



EDITORIALS:

Juvenile delinquency

The current report by a senate subcommittee on the size of our national juvenile delinquency problem reveals over 1.3 million children came to the attention of the police in 1954. About half were in juvenile courts, or a 53 percent increase from the 1948 figure.

Because the youth of today is the man (or woman) of tomorrow, we wonder how a strong society can be developed from a generation of children who neither respect the law nor fear the consequences of flouting it. If more progress isn't made toward controlling juvenile delinquency, this nation will pay dearly for its folly.

Bilingual study

American citizens traveling overseas discover that taxi drivers, waiters and hotel people speak English fluently. But our inability to speak foreign languages contributes to the isolation of the United States in today's world.

Educators are trying to overcome this deficiency by introducing foreign languages into elementary grades. The state of New Mexico has planned to start Spanish classes for English-speaking children in the first grade. It will help to unite native-born children and those who come from Latin American homes — presently separated by a language barrier.

Were the Japanese language introduced in the public schools on the west coast before the war, rather than segregating Oriental students, it may have avoided a costly war and the bitterness of evacuation.

U.N. membership

Two years ago, the United States turned down a Russian package offer to admit free nations, including Japan, into the United Nations. Last week Russians quipped another admission of Outer Mongolia to transform the spirit of Geneva to a ghost for sure.



The Pacific Southwest JACL District Council honored California Assemblyman Edward E. Elliott (D., 40th Dist.) at its recent district quarterly session in Los Angeles for his efforts to eliminate the alien land laws. Dave Yokozeki (left), district chairman, shows a plate of the 99-piece Japanese dinner set presented from JACL while Mas Satow (right), national JACL director, presents a certificate of appreciation. Over 125 attended the testimonial for the East Los Angeles lawmaker at the Clark Hotel. A telegram from Yas Abiko, NC-WNDC chairman, congratulating the Assemblyman Elliott was also read at the banquet. —Cut courtesy: Shinichi Bei

QUESTION ARISES ON STATUS OF DUAL CITIZEN IN JAPAN WHOSE CITIZENSHIP BEING CLARIFIED

(Washington) The State Department was asked whether Section 350 of the Immigration and Nationality (Walter-McCarran) Act of 1952 is applicable to a dual citizen (Nisei) residing in Japan, pending a decision regarding the applicant's clouded American citizenship, the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League reported.

Specifically, the case in point concerns a dual Nisei citizen who voted in the postwar Japanese elections and lost her American citizenship. Under Public Law 515 of the 83d Congress, she applied for her expeditious naturalization as a United States citizen.

The question which arises is while her case is in the process of being determined but is not acted upon before Dec. 24, 1955, does Section 350 of the Immigration and Nationality Act apply to her?

Other comparable cases might arise, Mike Masaoka, Washington JACL representative pointed out in his letter to the State Department, of former United States citizens

and claimants to United States citizenship who are residing in Japan and who are presently engaged in litigation involving their United States citizenship.

Just as soon as the information is received from the State Department, full publicity will be given in the United States and in Japan, Masaoka said.

Masaoka expressed the hope that this matter could be clarified soon since provisions of Section 350 of the Immigration and Nationality Act become operative on December 24, 1952.

This provision requires a dual citizen of the United States living abroad who has sought or received benefits from the country of which he is a dual national to report to his American consulate to declare his oath of allegiance to the United States and to state the reason for residence abroad for three years continuously after the age of 22 years is for one of the reasons listed as an exemption under provisions of Section 353 of the 1952 Act.

Dec. 24 deadline for dual nationals primarily for Nisei in Japan

(San Francisco) The recent warning of a deadline on Dec. 24, 1955 for dual nationals issued by the JACL's Washington office was meant primarily to Nisei in Japan, it was reiterated by Masao Satow, National JACL executive director, here.

Many Nisei, locally and elsewhere in this country, apparently have been confused as to the nature of the warning as a number of inquiries on this matter has been received at the Nichi Bei Times.

Similar warnings have been heard over the radio and seen in newspapers from releases issued by the U. S. state department. These apply, not only to Nisei in Japan, but other Americans who remain too long in the country which claims them as a citizen by blood or birth.

All Nisei born before 1924 whether they were registered under Japanese ("koseki") laws or not are considered citizens of Japan by the Japanese government, unless steps to expatriate have been taken. As they are also U. S. citizens by birth, they are now considered dual nationals.

In 1924, the Japanese Diet passed a law under which children of Japanese who are born abroad were no longer considered Japanese citizens unless they were registered properly soon after birth.

Nisei in Japan who were born before 1924 or registered since are those affected by the 1952 Walter-McCarran Immigration and Nationality act which stated that such nationals must clarify their status or explain their stay abroad before Dec. 24, 1955. Otherwise they will lose their U. S. citizenship.

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MASAOKA TO TESTIFY DEC. 1 BEFORE SEN. KILGORE HEARING ON I&N LAW; JACL STATEMENT BEING PREPARED

Special to Pacific Citizen

(Washington) As the Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization opened its hearings, Mike Masaoka, Washington representative of the Japanese American Citizens League, announced that the JACL statement is being prepared following study made of recommendations submitted by the National

JACL Board, its staff members, chapter presidents, JACL members, and Nisei attorneys on needed changes to the Immigration and Naturalization Act (Walter-McCarran Act) of 1952.

Masaoka is expected to testify on Thursday, Dec. 1.

Presiding at the public hearings which opened on last Monday, was Sen. Harley M. Kilgore (D., W. Va.), chairman of the Subcommittee as well as the full Judiciary Committee.

Senator Kilgore, in his opening remarks, said: "I think it is wise to examine fundamental policies periodically in an effort to determine whether our laws truly reflect our best opinions on methods of promoting the general welfare of the United States, our people and our institutions and of strengthening our foreign relations in an enlightened manner."

Although Senator Kilgore was unable to get any administration officials, the State and Justice Departments are particularly involved, to testify on the operation of the Walter-McCarran Act he stated that up-to-date views of various individuals and organizations on pending bills would be heard in the first public congressional committee hearings on the basic immigration and nationality laws since its enactment three years ago.

The first two days of the hearings included testimony from spokesmen for the American Federation of Labor, the Congress of Industrial Organizations, the National Catholic Welfare Conference, the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United

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Magnuson pledges to work for claims amendment OK

(Tacoma) Sen. Warren G. Magnuson of Washington publicly pledged to work vigorously for passage of the evacuation claims amendment before the Pacific Northwest District Council, which held its biennial convention here Nov. 19.

A member of the senate subcommittee which approved the original claims law in 1948, he also pledged to work for passage of Senate Bill 1192, co-authored with Sen. Kuchel of California, to amend the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1936 to exempt operations in the transportation of livestock, fish, agricultural, floricultural and horticultural commodities from the Act.

As main speaker at the convention banquet held at Towers Restaurant, the Senator greeted and congratulated 59 newly naturalized American citizens of the Puyallup Valley area. (The Puyallup Valley chapter hosted the convention.) Praising their being as law-abiding residents, he said they had demonstrated themselves as the kind of people this country needs as citizens.

The comment was well received by JACLers here who recalled that Magnuson was special prosecuting attorney in King County (Seattle) before he was elected to the state legislature and then to the Congress in 1936.

Magnuson also reminded the new citizens that expression of opinion at the polls is fundamental to American democracy.

Issei citizens were also urged to take a vital role in the future of America since the major problem today lies in the East and in the Pacific.

All chapters except Spokane were present for the business sessions held at the Tacoma Buddhist Church.

Dr. Kelly Yamada, Seattle optometrist, was elected new chairman of the district council. He was a pre-war vice-chairman of the No. Calif. District Council, and has served as chapter president in Oakland and in Seattle. Dr. Matthew Masuoka of Portland is retiring chairman.

Henry Kato of Gresham-Troutdale was appointed district 1000 Club chairman.

Sapphire pins were presented to William Mimbu, Seattle attorney, now secretary to the National JACL board, whose associations with JACL date back to 1933; to Dr. Yamada, Tom Takemura and Bob Mizukami of Puyallup Valley, convention co-chairmen.

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Lindsay C. of C.

[Lindsay] Yosh Imoto was one of five new directors installed recently by the Lindsay Chamber of Commerce.

Denver youth files application for Air Force academy

(Denver) Kenneth Namba, 2116 Tremont Pl., Denver, has filed his application as candidate for the Air Force Academy here with Rep. Byron G. Rogers, the Mountain-Plains JACL Office announced last week. The Colorado congressman is authorized to name 10 candidates.

Namba is a very active student at Manual High School in his senior year. He is a three-year letterman in tennis, and a one-year letterman in baseball. He is also a member of the Key Club, which requires "B" average, the Ukelele Club, and the Scarab Club. He is a member of the California Street Methodist Church as a member of the choir, and has acted as the president of the Methodist Young Peoples Fellowship.

Congressman Rogers stated that there will be 60 candidates from the State of Colorado, and that five will be selected for final appointment for the Air Force Academy in 1956.

Plant physiologist

[Denver] Willy M. Iritani, former Fulbright scholar from Colorado A&M who studied two years in Japan, has been appointed to a professorship at the Univ. of Illinois in plant physiology.

Iritani has his master's degree in Plant Physiology, and will be working for his Ph.D. in that field. In going to Champaign, Ill., Iritani will be accompanied by his Japanese war bride.

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FROM THE FRYING PAN: by Bill Hosokawa



Hot stove leaguers

Denver

Local hot stove league chapters have been stirred recently by reports that the New York Yankees may sign a couple of Japanese ball players. One of them is said to be a relief pitcher who's virtually invincible for up to three innings. The other is reportedly a good-field, not-hit third baseman, who is a veritable wizard

with the glove.

What interest Denver is that neither of these two Japanese, if they are signed, is expected to be ready immediately for major league competition. They will require at least a year of seasoning, and Denver (in the Triple A American Association) happens to be the Yankees' leading farm team. We won't know for sure whether they'll play for the Denver Bears next season until they actually show up in uniform, but these reports make for interesting speculation.

RAMIE FIBERS FOR TOWEL

We were introduced this week to Japanese-manufactured ramie cloth, reputed to be the strongest and most beautifully lustrous of all vegetable fiber textiles. The fiber comes from a plant which, in height and foliage, resembles the sunflower. The best fiber comes from the tall stalks immediately below the outer skin. The fiber is long, white and lustrous, eight times stronger than cotton, seven times stronger than hemp. Wetting increases its strength, and ramie cloth absorbs moisture readily, dries rapidly, launders well.

