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## EDITORIALS:

### 'Much better, thanks'

The bulletin Tuesday that President Eisenhower would be leaving his Denver hospital bed for the White House next week and then to his Gettysburg farm for some more rest may quiet for the time being the serious question of what the Vice-President is succeeding to in the event the President is incapacitated.

It is clear that upon removal from office, upon death or resignation, the presidency devolves automatically to the vice-president. But who is to decide when the vice-president moves up in the event the president is incapacitated?

The constitutional obscurity on presidential succession when the Chief Executive is unable to discharge his powers and duties should be someday clarified. But thank God Mr. Eisenhower has improved so much that this issue does not immediately impend.

### District councils

A good majority of our JACLers is involved in agriculture. Many are in the midst of or have completed their harvests. And it is this consideration that has prompted so many of our district councils to hold their annual or biennial conventions in November-December.

This weekend in Sebastopol-Santa Rosa, the No. Calif.-Western Nevada district will hold its convention. In subsequent weeks, the Pacific Southwest, Intermountain, Mountain-Plains and Central California districts will similarly assemble at Los Angeles, Ontario (Ore.), Denver and Fresno respectively.

Aside from fellowship and fun attending conventions, equal attention should be paid to the serious business at hand by delegates and boosters alike. The worth of any organization is only measured by what it accomplishes and not in the by-play.

## OVER 400 EXPECTED AT SONOMA CO. NC-WNDC CONFAB

[Sebastopol] Ten weeks of planning and preparation for the Northern California-Western Nevada biennial district council convention by the Sonoma County JACL chapter simmer today as this city is set to greet delegates and boosters convening here Nov. 5-6.

Frank Oda and his convention committee have checked every detail to assure a successful conclave, which bears the theme of "A Quarter Century of JACL".

Anne Ohki, registration chairman, revealed that a total of 171 local members have registered in advance for this convention to date. Although registration of local members began on Oct. 7, those desiring to register may do so tonight at the local Memorial Hall. The Sonoma County Chapter and its convention committee are overwhelmed with the response and cooperation given by its members and the local community in sponsoring this convention, according to chapter president Kamenji Ono.

The cooperation and JACL spirit of the local community will be again demonstrated when it will turn out to greet the out-of-town delegates at a dinner reception, co-chaired by Roy Yamamoto.

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## Sunnyvale Nisei killed in Highway 101 collision

[Santa Barbara] Yoichi Joe Uyeno, 24, of Sunnyvale died last Friday night following a spectacular auto-truck collision 20 miles northwest of here on U.S. Hwy. 101. Taken out of a badly smashed car by passing motorists, the Nisei died a few hours later at the Cottage Hospital.

Highway patrolmen reported witnesses said Uyeno's car was passing two other cars when he apparently saw the 1½-ton truck approaching, braked and lost control of his car as it slammed broadside into the truck. The truck burst into flames, burning the trapped driver beyond recognition.

## SACRAMENTO NISEI WAR MEMORIAL FUND CAMPAIGN NEARS \$35,000 GOAL

[Sacramento] Personal home solicitations by volunteer VFW Nisei Post 8985 and Sacramento JACL members are winding up the \$35,000 campaign for purchase of the Sacramento Nisei War Memorial community center.

The project reached its two-third mark of \$24,000 in mid-October. Response from the Nisei was reported below expectation at that time as half of the Nisei resi-

## Woman dies in cleaning fluid flash fire accident

[San Francisco] Miyako Matsuo, 32, was burned to death in a fire Oct. 24 at her flat, 2744 Bush St.

She was found dead by firemen on the charred kitchen floor, from third degree burns that covered her entire body. Firemen found a half gallon can of cleaning fluid near her body.

She lived at the flat with her parents who were not at home at the time of the accident.

Surviving are her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nobukichi Matsuo; and her brother, Robert Hiroshi.

## Sen. Kuchel endorses Lane-Hillings bill expediting remaining evacuation claims

[Washington] In a letter addressed to Rep. Emanuel Celler (D., N.Y.), chairman of the House judiciary committee, Sen. Thomas H. Kuchel (R., Calif.) urged members of the committee to favorably consider the Lane-Hillings bill, the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League reported.

Senator Kuchel noted the disastrous consequences of the hasty evacuation: "The hurried property management arrangements were often unfortunate and costly; property was sold at a fraction of its value; their homes and buildings were vandalized."

The senator pointed out that though all persons of Japanese ancestry were excluded from the Pacific coast of the United States, Alaska, and part of Arizona for a period of two and one-half years, "not a single act of espionage was attributed to these Americans. To the contrary, theirs is a record of loyalty and unquestioned patriotism."

With the authorization and com-

promise of the evacuation claims program legislated by Congress in 1948, over 20,000 claims have so far been compromised, but over 2,000 larger claims under the present law can be settled only by adjudication, he said.

Senator Kuchel voiced his approval of the Lane-Hillings Bill and said: "In the sense of fair play and good conscience remedial legislation should be enacted which would authorize the Attorney General to compromise and settle these larger claims promptly and fairly. Justice delayed is justice denied and unless this law is so modified, these claims will drag and deny to these citizens the consideration they deserve."

"I urge the Committee to favorably consider this meritorious legislation."

Senator Kuchel was unable to attend the Evacuation subcommittee hearings on the West Coast the latter part of September as he was in Europe on congressional business, the Washington JACL office reported.

## New Zealand denies discrimination in issuance of travel visas to Nisei

[New York] Denying American citizens of Oriental ancestry are not welcome in New Zealand as suggested in Pan-American's "Blue Book of Clipper Travel", the New Zealand consulate-general here countered that obtaining of travel permits for some categories is "a normal requirement of the immigration laws of many countries, including, of course, the United States".

Vice-Consul H. V. Chapman, in a letter to the *Hokubei Shimpō*, which first published the restrictions against certain American citizens last July 21, explained:

"I have considered your letter of 27 July and the enclosed article. The position as far as New Zealand is concerned is that every person other than a person wholly of British birth and parentage or a person born in the British Commonwealth whose parents were aliens or naturalized British subjects, requires a permit to enter

New Zealand, and each application for such a permit is treated on its merits.

"There is, however, nothing in the administration of the immigration laws which would justify the suggestion that people other than those in the categories mentioned above are not welcome in New Zealand.

"It is true that they are required to obtain permits and, in order to do so, must complete application forms giving details of their background and intentions, but this is a normal requirements of the immigration laws of many countries, including, of course, the United States."

According to the Blue Book, New Zealand had the following restriction: "U.S. citizens (native born) of wholly of European race and those (naturalized) citizens who were formerly British subjects... wholly of European race are exempt for Entry Permit."

Last August, the Washington JACL Office called attention of Rep. Francis E. Walter (D., Pa.) to the discriminatory practices in the issuances of visas by foreign governments against American citizens of Japanese ancestry.

## Togasaki conferred 33rd degree Mason rank

[Tokyo] George K. Togasaki, president of the *Nippon Times*, influential English language newspaper in the Orient, was recently conferred 33rd Degree Masonic honors.

A JACLer during the early days, he is the first person of Japanese ancestry in the history of the Scottish Rite Masons to be honored with its highest rank.

## Interest high in TB patients

[Denver] Toshiko Ring recently assisted the *Rocky Mountain News* in an exclusive interview from Satoru Kimura, patient at the Jewish Consumptive Relief Society at Spivak, Colo.

Kimura, born in California, was brought to Japan prior to the war, and then was inducted into the Japanese army. He was captured by the Russians, suffered untold hardship as a POW in Siberian

## SUCCESS OF U.S. REFUGEE RELIEF IN JAPAN TOLD

[Washington] Conferring with Refugee Relief program officials of the State Department here were Seichi Henry Mikami of Fresno and Frank Tsunegusu Kawasaki of Delano, the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League reported.

Problems of need for further expeditious consideration, possible legislation in connection with the Refugee Relief Act of 1953, and special problems confronting the program in Japan were discussed with John Reiger, general manager of the Refugee Relief program; John Callender, special assistant to Reiger; Jean Chenard, investigations director; and Halleck Rose, visa director.

Mikami told the Refugee Relief personnel that the program was one of the most effective means of combatting communism and anti-Americanism in Japan by aiding victims of natural disasters.

Conferences were also held with Minister Shigenobu Shima and Hiroto Tanaka, First Secretary, of the Japanese Embassy and Mikami and Kawasaki to discuss the expeditious processing of refugees by the Japanese government.

Both Mikami and Kawasaki, who have recently returned from Japan, have been particularly helpful to the refugee victims in the Kagoshima and Wakayama area.

Making arrangements for the meetings and in attendance at the conferences were Tad Masaoka and Mike Masaoka.

## Should chapter president select own cabinet?

[Long Beach] Feelers were circulated in a recent letter to Long Beach-Harbor District JACL members who were asked to consider a constitutional change in the election of officers.

It was suggested that the membership nominate and elect the president in a mail ballot, further authorizing the duly-elected president to appoint other officers on the cabinet.

The change was first discussed at the October chapter cabinet meeting chaired by Easy Fujimoto, president.

While such a method is rare among JACL chapters, it was felt that a strong working unit could be assured to guide chapter activities.

## No float, fund richer

[Reedley] The local Japanese community has decided again this year to donate \$300 to the ambulance fund instead of entering a float in the local annual fiesta.

The donating group includes Kyogikai, JACL and Reedley Fujinkai.

## Cleveland architect

[Cleveland] Noboru Asamoto has passed the state board examinations of March, 1955, to practice as a professional architect. While employed by Spahn and Barnes, he is also studying civil engineering at Fenn College.



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FROM THE FRYING PAN: by Bill Hosokawa



'Life' cover color-photo

Denver

One of the happiest fellows in town this week is Carl Iwasaki who was notified that his color photograph of President Eisenhower will be on the cover of the next *Life* magazine. The picture was taken this last week when the President met photographers for eight minutes, the first picture-taking session since he was stricken with a heart attack late in September. Iwasaki, who represents *Life* in the territory served by the Denver office, was one of nine newspaper, magazine and newsreel-television cameramen permitted to meet Ike on his eighth floor sundeck at Fitzsimons Army hospital on Denver's eastern outskirts. Iwasaki was also responsible for a full-page picture featured by *Life* several weeks ago depicting the night-long vigil kept at the president's door. It showed a patch of light gleaming out of a window against the hospital's coal-black walls.

With the *Life* cover photo, Iwasaki completes his Time Inc. cover trilogy. He "made" *Time* and *Sports Illustrated* almost simultaneously just about a year ago. The *Time* cover was a portrait, again in color, of Gen. Benjamin Chidlaw, then commander of the continental defense command, and it illustrated a full-length story on the state of the nation's defenses.

The *Sports Illustrated* cover showed a girl mounting a horse. It was tied in with a layout on western fashions. Iwasaki met with Time Inc.'s bossman, Henry Luce, during Luce's recent visit to Denver.

MELTING-POT NATURE OF U.S.

The melting-pot nature of the United States was demonstrated at Dugway Proving Ground in Utah recently when an army colonel named Pyuen S. Pyuen was named post deputy commanding officer. He had held the office of director of logistics at Dugway. Colonel Pyuen, a chemical warfare expert, was born in Honolulu of Korean immigrant parents. He was graduated from the University of Hawaii in 1928 with a degree in chemistry, and became a chemistry and mathematics instructor in the territorial school system.

In February, 1942, when Hawaii Nisei were still trying to get into the armed forces, Pyuen enlisted as a private, was commissioned as a second lieutenant 10 months later. He served in the Pacific Theater, and as a chemical supply officer in New Cumberland depot, Pa. In 1947 he was integrated into the regular army as a captain. During the Korean war he was chemical officer for the Korean Communication zone, and later corps chemical officer at Sendai, Japan.

