sign welcoming JACL delegates attending the Nov. 21, 1945, Calif.-Western Nevada District Convention biomedical convention was erected on the southern entrance to this city, becoming information received from Frank Oda, convention committee chairman.

The huge sign will be posted by the Sebastopol Chamber of Commerce, which voted at a recent meeting to fully assist the convention.

The Sonoma County JACL, host chapter, has planned many features—which some of the will be announced after they are seen to be worthy, suggested, and no one, Oda chapter president, disclosed.

Already speculations have been set that the San Francisco Chapter will have a competition to capture the Group I registration, and since they have had the largest delegations to the district council meetings during the past quarters of the Group I, for smaller chapters, the winner will be announced until the close of the contest on Sunday as the competition will be very keen in this category.

100 DELEGATES

Mrs. Ann Ohita announced that registration of the larger chapter members will begin on Oct. 7 with the goal of obtaining 100 new members for this two-day affair.

A welcome reception on Saturday.

CHAPFER MEMOS

So. Alameda County JACL: The next general meeting will be held Oct. 31 at the Warm Spring School. On the agenda are: annual meeting, the remainder of the year is the business, benefit movie, election, and the Christmas party.

Chicago JACL: The chapter biweekly plus the "Harvey Hour" for tomorrow night (Sept. 24) will be held at Albatross Stables on U.S. Hwy. 66, half-mile west of La Grange, Ill.

Philadelphia JACL: The Japanese movie "Kumai & Chiji" will be shown on Oct. 17, at the International Institute.

Chicago JACL: At a novel and unique "Splatter Party" Sept. 17 O'Givvie Club, volunteers worked diligently to brighten up several album books in preparation for the 1955 JACL convention.

Recognition will be paid to the pioneers of the JACL who signed and helped to establish the early days of formation as a separate segment of the American Legion.

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FIRST NISEI TEACHES AT UNIV. OF CALIF. BOAT HALL LAW SCHOOL

[BERKELEY] With the fall semester beginning at Boat Hall Law School of the Univ. of California at Berkeley, Sato Sato began his first classes as visiting associate professor at law and began teaching notes and negotiable instruments.

Sato had been a deputy attorney general in the Attorney General's office until his recent appointment to Berkeley. He was selected by Attorney General Edward G. Brown in July, 1932, as student Legal Assistant and was the first Nisei on the staff of the Attorney General of California, Attorney General I in 1932 and Deputy Attorney General I in 1934 and Deputy Attorney General II in 1935.

While in the Attorney General's office, Sato was in the Tax Section where he was engaged in all phases from writing of briefs and opinions to arguing cases before the District Court of Appeal.

Assistant Attorney General Theodore A. Westphal, Jr., chief of the Division of the Attorney General's office, and Assistant Attorney General James E. Schine wrote the Tax Section, in commenting on Sato's work, said, "Mr. Sato was outstandingly conscientious; he made good arguments in appellate court and wrote excellent briefs—he is a good lawyer and the Department has been lucky in having him as a member of the Staff we've seen."

In the initial formal luncheon to be tendered by the entire staff to a visiting co-worker he was presented with a pen set by his colleagues. Attorney General I "first" Brown paid tribute to Sato saying, "This Attorney General's office is proud to have had the outstanding Nisei. Assistant Attorney General Sato for the past two years. His work has been outstandingly meritorious on merit because he has high legal scholarship, and he maintained the same level of performance as his duties in his thoroughgoing research and analysis of legal problems of the State.

Not only was he an important member of our staff but a congenial, friendly member who leaves behind him a host of well-wishers."

Sato graduated from Harvard Law School magna cum laude in 1933 and ranked first in his class of about two hundred. He worked on the Harvard Law Review two years before he was admitted to the Calif. Bar in July 1932. He was born in Acamo, Calif.; attended Sacramento High, the Univ. of Calif., and the Univ. of Denver, where he received his A.B. in 1934. He was a Phi Beta Kappa.

From 1943 to 1946 he served in the U.S. Army in Japan as a first lieutenant with the Allied Translator and Interpreters Service of the Military Intelligence Service. He is a member of the Berkeley JACL and serves as an ex-officio member on the governing board.

Utah CPA initiates first Nisei member
[Shake Lake City] Isamu S. Ando, one-time Salt Lake JACL chapter president, was recently admitted to the first Nisei to be a certified public accountant in the State of Utah.

A top graduate of the Univ. of Utah in 1939, Mr. Ando, in 1952, worked with a national firm in San Francisco; and with the Utah State Tax Commission, currently, he is practicing as partner of the Ando and Carlin accounting firm.

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Memorial rites for 1st 100th inf. casualty held
[AP] Veterans of the 100th Infantry Battalion observed the 25th anniversary of the battalion's first combat casualty last Sunday, Sgt. Joe Takata of Wahiawa, who died in Sept. 29, 1942, was the 100th's first combat casualty. The 100th, which has chosen annually for memorial services the nearest cemetery by 100th Battalion veterans.