Ramie, according to my informants, is an ancient textile. Ceremonial draperies of ramie cloth have been discovered in the tombs of the pharaohs. These are believed to have reached the Mediterranean nations via camel caravans from the Far East. In medieval Japan ramie was treasured as *hakufu*, the white cloth. Japanese-manufactured ramie is so sheer that a 37-inch width can be drawn easily through a woman's ring.

The chief supplier of ramie fiber is the Philippines but ramie is now being grown in Florida, with the entire crop being shipped to Japanese mills. American mills so far are not equipped to handle ramie's long fibers. Because of ramie's strength, soft texture and moisture absorbing qualities, several large American laundry chains are interested in ramie towelings.

NIPPON CUISINE INCLUDING DAIKON

The temperature was down close to zero the other night and streets were icy, but some 30 Nisei women showed up at Dr. Howard Suenaga's home. (Doc quickly disappeared into the TV room and remained there most of the night.) The occasion was a meeting of the Denver Nisei Mothers club and the attraction was Mrs. Jinzo Noda who gave a Japanese cook-lesson.

From the interest shown in fancy Japanese cuisine, it would seem most of the Nisei girls were out dancing or playing basketball or something when their mothers wanted to pass along their kitchen lore. So, at this late date, they are making up for missed lessons which, from the husbands' point of view, is a commendable thing indeed. Some persons complain that Japanese festive fare is beautiful to behold, but somewhat lacking in the flavor department. I'm among those who disagree. I think Japanese food is fine.

Mrs. Noda spent a good part of the evening, according to reports, doing wonderful little tricks with *daikon*, the giant white radish. She carved pieces of *daikon* to resemble flowers, even tinting the blossoms with food coloring. Now if she could demonstrate a way to make *daikon* flowers smell like the rose, she will have gone a long way toward making this vegetable socially acceptable.

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COSTA RICA CLARIFIES TRAVEL
VISA RESTRICTION SITUATION

(New York) Visa restrictions because of race in Costa Rica have fallen in total disuse, according to Jose F. Carballo, Costa Rican Consul-general, who replied to a story first carried July 21 in the Hokubei Shimpo, which reported discriminatory visa restrictions of various countries as carried in Pan American World Airway's "Blue Book of Clipper Travel".

A copy of the article with a covering letter was sent to Consul General Carballo. According to the Blue Book, Costa Rica would not

issue tourist cards to Arabs, Armenians, Hindus, Poles, Turks and Coolies. Members of the Negro and Yellow races were issued cards only at the consul's discretion.

Consul General Carballo, in his letter, states the position of his government as follows:

"My opinion, as I advised the Chief of the Consular Department in San Jose, is that all existing legislation in the country which, because of race prohibits entry into the country to certain individuals, has fallen many years ago into total disuse and a prohibition of this kind exists only at present in the cases of gypsies and coolies. On the other hand, the undersigned has never denied a single visa, of any kind, because of race or nationality.

"Today I received a reply from my superiors and I am indeed pleased to transcribe a paragraph touching on this matter:

"In relation with the inquiry made to this Department in your said note, I want to state that we are in accord that entry is prohibited only to gypsy individuals and to the cooli (sic) class and we would ask that you inform Mr. Kanazawa to that effect."

Faithfully yours,
Lic. Jose F. Carballo
Consul General.

Dual status—

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Lawyers familiar with nationality laws, JACL officials and others say that Nisei in the United States are not affected by this law and may ignore this deadline.

However, Nisei who are sure they were registered in the "ko-seki" may take steps to have their records.

Application forms for this action may be obtained from any Japanese consular office.

Applications may be filed free of charge and expatriation certificates will also be furnished without charge if a request is made for them, consular officials disclosed.

"If you are in this country and you are not sure of your status, likelihood that Nisei in the U. S. will ever be affected by this law."

This seems to be the consensus of expert opinion on this matter at the present time.

Arvada restaurant

(Denver) Active Mile Hi CLer Dick Yanase, formerly chef at T.K. Pharmacy lunch counter, announced the opening of his restaurant, Jim's Cafe, 5678 Wadsworth Ave., in nearby Arvada, last Nov. 15. The restaurant was formerly operated by his father.

Successful bazaar

(Livingston) The 2nd annual Grace Methodist Church Oriental bazaar held Nov. 12 at the Livingston elementary school was regarded a success by the Rev. Wesley Yamaka, minister. Co-chair and Tom Takashima.

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Senale—

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States, the National Lutheran Council, the Russian Orthodox Church Outside Russia, the president of the Synagogue Council of America, an economist presenting testimony pertinent to immigration and a healthy economy, and Sen. Herbert H. Lehman (D, N.Y.), who in conjunction with twelve other senators, is sponsoring an omnibus bill, S. 1206, which completely rewrites the Walter-McCarran Act.

Joining Chairman Kilgore in these hearings was Sen. Arthur V. Watkins (R., Utah), who was chairman of the Subcommittee when the Republicans were in control last Congress and author of the Refugee Relief Act of 1953. He is also author of the Watkins bill of 1952 which allowed Nisei who voted in the postwar elections in Japan during the period of American Occupation to recover their American citizenship through the process of expeditious naturalization.

The Subcommittee will be in recess during the Thanksgiving holidays and will reconvene on Monday, Nov. 28.

Masaoka is flying to Denver this week-end to participate in the biennial convention of the Mountain-Plains JACL District Council, and will return Monday morning for the Senate hearings.



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NEW CALENDAR READIED

Pretty Lillian Seo, PAA Nisei stewardess, shows off Pan American's new 1956 calendar which features Japan in one of the 13 full-color photos. The airline is distributing more than 600-thousand of the calendars in nine different languages to the 82 countries and colonies served by the airline. Scene shown in photo is an ancient castle in the city of Hiroaki.

TOKYO TOPICS: by Tamotsu Murayama

Nisei 'koseki'

Tokyo

When the Asia Travel Service of Los Angeles tourists party landed in Japan last summer, they were given a reception at the Eiraku Club. Speaking to the audience was Gen. Sadao Araki, former war minister and education minister. The 81-year-old general, an influential pre-war figure in Japan, had come from the

Sugamo prison where he served some nine years as a Class A war criminal after he was convicted by the International War Crimes Tribunal.

Gen. Araki told the group he was pleased to know that the Nisei in the United States did what they did during the war, pointing out the heroism of the 442nd RCT and of the accomplishments of its leaders like Mike Masaoka.

WAR MINISTER ARAKI HELPS

Yet, this writer can recall a meeting of a quarter century ago. I had called on the then war minister Gen. Araki and explained the problem of dual citizenship. The late V. S. McClatchey and other professional anti-Japanese agitators were attacking the Nisei for their Japanese nationality.

The Japanese Foreign Office was already working on this matter with the Home Affairs ministry. But these Japanese officials were afraid of presenting this Nisei case to the War Office.

The Japanese American Citizens League was already organized and this dual citizenship case was widely discussed. The JACL had been urging the Nisei to remove their ties with Japanese nationality. When I presented the complete case to Gen. Araki, he said that the Japanese Army had no intention to claim "ownership" of the Nisei in America.

"The Japanese children, who were born in America, are citizens of the United States by virtue of her constitution," Gen. Araki declared. "However, they are also Japanese subjects because of our nationality laws. I am for revision of the nationality laws 100 per cent in order to give all the Nisei in America an opportunity to renounce their Japanese nationality."

"The Nisei must demonstrate they are American citizens at all times," the war minister continued. "I dare say that the Nisei must fight against Japan for the United States in the event of war between these two nations. Of course, we have to do everything to maintain peace in the Pacific. The Americans will understand and respect the Nisei when the real show-down comes—that they had demonstrated their loyalty to their native land," the general concluded.

This conversation was dispatched to the Japanese vernacular in San Francisco, for which I served as correspondent. At the same time, I informed Saburo Kido, then in San Francisco, as a Nisei leader.

Next, I sought assistance from the Foreign Office and the Home Affairs ministry. I got in touch with members of the Diet, including Kaju Nakamura, who devoted much of his time for Nisei affairs and the cause of Japanese-American friendship.

Too many important issues came up so that attention was never paid to the revision of nationality laws to permit Nisei to renounce Japanese nationality.

REMEMBERS MEETING OF LONG AGO

Gen. Araki remembered our meeting of more than a quarter century ago, during which time many things have happened to him and Japan. I remember complaining about the general treatment of the Nisei in Japan before the war. We recalled the past. We laughed at some of the incidents. We also tried to forget some of the uncomfortable events.

But, it should be remembered that Gen. Araki had the courage to say what he thought and did what he believed. He attempted to aid the Nisei before the war in the nationality case.

Judge Aiso M.C. at L.A. testimonial for Issei citizens

(Los Angeles) John F. Aiso, Judge of the Municipal Court, will be master of ceremonies at an evening program honoring the newly naturalized Issei sponsored by the Commodore Perry Post No. 525 of the American Legion and the Downtown Chapter of the JACL, to be held this Saturday, Nov. 26, at Patriotic Hall, 1816 S. Figueroa St., starting at 7:30 p.m.

According to Soichi Fukui, commander of the local Legion post, the "Tribute to New Citizens" program is to be an annual affair and while more than 2,400 printed invitations have already been mailed, the program is open to the public and all the newly naturalized Issei are invited to attend.

Some of the guests of honor who will be present include Los Angeles City Councilman Edward R. Roybal, and Amanda Kruger, Principal of the Los Angeles Public Schools Adult Education and who was instrumental in providing many of the naturalization classes.

Principal speakers of the evening's program will be California commander of the American Legion Joseph Farber and Saburo Kido, past national JACL president, who will speak in Japanese.

Other guests include George Inagaki, national JACL president, teachers of the various naturalization classes, representatives from the American Legion, and the representatives of the various organizations which were helpful in the naturalization program.

Handy pocket sized identification cards have also been mailed to all those who were naturalized prior to August 15, 1955, and while every effort has been made to send one of them to all, those that have not received one are asked to call the local JACL regional office and one will be mailed to them.

Those in charge of the evening's program include David Yokozeki, president of the Downtown JACL chapter; Soichi Fukui, commander of the Commodore Perry Post of the American Legion, Kei Uchima, Jim Kawakami, George Maruya, Casey Kasuyama and Frank Suzukida.

Nisei, divorcee in double suicide

(Los Angeles) Police termed the deaths of George Inada, 30, Fallbrook rancher, and divorcee Virginia Paschall, 26, a double suicide last week.