Another able chemist of Korean descent is Dr. Joe Park, head of the chemistry department at the University of Colorado in Boulder. Dr. Park, also Hawaiian born, was a research chemist for such giant corporations as duPont until he came west in a search of relief from asthma. He teaches a limited number of graduate students, takes off during the summer to work as a consultant for leading chemical firms.

ENGINEERING FIELDS

The Nisei have done pretty well in the various scientific and engineering fields. There's such a shortage of trained men in these fields, they tell me, that racial barriers are virtually non-existent. I heard the other day that the Ford Motor Co. would hire 3,500 engineers of various kinds right now if they could find them.

Mining engineers are in great demand, too. At the Colorado School of Mines the average student has his choice of three jobs waiting for him, the good students have as many as a dozen offers. Petroleum engineers with a hankering for adventure can go overseas right out of college at a starting salary of \$720 a month with a guaranteed increase to \$800 within six months if they make the grade.

Once upon a time I hoped to be an engineer but I couldn't get through math. Many of my Nisei friends thought math was a snap. If there are any like them around the colleges these days, they could do a lot worse than go into engineering.

MONTH'S HOSPITAL AND DOCTOR CARE AMOUNTS TO \$41 — IN JAPAN

[San Francisco] If the high cost of hospital and medical care worries you, take a tip from Mrs. Misao Nishikawa and get sick in Japan.

A men's clothing worker, Mrs. Nishikawa took advantage of her group coverage through California Physicians' Service while on a recent visit to Japan.

An eye infection required a month's hospital and doctor care, and cost ¥15,043. But Mrs. Nishikawa didn't worry. At the exchange rate of about 360 yen to \$1, the bill was only \$41.77.

The bills, translated from Japanese for CPS-Blue Shield, revealed ¥6,417 (\$17.82) for the hospital, ¥4,342 (\$12.06) for food, ¥2,944 (\$8.17) for drugs, and ¥1,340 (\$3.72) for the doctor.

Doolittle flyer story filmed for TV picture

[Hollywood] Signed by Four Star Production this week for a Du Pont Cavalcade Theater television picture were Bob Kino, Bob Okazaki, Chick Furuya, Cliff Kawada, and Cliff Arashi.

Kino and Okazaki play key roles in the story of Jacob de Schazer, the Doolittle flyer who bombed Japan, later to return as a missionary. Mary Reeves' Oriental Casting Service negotiated the assignment.

Denver greets 7 more new Issei citizens

[Denver] Syril I. Shraiberg, chief examiner for the Immigration and Naturalization Service in Denver, Colorado, announced that three more Issei will be sworn as U.S. citizens in the U.S. District Court today.

To be sworn are Chotaro Nagashima, Tom Takeji Takemoto, and Toshimitsu Victor Tawara.

Last week, the JACL announced that four Issei successfully passed their naturalization examinations before Officer Shraiberg. Mitsu Matsuda acted as volunteer interpreter and assisted Ichiji Kuniyoshi, Milkiye Kuniyoshi, Haru Sakamoto, and Mary Shizuko Mayekawa in taking the examinations.

Mr. and Mrs. Ichiji Kuniyoshi, 3336 St. Paul St., made a contribution to the JACL, in appreciation of the organization's work in aiding naturalization.

BUSINOTES

■ Su Igauye, Downtown L.A. 1000er and proprietor of Su Plumbing, was named to the 1955-56 executive committee of the Los Angeles chapter of the California Professional Engineers Association.

■ Bill Mine, veteran JACler, was one of 14 named for next year's Watsonville Chamber of Commerce board of directors by the nominating committee.

Nonagerarian passes test

[Stockton] A 93-year-old Issei Kotaro Kobayashi, passed a test for naturalization recently.



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For dissecting 745 tree snails, Nisei terrestrial malacologist wins Ph.D. degree

[Honolulu] Where did the small creatures that inhabit the land shells of the Pacific Islands come from?

That's a fascinating question connected with the lengthy, detailed research of Dr. Yoshio Kondo.

Dr. Kondo, land shell expert for the Bishop Museum, recently returned from two years Mainland study. He was accompanied by his wife and son, Charles.

He studied at Harvard University biological laboratories under two John S. Guggenheim Foundation grants.

For his thesis on The Anatomy of the Partulidae (Pacific Islands tree snail), he won a Ph.D. degree from Harvard.

He dissected 745 animals representing 140 species as part of his thesis research.

"We have a good picture of where they came from.

"We know they are found on all islands in the Pacific.

"They are of no economic value. Their value is of a pure scientific sense," explained Dr. Kondo, who operates under the impressive title of terrestrial malacologist.

Dr. Kondo began his sleuthing into land shells by accident 20 years ago.

As an engineer of a sampan he traveled with a joint Japanese-Bishop Museum expedition into Micronesia. It was headed by the

late Dr. C. Montague Cooke Jr., world famed malacologist.

Work with Dr. Cooke in his off hours started young Kondo on a path which led to education and scholarly achievement.

And in 1948 when Dr. Cooke died, Kondo, the former student, succeeded his teacher.

(The *Pacific Citizen* in its Oct. 6, 1945 issue revealed that Dr. Kondo contributed to strategy responsible for American assaults on the Marianas, quoting high naval authority. He visited Truk, Kusaie, Ponape, Palau, Yau, Woleai and Saipan in 1935-36 while on a scientific expedition and later supplying intelligence officers with information on fortifications, channels, reefs, tides and other subjects of military value.)

Nisei air force officer given key to Tokyo city

[Tokyo] Lt. George Rokuhara, a Nisei American Air Force officer, was honored Oct. 27 by the city of Tokyo for his activity in the liaison committee created to better relations between the U.S. armed forces and the city of Tokyo.

Lt. Rokuhara, a deputy for the commander of the Far East air force, was presented with a "Key to Tokyo Metropolis". He is returning to the United States soon.

Mile-Hi JACL bridge club party

[Denver] Mr. and Mrs. Min Yasui were declared overall winners with 96 points of the second anniversary Mile-Hi Bridge Club party last week at the T. K. Kobayashi residence. In contention were Ken Yabe-Dr. T. K. Kobayashi, second with 93; Amy Miura-Tosh Ando tied with Ethel and Dick Yanase for third. Summaries:

EAST-WEST—Won by True & Min Yasui, Ethel & Dick Yanase, Dorothy Uchida-Bernie Claar, Person-Jeffries-Sam Leshar, Florence Uyeda-Ben Miyahara.

NORTH-SOUTH—Won by Ken Yase-T. K. Kobayashi, Amy Miura-Tosh Ando, Gladys Taniwaki-Sam Matsumoto and Ed Matsuda-Chili Fujisaki (tie for third), Betty Hahn-Bud Uchida.

Guvo & Larry Tajiri. True Yasui, group chairman, was assisted by Haruko Kobayashi, hostess; Doris Matsumoto, invitations; Dorothy Uchida, food; Guvo Tajiri, prizes; Sam Matsumoto, tournament director.

The Mile-Hi JACL bridge club is the only officially sanctioned Nisei bridge group in the United States.

Issei dinner Nov. 8

[Selma] The Selma JACL will honor recently naturalized Issei citizens at a dinner at the Basque Hotel in Fresno, Nov. 8, 7 p.m. Tom Umade will be chairman.

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# TOKYO TOPICS: by Tamotsu Murayama

## Japan farmers prosper



Tokyo  
Thanks to an unusual rice and agricultural harvest this year, rural electrification has assumed a more realistic picture for the Japanese women in farming villages. They are home appliance-conscious as never before.

Farmers are now buying all manners of electrical equipment for the home—radios, television sets, electric sewing machines, electric fans. Homes are being remodelled with the latest of modern conveniences. Ordinary salaried workers in the cities are yet unable to realize such comforts.

William Faulkner, Nobel Prize novelist who recently visited Japan, had said that Japanese women asked him many questions about the life of women in the United States. What they were most interested to know, he found, was the extent to which their daily use of washing machines, refrigerators and other electrical implements contributed to daily living.

The women of Japan have also been affected by super-Americanization that accompanied the Occupation after the war. Permanent waves became popular almost overnight everywhere among the rich and the poor. The traditional beautiful long hair is no longer preserved. Thus, women have had to resort to wigs for wedding ceremonies.

This year's rice harvest has certainly produced a domestic revolution in the lives of Japanese women. The wife of a farmer never dreamed of washing clothes in a machine. Even an electric fan was considered a luxury item as late as last year on the farm. The bathroom on the farm was a dark and dirty place; today, the farmers have improved it with tile floors and tubs.

Of course, there are still many miserable-looking farm houses; yet the farmer enjoys some form of modern convenience. Until last year, nobody thought TV would be in the farmer's home. Now, they are enjoying sumo bouts, prize fights, Kabuki, and other television shows at home. There are more than 100,000 TV sets registered in Japan.

If this isn't a revolution in living conditions, what else could it be?

Another aspect of Japanese home life that has been brought up-to-date is in the kitchen. While rice, *misoshiru* (bean soup) and *takuan* (pickled vegetables) still make up the main diet, we cannot overlook the fact that the Japanese are consuming more fish and meat than ever before. Fish and meat were only eaten on special occasions before the war.

When Japanese scouts were going to attend the 1953 national jamboree in Southern California, some had never tasted milk until the time of departure from Tokyo. They had to be taught how to drink milk and eat meat. Now that the Japanese farmer has his diet of fish and meat more regularly, it might be said that living conditions in Japan have changed drastically.

## What Others Are Saying

### PORTLAND JAPANESE LOSE A FRIEND

The mailman brought a box of big juicy Sunkist oranges from my former Portland employer so I took (Mrs. Lois Kent, coordinator of Far East Civilian Personnel) some. I found her pleased with Nisei personnel in that they were so independent as their Caucasian brothers and sisters. Then she went on:

"Mary, I did not want to tell you over the phone but was sure you did know as I only learned myself the other day that Mrs. (Gertude Lawson) Robertson died on Aug. 14."

While I missed her newsy letters of Portland, a Portland Social Service acquaintance had written me about Mrs. Robertson's admittance to the Good Samaritan Hospital...

Mrs. Robertson became 61 on Jan. 16. She was in charge of the Japanese residents at the County Farm Old Age Pension home in Troutdale, Ore. In 1945, she was delegated by the Multnomah County Public Welfare Commission to look after the welfare of returning Japanese. Prior to my overseas assignment (with the American Red Cross), she laughingly told me she was scared of the Japanese, not having known any before.

Today she considers "no friends are better than the Japanese." Despite the fact Mrs. Robertson had the support of her family on her shoulders, she also found time to join the Portland JACL, the Japanese Methodist Church and was always lending a helping hand to a needy Japanese. A great inspiration to me, her enthusiasm will carry me on.

—MARY MINAMOTO

Tokyo, Japan

OPERATIONS BREAKTHROUGH: JACLers intent on being listed in the 1955 Holiday Issue Honor Roll should sign up or renew their 1000 Club memberships with National Headquarters by Nov. 15. However, those signing up at forthcoming district council conventions will be listed.



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## Selma CL mans ground observer corps post

[Selma] With two other civic organizations, the Selma-JACL has for the past six months manned its Ground Observer Post 100 per cent.

JACL again manned the post last Friday. Mrs. K. Kobashi is chief observer.