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KNock-Down But Not Drag-OUT

Westley Oyama, prominent Nisei importer, latched on to a good thing in shipping the knock-down Japanese house to the Los Angeles County Fair in Pomona this month. Good. In a way, it shows that he has been successful in his efforts to enhance America-Japan relations and understanding. (As far as we know, this is a fact.)

Salt Lakers honor

Visit by Senator

[Salt Lake City] Ten Japanese Boy Scouts and their leaders thoroughly enjoyed an official Social Club luncheon at the Great Salt Lake swim Sept. 10 but hurried to a noodle house for a specially reserved Japanese meal.

In route from the home Boy Scout World Jamboree last month in Chicago, they were honored at a dinner sponsored by the local JAI. Boy Scout Aliso Nakama, the Japanese Christian Church and the Asian Buddhist Church.

Spud Uyeyama, jockey, injured

[Tokyo] Spinal injuries suffered by Spud Uyeyama, 17-year-old rider, was understood to be not so serious as first reported. The promising Nisei jockey was resting at the First General Hospital in preparation for surgery.

Long Island during the running of the third race Sept. 23 at Westbury, Long Island, a two-year-old from the E. W. McLaughlin was started in close quarters and the paddock withstood the pressure. He was rushed to a hospital where X-rays showed the damage.
DEMONCRATS WHOOP IT UP

The David Yokoyama, who live in an ultimately more forum for “rich” Republicans, played host to the Japanese American Civic League in a Japanese garden party. What had been scheduled as a pleasant evening affair turned into a twilight in the committee that sits in charge of the return of Pacific Standard Time, even more so for the current session by the Senate.

The gathering was big success. Among those who attended was the Mayor of Inglewood, Richard Burt, who gave a warm welcome to the bill for a Pay Employment Program designed to provide for the Japanese American Civic League, which for the first time in the history of labor and employment acts but failed in the Senate.

He said the invitation is possible but will be a long struggle in the educational process in which those of us who have raised the need for a bill remove money interest among such people.

Elliott did not think there would be any pressure groups to push such a legislation in Sacramento, providing of course, the workers did not want to be licensed. Time would be on the side of the opposition since it would not be before 1957 that such measure could be re-introduced.

His views on the subject were given by the President of the downtown chapter AAPI. Often big birds in the San Joaquin Valley with League work were attorneys James Jackson, Mayor Frank Chelan, George Mawut, accountant Ted Okumoto and legal secretary, Lenta Yawata.

There must have been more than 100 lawyers there that night.

SCOUT LEADER GETS NATIONAL BID

Sadam Rejima, longtime leader in scout work, has achieved what is believed to be the first time a Niels has been honored with a national appointment in the Boy Scouts of America. He was selected to serve on the advisory committee of the National Interfacational Service, with its headquarters located at the Boy Scouts of America, New Jersey.

Rejima, who is west coast representative for Alpinem, has an 80 merit badges under his Eagle Scout belt. When he was 13, he earns his Eagle, he made the Rejima the lone Niels family in which he earns the highest rank in scouting.

Rejima was responsible for the formation of the first Niels chapter of the Boy Scouts and went back to Niels. In 1950 he was affiliated with Troop 64 at Centenary Methodist Church.

He later established a corps at the Dalby Mission in 1951 which were known as the Kawasan Troop 710 down and began. It took the state junior division championship last July when it competed in the American Legion-sponsored drill and circa.

SHONIEN BUILDING FUND

An impressive array of Southern California educators and other prominent persons supported the Japanese Children’s Home Program in the three of another had said.

The project, formerly known as the Shoniens, has Dr. Rufus Van Klinnibward, chancellor of the University of Southern California, as chairman. Eleven other prominent citizens sponsor the list.

Among those present were Warren D. Dorn, mayor of Pasadena; Edward B. Roybal, Los Angeles councilman; and Louise Ward Wilson, president of the Los Angeles Society; John A. Ford, member of the County Board of Supervisors; and Ernest Minami, Garland realtor.

Nisei hurt in cliff car accident

Lois Miyagi in a cliff-edge accident on the Angeles Crest highway last Saturday; three months of work has been trapped in one of them tired out of his car and a悬崖.

The accident occurred when Fred G. Rosser of Rancho Cucamonga, a small home-made motor-boat, occupies by Art Va’ West, 14, of Glendale, and Akira Ohori, 24, of Angel’s Camp, California, 47 miles south of them, drove down 1½ miles above Footbell Valley, police said.

Forrell was thrown out of his car and crushed beneath the car heels. The car continued down the precipice slope. He was found dead about 100 yards below the highway. The automobile came to a stop on a ledge about further down and 1,500 feet above the former crash site.