Detectives said the couple had been dead for eight to 10 days when their bodies were found Nov. 16 in the back seat of a car. One end of a garden hose had been connected to the exhaust of the car and the other end inserted in a front window.

Neighbors informed detectives that Mrs. Paschall and Inada had planned to marry but that the families of each had raised numerous objections. No notes were found.

(Inada's parents, surprised when informed of their son's death, explained they had no objections to such a marriage.)

Inada owned an interest in a strawberry processing and freezing plant in the Fallbrook-Oceanside area.

The pair had apparently drunk a champagne toast and then went to their death in his car, which was parked in the carport at her house in Highland Park. They were found in each other's arms in the car.

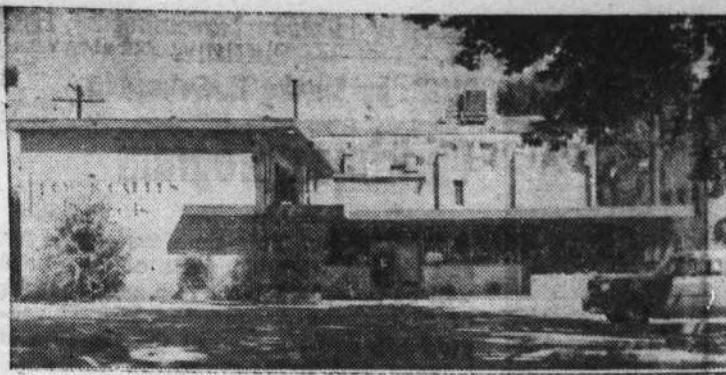
Police said Mrs. Paschall was also known as Norma Bradley.

New Year's party

(San Francisco) A gala New Year party has been announced for Jan. 14, by Frank H. Dobashi, Japanese Chamber of Commerce. It will be held at the Scottish Rite Auditorium.

Japan TB death rate

[Tokyo] Some 55,000 have died of tuberculosis in 1954, but it was the lowest TB death rate Japan has ever known. Anti-TB drugs were credited with cutting the rate.



New Sacramento Nisei War Memorial Center

SACRAMENTO NISEI WAR MEMORIAL CENTER DEDICATION PLANNED DEC. 11

(Sacramento) Plans are rapidly progressing toward formal dedication of the Nisei War Memorial Community Center with the date tentatively set for Dec. 11, it was reported. It marks the culmination of a community-wide campaign that was started last summer.

The Sacramento Nisei War Memorial hall board of directors voted to purchase the beautiful Flower Garden restaurant, centrally located in the 'Nihon-machi' area at 1515 - 4th St., instead of erecting a new building as originally planned.

The sturdy brick and stucco building was constructed only about three years ago at the reported cost of well over \$10,000.

The restaurant venture failed

and the building has been vacant for some time.

The building was offered to the Nisei War Memorial hall committee at such a bargain price that the purchase was arranged after several inspection tours by community leaders.

With the purchase of the Flower Garden approved, the committee announced that the site donated by the late Masao Taketa for a Nisei War Memorial building will be sold and proceeds applied toward purchase of the Flower Garden.

Articles of Incorporation have already been filed with the State of California, and the non-profit organization shall be known as the Nisei War Memorial Community Center. The corporation will consist of members in good standing of Nisei Post No. 8985, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Sacramento JACL chapter and such other organizations fulfilling the requirements set forth in its by-laws.

Board of directors of the corporation are:

William Sakai (chmn.), Harry Fujii (treas.), Frank Yoshimura (sec.), Toko Fujii, Dr. Yoshizo Harada, Terry Kohaya, Dr. James Kubo, Percy Masaki, Kay Matsueda, Coffee Oshima, Frank Oshita, Peter Osuga, Dr. George Takahashi, and Henry Taketa.

Utah scoutmaster

[Salt Lake City] Kay Nakashima succeeded Jim Tanimine as scoutmaster of Japanese Boy Scout Troop 84 meeting Tuesday nights at the local Japanese Church of Christ. Assistant scoutmasters are Rupert Hachiya, Ichiro Doi and Harry Miyazaki.

'Mother, Sir' film on Japan occupation life, many Nisei signed for pic

(Hollywood) Signing of 29 Los Angeles area Issei and Nisei for a new Walter Wanger production "Mother, Sir", which will have Shirley (Rikoran) Yamaguchi in the cast, was reported last week by Allied Artists studio.

The film, an autobiography of a former occupation dependent, Mrs. "Tats" Blair, will co-star Joan Bennett and Gary Merrill.

The story concerns an army wife who joins her husband in Japan with her daughter, her first experiences there and her daughter's friendship with Japanese children in their neighborhood.

Among those signed for roles in the film are:

Teru Shimada, Shizue Nakamura, Tom Komuro, Arnold Ishii, Tenkai Ishida, Kyoko Kamo, Julia Katayama, Karie Shindo, Rolin Maruyama, Tsuneko Takahashi, Donna Jean Okubo, Yoshiko Niya.

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Christmas program

Chicago

Traditional Yule-time customs, songs and dances from all parts of the world will be presented in the 14th annual series of "Christmas Around the World" programs to be presented at the Museum of Science and Industry during the two weeks starting Nov. 26 and ending on Dec. 11. Twenty different nationality groups in

this city will present musical numbers in the Museum's west-wing theatre in the afternoon and evening. There will be no admission charge.

Through the cooperation of the Japanese American Service Committee and the Chicago JACL chapter, "Christmas in Japan," a dramatization of the early Christian movement in Japan, will be presented Nov. 30, 2 p.m. Japanese dancing will be included in the skit.

The afternoon programs are presented primarily for the benefit of school children for whom group reservations can be made by their teachers. Participating in these afternoon shows will be various choral and dramatic groups from Chicago schools.

Evening programs will be given by the various nationality groups of Chicago who will offer a wide variety of folklore, songs, customs, dances and other traditions associated with Christmas and which have contributed to American culture.

Christmas dinners featuring the favored dishes of each nationality represented in the series will be served in the Museum dining room from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

A spectacular display of Christmas trees, each 20 feet high and decorated according to the customs of the countries represented in the programs will be displayed in the Museum's rotunda. They will be shown until New Year's Day.

The program will open with a program sponsored by the Lithuanian group on Nov. 26 and climax with the United States on Dec. 11. Other nationalities participating will be Ukrainians, Czechoslovakian, Mexican, Japanese, Croatian, Dutch, Norwegian, German, Italian, Irish, Chinese, Armenian, Polish, French, Swedish, Hungarian, Danish and British.

Rev. Jitsuo Morikawa, pastor of the First Baptist Church, underwent surgery at the Presbyterian Hospital recently. He is now convalescing at the parsonage. His place in the pulpit is being taken care of by William Hillman, the new Minister of Outreach who recently joined the church staff.

DATELINE NORTHWEST: by Budd & Arlene Fukei



Unfortunate remark

Seattle

Some 800 Seattleites, mostly Negro (according to local newspapers), supported an Emmett Till protest meeting sponsored last week by the NAACP in Seattle. Emmett Till's mother, Mrs. Bradley, failed to appear as previously announced, and the NAACP refused Mrs. Bradley's reported demands of one-third of the proceeds plus expenses for the nation-wide tour.

While it might be reasonable to assume that racial discrimination played some part in the case, a remark by Mrs. Ruby Hurley, Southeast field secretary of the NAACP, was entirely unjustified and out of line. During a television interview, she said that since Negroes could not receive justice from the State of Mississippi nor from the Federal government that there was nothing left to do except to take matters into their own hands. It may be just such a remark—an unfortunate and foolish one—that brought about an accusation by one organization that the NAACP was Communist-controlled.

Fighting for rights through proper channels is one thing, but "to take matters into their own hands" is lawlessness of the first water suggesting violence and disorder.

The newspapers have been relatively silent about activities on the Chinese mainland since their announcement that the Chinese are planning to begin a program of collectivization among the farmers. It seems to be evidence of extended Russian domination as the original Chinese plan was the division of the land.

Each farmer or member of his family who was capable of tilling the land received about one-half acre. And this land reform program brought about endless bloodshed during the reformation period.

A friend of ours who spent some time in China told us about a discussion of the land reform program that she had with a Chinese Communist.

Mentioning the difference in the Chinese plan of dividing the land and the Russian plan of combining the farms, she remarked that the Chinese had their own plan, which was suited to China's needs, and were not necessarily following the Russian pattern.

It now seems that she was mistaken.

It will be interesting to note the effect of the Russian move on Chinese soil—if sufficient news leak through the cracks in the Bamboo Curtain.

PURELY PERSONAL PIFFLES: . . . a look at dark Main, Jackson, King and Weller streets at night convinces one that the former community in which the Japanese and Chinese ruled is no more although the two Oriental groups are hanging on at the moment . . . the Seattle JACL chapter has mailed out ballots for the 1956 year . . . on the strength of their showing against the UCLA Bruins, the NW Huskies are once again "our boys" in Seattle; Nisei fans, however, fully realize that the Huskies this year wouldn't be the Huskies if UW had not relaxed its restrictions (with quotes to keep everybody happy) on non-white players—the Huskies' Negro stars, if we may say so boldly, are the ones who made the eleven go places this season . . . oh, if Harry Yanagimachi, the former Garfield all-city great, had the opportunity which these Negroes today have . . . California may have the Bruins but Washington has Ervin Furukawa, the golf expert who probably will go down in Japanese American links history as an all-timer . . . in the NVC News Letter, our favorite reading is Commander Harry Kataoka's column . . . the other week we dropped in on George Tokuda, the druggist on 18th and Yesler Ways, and we had quite a long chat about things in particular; the man is a go-getter and he's destined for a loftier place in the business world.

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Milwaukee CL in Holiday folk fair

(Milwaukee) The Milwaukee JACL chapter participated with 40 other organizations sponsoring the annual Holiday Folk Fair on Nov. 19 and 20 in the Milwaukee Auditorium.

In "Folk Lore in F," different nationalities dramatized their favorite folk song. Hot meals and cold snacks featuring food from many lands and a Christmas Mart where merchandise and delicacies were sold was also featured.

The Milwaukee JACL manned a booth selling merchandise from Japan. They served Japanese dishes at the International Sidewalk Cafe. It was the only major fund raising event sponsored by the chapter, president Helen Inai explained.

PNWDC—

Continued from Front Page

Thomas Hiroshi Semba, 73, responded for the new citizens in excellent English. Bob Mizukami of Tacoma was toastmaster. Charles Withers, Jr., of the local immigration office, was also present to commend the Issei. New officers were installed by Masao Satow, national JACL director.

The Seattle chapter won the DC Chapter of the Year plaque for 1954-55.