## 2ND HOSPITAL GUILD ORGANIZED IN SEATTLE

[Seattle] Ji-Iku Orthopedic Guild, sponsored by Ai-Iku Orthopedic Guild, named Mrs. George Shioyama as its first president. The Nisei guild participates in two annual fund drives for the Children's Orthopedic hospital here. Meetings are held on third Thursdays of the month with the meeting place rotated among homes of the various members. Other cabinet officers are:

Mrs. Robert T. Ohashi, v.p.; Mrs. Minoru Uchiyama, sec.; Mrs. Henry Matsubu, treas.; Mrs. Hiro Nakanishi, hist.; Mrs. Masao Tomita, ways & means; Mrs. Raymond Sasaki, memb.; Mrs. George Nakagawa, ent.; Anna Kurata, Yoshi Shitamae, penny drive; Mrs. Robert Hikida, sewing; Mrs. Roy Inui, pub.

## San Francisco Nisei to seek Optimist charter

[San Francisco] A charter for membership by 40 local Nisei is to be made soon for application in the Optimist, according to Clem Oyama, temporary chairman. On the membership committee are Haruo Ishimaru, George Yamamura and Tosh Nakano.

Kiyomi Takata, secretary of the Los Angeles Japanese American Optimists, was present at the last meeting explaining its program and activities.

## Hawaii JCC head

[Honolulu] Yutaka Nakahata, active veteran and Japanese Jr. Chamber member, was advanced to fill the vacancy of president of the Hawaii State Jr. Chamber of Commerce recently. The Iowa University graduate is director of information for the Territorial Civil Defense.

## JASC president

[Chicago] Richard H. Yamada was named president of the Japanese American Service Committee for the coming year, succeeding Corky Kawasaki.

# ISSEI-NISEI GARDENERS TESTIFY ON PROPOSED GARDENING CODE LEGISLATION

[San Francisco] Issei and Nisei gardeners appeared Wednesday last week before the members of the State Assembly interim subcommittee on government efficiency and economy to hear testimony on the proposed Maloney bill to license maintenance gardeners.

Mas Yonemura, Oakland Nisei attorney representing Northern and Southern California Japanese gardeners opposing the bill, was the sole witness against the proposal.

It was feared that those not fluent in English may have difficulty in securing a state license.

Seven witnesses testified at the hearings. Ken Dyo of Pasadena, who spoke for the So. Calif. Gardeners Council, spoke in favor of the measure.

Another hearing is to be held in Los Angeles in December-January, Assemblyman James L. Holmes of Santa Barbara announced upon conclusion of the one-day hearing here at the State Bldg.

Assemblyman Thomas Maloney of San Francisco, author of the bill, earlier this year argued that licensing would raise the standards of the profession.

The JACL has not taken any position on this bill, although it has studied the measure when it was first introduced in the state legislature.

Opposition has been expressed by Japanese American gardeners living in the San Francisco bay area, San Jose, San Mateo, Stockton, Watsonville, Diablo, Gardena, Los Angeles, Southwest Los Angeles, West Los Angeles, Pasadena, East Los Angeles, Riverside, San Fernando Valley, San Gabriel,

## FIRST BUDDHIST CHURCH DEDICATED IN OHIO

[Cleveland] The first Buddhist church in the state of Ohio was dedicated at 1900 E. 81st St., on Sept. 11, marking a milestone in the lives of many Bussei during the past decade.

Only church of its faith between Chicago and New York, it consists of a chapel, meeting rooms, classrooms and a kitchen.

Sierra Madre and Hollywood. Yonemura was reported as representing more than 5,000 members of the No. Calif. Gardeners Assn. and the So. Calif. Japanese American Gardeners League.

## Masaoka & Associates move to new quarters

[Washington] The firm of Mike M. Masaoka Consultants this week announced a change in name and address as Mike M. Masaoka and Associates, Suite 1217, Hurley-Wright Bldg., 18th and Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Washington 6, D.C., effective Nov. 1.

As Washington representative of the Japanese American Citizens League, he maintains offices with the Washington JACL Office. Masaoka is privately engaged in Washington services and representations, assisted by Tad Masaoka and Helen Mineta.

Edward J. Ennis of New York serves as counsel.

## Adoption group formed

[San Francisco] A three-year adoption program to recruit adoptive homes for children of minority groups was established by a \$44,000 grant from the Columbia Foundation. The project will be known as MARCH (Minority Adoption Recruitment of Children's Home), 1367 Post St.

## New York directory

[New York] Revisions in 600 names plus an increase of pages were announced by the Hokubei Mainichi, 524 W. 25th St., New York 1, N.Y., publishers of the 1955-56 N.Y. Japanese American business and social directory expected to come off the press by Nov. 1. The directory will be available at \$1.25 per copy.

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It was a rainy Saturday afternoon last week when we pounded the sidewalks of the Near-Northside for the forthcoming Pacific Citizen Holiday Issue.

Among those we've contacted included a loyal PC reader and greeter, John Ishida, formerly of San Mateo, who runs Johnny's Three-Decker Sandwich Shop at 1358 N. Clark St. It was opened in June, 1948, with 24-hour service. His wife, the former Sachi Kimura of Cortez, Calif., is home caring their three children: Keith 6, Gary 4, and Lester 15 months. . . . Tom Hayashi, who hails from Astoria, Ore., established his business, York's Super Food Market, 1250 N. Clark St., 10 years ago. A 1000 Clubber, Tom married Suye Kurosaka of Seattle. They have two children: Susan 11 and Steven 9. . . . Couple of doors down are the Fred Oishis, who took over the Windsor Hotel, 1219 N. Clark St., last year in July. Formerly of El Monte, Calif., he is married to Toshiko Mato of Arcadia, Calif.

Loyal 1000er Jack Noda, formerly of Mountain View, Calif., who has been generous with PC Holiday greetings each year, operates Frank's Jewelry, 1162½ N. Clark St., with his wife, the former Irene Nakamura of Santa Cruz. They have one daughter, Betty Jane 5.

Another big donor each year about this time is Wing Yee, of Canton, who came to America in 1940 and then opened up his restaurant, Ding Hoe, 1154 N. Clark St., seven years ago.

Dropped in to see Dr. Min Amimoto, optometrist and 1000er, at his offices, 1164 N. Clark. He also hails from Mountain View. He is married to Hisa Hirashiki of Covina, Calif. . . . After this round, one can appreciate the often-seen one-liner: "Patronize Our Advertisers" as there were instances of shops not wanting to extend their appreciation for the past year's patronage.

A concert of folk songs and ballads for the benefit of the Kenwood-Ellis nursery school will be held at the church, 46th and Greenwood sts., next Friday, Nov. 11, 8 p.m. Pete Seeger will sing.



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Chicago JACL's 11th Inaugural fete at Tam O'Shanter

[Chicago] The eleventh annual Chicago JACL Inaugural will be held Nov. 18 at the world-famous Tam O'Shanter Country Club in suburban Niles.

Departing from the usual formal ball, the program will feature this year an informal buffet supper from 7 p.m. Two beautiful rooms with large picture windows overlooking the golf course, soft lights and music will be the setting for supper to be served as late as 9 p.m.

A get-acquainted mixer and entertainment will follow the dinner. Main event of the evening, the installation of the new officers, will take place under the chairmanship of Tom Oye. Social dancing until 1 a.m. to the music of Don Fernando's band will round out the evening.

As a memorable event for JACLers and friends, reservations can be made by calling Lillian Oda at Wellington 5-0712 or the JACL office at MOhawk 4-4382. Tickets are \$5 per person. Anyone desiring transportation can arrange for it by calling the JACL office.

The planning committee is headed by Max Joichi assisted by: Helen Hori, reception; Lillian Oda and Chiye Tomihiro, reservations; Tom Oye, inaugural; Esther Hagiwara, transportation; Sumi Kobayashi, budget; and Ruth Kumata, pub.

RICHMOND-EL CERRITO C.L. HOST TO CITY MAYOR

[Richmond] Mayor and Mrs. John Sheridan of Richmond were guests of the Richmond-El Cerrito JACL executive board on Wednesday night, Oct. 26, when they were given a send-off to the coming mayor's convention in Yokohama. Held at Yamato Sukiyaki in San Francisco, the guests were enlightened with customs and habits of Japan.

Masao Satow, national director, as well as ten of the chapter's executive board members were present.

New York JACL prepares for 1956 elections

[New York] A large turnout was expected last night at the New York JACL chapter meeting at the Japanese Methodist Church where fall season activities were discussed.

It was the final meeting before elections scheduled next month. Also on the agenda were winter activities and Pacific Citizen holiday edition.

Sonoma County hosts NC-WNDC confab—

Continued from Front Page to and Iwazo Hamamoto. A menu entirely different from previous conventions will be offered.

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From all indications some 400 local persons will be in attendance to welcome the visitors. There will be no charge assessed.

The Thousand Club Luncheon open to all delegates promises to be a hilarious affair with prizes donated by local members as an added attraction.

The convention banquet, which will climax the 25th Anniversary observance of JACL, will be a large affair. Elaborate plans have

Sonoma County JACL conducts Nisei GI rites

[Sebastopol] Despite a busy schedule of convention planning, the Sonoma County JACL chapter paused to pay their respects to Nisei killed in action during World War II at the eighth annual Nisei Memorial Service last Sunday at the local Buddhist Church.

Some 200 persons were in attendance at the service with the Rev. S. Onomiya officiating. Those honored were Leo Kikuchi, Johnny Yasuda and Peter Masuoka.

Tom Furusho, Purple Heart veteran, was service chairman. Kanemi Ono, chapter president, extended words in behalf of the local chapter, while Harry Masuoka responded for the deceased veterans.

Fowler CL invites civic leaders to annual DC banquet

[Fowler] Special invitations to the Central California JACL District Council convention to meet in Fresno Sunday, Dec. 4, will be issued to several civic leaders here.

Tom Kamikawa, president of the local chapter, announced at his first fall meeting Oct. 20 those whom the Fowler JACL will invite as guests at the banquet and installation dinner.

The list of dignitaries is headed by Mayor and Mrs. H. H. Kasparian of Fowler, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Simonian, president of the local Chamber of Commerce and includes:

Mr. and Mrs. William Muenzer, publisher of the Fowler Ensign; Mr. and Mrs. Howard Schneider, principal of Fowler High School; Mr. and Mrs. Dick Goode, Fowler high school board of trustees; Judge and Mrs. Walter Scane of Fowler; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Pisor, principal of Fowler Elementary school, and Miss Leonard, Iowa elementary school.

Kamikawa said plans for a Japanese movie for naturalized citizens will be held in the future. Kamikawa will make arrangements for this event.

Reports on the Fowler exhibit for the Fresno District Fair were heard at the meeting. Tom Shirakawa, chairman of the booth committee, reported that expenses totaled \$700. He read letters of congratulations from the city council, Fowler Improvement Assn. and the Fowler Chamber of Commerce.

1956 candidates for Selma cabinet announced

[Selma] The Selma JACL nomination committee for the 1956 cabinet, headed by chapter president George Okazaki, revealed its slate for 10 offices this week. They are:

For pres.—Ethel Otomo, Dale Okazaki, Alan Masumoto.  
For 1st v.p.—George Baba, Takami Misaki, Ben Ono.  
For 2nd v.p.—Mrs. George Miyata, Akira Iwamura, John Fujioka.  
For treas.—Akira Shimizu, Shig Nagao, Elmer Kobashi.  
For rec. sec.—Nancy Matsunaga, Mrs. Keny Yamamoto.  
For cor. sec.—Mrs. K. Kobashi, Tom Umade.  
For off. del.—George Abe, Yukio Misaki.  
For alt. del.—Masato Morishima, George Tanaka.  
For hist.—Tak Tatsui, Al Kataoka.  
For pub.—Minoru Okubo, Betty Jo Wakasa.

