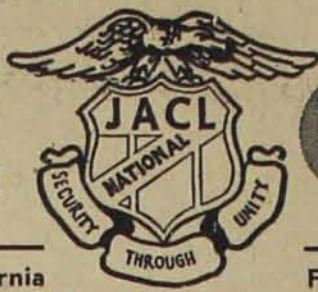


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EDITORIALS:

Eisenhower to run for second term

News of President Eisenhower's announcement that he is ready to serve a second term made welcome news. It was interpreted generally that Ike has recovered from his heart attack of last September.

Solid Japanese American interest in the 1956 elections is being evinced by Nisei joining local Republican and Democratic clubs. Many of their parents, recently naturalized, will be able to vote in a presidential election for the first time next Nov. 6.

While a bold gambler would not bet very much on chances of a Democratic winner at this time, it would be a mistake for the public to consider the election a closed matter. It is the American way of life to see the great debate which comes to life every four years.

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Chapters can push voters registration

JACL chapters in the past have assisted both the alien Issei and the Dept. of Justice during the month of January in filling out alien address reports.

The same spirit of cooperation can now beckon in greater service by urging Nisei and recently naturalized Issei to register as voters. Persons who will be 21 by election day are also eligible. Voters who have moved or who have changed their names since their last registration should also re-register.

Several JACL chapters, it might be added, have members who have been deputized as registrar of voters. These deputies will be most happy to make arrangements in registering voters.

The local county registrar of voters also can arrange to have a deputy present.

Of special interest to Californians will be the proposition on the Nov. 6 ballot to repeal the alien land law. Voters can help rid a statute already declared unconstitutional and non-operative.

DARKHORSE SQUAD FROM IDAHO WINS JACL KEG CROWN

SALT LAKE CITY. — Gayway Bowl of Payette, Idaho, won the biggest prize—the team championships—in the 10th annual National JACL bowling tournament concluded here this past weekend at Pal-D-Mar Lanes.

With only an 886 average and ranked some 30 teams from the top, it outscrambled 64 teams for the singular honor. Gayway Bowl scored 2843 pins to win by a 12-pin margin over Southeast Bowler Service of Long Beach, which finished second with 2831.

(Complete summaries are found on page 6 in this week's issue.)

In third place was Sequoia Nursery of Redwood City with 2821. This team was out to win a

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San Francisco signs over 1000 JACLers to top '56 goal

SAN FRANCISCO.—For the first time in its 25-year history the San Francisco JACL has signed up over 1,000 members.

The local chapter went over their goal in a four-week campaign with a total of 1,033 signed up to date, according to Thelma Takeda, chapter vice-president who directed this membership drive.

(National JACL Headquarters, in its Mar. 1 membership report, indicates the chapter to have only 697 members to lead the other 87 chapters throughout the nation. Sonoma County is runner-up with 232 members.)

Of this total actual collections has been made from 697, Miss Takeda said. This is only 14 shy of the total 1955 membership for the chapter — 711. The rest are pledges, mostly as a result of vigorous telephone campaign by members of the drive committee.

Miyuki Aoyama's team topped the other seven in the informal contests among the volunteer workers with a total of 163 persons signed up.

Jack Kusaba's group also bettered 100 per cent with 127. Each

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JACL SPONSORSHIP OF NATIONAL BOWLING TOURNAMENT APPROVED

SAN FRANCISCO.—National JACL sponsorship will continue for the national Nisei bowling tournament, it was decided at the 10th annual National JACL Bowling Tournament team captains meeting in Salt Lake City last Friday.

There had been some discussion of organizing a separate Nisei bowling group for the Nisei only, but the captains voted to maintain JACL affiliation. However, regulations regarding entry will be tightened for future meets.

The National JACL bowling tournament was originated in Salt Lake City in 1947 at a time when Nisei could not compete in ABC tournaments. With JACL spearheading a national drive to eliminate the "white male only" clause in the American Bowling Congress constitution, the JACL classic was continued to improve Nisei bowling in general.

The Eastbay Nisei Bowling Association and Eastbay area JACL chapters will sponsor the 1957 tournament.

NISEI COUNCILMAN OF GUADALUPE DECLINES TO RUN FOR SECOND TERM

GUADALUPE.—Registered voters here will have a blank ballot in the Apr. 10 municipal elections as no candidates were placed before filing deadline. Councilman Harry Miyake, veteran Santa Maria Valley JACLer whose term expires this year, was among three who declined to seek reelection.

Citizens will be asked to write in their choices for the three Council seats.

Attorneys indicate that if no write-in votes are cast the three incumbents would automatically be re-elected. They could, however, resign from the Council following the election and place the responsibility for their replacement with the remaining two Councilmen.

Chamber official

SAN FRANCISCO.—Nobuo Matsumura, Japan Air Lines office manager here, was elected president of the No. Calif. Japanese Chamber of Commerce. Two Nisei, Way Kuwada and Mas Yonemura, are first and second vice-president, respectively.

LANE-HILLINGS EVACUATION CLAIMS BILL UNANIMOUSLY PASSED BY HOUSE

WASHINGTON.—The Lane-Hillings amendment to expedite the final determination of remaining evacuation claims was unanimously passed by the House last Monday, the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League reported.