JACL credit unions seek membership increases

(San Francisco) A joint dinner meeting of the San Francisco JACL Credit Union and the Cal Neva JACL Credit Union board and committee was held Nov. 12 at Yamato Sukiyaki.

Mutual problems were aired and discussions held on how to increase membership and participation.

The local chapter credit union has 250 members and assets totaling over \$150,000, according to Ichiro Sugiyama, secretary-treasurer.

Cal Neva has 150 members and about \$80,000 shares, it was reported by Yukio Wada, secretary-treasurer for the newer group.

Omaha JACL women serve sukiyaki, odori program

[Omaha] Under co-chairmanship of Mmes. Gladys Hirabayashi and Mary Misaki, a women's committee of Omaha JACL served sukiyaki to guests of the regional women's division of the Public Power district Oct. 27 at the Omaha Public Power District Bldg.

K. Patrick Okura, former national 2nd vice-president, told the JACL story after dinner with Mrs. Lily Okura as emcee. Kimono-clad girls offering dance entertainment were:

Bonnie and Maureen Hirabayashi, Carolyn and Marilyn Kaya, Jane and Julie Takechi, Kazumi Watanabe, Karen Misaki, and Natchi Matsunami.

On the sukiyaki committee were: Mmes. Frank Tamai, Toshi Zaiman, Matsuye Shimada, Em Nakadol, Kimi Takechi, Kay Hirabayashi, Kiyoko Watanabe, Shizuko Mihara, Doris Matsunami and Alice Kaya.



Salem Yagawa (left), commander of the Nisei VFW Post 9938 of Los Angeles, presents a certificate of commendation to Mrs. Mary Yamamoto, who responded for the naturalized Issei honored at a joint testimonial sponsored by the VFW post and the Southwest Los Angeles JACL Nov. 18 at Dorsey High School. Certificates were given to over 800 new citizens living in the Southwest Los Angeles area. —Cut Courtesy: Rafu Shimpo

'Beauty Behind Barbed Wires' author to address D.C. chapter installation

(Washington) Accepting the invitation to be guest speaker at the Dec. 10 installation of the new cabinet for the Washington, D.C. chapter is Allen H. Eaton, outstanding American author on American folk art and handicrafts and known especially to the Nisei for his "Beauty Behind Barbed Wire," the documentary account on the arts of the Japanese which flourished in the war relocation camps, president Ruth Kuroishi announced.

Particularly interested in the folk art of America, early in the relocation of the evacuees Dr. Eaton sought to set up an exhibition to be circulated in the relocation camps of the characteristic handicrafts of the foreign born, including the Japanese in the camps. Through this project he felt the barriers of language might be overcome, and it would give the evacuees a bond with friendly people outside, besides giving them something to do.

He knew from his contacts with the Japanese that they had a "genius for making something out of almost nothing," and the dearth of materials in the relocation camps would not be a deterrent.

Dillon Myer, WRA director, encouraged him to undertake the project as an individual and to obtain financial backing from some philanthropic organization since the government itself would be condemned as coddling for sponsoring such an exhibition.

After months of effort and little success, Dr. Eaton gave up the project temporarily but kept up his correspondence with his Japanese friends in the relocation camps. However, on their own initiative they developed many crafts, skills, and the arts to beautify their wilderness.

Before the relocation camps were disbanded in 1945, Dr. Eaton, using his accumulated vacation time, went to the camps to record this life, with the cooperation of the WRA and several of their photographers.

"Beauty Behind Barbed Wire" is the culmination of this project.

The book is now ready for its second printing and in the revised edition, which will be released soon, will include a special chap-

ter on the JACL.

Dr. Eaton, the son of pioneer settlers in Oregon, was graduated from the Univ. of Oregon. He was active in public affairs in Oregon and was the youngest person ever elected to the Oregon State Legislature where he served the longest continuous term. He helped find the School of Architecture and Allied arts at the Univ. of Oregon, where he later taught Art Appreciation. For his service to the creative arts he was conferred the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws by his alma mater.

His interest in the foreign born and their crafts led him to propose, organize, and direct the first Exhibition of the Art and Crafts of the Homelands, a project in Americanization. He became the first National Field Secretary for the American Federation of Arts and directed the first National Field Secretary for the American Federation of Arts and directed the first National Rural Arts Exhibition ever held in this country. In 1950 he was invited by the German government as a member of the ECA mission to study with them their refugee problems.

Dr. Eaton is the author of "Immigration Gifts to American Life," "Handicrafts of the Southern Highlands," "Handicrafts of New England," and many articles on the arts of the people.

Making arrangements for the semi-formal dinner-dance are Miss Ethel Fukuyama and Shino Inouye, co-chairmen.

The affair will take place in the International Room of the Occidental Restaurant on Saturday, Dec. 10. The banquet is slated for 6:30 p.m.

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Radio advertising

● Southern California has a flock of radio stations and that means a flock of wordy commercials on the air about every three minutes. It's not uncommon to find people (at home or in their automobile) turning dials when the blurbs exceed 30 seconds, searching the airwaves for soothing music . . . One radioman, we understand, is working on a "commercial" eliminator for his auto radio. That may cut out a lot of wagging tongues at the "mike", but commercials of late are fitted with jingles and music broadcast from recordings . . . An attachment for car radios to pick up FM stations (where stations operate minus commercials sending out some of the relaxing music all day long) has come out, though a bit expensive . . . Yet, if I did not choose to switch stations on my car radio one morning in search of some raucous disc jockey, I would have missed the current rage of Southern California—the Chorus of Singing Dogs (can't vouch for song title).

● Monday night, in haste to start my Ford, I got my left index finger jammed in the door which was closing by itself from gravity pull—the car was parked at a deep curb . . . Needless to say, it wasn't painless. Typing the past two days has been difficult with letters such as "f, g, r, t, b and v". These happen to be letters used often in the English language . . . Had the government's latest experiment to restyle the keyboard been in effect, I might have been relieved somewhat as the letters involved were "i, k, p, u, x and y" . . . They may simplify the typewriter keyboard, but I'm still looking for the model that doesn't misspell.

● Our bowling squad lost another four points this week. And we had such high hopes when warming up . . . So downhearted were we, I suppose our spirits might have been boosted if we had an effigy to hang. But there was the problem of "who"—bowling teams don't come with coaches.

● Little piece in the press this week reported the National American Legion executive board went on record urging statehood for Hawaii and Alaska. With the second session of the 84th due to open in early January, it may be veterans are doing their statehood-stirring early . . . Next session will also see JACL chapters in a special effort urging congressmen to have the Lane-Hillings amendment to the evacuation claims law passed.

● Typographical errors are always unwanted by newspapermen and printers. Despite all precautions, a "bridge" can become "bride", and "angle" an "angel" with results ranging from the ridiculous to the libelous . . . Scarcely an issue of any newspaper, this one included, ever appears without some such error. Little wonder when considering the PC contains as much as 5,000 lines of type prepared inside of a day and a half . . . But it was a comfort to know deliberate printing errors—such as the freak pieces of U.S. currency recently reported back East, one face proclaiming a value of \$1, the other side \$10,—add rather than detract from the value of their product . . . A newspaper "typo" brings no fancy price. The supply, unhappily, will always far outrun the demand.

Central CCDC convention program

[Fresno] The sixth annual convention of the Central California District JACL Council will be held on Sunday, Dec. 4, at the Hacienda Motel here. George Abe is general chairman. The program:

SATURDAY, DEC. 3

Bowling tournament at Playdium. (All bowlers must be JACL members and pre-register. Ben Matsunaga and Kango Mori of Sanger are chairmen.)

SUNDAY, DEC 4

9 a.m.—Registration.
10 a.m.—Opening Ceremonies, business session; Hiro Masuda, CCDC chmn. presiding.
11:30 a.m.—California legislative report by Mas Satow.
12 noon—Thousand Club luncheon.
1:30 p.m.—Reports by George Inagaki, Mas Satow and Mike Masaoka.
3:15 p.m.—Informal talks by James Edmiston, author of *Home Again*; Seiichi Mikami of Fresno on Refugee Relief program.
6:30 p.m.—Banquet, Tom Shimasaki of Lindsay, m.c. Siera VFW Post 8499 will post colors. Presentation of bowling awards and mass installation of JACL chapter cabinets of CCDC. Presentation of past-president pins by Kenji Tashiro, 2nd nat'l v.p. Mike Masaoka, main speaker; remarks by Congressman B. F. Sisk.

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'56 JACL CONVENTION STEPPING UP PREPARATIONS; CHAIRMEN NAMED

(San Francisco) With the 14th biennial National JACL Convention less than a year away, preparations are being stepped up to insure a gathering in keeping with previous national conventions.

Convention days are set for Aug. Hotel. Jerry Enomoto, general convention chairman, announced the following committeemen to date: (Others are to be added.)

The convention days are set for Aug. 31 to Sept. 3, at the Sheraton-Palace hotel. The organization of convention committees is now in process. Jerry Enomoto, general convention chairman, this week announced the following committeemen who have been named to date:

Secretary to the general convention chairman, Lucy Adachi; convention board recording secretary, Mary Yonemoto; convention board corresponding secretary, Katherine Reyes; convention finance chairman, Jack Hirose; special convention finances, Joe Kuboka-

wa; convention treasurer, Dr. To-kuji Hedani.

Chairman of official events, Kaz Sakai; opening ceremonies, Fred Hoshiyama; official luncheon, Alice Shigezumi; convention banquet, Hisashi Tani.

Chairman of special events, Taxy Hironaka; fashion show, San Francisco women's auxiliary; queen contest, Kaye Uyeda; teen age and junior JACL activities, Toshi Kobayashi; bridge tournament, Dr. Wilfred Hiura.

Convention social events chairman, Kei Hori; convention mixer, Viola Nakano; convention outing, Frank Dobashi; Sayonara ball, Mary Hamamoto.

General arrangements, Marshall Sumida; public relations, Haruo Ishimaru; convention historian, Sawae Fukumori.

Convention souvenir booklet, editor, Yori Wada; business manager, Susumu Togasaki and art editor, Hatsu Aizawa.

Sonoma County chapter activities in December spotlight elections

Special to Pacific Citizen

(Sebastopol) The Sonoma County JACL Chapter will hold its annual election of 1956 officers on Dec. 2 at the local Memorial Hall, according to Kanemi Ono, chapter president. Ten new members to the executive board will be elected while eleven members will be holdovers for another year.