D.C. installation fete

[Washington] The annual Washington, D.C., chapter installation dinner-dance will be held at the Occidental on Dec. 10. It will be semi-formal.



'1000' CLUB NOTES

[San Francisco] Memberships and renewals by chapters to the 1000 Club received at National Headquarters here for the month of October, 1955, are as follows:

**EIGHTH YEAR**  
Berkeley—Miss Yuriko Yamashita.  
**SEVENTH YEAR**  
East Los Angeles—Yosh Inadomi.  
**SIXTH YEAR**  
San Francisco—Joe G. Masaoka, Mrs. Chiz Satow.  
**FIFTH YEAR**  
Pasadena—Yeneo Deguchi.  
**FOURTH YEAR**  
Pasadena—Paul Goya, Al S. Takata, Snake River—George Iseri.  
Orange County—Charles Ishii, Joe Ishii.  
Chicago—Ronald Shiozaki, Downtown L.A.—Yasuo C. Tanaka.  
**THIRD YEAR**  
San Francisco—William Hoshiyama, Yukio Kumamoto.  
San Benito County—Kay Kamimoto, Salinas Valley—Tom Miyana.  
East Los Angeles—Mrs. Mary Mitwer.  
Chicago—Kats Okuno.  
So. Alameda County—Kazuo Shikano.  
Detroit—Minoru Togasaki.  
Downtown L.A.—William K. Yamamoto.  
**SECOND YEAR**  
San Francisco—Miss Lucy Adachi, Kenji Kasai.  
Orange County—Kyutaro Ishii.  
East Los Angeles—Miss Ritsuko Kawakami, Dr. Robert T. Ohi.  
Downtown L.A.—Arthur S. Kawamura, Tokijiro Nakashima, Seiji Ogata, Kei Uehima.  
St. Louis—Dr. Alfred A. Morioka.  
Chicago—Jack K. Ota, George M. Teraoka, Harold Tsunehara.  
**FIRST YEAR**  
Pasadena—Miss Kimiko Fukutaki, Harris Ozawa.  
Chicago—George K. Kittaka, Dr. Aurelius M. Masuoka, Kay Sunahara.  
Orange County—Fred Mizusawa, Frank Nagamatsu, Dr. Tad Ochiai.  
Downtown L.A.—Kiyoto K. Nakao.  
Sonoma County—Frank K. Oda, Kanemi Ono.  
Snake River—Dr. Keiji J. Yaguchi, Gardena—Frank M. Yonemura.

D.C. approves new chapter by-laws

[Washington] Members of the Washington, D.C., JACL chapter have been functioning under a constitution revised and adopted at the Sept. 17 meeting at the Fairfax Hotel.

While the structure of the chapter remains the same with a cabinet as executive members, certain revisions in the 1946 constitution were made in broad general language, the D.C. News Note reported last week.

Among the important changes were:

- (1) The position of board delegate was abolished and transferred to the 1st vice-president. Official delegates to conventions would be the president and 1st vice-president.
- (2) A special provision was made for junior members, not reaching 18 years of age, interested in JACL activities.
- (3) With the D.C. News Note designated the official chapter publication, its editor is a member of the executive committee.
- (4) Distinction between cabinet and executive committee sets elective officers as "cabinet" and chairman of standing committees and News Note editor as "executive committee".

The proposal to switch to a board system was thoroughly explored by the chapter constitution committee, headed by Ira Shimazaki, but abandoned in favor of retaining the president system.

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## Half-century of Buddhism

Seattle

The Seattle Buddhist Church recently published a commemorative album celebrating its elevation to the status of a "Betsuin". Attractively bound in white and gold, the album contains a pictorial history of the church from its organization under the name of the Young Buddhist Association in 1901 to the climax

of its elevation to Betsuin in 1954.

The album is dedicated to the early pioneers who established the church. "Though the daily struggle for bread and shelter during these early years was great, our fathers never forgot the teachings of the Tathagata. Today, because of their undying faith, this seed has grown to maturity and is firmly rooted in the American soil."

Page by page, one can view the three buildings which have housed the church, and glimpse the groundbreaking ceremony for the nursery school soon to be built. One can relive the Betsuin elevation ceremonies, the banquet celebration, and recall the Muenhoyo services for first generation Buddhist pioneers who had no relatives here.

Various organizations are listed with portraits of their members and officers, and candid shots of their activities—dances, golf, flower arrangement, picnics, basketball. They are all there—the drill team, the Fujinkai, the Sunday School Classes, the Boy Scouts, the Skyliners Band, The Young Buddhist Association, and many others. The camera's eye has also captured the excitement of the bazaars and the serene, graceful rhythm of the Bon Odori.

Credit for the album goes to the staff members—Sat Ichikawa and T. R. Goto, who did the layout; Ben Deguchi, who wrote the English sections; T. Kano, who wrote the Japanese sections; and Bob Kono and Henry Miyake, photographers.

West Coast Printing, a Nisei firm, printed the album.—A.F.

## ATHLETES SPREAD GOODWILL

Now that Princess Margaret has decided not to carry on further her romance with Capt. Peter Townsend, let's go on from there on the British Isles to the lighter subject of sports among the Japanese Americans in Seattle.

These damp, chilly days with an occasional burst of sunshine, it's football and bowling time for the Nisei here.

Royal Brougham, nationally-known sports writer for the Seattle Post Intelligencer, last week saluted the little stars who have gained stature on the local sports front.

Brougham mentioned YoYo Konishi, the bowler; and Billy Ishida, the grid star.

Miss Konishi, a lass with a fetching smile, recently fired a ponderous 279 single game score (or some such astronomical mark) and earned about \$800 for her efforts. It was the second highest 10-frame pin count ever recorded in Seattle women's bowling history. She is one of the most consistent Nisei girl trundlers we've ever met—and we ought to know. Miss Konishi, we recall, and four other girls gave a group of us "men" a thorough beating five or six years ago, resulting in our shelling out money for a snack. And the match game was a scratch affair, too.

Ishida is the nifty swifflie yardage-maker for undefeated Garfield which is first in the Seattle high school football league. A scrapper with a tremendous will to win, Ishida is one of the Bulldogs' leading ground gainer. He is only five-two and 135 lbs. soaking wet with Seattle rain, but he has it. Last season, the youngster scampered almost the length of the field for a touchdown.

Miss Konishi and Ishida may not know it but they are spreading good will to the general public with their athletic feat. Thanks, YoYo and Billy!—B.F.

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## NATIONAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT: by MASAO SATOW

## Looking forward to next five weekends meeting JACLers at district council conventions; housing study due in early '56

San Francisco

We look forward to the next five weekends to meet with representatives of some sixty-eight of our chapters convening at the various District Council conventions. In lieu of visiting individual chapters, this is the next best thing we can do.

We need the personal contacts with those who carry the brunt of our program at the local levels, so that we can be continually aware of the problems involved, get new ideas, discover a lot of unreported thriving activities going on; but above all, those of us in staff capacity need the stimulation and encouragement and the heart lift that accompany such visits.

We were reminded the other day of a jaunt we made several years ago which took us to 26 chapters in as many consecutive evenings. Unfortunately, we do not have the staff nor the finances—nor the youth, to be able to do this, but it ought to be done.

## Not Always Chairbourne

Every now and then, however, we do get out to rub elbows with our members. During the past week we squatted down in oriental fashion at One Thousander Ken Ishizaki's Yamato Sukiyaki with the Richmond-El Cerrito cabinet members who thoughtfully gave Mayor and Mrs. John J. Sheridan of Richmond a foretaste of what to expect in attending the forthcoming joint conference of Pacific Coast and Japanese Mayors in Yokohama this month. One might say this was a case of rubbing knees instead of elbows.

We also spent a pleasant evening with the cabinet and stalwarts of our Southern Alameda County Chapter. This Chapter has done an exceptionally fine job in active participation in their County Fair which has returned handsome dividends both financially and public relations wise.

We wound up in an interesting discussion on housing difficulties encountered by some of the chapter members in purchasing homes in the new tracts where they have been given the good old run-around.

## Housing Study

We hope to get out to the chapters the first of the year the material on housing discrimination which we have been assembling these past few months. Frank Chuman, our National Legal Counsel, has come up with some invaluable suggestions as a result of working on specific cases.

We also met with Charles Leong, who is research associate for the Commission on Race and Housing, which is currently making a study on housing opportunities for minorities.

A recent study by Prof. Davis McEntire of U.C. appears in the Bay Area Real Estate Report. Interviews with 549 white residents in 35 neighborhoods indicate that they have accepted the coming of non-whites with little outward show of disturbance.

This backs up most of our reports to the effect that once the Nisei get into a neighborhood, they are well accepted. The fundamental problem, of course, is getting in.

## Postwar Membership High

The end of October membership report shows an increase of 1,000 members over last year. We are hoping that by the time all the chapter reports are complete, that this figure will be boosted to two thousand. Pasadena

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na has now joined the list of chapters showing a gain over last year.



Two of our chapters are already getting started on their 1956 efforts: Washington, D.C. with Dr. George Furukawa heading up the drive, and

Richmond-El Cerrito with George Sugihara named as chairman. One of our new 1000 Clubbers is Frank Ishii, long time Long Beach JACLer who was instrumental in reactivating the chapter postwar. One of Frank's classmates at Stanford was a Col. Bendetson who moved us off the west coast with such dispatch. Frank was one of the relocation center (Rohwer) delegates to our historic Salt Lake meeting in November of 1942.

Special Long Beach Veep Tomizo Joe is the 1000 Club chairman in the chapter. His Missus Sue sparks everything she gets connected with, in this instance the Long Beach Chapter Tide-ings, which along with the Southwest LA Southwesterly rates as one of the newsiest and most attractively done papers in the PSW.

Also supporting us One Thousand is LB Prexy Easy Fujimoto,

to, who has just been named Nisei Bowler of the Year by the So. Calif. Nisei Bowling Association.

## Nat'l JACL Pinfest

Easy Fujimoto can concentrate on his bowling at our next National tourney since his job as Tournament Chairman is in Choppy Umemoto's hands, when we return for the 10th Annual to Salt Lake City, the original home of this classic event. Choppy also chaired the tournament in 1949 and was one of those instrumental in getting it started, as was Doug Muir at whose Pal-D-Mar lanes the event will be held. The women will bowl at the Ritz Alleys.

## Delving into Past

We have been digging around in our musty archives to help Harry Honda put out a fairly complete story of the chapters this quarter century in the holiday PC.

The records are complete postwar, but prewar is something else, especially since there was really no National Headquarters as such until 1941 when Mike came on as the first paid national staff member.

We were especially interested in the numerous JACLers who have been presidents of two different chapters and the large number of old timers still active. One never retires from JACL.

## Heavy calendar of activities marked by Marysville JACL for remainder of 1955

[Marysville] Activities of the Marysville JACL chapter for the remainder of 1955 were planned at the October meeting held at the JACL office.

Among events planned are a bowling league with Isao Tokunaga, athletic chairman, in charge, a membership drive and annual pot-luck supper and a pre-Christmas dance.

A nominating committee with Tom Matsumoto as chairman was appointed to select candidates for elections to be held in December. Committee members include:

Mrs. Frank Nakamura, Mrs. Bob Inouye, Arthur Oji, Ben Kawata, Geo. Ishimoto, Ichiro Yoshimura, Henry Marubashi and Ryu Harada.

Also selected at the meeting was a constitutional committee with Tom Teesdale as chairman. It includes:

Mrs. Frank Okimoto, Mrs. Ray Kamikawa, Anthony Tokuno, Tom Matsumoto, Bob Inouye, Roy Hatamiya and Bill Tsuji.