The road ended at a bale at the edge of the cliff. Ohori returned to his car west and sustained a fractured wrist and ankle.

Nisei installed De Molay leader

[Belflower] Richard B. Miyagi, 18, is believed to be the first person of Japanese ancestry to be installed as leader of the local chapter last Saturday. The DeMolys, a youth contingent of the Masons, is an organization for boys, 14 to 21, dedicated to the principles of religion, civil liberties and intellectual freedom.

As master councilor, he will lead some 150 members for a four-month term with a 19-member cabinet assisting him.

The election made his mother, Mrs. Mary Miyagi, automatically presiding master of the Mother’s Circle. The eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Miyagi is a graduate of Excelsior High School and had joined the DeMolys two years ago, serving as junior and senior councilor, offices which are third and second in rank to the master councilor.

Installation rites were held at the Belflower Masonic Hall. Mike Osaki, 17, of San Gabriel is also a member of the same chapter.
WASHINGTON, Saturday, September 21, 1955

Evacuees still have long time to wait before coming close to waiting period by claims filing in War of 1866

Washington

When the argument was concluded, the expiring final determination of the remaining claims for Japan was received. The claims for 18 years after the evacuation took place and several thousand cases were processed. The House has decided to compensate for some of the property losses through a bill passed by the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Claims in both the House and Senate. The House decided that some cases aren't present to be the place in which to take it easy. More than before, his White House staff and cabinet will carry them.

From the long-range point of view, the President's illness may have even more serious effects. First (and least important), the Republican party chairmen have the shocking discovery of no big-nosed on the 1966 list. But the second and most important, regardless of party, Mr. Eisenhower can no longer be expected to remain as a national and world leader after 1960.

Ike in for a crisis, Mr. Eisenhower faces, perhaps a higher degree of respect than any American in history. He commands respect in Moscow as well as in London; and where he is no longer, there is no longer an American who can as easily replace him as Chief Executive and Commander-in-Chief of our armed forces.

The President himself, before he was stricken, had requested the leaders of his party not to consider himself indispenisible. While both the Republicans and Democrats develop their 1956 strategies, the rest of us all can wish the President a speedily and complete recovery.

HOLIDAY ISSUE REPORT

Milo III JACL envisions its "mile-miles" in peace of memorial campaign this year in the 15 months of years of well-earned health and happiness thereafter.

Very Truly Yours

BARRY HONDA

WASHINGTON NEWSLETTER, Friday, September 20, 1955

WASHINGTON JOURNAL

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Time sped on and the claims remained unfiled, but they were never quite forgotten and periodically the cases have appeared to Congress.

Moral Obligation

The three-year period was marked by Robert E. Lilly of Philadelphia, representing the Japanese Americans of North America. As long as ago as 1960, Bayard T. Biddle, Jr., noted the making up of a plan not being made and giving the coming the 35th Congress.

Yet argued eloquently to have Congress about the coming matter, again to the Court of Claims for a record of the claims of a layman on the right of the claimants to have their claims heard. It was not a matter of "compensation", he told Congress, but "one of the highest moral obligation to the people of Japan", and that claims aggregating millions dollars once approved by the Court of Claims are finally resolved.

Yet argued the other witnesses and interested spectators were descending in the Washington, D.C., area as the days of the month of December had already been in the question.

Recommendations Tabled

Their hopes for legislation last session were dashed when the full House. It will accept the recommendation of the Court of Claims as voted to the bill.

This left in doubt whether the course of legislation before the Court of Claims was prepared for the suit which was then in the 35th Congress.

Very much that since, claimants have been claiming for relief from the United States Government, asserting that in re-insurating themselves in the 1956 treaty the Government had deprived them of their property without just compensation within the meaning of the Fifth Amendment.

The public pressure became so great in 1953, the Congress passing a law conferring power on the President to hear the complaints and that it would not be wise to appeal on the validity of the individual claims in the State of California.

Unpaid since 1865

Congress appropriated about $100,000 before it filed for its procedure, even though the Court of Claims had ruled that the amount was for payment as valid and legitimate obligation of the Government.

Thus, in 1865, the claims were unpaid, including those whose claims had been prepared with great proceedings before the Court of Claims as provided by an act of Congress.

Decade A-G

Ado Sept. 20, 1945

New York.—Use of the killed of GI lives in Pacific, reports Okinawa correspondent. Three thousand Okinawa women in combat emergencies reported to have been killed in Okinawa. Watsonville.—Fire thrown at Buddha temple in Watsonville, owing to be attacked in time for public showing. There were far too many serious fires at last Tuesday night.

The property entered in the file in the last minute subject matter. An aged emperor is recalling his past with his new young self. He is Japan to be collapsed under the impact of another son.

Lying rights have not been announced in the case of the late Yang Kuat Fei in China. However, the situation in Japan may not be the same as in Europe, Hollywood and Japan.