Newly elected officers and board members will be installed at a community-wide New Year's Dinner, which has been set for Jan. 2 at the local Memorial Hall. Frank Oda, newly-elected member of the NC-WN District Council Board, will install the new chapter officers.

Nominations for the first annual award for the "most active" member with a record for outstanding community participation are now being received by Sam Miyano, Miyo Masaoka or Frank Oda. Nominees must hold 1955 member-

ship in the JACL in order to be considered. The nominations will close on Dec. 15 and the awards will be presented at the installation dinner.

Beginning next January, the local chapter will issue a monthly chapter newsletter under the edi-

Mile-Hi to participate in 'Bill of Rights' day

(Denver) December 15 has been designated "Bill of Rights" Day nationally, with 51 national organizations sponsoring observance of fundamental rights for Americans. The JACL is one of the 51 national organizations, and Denver is one of the 15 U.S. cities selected for such observances.

The Mile-Hi JACL will participate in planning for the Bill of Rights Day here, and will be represented at the patriotic functions through Irvin Matsuda, program chairman for the local JACL. Other Nisei were invited to participate.

Holiday hors d'oeuvres demonstrated to Auxiliary

(San Francisco) Pierre Coste, chief food instructor at the San Francisco City College and formerly chef at the Hotel St. Francis and Hotel Fairmont, inspired 50 enthusiastic housewives and business girls Wednesday last week as guest epicure at the JACL Women's Auxiliary monthly meeting held at the Buddhist Church conference room.

For holiday hors d'oeuvre, Coste demonstrated with a touch of sparkle and offered something exciting to the French specialty and an American delight. Special chaffing dish also highlighted the evening demonstration. Thelma Takeda was the evening chairman.

torship of Kanemi Ono. Staff members for the publication will be announced shortly.



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San Mateo chapter to hold dance Dec. 31

(San Mateo) San Mateo JACL chapter will hold a New Year's Eve dance at the Buddhist Hall, 2 So. Claremont St., from 9 p.m., according to William Takahashi, league chairman. Dancing will be to the music of Charlie Stern's orchestra.

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Kansha-no-hi

While we welcome every holiday that comes along, one of our most favorite legal respites is El Dia de Gracias because of the well-deserved emphasis given to such important food items as the well-stocked larder, to the loaded pantry, to the abundant harvest, all symbolized by the copious horn of plenty: the conucopia. The true enjoyment of the Thanksgiving holiday, we feel, is not just the turkey dinner with its fanciful trimmings but the several days following it when one can leisurely engorge on said fowl and accompaniments, seasoned with Ajinomoto, of course.

On most other holidays, the occasion is observed with an elaborate spread, too. But the difference, a big one, is that it's usually only a one-shot deal with no three-day leftovers. That's where ruminants have it over us *Homo sapiens* for they simply regurgitate their *gochiso* and eat it all over again, with seconds, maybe even thirds. The nearest we come to that is the socially unacceptable belch.

SHINNEN-GO

Having rounded the far turn and entered the stretch, we thank these chapters for having beaten the November 30 deadline with ads and greetings for the P.C. Holiday Issue: Portland, Berkeley, Detroit, Monterey Peninsula, Salinas Valley, Orange County, San Luis Obispo, Stockton, Salt Lake City, Marysville, Coachella Valley, Mile-Hi and local Ellay.

SATURDAY SATISFACTION

Saturday's game, UCLA beating USC, was a soul-satisfying television thrill, which statement won't endear us to Trojan partisans, but why be impartial. We were frankly chilled by the fiasco performance of UCB, our Latin foster mother. No effigies are sighted hereabouts yet but we suspect not a few pins are being jabbed into walrus-shaped voodoo dolls.

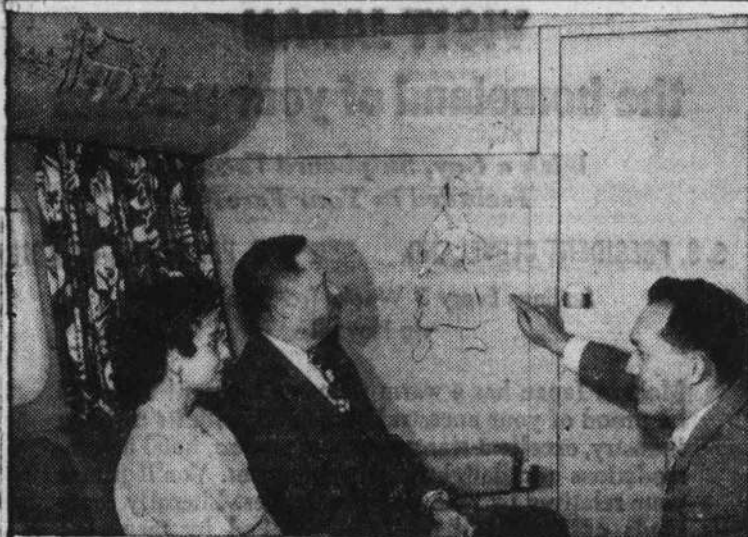
That evening we donned, for the purpose of moral-supporting G. T. Tada join the ball & chain frat, the classic monkey suit known in Japan as *sarugi* or *takushido*. The latter is a logically derived word, for analysis reveals *taku* to mean residence and *shido* to mean chivalry; hence a nobleman in his manor attired in garments befitting his social status. Naturally, any resemblance between said nobleman and the S'w'er is strictly for the birds. Then there's the school that insists *taku* is derived from *takuan*, the odoriferous radish pickled in kickapoo joy juice.

TORU NORUS AGAIN

Another Issei citizens JACL testimonial program was held at the Dorsey Hi aud last Friday nite with some 400 newcits being congratulated by their Congressman, Gordon L. McDonough.

Eiji Tanabe, our predecessor at the regional office and instructor of several JACL Americanization classes, emceed the program which included oratory by nashprez Callahan Inagaki. Doc Toru Iura, SWLA boss, took over the well planned entertainment prog that followed. Refreshments were on the house, tea and senbei.

VISITORS THIS WEEK: Daisy Uyeda, petite admintrix of nat'l director Mas Satow spending a weak week in smogland; her sis, Mrs. Roz Enomoto and the Mr. Jno. himself, redoubtable past prexy of the Sequoia chapter and bro of nurseryman Wm. Blasty Enomoto, former JACL-ADC nat'l exchequerer . . . And a U.N. fellow, Dr. P. Gutkind of Kampala, Uganda, who's with the East African Institute of Social Research doing a piece on AJA's in L.A.



JAPANESE DECOR IN PLANES

Japan, and Northwest Orient Airlines' service via the short Great Circle route to Japan, is featured in a new decor in the lounges aboard Northwest planes used in domestic service in the United States. In the photo, James Sugimura, Minneapolis photographer who does much publicity work for Northwest, explains part of the decoration theme of the new Fujiyama Room aboard transcontinental Stratocruisers to two NWA employees, Sandra Bennett and M. J. Maland. Flanking paintings of Fujiyama (in another part of the lower deck lounge) by Hiroshi Ishikawa of New York are miniature Ming trees, Torii gates, pine trees, cherry blossoms, rice fields and junks. Paintings of a Samurai warrior and other Japanese scenes are in other parts of the new Fujiyama Rooms. Much of the over-all decoration was done by George Suyekoka of Chicago, who traveled to Minneapolis-St. Paul on special assignment for the work. —Northwest Orient Airlines Photo.

YANKEES WIND UP NIPPON TOUR 15-1-0

(Tokyo) The New York Yankees ended their goodwill tour of Japan Nov. 16 when they departed by air for Okinawa.

The American league pennant winners took 15 of the 16 exhibition games with Japanese teams and tied in the other.

In the 16 games played by the Yanks from the northern to the southern tip of Japan, they drew a record total of more than 350,000 Japanese fans.

2nd defeat for Seattle Li'l League team means title

(Seattle) Coach Frank Yamashita's Fighting Irish footballers suffered their second defeat of the season Nov. 13, and that loss was a big one because it involved the city title of the Little League. The NVC-sponsored eleven was on the short end of a 20-6 score against Laurelhurst at View Ridge.

The Irish went into the title game by sweeping through the American conference in five wins, while Laurelhurst topped the National conference in regular season. Irish's only other loss was a practice game earlier in the season.

It was Jerry Yamashita who scored the only TD of the afternoon for the Irish, which came in the second canto.

This was the third title game for the Fighting Irish in four years of play. The Irish won over Ballard, 7-0, last season. Three years ago the NVC machine won the city and county titles but lost in the semifinals of the national championship at Las Vegas, Nev., while it was Laurelhurst in 1953 which won over the Irish in the city finals, 14-0.

Tamanaha, 47, set to defend titles

[Honolulu] Norman Tamanaha, the 47-year-old harrier who scored a quadrilateral grand slam in Hawaii's long-distance races during the past 1954-55 racing season, will defend his four championships at the coming long-distance running season, chairman Dr. Richard You of the Hawaiian AAU Long-Distance Running committee announced.

The committee will sponsor four meets for the 1955-56 season, as follows:

Dec. 4—Waikiki 5.2-mile race. Defending champion Tamanaha with a Hawaiian record of 27m.15s.

Jan. 15, 1956—The 10-mile race. Defending champion Tamanaha with a record of 56m.54.6s.

Feb. 12, 1956—The 15½ mile race. Defending champion Tamanaha with a time of 1h.34m.39s.

Mar. 18, 1956—The Hawaiian marathon (26 miles and 385 yds.). Defending champion Tamanaha with a mark of 2h.51m.35s.

Tamanaha has competed unsuccessfully in the Boston Marathon during the past four years.

CANADIAN NISEI TO ROLL FOR FIRST TIME IN ABC NAT'L TOURNAMENT

(Toronto) Canadian Nisei keglers are expected to appear for the ing Congress tournament to be held tween Mar. 30 and May 19.

Forty Canadian teams are being scheduled on opening night. Yuki Ode, Toronto Nisei Bowling League president, announced two Nisei squads would be entered.

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Nisei gridders star on L.A. High Bees, finish season unscored-upon

(Los Angeles) The mighty "B" squad of Los Angeles High with five Nisei linemen and two in the backfield as starters finished their season last week as the Southland's only undefeated and unscored-upon club.

The Roman Bees piled up 132 points as they marched through an eight-game slate with only a scoreless tie against Jefferson High marring the record. Team Coach Jim Pendleton, 26, starred at L.A. High from 1945-48.