The annual pot-luck supper to be held in conjunction with the membership drive has been tentatively scheduled for Nov. 18. Ben Fukui and Hatamiya are co-

chairmen for the drive. Assisting are George Inouye and George Nakao, 1955 membership chairmen.

The chapter will co-sponsor the pre-Christmas social with the Marysville Buddhist Junior Fujin-kai and YBA on Saturday, Dec. 10, 9 p.m.

## Costume prize winners

[Richmond] Over 35 children cavorted merrily at the Halloween masquerade party given by the Richmond-El Cerrito JACL chapter last Saturday at the local Memorial Youth Center. Highlight of the evening was the presentation of costume prizes to Linda Yoshii for the prettiest costume, to Rickie Kimoto for the funniest, to Yamada's son for the scarrest.

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**SOU'WESTER: by Tats Kushida**



**Proof goof**

Los Angeles

• No, those were not newly coined words you tried to read last week. The proofing dept. goofed, as will happen in the best of society. Like they say in Mehi-ko, *cuando nunca se piensa salta la liebre*. Or along the Ginza strip, *ara ma-a iyada wa anata* unexpectedly transposed to *anata iyada wa ara ma-a*.

• When the Imperial Gardens, genial Geo. Furuta's sukiyaki palace on Wilshire Blvd. celebrated its first anniv. at a dinner party last week, there was no *enryo* as to solid and liquid nourishment served. We've always felt I-G has a stimulating spirit; the food's real good, too. And it's proving to be a popular eatery among celebrities. The majordomo informs us I-G has fed and entertained Deborah Kerr, William Holden, Dan Duryea, Brenda Marshall, Diana Lynn, Danny Kaye, Anne Baxter, George Horner, Barbara Hutton, Gloria Swanson and a host of VIPs including BTO execs and politicians.

The I-G is operated with Hershey Arms Hotel which boasts 120 rooms with bath. Assures T. Nishimura, co-proprietor with Furuta, rates are reasonable. And the location is tops.

**SAN FRANCISCO'S DOUBLE DUTY**

• The S.F. chapter's girding for double duty when it comes to ads. Prexy Enomoto reports the decks cleared for a campaign on the Holiday Issue with Kei Hori in charge, plus the new responsibility of hustling ads for the printed program booklet for the '56 nat'l confab this chapter's undertaking.

Tulare County JACL's team of ad solicitors have shown fat results for the Holiday Issue. They are Yeiki Tashiro, Kay Hanada and Jim Matsumura. Chicago's Sakurada is still smoking. Other chapters giving the PC an early boost include Pocatello and Sequoia (Hiroshi Honda).

A reminder: when the Holiday Issue ad soliciting packets were mailed to the chapters, we were short of order forms. But we have plenty now. Drop us a line for more. Quickie service.

• "Minorities View L.A." was the subject of an annual discussion sponsored by the National Conference of Christians and Jews. Same topic as last year's NCCJ fall series. Same panel—Mrs. Loren Miller (of NAACP fame), Anthony Rios, CSO nat'l prez (Mexican American service org), Stevie Whiteflower Standingbear of the Indian Center and the S'w'er. After the session, we were privately reproached by one of the audience for having referred to relocation centers as concentration camps, American style, and asked were the evacuees bitter. To which we said no. Sez he, there was justification for the *tachi-noki* and please, the camps were not to be confused with the European concentration variety. So we were the last to leave the joint, our wanting to set the record straight about the justification angle.

**P.C. TO LOS ANGELES LIBRARY**

• CLer Clancy Bassett, like our good friend Albert D. Bonus of Seattle, is sending a gift subscription to the PC to a public libe, in this case to the soc-sci dept of the Ellay peeyell. We'd like to see some Nisei get into the act.

• American President Lines' two luxury ships, the Presidents Wilson and Cleveland, are pre-y snazzy hunks of transpo. Last week, we saw another APL first—the S.S. President Jackson, first of APL's new fleet of round-the-world fast cargo liners. What really impressed us was the terrific accommodations for twelve passengers—strictly first class, modern, convenient, color TV, private elevator, phone, topdeck skyroom, tile bath—the works.

• Our firstborn turned fourteen yesterday but in her eyes, we're still antediluvian. Fact is, this *jiisan* has to watch his step and manners so's not to embarrass her through some anti-etiquette antics we allegedly indulge in. At least in Japan, it's fashionable to punctuate a good meal with an appreciative eructation or two. It's tough being papa to a teenager. Can't even give our vocal chords a workout—at least in her presence. Sadly, her sentiments are shared by our associates and friends(?).

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**TANIGUCHI WINS JOCKEY  
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[Tanforan] Nisei jockey George Taniguchi captured his second track title of the year as the 42-day season was concluded here at Bay Meadows by riding 43 winners. His nearest competitor Ralph Neves finished with 39.

He also finished first at Del Mar this past summer. The *San Francisco Chronicle* Sunday supplement, "This World", featured Taniguchi's mud-splattered face on the cover page and a story about the sensational Nisei jockey.

**CHICAGO JUDOISTS WIN  
BLACK BELT PROMOTIONS**

[Chicago] Masato Tamura, president of the Chicago Yudan-shakai, was bestowed the sixth-dan black belt degree by the Kodokan judo headquarters in Tokyo recently for his skill as a judoist and his untiring efforts to promote the sport in the United States.

Shitsuke Mayeda and Minoru Osako were honored with fifth-dan promotion; Takeo Otsu, fourth-dan; and Frank Lodgewenski, third-dan.

**Richmond-El Cerrito CL  
fishing derby Nov. 13**

[Richmond] Prizes ranging from a gold trophy to spinning reel will be awarded to the lucky fishermen landing the biggest bass during the fishing derby of the Richmond-El Cerrito JACL chapter on Sunday, Nov. 13.

The event, open to the public at a \$1 fee per person, will be held at Frank's Tract.

According to the committee headed by Sam Sakai, Bill Akagi, Ted Tashiro and Marvin Uratsu, there will be over \$100 worth of prizes. Tickets will be available from committee members, from various Eastbay JACL chapters and at the Frank's Tract on the day of the derby.

Weigh-in time will be 5 p.m.

**22-LB. STRIPER WINS  
ALAMEDA C.I. DERBY**

[Alameda] Bass derby sponsored by the Alameda JACL Oct. 23 was won by Bunju Marubayashi with his 22 pound 12 ounce catch. Shigetoshi Imazumi who placed third with a 17 lb. 6½ oz., striped bass catch, also won a trophy for the largest catch among local JACL members.

Second prize went to Tom Noriye with a 20 pound fish. Other winners among the 30 participants were:

Shigeru Hayame, 15 lb. 7 oz.; Yutaka Nakayama 11 lb. 9 oz.; Mitsuru Ikeda, 11 lb. 9 oz.; Shizutoshi Takeda, 10 lb. 5 oz.; and Taizo Imura, 7 lb. 7 oz.

Presentation of prizes was made by Yasuharu Koike, president of Alameda JACL, at the weigh-in station.

Shunichi and Masamitsu Ishida headed the derby committee.



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**Sports**

**Furukawa fires 77-78 at Pebble Beach  
to retain Calif. Nisei Open third time**

[Pebble Beach] Ervin Furukawa of Seattle again proved himself the No. 1 golfer in the fifth annual California State Nisei championships here when he won the two-day 36-hole event for the third straight time.

The Puget Sound club entry carded a 77 on the difficult, 72-par tournament course here Saturday and came in with a 78 Sunday for a winning score of 155, two over his 1954 total.

Furukawa entered the tournament for the first time in 1953 and walked off with first prize in a wind and rain-swept event.

In the runner-up spot for the 4th time in five years was Frank Yoshioka of San Jose's Garden City club. He shot 80-81 for 161.

Frank Shimada, also from the host Garden City club, shot a third low gross score and was tied with Kay Obayashi of the L.A. Top Notch club for low honors of the tournament.

Other low gross winners were:

4. Harry Hankawa, TN ....82-82-164  
5. Kay Fujinaka, L.A. ....84-83-167

**Mt. Olympus chapter  
turkey shoot set Nov. 20.**

[Salt Lake City] The annual Mt. Olympus JACL Turkey Shoot will be held on Sunday, Nov. 20, at the Salt Lake Police Range (north of State Capitol). Starting time will be 12:30 p.m.

A Winchester Model 50 automatic shotgun will be given away as first prize in connection with the shoot. Many other prizes will be given.

Refreshments will be served.

Co-chairmen of this event are Jim Oda and George Akimoto, assisted by George Fujii.

Tsutomu Watanabe and Harry Masunaga, former Los Angeles judoists, were recently recognized by the Phoenix YMCA for their outstanding service in instructing judo.

**Hanford minister**

[Hanford] The Rev. John Kim, Korean-born minister studying under sponsorship of the U.S. Army chaplain service, will take over the pulpit occupied by the Rev. Tadashi Akaishi at the Harlow Memorial Presbyterian Church here.

Selma JACL: Committeemen for current chapter projects were announced by George Okazaki, president, as follows: Elmer Kobashi, PC Holiday Issue ads; George Baba, conference; Keny Yamamoto, fall fishing derby; and Tom Umade, now citizens dinner.

6. Chick Hinaga, GC .....82-82-164  
7. Min Yoshizaki, TN .....88-80-168  
8. Kelly Komaru, 3G .....86-84-170

The team championship, started two years ago, returned to the Garden City club, winners in 1953. Top Notch won last year. Team totals were:

Garden City 624, San Mateo 642, Top Notch 660, Century 667 and Top Flight of Los Angeles 670.

Shimada with nine handicap holes 81-82-163 while Obayashi had 84-85-169 with a 12 handicap. The San Josean took the title on the 37th hole with a par for while the Los Angeles player had a bogie.

Other low net winners were: Robert Okumura, Hi-Fi ....89-85-174  
Joe Minato, WLA .....90-83-173  
Harry Yoshioka, GC ....88-87-175  
Kelly Komaru, 3G .....86-84-170

**PARLIER NISEI DRIVES  
FIRST ACE AT COURSE**

[Dinuba] Ken Tsuboi of Parlier fired a hole-in-one on the 165 yard fifth hole at the two month old Kings River Golf and Country Club Sunday, Oct. 23. It was the first ace since the course was built. Tsuboi used five-iron for the shot.

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## Japanese display attracts

Los Angeles

Probably more than any place else in the United States, things Japanese—food, shelter and even clothing—are taking public hold in Southern California.

The trend was seen almost two years ago by furniture designer Henry Mittler of Altadena who spoke before a JACL group in the Southwest district about the popularity of simple lines in architecture and how very soon many of southland homeowners will pretty up their homes with Oriental designs, furniture and pottery.

The interest has been well expressed in the current Bullock's Nipponese exhibit, arranged by the Japan Trade Center. More than 40,000 have already seen the display of more than 100 objects, including century old and modern kimono, contemporary furniture and common and expensive fabrics, classic brocades, scrolls, porcelain, lacquerware, wood block prints, screens and lattice work, dolls and examples of Japanese handicraft.

The scheduled two-week run has been extended a week to accommodate the thousands of others who were being turned away.

The Nipponese house, where the tea ceremony and the flower arrangement demonstrations are performed daily, is much to see from the Issei eye probably but it does give a unique and picturesque setting for those who have never been to the Orient.

Some of Beverly Hill's aristocratic matrons of leisure have admitted inviting offers to buy the model home outright but they were reportedly told it was not for sale.

### APPEAL STRONG FOR SLIDING DOORS

As kids, during our brief stay in Japan, our prankish action was to stick our wet finger into the papered section of the shoji door. Then we would be reprimanded and the new paper would be pasted again.