The Nisei on the first team were

Kenny and Art (younger brother of Ken) Iwasaki at the two guard positions, center Kee Suzuki, tackle Bill Ozawa, end Henry Takei, quarterback Dennis Yoshida and halfback Francis Nakano. Defensive lefthalf Gerald Osumi was also singled out by the mentor, while Nakano, three-year Bee letterman, was the outstanding back of the season as the club's leading ground gainer. "B" competition is limited to boys between 135-150 lbs.

Sequoia Nursery's 3105 and Suhama's 746 series spark San Jose tourney

(San Jose) Sequoia Nursery of Redwood City, rolling 3105 in the men's division, and the Sacramento Bowl women's team, with a 2,675 score, captured team championships in the Nisei Invitational bowling tournament held over the Veteran's Day weekend at Bridgeman's Recreation Center and Valley Bowl.

Two San Jose keglers, Jack Suhama and Dan Uchiyama, placed first and second, respectively, in the men's singles at Bridgeman's. Suhama rolled a 746 series and Uchiyama fired a 668.

In men's doubles, Jim Yasutake and Ty Kajimoto of Long Beach compiled a 1,293 total to edge second place J. Okashima and Hank Nakagawa, San Jose, who had 1,285. San Joseans E. Inouye and Kaz Nakamura were third with 1,264.

John Okashima, 1,917, copped the all-events title.

Eiko Sato of Sacramento proved to be the outstanding entry in women's events at Valley as she not only paced her Sacramento Bowl team to victory, but also took the singles crown with a nifty 680 series and all-events honors with 1,756. In singles competition,

she had a 636 scratch series of games of 213, 242 and 181.

A local entry, E. Nakamura and H. Matsunaga, grabbed the women's doubles championship with 1,159.

The handicap event attracted a huge entry of 44 men's teams.

The Sequoia Nursery team was composed of Dixon Ikeda, Hi Inouye, Sada Ushijima, Gish Endow and Tats Nagase.

The Sacramento Bowl women's team was composed of Aya Takai, Margaret Fong, Eiko Sato, Katy Moy and Jean Nakatani.

30-lb. striped bass landed in Richmond-El Cerrito JACL derby

(Richmond) Willie Nieda of Ashland was amply rewarded for braving the wind and rain Sunday by landing a 30-pound fish to win the gold trophy in the first Richmond-El Cerrito JACL striped bass derby at Frank's Tract.

Inclement weather discouraged several fishermen who turned back at 10 a.m. but several others stayed on with good results.

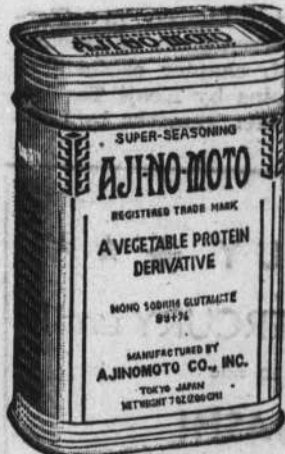
Second prize went to Rea Uyeda of Petaluma with a 29 lb. 2 oz. bass and Kuni Shibata of Mt. Eden took third with his 24-2 catch.

Other prize winners included: Sam Sakai, Richmond, 23 lb. 7 oz.; T. Koga, Petaluma, 14-1; Nishi Yamamoto, Berkeley, 9-6; Sam Miyano, Petaluma, 9-1.

Committee members expressed their regret that the derby was held in bad weather but promised a "bigger and better" derby for members of the local chapter and their friends in 1956.

On the committee were: Marvin Uratsu, John Yasuda, Bill Akagi, Heizo Oshima and Sam Sakai.

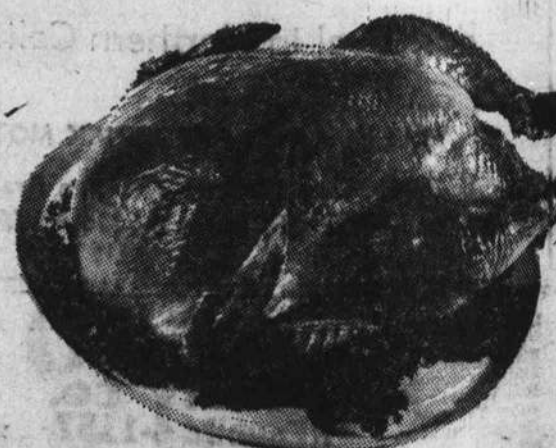
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Nisei Week report

Los Angeles
With all the manpower involved in working the annual Nisei Week Festival, you'd think there would be more moola in the coffer when everything is cleared up. However, the 1955 affair was an advancement in that it stayed in the blue by \$199.03. The accounting was issued by Paul Takeda of the Japanese Chamber of Commerce, executive secretary and financial guardian of the August extravaganza.

According to the figures, total income came to \$5,362.24, offset by an expense of \$5,163.21. The difference indicated profit this time, rather than \$500 to \$1,000 losses sustained the last four festivals.

When the first postwar celebration was held in 1949—an enterprise devoted to stimulating Li'l Tokio business—the profits were designed for use in building a community center. After several years of above-the-water budgeting the high operative costs overtook the festival's intent and no additional contributions were made into the center fund.

Of course we are always leary about miscellaneous expense account, which this time came to \$5.45, the smallest debit item in the column.

CONGRESSMAN McDONOUGH LAUDS ISSEI

More than 500 new citizens of Japanese descent were fittingly honored at a testimonial program, co-sponsored by the Southwest JACL and the Nisei Post 9938 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars last Friday.

The well-round program included an entertainment of high calibre: the koto numbers by Kimio Eto, the music by the Akatsuki Band and the dancing by Hanayagi Rokuka and her students.

Congressman Gordon L. McDonough, who is Republican representative from the 15th District, said the additional citizens to the rank means much to the nation as a whole.

On the Issei, McDonough said "they are thrifty, they seek education, they educate their children, they buy their homes, they conduct their businesses, and they develop and work with other community groups."

He indicated there were more than 1,000 former alien Japanese who have taken Americanization courses at Dorsey Adult Evening School and "most of them have successfully passed their examinations to citizenship."

Facilities of the Dorsey High school auditorium were used to hold the program through the courtesy of George Homrighausen, principal. He said in his 35 years with the public school system "the program of Americanization has given me the greatest pleasure of my career." George Inagaki, national JACL president, also extolled the achievements of naturalized citizens who even overcame language difficulties to reach their goal.

MY BOY, DANA MORI

In that horrid forenoon Monday rain, we greeted our second heir to the Mori Millions and sidekick to Bennett Mori. The son, delivered by Dr. Elisabeth Larsson at the White Memorial Hospital, has been named Dana. He weighed in at 7½.

This time, yours truly took the pre-birth and after-birth pains in stride. No more burnt toasts and black coffee.

We've been baptized properly under fire when the first was born nearly three years ago.

You oughta try the bang-up breakfast we made all by our lovely first morning Mary was absent from kitchen drudgery. Two crisp bacon, two sunny-side up eggs, two just-right cups of coffee with enough cream and sugar and two pieces of well-toasted bread.

But it'd be tragic if we had to do it every morning. Bennett can't stand our cooking. Pft, Pft, Pft.



In a brief key presentation ceremony last week signifying completion of the construction of the new Shonien home in Los Angeles were (left to right) Fred Green, contractor; Mike M. Suzuki, Shonien Home superintendent receiving the key; George Shinno, one of the many volunteer Nisei architects; and Kenneth Nishimoto, architect in charge of public relations. —Cut Courtesy: Rafu Shimpō

VITAL STATISTICS

Births

LOS ANGELES

ANDOW, Harry K. (Etsuko J. Katayama)—girl Stephanie L., Sept. 22, Gardena.
GOTO, Takayuki (Kazuo Miyamoto)—boy Kelly Mitsuo, Sept. 22, Montebello.
HAMANO, Kinzo (Hatsuko Kaneshiro)—boy Paul Kinzo, Sept. 22.
HOSHIDE, Sekip (Misao Nizato)—boy Sekimi Miles, Sept. 22.
INOUE, Masaru (Tsutaye Nakamura)—boy Lawrence G., Sept. 17.
KATO, Ben Toshiaki (Yoshiye Imamura)—girl Kristine Miyoko, Sept. 7, San Gabriel.
KAWAKAMI, Richard H. (Tamako Maefusato)—boy James Yutaka, Sept. 22, Sunland.
MASUNAGA, Mamoru M. (Fumiye Shinto)—girl Janet Sachiko, Sept. 1.
MATSUDA, John S. (Marian Y. Masuda)—girl Eileen Akemi, Sept. 6.
MATSUMURA, Isamu (Ryoko L. Yamaguchi)—girl Joyce Takako, Sept. 9.
MIYAKAWA, Mitsugi (Mitsuko Kodama)—girl Keiko, Sept. 5.
MORIKAWA, George M. (Neva M. Uyebara)—boy Stephen M., Sept. 9.
NAKADA, James (Virginia H. Yamaguchi)—boy Mark W., Sept. 12, Riverdale.
NAKAOKA, Kiyoto (Kimiko Irimajiri)—boy Grand Jun, Sept. 20.
OWAKI, Joe W. (Frances A. Nakamura)—girl Susan Toshiko, Sept. 7, Culver City.
SAKURAI, John K. (Teiko D. Nanaumi)—girl Jody L., Sept. 21.
SUMI, Takashi (Rose S. Kawano)—boy Paul A., Sept. 14.
TOYAMA, Sam I. (Beula M. Barrington)—girl Suzanne C., Sept. 26.
WONG, Albert F. (Miyo Uchiyama)—girl Laurie J., Sept. 22.
YAMAUCHI, Ito (Fujie Muroi)—girl Judith Reiko, Sept. 16, Gardena.
YOSHIDA, Fumio (Eula S. Seils)—girl Frances Yoshiko, Sept. 22.
YOSHIMURA, William K. (Sally H. Shirokawa)—boy Dan Akira, Sept. 27.
YUAN, Shao-hi (Hatsu Nemoto)—girl Bettine Mei-chung, Sept. 18.

HANFORD

NAGATANI, John—boy, Sept. 25.

VISALIA

HASEBE, Yoshio—girl, Oct. 17, Dinuba.

FRESNO

ASHIDA, Larry—boy, Oct. 10, Fowler.
HATA, Robert—girl, Oct. 18.
MUKAI, Makoto—boy, Sept. 30, Fowler.
OJI, Chester—girl, Oct. 23.
OKUBO, Minoru—girl, Oct. 13, Sanger.
SUDA, Hiromu—girl, Oct. 19.
TAKEUCHI, Shig—boy, Oct. 5.
TANAKA, Henry—boy, Sept. 7.
UDO, Kuishi K.—boy, Sept. 26, Parlier.