Shoji doors are a prize item in this country. And unlike the bare types we've seen in our small farm home, the new shoji doors have fancy designs worked by artisans.

The light partitions, made from Japanese cedar trees—the more expensive ones from cypress trees—although far from burglar proof is very attractive.

### TEA CEREMONY, SAMISEN AND JAZZ

Japan's foremost blind koto artist, Kimio Eto, has performed in several appearances at the model home with Nisei menagers attired in kimono lending the atmosphere of old Japan.

One Saturday afternoon, Mittler himself participated in the ceremony, a ritual which always draws comment and countless questions on its origin and meaning.

The Bullock's exhibit was not intended as a sales campaign. But when one has to wait a long time in line to get into the main section where the priceless items are seen the conclusion is but one: the interest is high.

Oriental art shops in Li'l Tokio in recent years have noted the trend and are stocking up with the latest from Japan.

We wonder if this trend is a passing fancy or something which can take a permanent hold in modern mode of living. It would be interesting to watch.

### VERY TRULY YOURS: by Harry K. Honda

## Chapter personality

● Fifteen chapters (as of time of writing) have submitted their annual reports for inclusion in the forthcoming Pacific Citizen Holiday Issue . . . Ordinarily speaking, were it not that JACL was celebrating its 25th year, fifteen reports might be deemed sufficient. But when so much of JACL's history and personalities are to be featured, the chapters which are missing come Christmas time will be keenly felt by the membership in general . . . Last September, we asked for a picture or announcement of the chapter's choice or "personalities" . . . Several (and only a miserly few) have written or even mentioned the personalities they would like to honor in this special issue . . . Rather than blaming the JACL regional office with additional mailing to the chapters, we trust this reminder to all chapters will be helpful . . . Each chapter should have no difficulty selecting a personality deserving of national attention through the Holiday Issue . . . Many chapters have been existing for at least a decade. In that decade, the field should be rich for a choice . . . Our deadline is Nov. 15—about a week hence.

Possibly, a chapter may not be blessed with a writer and hesitate to submit a story on some chapter personality. We might suggest those chapters which have excellent relations with a local community newspaper to work up a story, informing the editor the JACL is celebrating its 25th year and that chapters had been requested by its official publication, the Pacific Citizen, to nominate their personality for this special issue. If the story is published in the local press in the meantime, all the chapter need to do is have the permission to reprint the same story and send the paper to us upon publication.

I'm no dreamer and expect to see all 88 chapters in our annual organization name some personality. Yet, in view of the silver jubilee celebration, it would be a shame deserving those who pitched in many hours for the community fall mentioned by at least half of the organization . . . This Holiday Issue, while similar to previous editions with greetings, differs in that the entire issue is being dedicated to the JACL . . . Of course, we are still hoping original stories in a different vein reach our desk by the same deadline of Nov. 15 . . . Maybe I'm too apprehensive a week before deadline, but holiday issue editors think this way as a rule.

If a story can't be prepared on the personality, at least a chapter might submit a photograph (send negative, if a snapshot with pertinent details. We promise to do the rest . . . A picture is worth 10,000 words, so one Chinese philosopher has

## VITAL STATISTICS

### Births

#### LOS ANGELES

ABE—Aug. 27, girl Lynne G. to Casey Abes (Mary Kai).  
KAJI—Oct. 2, boy Jonathan Taro to Bruce Kajis (Frances M. Tashiro).  
HAMADA—Aug. 30, girl Teri M. to George T. Hamadas (Hazel Nishimura), Montebello.  
KAWAHARA—Aug. 23, boy Michael to Raymond H. Kawaharas (Michiko Takeda).  
KAWAHARA—Sept. 7, boy Lindon K. to Lindberg S. Kawaharas (Yoneko Fay Aoyagi).  
MAEDA—Aug. 21, boy Jeffrey R. to Ralph H. Maedas (Marie S. Honda).  
MIYAGISHIMA—Sept. 17, girl JoAnn C. to Shinichi Miyagishimas (Aiko Nakamura).  
MORIZAWA—Sept. 15, twin boys Roy Akio and Frank Masao to Harry T. Morizawas (Amy Y. Nishi).  
NAKAMURA—Aug. 14, girl Donna L. to Masayuki Nakamuras (Irene N. Kido).  
ODA—Sept. 17, girl Frances E. to Fred B. Odas (Toshiko Ebihara).  
OTSUKI—Aug. 27, girl I. O. Otsukis, Long Beach.  
OZAKI—Aug. 23, girl Marianne Kiyomi to Howard T. Ozakis (Lucille T. Kikushima).  
RIVERA—Sept. 11, girl Martha Akiko to Francisco R. Riveras (Fumiko Ann Shimada).  
SAWDEY—Aug. 31, boy Thomas G. to Mahlon A. Sawdeys (Mitsuyo Tsuji), San Pedro.  
SAMPLE—Aug. 18, girl Corlis Harue to Donald R. Samples (Kiyoko Hasegawa), Long Beach.  
SEKIGUCHI—Sept. 9, boy Nobuo to Kenneth T. Sekiguchis (Alice Sadako Tanji).  
SHIBA—Sept. 13, girl Grace Akemi to Paul K. Shibas (Mary T. Yamashiroya).  
TAMURA—Sept. 16, boy James Kiyoshi to Joseph T. Tamuras (Shiori Yasumoto), Inglewood.  
TANAKA—Sept. 11, girl Wendy K. to Samuel H. Tanakas (Sadako Tsujioaka), Lakewood.  
TERAMOTO—Sept. 15, boy David Kiyoshi to Shiro Teramotos (Mary H. Higurashi).  
UCHIZONO—Sept. 14, boy Craig S. to Taro Uchizonos (Rosie M. Takahashi).  
UMEMOTO—Sept. 14, boy James Wesley to Masaru Umemotos (Yoshiko Udo).

#### SAN DIEGO

IGUCHI—Sept. 7, girl to Charles T. Iguchis.

#### FRESNO

HARA—Sept. 23, boy to Isamu S. Hara, Reedley.

#### WATSONVILLE

ETOW—Oct. 15, girl to Shigeru Etows (Lillian Yoshizumi).

MORITA—Oct. 24, boy to George Moritas (Reiko Horita).

#### SAN JOSE

EZAKI—Oct. 12, boy Melvin J. to Tom T. Ezakis.

KAWAGUCHI—Oct. 10, boy Robert to Joe Kawaguchis, Los Gatos.

KOTAKE—Oct. 18, girl Mona L. to Kingo Kotakes.

MATSUDA—Oct. 16, boy Clifton T. to Jimmie S. Matsudas, Santa Clara.

MIYAHARA—Oct. 10, boy to David Miyaharas, Mountain View.

MUNE—Oct. 11, boy Carl M. to Saburo Munes.

NAKASAKI—Oct. 12, girl Cindy Tomiko to George T. Nakasakis.

TANAKA—Oct. 6, girl Mitzi M. to Frank Tanakas, Sunnyvale.

UYEDA—Oct. 3, boy Kevin C. to Charles M. Uyedas, Campbell.

#### STOCKTON

IZUMI—Aug. 14, boy to Roy K. Izumis.

SHIMOBAYASHI—Aug. 22, girl to John K. Shimobayashis.

TAKEDA—Sept. 3, girl to Tokijiro Takedas.

#### SAN FRANCISCO

OKUDA—Sept. 14, boy to Teizo Okudas.

OTO—Sept. 4, girl to Robert N. Otos.

TANAKA—Sept. 2, boy to Susumu Tanakas.

#### WOODLAND

OJIMO—Sept. 19, girl to Shizuo Ojimos.

#### SACRAMENTO

ABE—Girl to Kanji C. Abes.

NAKATANI—Aug. 15, girl to Kenji Nakatanis.

WATANABE—Sept. 6, girl to Louis M. Watanabes.

#### AUBURN

TOMITA—Sept. 6, boy to Tom Tomitas, Loomis.

#### DENVER

FURUKAWA—Boy to Jack Furukawas.

IKENOUYE—Boy to Elmer Ikenouyes, Kersey.

KOMARU—Boy to Taka Komarus.

MATSUNO—Girl to Shiro Matsnos.

SHIMIBU—Girl to Tsugo J. Shimibus.

SUNATA—Boy to Takashi Sunatas.

YAMANE—Boy to James Yamanes.

YANAGIHARA—Boy to Paul O. Yanagiharas, Brighton.

YANASE—Girl to Dick Yanases.

#### CHICAGO

MATSUMOTO—Aug. 16, boy Brian to Shiro Matsumotos.

OSHITA—July 31, girl Judy A. to Yutaka R. Oshitas.

WAKIMOTO—Sept. 12, girl Patricia L. to Henry Wakimotos.

YANO—Sept. 15, girl Christine G. to Paul Yanos.

### Engagements

HOZAKI-HASHIMOTO — Kay Kinue, Pasadena, to Paul Minoru, Los Angeles, Oct. 9.

### Marriage Licenses Issued

AOKI-SUZUKI — Yoshio and Mary, both Seattle.  
HANDA-FUKUMOTO — Matsuo, San Jose; Polly, Santa Clara.  
HASEGAWA-ABE — Tom T., Live Oak; Helen M., Marysville.  
KOYA-KIHARA — Yoshio and Satsuko, both Fresno.  
MASATANI-ENDO — Benny, Philadelphia; Kazuyo, San Jose.  
MATSUMURA-WONG — Setsho, Richmond; LaBelle B., Sacramento.  
SUMIDA-IKEDA — Kenji (USAF), Kathleen, Hawaii, at San Francisco.  
TAKASAKI-MATSUMOTO — Masao and Kathleen, Redley.  
TAKEDA-MASUDA — Masao and Masako, both San Jose.  
YONEDA-TANAKA — Masami, San Mateo; Kiyoko, San Francisco.  
YOSHIWARA-HASHIMOTO — Eitichi and Tomiyo, both Oakland.

### Weddings

ARIYASU-HARADA — Oct. 23, Yoshio, Los Angeles; Fumi, Sandy, Utah.  
ENDO-HIRANO — Oct. 16, Hichiro, Oakland; Helen C., Los Angeles.  
FUJITA-SHIMIZU — Oct. 9, Arnold N. and Toshie, both Los Angeles.

HATANO-YAMAMURA — Oct. 14, Bill K. and Grace, both Sacramento.  
HISAMUNE-OSHIO — Oct. 13, Hiroshi and Jane Setsuko, both Los Angeles.

IKEDA-MAKISHIMA — Sept. 17, Tom Auburn; Satoko, Loomis.  
KISHABA-SANSUI — Oct. 16, Harry K. and Lillian Y., both Los Angeles.  
MUKAI-INOKUCHI — Oct. 9, George and Nobuko, both San Jose.  
NOMURA-KIDO — Sept. 18, John, Newcastle; Natsuko, Berkeley.  
NISHIHARA-KIYOSAKI — Oct. 22, Kenneth K. and Akiko, both Los Angeles.

ORIBA-OTA — Oct. 16, Bob and Kiyoko, both Los Angeles.  
SAKUMOTO-FUKUCHI — Oct. 4, Masao, Okinawa; Teruko, Los Angeles.  
SATO-NOGUCHI — Oct. 2, Ben, Freeport; Mutus, Sacramento.

SUYEHIRO-ARIMA — Oct. 2, James and April, both San Francisco.  
SUZUKI-TAKAO — Oct. 2, Henry, San Mateo; Mineyo, Madrone.  
TABATA-OGATA — Oct. 16, Clarence and Hiroko, both Los Angeles.