STOCKTON

KAIDA, Hideo—girl, Oct. 15, Lodi.

SAN JOSE

HANADA, George K.—girl Julie S., Nov. 5.
IMAHARA, James T.—boy, Oct. 24, Cupertino.
MUKAI, Masato—girl Joyce R., Nov. 3.

SAN FRANCISCO

HONMA, Arthur—girl Cynthia G., Oct. 21.
IWAHASHI, Donald K.—girl, Oct. 15, Daly City.
KOGA, Ted T.—girl, Oct. 15.
NONAKA, Masahide—boy, Nov. 5.

OAKLAND

HARADA, Kenji K.—girl, Oct. 1.
HORIUCHI, Minoru—girl, Oct. 6.
ITO, Takashi P.—boy, Sept. 25, Berkeley.
MIYAMOTO, Mark—boy, Oct. 25.
TSUBOI, George—girl, Nov. 2, Berkeley.
YAMATO, Yoshio—boy, Oct. 17.

RICHMOND

NOMURA, Shigeo—boy, Oct. 12, Albany.

SACRAMENTO

FUJII, Jim G.—girl, Oct. 17.
HAYASHIDA, Jinhichi—girl, Sept. 26, Florin.
KITAJIMA, Thomas—girl, Oct. 14.
KOZUMA, James K.—boy, Oct. 7.
MATSUDA, George—girl, Sept. 29, West Sacramento.

MITSUDA, Shigeo—boy, Oct. 21.
MURAKI, George—girl, Oct. 8.
TSUKAMOTO, James—boy, Oct. 10.
YAMAMOTO, Richard—girl, Oct. 13, Davis.
YOSHIMURA, Haruo—girl, Oct. 12.

WOODLAND

UNO, Tomoji—boy, Oct. 17.

VACAVILLE

HAYASHI, Juichi—boy, Oct. 18.

AUBURN

GOTO, S. J.—girl, Oct. 31.

KONDO, Asther—girl, Oct. 21, Loomis.

YUBA CITY

NAKATA, George—boy, Oct. 19.

OROVILLE

UCHIDA, Moses M.—boy, Oct. 17.

ONTARIO, ORE.

UMEMOTO, Giro—girl, Oct. 29.

SEATTLE

ABE, Arthur—girl Carolyn J., Oct. 2.
ISHIMITSU, Sadao—girl, Oct. 28.
KAWASAKI, Harry—boy, Nov. 2.
KATAYAMA, Francis—boy, Oct. 10.
KOBAYASHI, Kazuo—girl, Oct. 30.
MOCHIZUKI, Kiyoto—boy, Nov. 2, Sept. 7.
NISHIMORI, Taioku—girl, Oct. 26.
NISHIMURA, Bill—boy Patrick B., NAKAGAWA, George—girl, Oct. 3.
SUGAWARA, Ben—girl, Aug. 27.
YAMASHITA, Jack—boy, Nov. 3.

DENVER

HAGIHARA, Dr. Edwin—boy, Oct. 30.
KATO, James T.—boy.
KAWAKAMI, Bob—boy, Ft. Lupton.
OMURA, J. M.—boy.
OTA, J. U.—girl.
TANOUE, Paul—Nov. 4, Derby.
YOKOOJI, Seizo—girl, Ft. Lupton.

NEBRASKA

KANNO, Tucker—boy, Morrill.

Engagements

KUBO-NAGAO — Sadako to Joe, both Los Angeles, Nov. 13.
OMORI-NARUMI — Beverly to George, both Los Angeles.

Weddings

HIGA-MIYAMOTO — Nov. 12, Miyoshi and Elsie, both Los Angeles.
HIRAI-OTA — Nov. 13, George and Jean Sachiko, both Los Angeles.
KATO-ITO — Nov. 6, Akira, San Gabriel; Elsa, Los Angeles.
MIYAKE-HIRABAYASHI — Nov. 11, Tad and Nami, both Fresno.
OHASHI-MATSUJIMA — Nov. 12, Minoru, Madera; Teruko, Hanford.
TAMURA-SUMI — Nov. 11, Jitsuso and Miwako, both Los Angeles.
TANAKA-HORI — Nov. 11, George and Shizue, both Los Angeles.

Deaths

FUKUMOTO, Keiichi, 73: Los Angeles Nov. 14, survived by sons Joe T. Fred S., daughter Mrs. Haryann M. Miyamoto.
IGUCHI, Asano, 71: Palm City, Nov. 8, survived by wife Isuke, sons Mitsuru, Isaki, daughters Mary Mrs. Shigeko Takekuchi, Mrs. Setsuko Gussmann, and 12 grandchildren.
IJIMA, Kamekichi, 75: Los Angeles, Nov. 13, survived by brother Kikujiro.
INATOMI, Chuhei, 74: Los Angeles, Nov. 9, survived by wife Sakiye, sons Kiyu, George, daughters Mrs. Hatsumi Richard and Mrs. Yoneko Kariya.
ISHIMARU, Setsuko, 79: Los Angeles, Nov. 16, survived by daughter Mrs. Sachiko Matsuo and daughter-in-law Mrs. Seiko Ishimaru.
KAWAGUCHI, Ginjuro, 60: Chicago, Oct. 31 (funeral), survived by wife Nao, daughters Hisae and Mrs. Yoshie Nishita.
MEIFU, Zentaro, 82: Los Angeles, Nov. 7, survived by sons Kichijiro, Takeo, Katsumi daughters Mrs. Tomiko Okamoto and Mrs. Kaneko Nakamoto.
MORINAGA, Jitsusuke, 67: Long Beach, Nov. 14, survived by wife Kotomi, sons Yoshinori, Sumio, daughters Michiko, Mrs. Kiyoko Kubota.
SHIRASAWA, Helen Y., 41: Venice, Nov. 7, survived by husband Mitsunori, daughters Darlene K., Mitsie M. and Grace Etsuko Yamanaka.
YOSHIMURA, Chester S., 1: Venice, Nov. 10, survived by parents Mr. and Mrs. Isamu.

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Yule campaign fund soars past \$1,200

(Los Angeles) The eighth annual Christmas Cheer campaign had its biggest boost of the season last week with East Los Angeles JACL's contribution from the box lunch auction. The \$131 contribution topped donors for the week.

A checkroom concession at the recent PSWDC Big "D" dance sponsored by the Southwest Los Angeles JACL added \$26.50 to the Cheer fund. Managing the checkroom were Sadako and Hiroko Kawanami, Hana Uno, Tae Murakami, Ruby Koyama, Blanche Shiosaki, Nancy Takamatsu and Besie Yanamoto.

Christmas Cheer committee reminded the Dec. 15 deadline is nearing. Contributions of candy, staples, Japanese books & magazines and money are being accepted at the local JACL Office. Other donors last week were:

\$25—Long Beach - Harbor Dist. JACL, Chere Ami, Rafu Nikkei Fujinkai.
\$20—Vandas, Fukushima Kenjinkai.
\$10—Frank Kuwahara, L.A. Japanese Baptist Church, Dr. Bo T. Sakaguchi (San Fernando), Zenshiji Betsuin, Mrs. T. Shimayama, Masami Sasaki, Katano Saimoto, Flower View Gardens.
\$8—Anonymous.
\$5—S. Uyemura, Joe M. Yoshida, N. Nakatani, Frank Matsumoto, Kimio Sekino, M. Naruse, Kelji Yamauchi.
\$3—Mary Wittwer, Harry Fujita, T. Isono.
\$2—S. Y. Enli.

1955 TOTAL TO DATE...\$1,252.87
REPORTED LAST WEEK 406.50

Canned Goods — Senshin Fujinkai \$145, Pasadena Shufflers \$5.
Candy — Gene Parker-Miss Adair Dance Studios \$25.
Clothing—Senshin Fujinkai \$5.
Books—Senshin Fujinkai \$5.

Masaoka—

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of allowing a single administrative agency to make determinations for the entire world on the same basis would be obviated.

Editor's Note: The third paragraph under the sub-heading "Over Million Admitted" in last week's Washington Newsletter should read:

The total quota numbers available from 1925 to 1947, covering both quota allotment methods, was 3,591,731 with 1,392,135 quota immigrants actually admitted. This represented a 38.8 per cent usage of the quotas.

During this same period, 1,325,871 nonquota immigrants were also admitted, thereby making a grand total of 2,718,006 quota and nonquota immigrants admitted, which is equal to 75.7 per cent of the number who could have been admitted as quota immigrants alone.

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Nisei vote in '56

Denver

The Nisei are politically independent. The Japanese American vote—numerically unimportant nationally, but often significant at the precinct and district level—is not for delivery by any political boss. Although the change has been levied in Hawaii, where voters of Japanese ancestry make up almost a third of the bal-

loting population, there has been no evidence of racial bloc voting. Nisei behavior at the polls, on the mainland and in Hawaii, is influenced mostly by economic, rather than racial, factors.

Actually, there is no logic in condemning a racial group for voting for their own special interests, while recognizing an economic bloc—farmers, industrial workers or businessmen—as a basic political unit. But the stigma has been attached to the political racial group, particularly in Hawaii where some politicians have feared unduly that the territory's non-Caucasian population could assume control by bloc voting. And for the past two decades the Republicans and Democrats have pretty well divided the Nisei vote in Hawaii.



NO CHARGE OF RACIAL-BLOC VOTES

In the November elections last year, however, the Democrats won control of Iolani Palace, the territorial legislature, for the first time in Hawaii's 54-year history. Although 17 Nisei were elected, three to the Senate and 14 to the House, there was no charge of racial blocs. The Democratic sweep far overshadowed ancestral lines. Of the 17, eleven were elected for the first time and all were Democrats. Nearly all were veterans of Hawaii's famous 100th Infantry Battalion and of the 442nd Combat Team. The 1954 election marked the emergence of these young veterans as a vigorous political force in the territory.

A significant development in that 1954 election was that four of the newly-elected members of the House—Dan Inouye, Masato Doi, Spark Matsunaga and Russell Kono, all war veterans, won their races in the Oahu 4th, which has been described as a traditional Republican stronghold and in which no Democrat had been elected in eight years. The great majority of voters in the Oahu 4th are *Haoles* (whites).

Hawaii, of course, has no direct say in the 1956 presidential election, as such. Its influence, along with that of Alaska and other U.S. possessions, ends with the party conventions. There will be Nisei members on both party delegations this coming summer, as there have been since 1932 when the late Andy Yamashiro went to Chicago as a Democratic delegate and cast his vote for FDR.