TAKATA-YAMASAKI — Oct. 2, Yoshinobu and Alice, both San Jose.  
WATANABE-SUZUKI — Oct. 9, Akio, Orosi; Emiko, Menlo Park.  
YAMADA-KOHNO — Oct. 16, Raymond, Long Beach; Tomi, Los Angeles.

YAMAMOTO-YUMIBA — Oct. 23, William K., Hawthorne; Jane, Los Angeles.

YOGIYASUDA — Oct. 23, David S. and Kimiko, both Los Angeles.

YOSHIHARA-SAKAI — Aug. 20, Bob and Yaeko, both Seattle.

### Deaths

AOKI, Kisuake, 75; San Francisco, Sept. 19.  
ARIYASU, Tatsuya, 31; Los Angeles, Oct. 19 (accident in Indiana), survived by parents Mr. and Mrs. Toyotaro, brother Ken, sisters Mrs. Ami Nagahori, Mrs. Fumi Iike.

BUNGO, Jitsuji, 75; Redley, Oct. 8, survived by wife Umeyo, sons Minoru, Jiro Saburo Yoshio, daughters Mmes. Yoshiko Kodama, Miyuki Kawaguchi, Satsuki Sakai, Sadako Sasaki, Yukie Kaname.

DENDO, Kiyozo; Betteravia, Oct. 12, survived by wife Tsune, sons Takeshi, Isamu and daughter Mariko.

HIBINO, Heizo; Los Angeles, Oct. 18.  
HIRASAWA, Shunsaku, 71; Denver Sept. 30, survived by wife Chiye, son Walter, brothers Munsaku (Minatare, Neb.) and Eino.

IWAIDA, Tokuzo, 72; Torrance, Oct. 18, survived by wife Jui, son Joe Tsururu Yamaguchi, daughters Mmes. Tsugie Minobe, Kumeko Yoshinaga, Setsuko Eguchi, Ellie Tazuko Natsumeda and Babs Saeko Deguchi.

KANDA Hisaichi, 51; Sacramento, Oct. 5, survived by wife Hatsuko, son Shigeru, daughters Hisako and Reiko, Ota, Kunihel, 78; Stockton, Oct. 8, survived by wife Kiyono, sons Kunio, Shigeru, Ray, daughters Mmes. Tomiko Nakanishi, Masako Terakawa.

KINOSHITA, Senichiro; Chicago, Oct. 9, survived by wife Sawa, daughters Mrs. Mona Matoba, Mrs. Betty Hissajima.

KUME, Jiro, 69; Los Angeles, Oct. 11.  
MATSUI, Mihar, 33; Pasadena, Oct. 18, survived by husband Yeiki, sons Thomas K. and Mark M., parents Mr. and Mrs. Kinzo Kawaguchi, sister Masako.

MORISHITA, Ryoichi, 68; Monrovia, Oct. 13, survived by wife Itoye, sons Terry Shigeru, Ben Yoshio, Sam Nobuo, daughters Mrs. Helen Fujimoto, Mrs. Ruth Aiko Yamamoto and Mrs. Mary Okamoto.

NAGAI, Roy Nobuo, 59; Los Angeles, Oct. 24, survived by wife Katsuno, four daughters Ida Aiko, Patricia Yoko, Mrs. Barbara Takako Kono, and Mrs. Bitsy Chiharu Mukahata.

OHARA, Kinnosuke, 74; Torrance, Oct. 24, survived by wife Tome, sons Mitsuzo, Mitsuro, Seiichiro, daughter Mrs. Maye Ohara and brothers Buemon and Hichizemon.

SAITO, Tokusaburo, 85; Los Angeles, Oct. 12; (formerly of Imperial Valley) survived by daughters Mmes. Michiko Mizuno and Ryoko Yoshikawa.

SAKO, Daisuke, 74; Los Angeles, Oct. 20, survived by son Alfred H., daughters Mrs. Alice Hidenko, Kato, Mrs. Dorothy Haruko Hirasuna.

SHIMIZU, Yuzaburo, 70; Fresno, Oct. 6.

TAKASHIMA, Toyota, 82; Los Angeles, Oct. 27, survived by wife Yone, daughter Mrs. Kiku Matsumeda.

TANAKA, Chiyozo, 66; Sacramento, Oct. 7, survived by wife Koei, six sons Taketoshi, Toshio, Takashi, Shigeyuki, Minoru, Yoshiya, daughters Chizuko Mielko and Mrs. Hatsuye Nodohara.

TANIDA, Bunpei, 48; Long Beach, Oct. 14, survived by wife Kazue, daughters Fumiye, Misako and brother Shusaku.

YAMADA, Suzuto, 85; Los Angeles, Oct. 24, survived by sons Ed Gofchi, James Suzuo, Fred Yoshio, daughters Mable Chieko, Mrs. Kimiye Ikeda and Mrs. Nobuyo Higurashi.

YANASE, Tadajiro, 73; Arvada, Colo., Oct. 3, survived by wife Sadame three sons daughter.

### Jr. Tri-Villes name 1956 cabinet officers

[Palo Alto] The Junior Tri-Villes of the Sequoia JACL chapter held its first meeting with new members recently to discuss plans for the new year.

Newly elected cabinet officers presided at the meeting with Nancy Taniguchi, president, in charge. Other elected officers are:

Jane Kuwano, v.p.; Mary Kumagai, cor. sec.; Frances Takamoto, rec. sec.; Janis Enomoto, treas.; Grace Hirotsu, athletic mgr.; Lois Nakamura, parliamentarian.

### Christmas planning

[Los Angeles] "Christmas Is for Everybody" meeting will be held Nov. 9, 10 a.m., at the South Park city playground, 363 E. 51st St., for social welfare agency staff, church and service organization representatives interested in Christmas planning.

## Christmas Cheer passes \$600 mark

[Los Angeles] A weekly total of \$190.50 was acknowledged last week by the Christmas Cheer committee, boosting the count over \$636, which includes a sum carried from the 1954 drive.

The committee reported the drive has reached 27% of its \$2,000 goal, as compared with 12% for the corresponding period last year.

Blue Flames of Centenary Methodist Church will again help with package wrapping; the Constituents in sorting the thousands of grocery items that flow into Cheer headquarters, 258 E. 1st St.

The Hollywood Christian Church is donating 30 packages of toys for children, 6-12 years of age. The East Los Angeles JACL is preparing a benefit box-lunch social at the International Institute Nov. 19 for Christmas Cheer, it was added.

Donors last week were:

\$25—Dr. George R. Baba.  
\$20—Nanka Okayama Club.  
\$15—Dr. Robert T. Ohi.  
\$10—William K. Takimoto, Kotobuki Cafe, Cy's Meat Co., WLA Buddhist Church Ladies Guild, Mrs. Kimi Nagasaka, Dr. Tom T. Watanabe, Dr. George K. Kambara.  
\$7.50—George Maruya.  
\$5—Hirohata Gen. Ins. Agency, Dr. F. H. Iwamizu, Kichi Saito, Minoru Ota, Mr. and Mrs. Will T. Kodama, Long Beach Hardells, Saburo Sato, Mike Masaoka (Washington, D.C.).  
\$3—K. Kanda.  
\$2—G. Y. Tauchi, Mrs. Rose Kusama.  
\$1—Eitichi Yasuda, Shoji Nagumo.

Total donations to date .....\$547.50  
1954 Bal. ance forward ..... 68.87

## Tri-Villes contribute \$100 to Shonien Home, funds derived from 'Fun Night'

[Redwood City] The Tri-Villes, junior JACL organization of the Sequoia chapter, last week donated \$100 to the Japanese Children's Home of Southern California from "Fun Night" proceeds.

The teenage girls' group expressed its appreciation to the public for making "Fun Night" a great success.

The Senior Tri-Villes are planning their third annual Christmas Eve (Dec. 24) dance as a "dressy-dress" affair at the local American Legion hall.

## Denver Nisei Mothers' club reactivated

[Denver] The Denver Nisei Mothers' Club commenced their fall program for 1955 with a party at the residence of Mrs. George Ohashi, 4314 Raritan St., last week. Mary Suenaga, club chairman presided, with Betty Suzuki, Masako Shiramizu, Nobu Sekiya, Milly Kiyotake and Michi Ando, acting as hostesses.

Jean Fujimoto, a past president, reviewed the history of the club, recalling that Denver Nisei mothers contributed to the CARE program for post-war rehabilitation of Japan, aided a Japanese orphanage, helped raise funds for the Los Angeles children's home, and sponsored many social parties for members and their families.

The next meeting of the Mothers' Club will be held on Thursday, Nov. 17, at the residence of Mrs. Howard Suenaga, 3627 Tejon St. Past members and interested Nisei mothers are cordially invited to attend. Mrs. Jinzo Noda will give a demonstration of Japanese cookery for the benefit of club members.



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Gambling discrimination

Denver

For some Americans—those of the Negro race—an automobile journey across the sovereign and arid state of Nevada has been compared to a passage through the Deep South. There is an exception. Things are easier for the Negro below the Mason-Dixon line because accommodations are provided for "Colored". In Nevada, and to a lesser degree in Utah, Wyoming, Idaho and Montana, a Negro family can travel from town to town, across the great American West, and be denied accommodations in hotels, motels and restaurants nearly everywhere they go.

Some time ago, in Salt Lake City, we met a young Negro family which had just arrived by car from the West Coast. After leaving California they had been subsisting on sandwiches and sleeping in the car. Arriving at a big Salt Lake hotel, where they had wired ahead for reservations, they were told that the management was "sorry" but the reservation had been "lost". They might have had to eat sandwiches again in Salt Lake but there was a Nisei-operated restaurant which welcomed them. Utah has no civil rights law and restaurants as a general rule, including some run by Nisei, do not serve Negroes. The family later found a motel where they could stay. Next morning, they packed a lunch to see them through Wyoming—where they were informed they probably wouldn't be able to find a cafe. In Denver, where they planned to spend the night they knew there would be hotels and cafes where they would be served. Colorado, alone of the Mountain states, has a strong civil rights law.

A MISPLACED MISSISSIPPI

But of all the Mountain states, Nevada is the worst for the Negro. Franklyn Williams, western regional director of the National Association for Advancement of Colored People, once said: "Nevada is a misplaced Mississippi—a Negro can't even lose his money at the gambling spots." This is true in Las Vegas, as in Reno. Two months ago in Harold's Club, probably the world's largest gambling casino, and noted were a number of Nisei, Chinese Americans, Indians and other of Nevada's Honorable Aryans, but no Negroes.

The Las Vegas Strip, that garish stretch on the Los Angeles highway west of town which has become a fabulous center for gaming and entertainment, only permitted Negroes through the employees entrance, and then only in menial jobs. Following the Nevada pattern, the bars were let down for members of other racial minorities. A Nisei was welcomed at the Last Frontier, the Thunderbird or any of the other spas, if he arrived with his face washed and money in hand. In fact, there was Nisei money in at least one of the big hotels. That's the multi-million dollar Stardust, now under construction. It was announced last week that Taul Watanabe of Los Angeles, whose latest project is a shopping center in suburban Gardena, resigned from the board of directors of the Stardust. When the Stardust opens it undoubtedly will follow the practices of the other Strip hotels. That means "no Negroes allowed."

There was only one Vegas hotel which dared to break the color line and it's now out of business, though frantic efforts are being made to reopen it. That was the Moulin Rouge which was conceived as an interracial hotel from the start, to give Negroes the same right as any other Americans to throw their money away in ultra-modern surroundings. It opened in May and closed several weeks ago.

TROUBLE WITH FINANCES

Now that the Moulin Rouge is shuttered, it probably will be said that it failed because of its interracial policy. As we get the story, that isn't true.

The Moulin Rouge's principal owners are not Negroes, and their decision to institute an interracial policy was a commendable one. The hotel's troubles stemmed from its financing setup. The Moulin Rouge cost \$4 million to build, but the actual financing was only \$1,200,000. When it opened its doors, it owed \$2 million to various creditors. At the last minute an eastern financier who was supposed to toss a million dollars into the kitty backed out, leaving the hotel without operating capital. Most of the money owed was on short-term notes which expired one by one. The Moulin Rouge was hit by a succession of claims, liens and notes of foreclosure.

Variety reports that the day it was forced to close the Moulin Rouge was doing profitable business. During its last weekend, Oct. 8 and 9, the hotel was booked 100 pct. and the majority of those reserving rooms was white. An argument of other Strip hotel operators against Negroes is that they would lose white business. The Moulin Rouge made no secret of its interracial character. It originally hired Joe Louis as greeter and featured Negro entertainment, including chorus girls. A large percentage of its employees were Negro.

MAY REOPEN WITH CHINESE DECOR

One of the latest rumors on the Strip concerning the future of the Moulin Rouge is that it may reopen under Chinese American auspices. It is said a group of San Francisco merchants are negotiating with the present owners to take over the hotel and give it an Oriental character. This does necessarily mean that the establishment's interracial policy will be continued, as far as Negroes are concerned. In their restaurant operations in the Mountain West, Chinese American businessmen generally adopt local prejudices and practices. We don't know of a single Chinese cafe in the Mountain West (outside of Colorado) which serves Negroes.

The same criticism can be made of many Nisei restaurant owners, except that in at least one Intermountain city the local JACL chapter has been instrumental in getting Nisei-operated restaurants to abandon their "No Negroes" policy.

FRENCH CAMP JACLER VISITS

Dr. Harold S. Jacoby, professor of sociology at the College of Pacific, Stockton, was here recently researching the East Indian people. He was one-time internal security chief at Tule Lake WRA Center. He is also a member of the French Camp JACL.

The recent JACL carnival at Olivet Institute was reported a financial success. A report will be made to chapter members in the near future. Flora Miura was named winner of the chief prize—a Ford sedan.

WASHINGTON NEWSLETTER: by MIKE MASAOKA

Ozawa and Toyota court cases milestones in Japanese American history of Issei struggle for U.S. naturalization privileges

Washington

As various JACL chapters throughout the nation honor their naturalized Issei citizens, it might be interesting to note in passing that Nov. 13 will mark the 33rd anniversary of the Ozawa Case, in which the United States Supreme Court declared that, under the then existing statute, Japanese were racially ineligible to be naturalized as American citizens.

Prior to Nov. 13, 1922, when a unanimous Court ruled against aliens of Japanese ancestry residing in the United States, a number of federal district courts had authorized the naturalization of resident alien Japanese, particularly those on the East Coast.

On the other hand, as early as 1894 a federal district court in Boston is recorded as having declared that the Japanese were not eligible for naturalization because they were not "white persons".

This particular decision, however, was not appealed to the Supreme Court and so a definitive answer was not given until the Ozawa case resulted in an adverse opinion which was not reversed until the enactment 30 years later of the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952, the so-called Walter-McCarran Act.



What Was at Issue

At issue in the Ozawa case was whether the naturalization laws excluded Japanese from American citizenship, whether Japanese by race were ineligible for the privilege of naturalization.

The basic naturalization law adopted in 1790 provided that any alien, "being a free white person . . . may be admitted to become a citizen". In 1870, after the Civil War, Congress enlarged the statute to include aliens of African nativity or descent.

Was Ozawa a free "white person" within the meaning of the law?

George W. Wickersham, noted constitutional attorney of his day, argued for the alien Ozawa. He maintained that the phrase in the basic statute should be restricted to the meaning it had in the minds of the original framers in 1790 and it was then employed solely to exclude Negroes and Indians in this country.

Mr. Justice Sutherland, for a unanimous Court, replied thusly:

"It may be true that these two races were alone thought of as being excluded, but to say that they were the only ones within the intent of the statute would be to ignore the affirmative form of the legislation. The provision is not that Negroes and Indians shall be excluded, but it is, in effect, that only free white persons shall be included. The intention was to confer the privilege of citizenship upon that class of persons whom the fathers knew as white, and to deny it to all who could not be so classified. It is not enough to say that the framers did not have in mind the brown or yellow races of Asia. It is necessary to go farther and be able to say that,

DECADE AGO



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Japanese plan for Philippines defense known to U.S. forces before landing at Leyte through work of Nisei G-2 men, as story of Ft. Snelling graduates revealed.

National JACL plans to enter Oyama case testing validity of California alien land law.

American Veterans Committee protests Navy's ban against enlisting Japanese Americans.

Sgt. Ben Kuroki relates war experiences at New York forum broadcast nationally.

Presidential unit citation awarded (all Nisei) 232nd Combat Engineers.

Only one of three evacuees returns to San Joaquin (Central California) valley.

U.S. deportation for Tule Lake segregation planned.

Fair Play group organized among 50 Sonoma County residents.

had these particular races been suggested, the language of the act would have been so varied as to include them within the privilege . . . It is sufficient to ascertain whom they intended to include; and, having ascertained that, it follows as a necessary corollary, that all others are to be excluded."

Not 'Caucasian'

The Court went on to say:

"The appellant in the case now under consideration, however, is clearly of a race which is not Caucasian, and therefore belongs entirely outside the zone on the negative side. A large number of Federal and state courts have so decided, and we find no reported case definitely to the contrary. These decisions are sustained by numerous scientific authorities, which we do not deem necessary to review. We think that these decisions are right, and so hold."



That "We have no function in the matter other than to ascertain the will of Congress and declare it," was the way the Court ended its far-reaching decision.

Since there were no Japanese in the U.S. in 1790, it can be hardly expected that the Congress intended to exclude them.

In 1870, there were only 55 Japanese in the United States. In debates in both the House and Senate in 1790 and 1870, no mention of the Japanese was made.

Nevertheless, following popular sentiment of the early twenties against those of Japanese ancestry, the Supreme Court declared that the Japanese were not entitled to naturalization privileges because they were not "white persons" as envisioned by one of the earliest Congresses.



The Ozawa Case

Shigeo Soga, editor of the Hawaii Times, sheds some interesting light on the background of this important litigation. Speaking to the newly naturalized Issei citizens of Hawaii early in the summer, Mr. Soga revealed that Takeo Ozawa instituted his original action in October, 1914, in the United States District Court of Hawaii.

Ozawa's action, according to the editor of the Hawaii Times, was prompted by the enactment of the alien land law in 1913 by the California State Legislature denying to aliens racially ineligible to citizenship the right to purchase, own, or work agricultural land.

"Learning that his countrymen in California were suffering from the discriminatory alien land law simply because they were classified by law as aliens ineligible to naturalization, Take Ozawa, a native of Japan, who came to Hawaii in 1906 to make his permanent residence in Honolulu, began a study of the matter and became convinced that under the naturalization laws then in effect, the Japanese in continental United States and Hawaii were eligible to naturalization," Mr. Soga said.

"Hence Ozawa, who was a graduate of Berkeley High School and who studied law at the Univ. of California for three years, prepared a brief himself and filed it with the United States District Court in Honolulu to settle, once and for all, the question of the eligibility of the Japanese in America.



Honolulu Judge Rules

"In March, 1916, the District Court Judge, Charles F. Clemens, ruled against Ozawa on the ground that since the plaintiff was neither a "free white person" nor of African nativity or descent but belonged to the Mongolian race, he was ineligible for naturalization.

"Ozawa took the case to the United States Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco in September, 1918, but the Circuit Court suspended its decision and asked the Supreme Court of the United States for instructions as to whether Japanese were eligible for citizenship under the naturalization laws then in force," Mr. Soga declared.

The nation's highest tribunal, on Nov. 13, 1922, eight years after the initial action was instituted, ruled against Ozawa and other aliens of Japanese ancestry in their quest for naturalization privileges in the land of their adoption.

Two years later, in 1924, another unanimous Court, reaffirmed the principle that since the Congress in 1790 did not intend to include Japanese within the classes of aliens privileged to become naturalized citizens, they were racially excluded.



The Toyota Case

In this latter case, an alien Japanese by the name of Toyota, who came to this country in 1913 and served in the United States Coast Guard Service from that year to 1923, including service in World War I as a member of the armed forces of the United States was denied his citizenship by the Supreme Court after a lower court had granted him naturalization.

The lower court granted him his citizenship under authority of a federal statute of 1918 providing that "any alien" serving in the forces of the United States during the first World War shall be permitted to file a petition for naturalization without making a preliminary declaration of intention and without proof of five years' residence.

An Act of 1919 gave "any person of foreign birth" benefit of the 1918 statute.

Mr. Justice Butler, for a unanimous Court, declared that there was nothing in these laws to show an intention to eliminate, from the definition of eligibility in 1790 Act, the distinction based upon race or color.

These two court cases, Ozawa and Toyota, are milestones in the history of persons of Japanese ancestry in this country and serve to remind us that the fight for naturalization privileges for aliens of Japanese origin was a long, hard struggle for equality which was only won three years ago when the Walter-McCarran Act became law.



CALENDAR



- Nov. 5-6  
NCWNDC—District convention, Sonoma County chapter hosts. Business sessions at Sebastopol Chamber of Commerce Bldg. Other events at Emmanji Memorial Hall, Sebastopol.
- Nov. 5 (Saturday)  
Santa Barbara—Issei Recognition dinner, Carrillo Hall, 222 Carrillo St. Salt Lake City—Inaugural dinner-dance, El Gaucho Inn.
- Nov. 6 (Sunday)  
East Los Angeles—Issei Recognition program, International Institute, 7:30 u.m. Rep. Chet Holifield, spkr.
- Nov. 11 (Friday)  
Chicago—Meeting, Monroe Y. 59 E. Monroe, 8 p.m.; "Asia", Rev. Hugh MacKenzie, spkr.
- Nov. 12 (Saturday)  
Southwest L.A.—Cooking class, Centenary Methodist Church, 1 p.m. "Sukiyaki" by Mrs. Yoshiko Sakurai. Cincinnati—Chapter elections, 1st United Church.
- PSWDC—Quarterly session, Clark Hotel, 428 S. Hill St., Los Angeles; banquet, dance.
- Nov. 13 (Sunday)  
Richmond—El Cerrito—Fishing derby, Frank's Tract; 5 p.m. weigh-in.
- Nov. 18 (Friday)  
Marysville—Pot-luck supper (tentative).
- Southwest L.A.—Issei Recognition, Dorsey High School Auditorium (Co-sponsors: Nisei VFW Post 9938).
- Chicago—Inaugural Party, Tam-O-Shanter CC, 7 p.m.
- Nov. 19 (Saturday)  
East Los Angeles—Box lunch auction, International Institute, 8 p.m.
- Nov. 20 (Sunday)  
Mt. Olympus—Turkey shoot, Salt Lake Police Range; 12:30 p.m.
- Nov. 21 (Monday)  
Placer County—15th annual Goodwill Dinner, Roseville Memorial Hall; Rep. Claire Engle spkr.
- Nov. 24 (Thursday)  
Gilroy—Thanksgiving Dance, 1009 Temple, N. Eagleberry St., 9 p.m.
- Nov. 25-27  
IDC—8th biennial convention, Ontario, Ore. (Snake River chapter hosts).
- Mt.-P DC—Convention, Denver.
- Nov. 26 (Saturday)  
Sacramento—Annual Talent Show.