CAMPAIGN OPENS

The presidential campaign officially was opened this month with Adlai Stevenson's announcement of candidacy. Estes Kefauver and others probably will enter the lists before long, but Stevenson already is off and running and may soon be assured of a first ballot victory at Chicago.

Stevenson is certain to have a considerable percentage of support among Nisei Democrats, most of whom went down with him in 1952. There also will be some backing for Kefauver who has a forthright record in civil rights legislation.

The Republicans, meanwhile, are marking time while President Eisenhower makes up his mind. It is not to be expected that Ike will announce a decision before February and, in the meantime, the GOP hopefuls will be trying to build up support quietly in the background.

Of interest to Nisei, particularly, is the fact that four names mentioned prominently in the Republican presidential stakes, if Ike doesn't run, are Californians. Vice-President Nixon took time off to welcome a recent JACL convention to Washington and created a good impression for his cognizance of Nisei problems. He also showed high political opportunism, as far as its effect on California minorities are concerned, by stepping into the Orange County row in which Maj. Sammy Lee was denied the right to buy a home of his choice because of his racial ancestry. Nixon asked a leading GOP official to help Maj. Lee find a house.

Chief Justice Warren, whom the polls have established as the most popular Republican next to Ike, has announced he will not run, but a draft-Warren is waiting in the wings. Senate Majority Leader Knowland is making noises like a candidate, while Governor Goodwin Knight has announced he will lead a "favorite son" delegation to the Cow Palace come August. Both Knowland and Knight have won the gratitude of Nisei Republicans for their support of remedial legislation sponsored by the JACL.



NISEI POLITICAL PARTISANSHIP

Nisei political partisanship probably will be sharpened in 1956. In the years since war and relocation, mainland Japanese Americans have been concerned with the legislative program of the JACL and its former Anti-Discrimination Committee in obtaining redress for evacuation losses and the repeal of discriminatory laws. This remedial program has been bipartisan in nature and its success has been due to Mike Masaoka's ability to glean support from both sides of the aisle in Congress. In this atmosphere organized party partisanship was difficult.

Now that most of the special problems affecting Japanese Americans as a specific group has been resolved, it will be politics as usual. Nisei Democratic and Republican clubs already have been organized in Los Angeles and others probably will be formed in other centers of Japanese American population. Political activity on a racial basis may be deplored in some quarters, but both the Democratic and Republican national committees have minorities sections which specialize in just that phase of activity.

But regardless of what the political hucksters do, the average Nisei probably will continue to vote his conscience, his concern for the state of the world, and his pocketbook.

Unified quota system suggested for handling U.S. immigration problem as alternative to nat'l origins formula now in use

Washington

Last week, we discussed the historical and legislative background of the controversial national origins principle which controls quota immigration to the United States. This week, let us consider the major alternatives suggested for this concept.

To begin with, it is admitted that the national origins system of computing immigration flow to this country is racially discriminatory, favoring those from northern and western Europe and restricting those from southern and eastern Europe. Even its advocates concede its discriminatory formula, but explain that only by such a devious formula can the racial, ethnic, and cultural composition of this nation be maintained.

While there have been many who have criticized the national origins principle, few have come forward with any reasonable alternatives. None, as far as we know, has gained substantial support among the members of the Congress or the public at large.



Unified Quota System

Probably the best known of the alternatives is the so-called unified quota system suggested by the President's Commission on Immigration and Naturalization, following public hearings throughout the nation in the fall of 1952, after the enactment over the President's veto of the Immigration and Nationality (Walter-McCarran) Act.

This is generally what is proposed in bills introduced by Senator Lehman and Congressman Celler, both Democrats from New York, in the Senate and House, respectively, and which represent the only alternative actually proposed in the Congress to replace the national origins principle of 1924.

Instead of the 85 national quotas required under the Walter-McCarran Act, there would be substituted a unified, or single quota of one-sixth of 1 per cent of the total population of the United States. This is the same percentage of the national population used by the present quota system; accordingly the total number of immigrants to be admitted annually will apparently remain the same, about 154,000.

Within the annual five categories, in the order determined by a politically appointed administrative agency:

- (1) The right of asylum, available for refugees, escapees, expelled, and other persons suffering from political, religious, and economic persecution.
- (2) Reunion of families.
- (3) Special needs of the United States.
- (4) Special needs of the Free World, and
- (5) General immigration.



Proposal Criticized

Though on paper the unified proposal seems to be eminently fair to all peoples concerned, some detractors have demonstrated that in all probability it would result merely in shifting the discriminatory features of the present national origins system to another area, thereby actually resulting in



DECADE AGO

Nov. 24, 1945

Navy's action to rescind enlistment ban against Nisei hailed by JACL.

Wounded 442nd veteran (George Yoshioka of San Jose) slain in Stockton; found badly beaten and unconscious on street.

PC banned by censors at Crystal City (Tex.) internment camp. Pressure by pro-Japan groups on Tule Lake renunciants affirmed by WRA head.

Charge Assemblyman Gannon used false information to stir prejudice against Japanese Americans.

Nevada jury convicts man who shot Japanese Americans.

a kind of national origins favoring those presently restricted.

Critics of the unified concept point out that an administrative agency subject to the political pressures of the day would tend to allocate the numbers within the various categories to the countries of southern and eastern Europe, because the protests against the present formula come largely from nationality groups representing these areas.

Moreover, these same critics point out that the very classifications are such, and the priorities too, that they would apply more to the peoples of southern and eastern Europe than to any other section of the world.



Asian Aspects

From the viewpoint of persons of Japanese ancestry, the proposed unified system is unsatisfactory.



In the first place, there are so few persons of Japanese ancestry, and Asians too, in this country that politically they have little weight with administrative bodies. In such politically important matters as immigration, with other nationality groups pivotal in congressional and national elections, the Japanese and other Asians might well be left out altogether. The present annual quota of 185 is small enough, without inviting total exclusion again but on another basis than race.

If a unified quota system is to be adopted, for the protection of those countries with little representation in the national population, some minimum quota allocations should be established by law which the administrative agency can not reduce but could increase.

As for the allocation or preference priority for refugees, escapees, expelled, and other persons suffering from political, religious, and economic persecution, it should be pointed out that few, if any, Japanese at all would qualify because of the nature of their society and present status in the world community of nations.

As for the so-called reunion of families, in all probability the backlog of present applications would have to be taken into consideration. Many of the southern and eastern European nations, so-called, have backlogs dating to the end of World War I days, while the Japanese and most Asians were unable to apply until after the enactment of the Walter-McCarran Act in June, 1952.

Thus, unless some special provision is made to accommodate Orientals, the vastness of the backlog of applicants for family reunions from certain European nations would, for all practical purposes, foreclose the availability of this preference to the Japanese and other Asians for many years to come.

As for those whose skills and training are urgently needed in this country, if the same general standards that are used for the present first preference category are established, experience demonstrates that few Japanese and Orientals can qualify. As a matter of fact, about the only Japanese who readily qualify under existing regulations are chick sexers.

As for those who will be allowed to emigrate because of the special needs of the free world, the President's Commission envisioned this to apply to such areas as Western Germany, Greece, Italy, the Netherlands, and perhaps Japan where emigration might serve as a safety-valve for population pressures and tensions. In actual operation, however, and administrative agency responsive to political influences might overlook the Japanese and confine the benefits of this preference priority to nationality groups more potent politically in this country than the Japanese, unless a minimum number

is established by law for Japan and other Asian countries whose population pressures in many ways are far greater than those in Europe.

As under existing statutes, general immigration is listed last on the preference priority designation. Here again, our basic objection is that an administrative agency is likely to overlook the Japanese and other Asian peoples so that even under the unified system the Far East will be the subject of discrimination in the allocation of quota numbers.



Other Alternatives

Another alternative suggested to the national origins concept is that of dividing the world into regions and giving each of the regions a certain allocation of the available quota numbers. This is a modification of the present system but has received little support thus far.

Still another is the "first come, first served" idea but this too has not gained significant support because of the difficulty of determining its administration fairly and equitably.

Probably the most imaginative, and perhaps the fairest all around in principle, is the proposal advanced by Read Lewis. He would provide a mathematical formula for determining the number of quota numbers to be made available to every country. First, he would accept the present national origins system as one determination factor. Second, he would consider the population density of every country. And, finally, he would consider the demand of each country in terms of its population for immigration into the United States.



Our Proposal

Our own, off-hand, top-of-the-head idea, which we have not had the opportunity to really examine would be such a simple formula that it could hardly be considered.

Divide the total number of quota immigrants to be authorized annually for admission into the United States equally between Europe-Africa and Asia.

Since there are many millions more in Asia than in Europe-Africa, a division of the total numbers to be made available would be recognition of the fact that this nation's antecedents are predominantly European.

The numbers to be allocated to each nation or to each preference category could be determined by an administrative agency. Since the problems of Europe-Africa and Asia are so uniquely different, and since the political pressures for preferential treatment and consideration by the administrative agency would be limited to separate spheres, the dangers

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- Nov. 26 (Saturday)
Downtown L.A.—Naturalized Issei Recognition, Patriotic Hall, 1816 S. Figueroa St., 7:30 p.m. (Perry Post co-sponsor).
- Sacramento—Annual Talent Show.
- Detroit—Election pot-luck supper, International Institute.
- Nov. 30 (Wednesday)
Southwest L.A.—Meeting, Centenary Methodist Church, 8 p.m.
- Dec. 2 (Friday)
Idaho Falls—Installation dinner, Jack's Chicken Inn.
- Dec. 3 (Saturday)
Sonoma County—Election meeting, Memorial Hall.
- Dec. 4 (Sunday)
CCDC—District convention, Hacienda Motel, Fresno.
- Dec. 6 (Tuesday)
East Los Angeles—Election meeting, International Institute.
- Dec. 10 (Saturday)
Southwest L.A.—Lunch-box Social.
- Washington, D.C.—Installation dinner, dance, The Occidental (semi-formal).
- Marysville—Pre-Christmas party.
- Dec. 11 (Sunday)
Sacramento—Nisei War Memorial Hall dedication, (tentative).
- Dec. 13 (Tuesday)
Seattle—Election meeting, 1414 Weller St.
- Dec. 16 (Friday)
Idaho Falls—Christmas Party, JACL Hall.
- Dec. 17 (Saturday)
Twin Cities—Christmas party, JACC.
- Dec. 24 (Saturday)
Saguona—Tri-Villes "Winter Fantasy" dance, American Legion Hall, Redwood City.