The bill now goes to the Senate Judiciary committee where it is hoped that early consideration will be given the bill.

Since the Senate Judiciary committee does not have a standing subcommittee on claims, a special subcommittee will have to be appointed.

The newly elected chairman of the Senate Judiciary committee James O. Eastland (D., Miss) who succeeded the late Senator Harley M. Kilgore (D., W. Va.) will appoint the subcommittee.

At the time the original Evacuation Claims Act of 1948 was being considered by the Senate, the chairman of the Senate Judiciary subcommittee on Evacuation Claims was the present ambassador to India, John Sherman Cooper, who was then the Republican senator from Kentucky, and the ranking Democratic member of the subcommittee was Senator Warren G. Magnuson of Washington, presently chairman of the Senate Interstate and Foreign Commerce committee.

Said Mike Masaoka, Washington JACL representative:

"While we are very gratified at this early House action, the real battle will be in the Senate. No subcommittee on Claims of the Senate Judiciary committee has ever conducted hearings on the West Coast on this legislation whereas two House Judiciary subcommittees have done so in the past two years. Therefore, a major task will be to explain the necessity for these amendments.

"We are hopeful, however, because of the noncontroversial nature and merit of this legislation that we will have Senate action before adjournment this summer.

"At the present time we are studying the possibility of whether an effort will be made in the Senate to restore those provisions of the legislation which the House Judiciary committee eliminated."

Under the amended Lane-Hillings bill the evacuation claims program is opened to three categories of claimants who had been previously

barred by the Department of Justice on the basis of interpretation of the original 1948 Evacuation Claims Act. These include claims timely filed by a profit or non-profit organization, corporate or otherwise, consisting primarily of persons of Japanese ancestry, regardless of a previous award or disallowance made; eligible West Coast internees of Japanese ancestry who have timely filed claims regardless of a previous award or dismissal; and all claims timely mailed but not timely received by the Department of Justice.

The amended bill provides that the Attorney General is authorized to compromise and settle and made an award on any claim timely filed on the basis of affidavits, available government records, and other information satisfactory to him regardless of amount and without any penalty or automatic deduction for the simplified procedure.

Claimants dissatisfied with the compromise offer made by the Attorney General have recourse to the Court of Claims as an alternative.

Eliminated under the amended Lane-Hillings bill are the provisions which would have specifically made compensable conservation or

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Asia Reds keep up discrimination tales

SAN FRANCISCO.—"The stoning of homes of Nisei GIs in 1945 is still repeated by Communists in Asia as examples of discrimination against Orientals," declared Maj. Gen. William F. Dean, retired hero of the Korean war, at the 11th annual dinner of the San Francisco Council of Civic Unity last week.

Communists in Asia endlessly preach about discrimination in America and groups such as the CCU is important for its role in combatting it, the general emphasized.

Dr. Harold Fisher, chairman-emeritus of the Hoover Library at Stanford and now professor at San Francisco State College, cited the importance of the Council's role: "Racism is not merely a domestic issue; it involves our national security."

JACL ASKS FBI HUNT 'LINCOLN YAMAMOTO'

WASHINGTON. — The FBI and postal inspectors have been requested to undertake a search and uncover the alleged "Lincoln Yamamoto," who wrote a letter to Newsweek discrediting the loyalty of Americans of Japanese ancestry, the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League reported this week.

Said Mike Masaoka, Washington JACL representative:

"Although Newsweek in its March 5 issue published several letters affirming the undivided loyalty of Nisei to the United States, the problem still remains as to who is the alleged 'Lincoln Yamamoto.' Furthermore the JACL firmly believes that it must try to make it impossible for reputable publications to repeat this kind of smear.

"JACL serves notice that this type of insidious attack will not go unchallenged and everything within the power of the law will be used to ferret out any writer or speaker who would try to libel the

Nisei."

In the letter addressed to J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the FBI, Masaoka noted that the alleged Lincoln Yamamoto impugned the demonstrable loyalty of Nisei who owe their allegiance to but one land, the land of their birth the United States and represents an attempt to foment racial discord and distrust.

"This," he wrote, "is a flagrant injustice to the record of the Nisei in America and a violation of our civil rights."

In view of the national and international implications of the vicious attack, Masaoka asked that the FBI ascertain the following:

1. Who is the "Lincoln Yamamoto" who wrote the letter?
2. Since there was no return address, where does he live?
3. What was the motive for his malicious letter?
4. By what right did he speak for "we Niseis"?

A second letter was addressed to Postmaster General Arthur E.

Summerfield since the writer of the Yamamoto letter falls within the category of using the United States mail in a fraudulent scheme to libel a racial minority.

Said Masaoka in his letter: "We trust the culprit cloaking himself under the honored name of 'Lincoln' with a surname of 'Yamamoto' will be located so that his true colors can speak for himself. We would deem it mandatory that in using the United States postal service for a smear campaign it be nipped in the bud so that other racial groups can be protected from a recurrence of this kind of insidious hatemongering. Not only is the welfare of the Nisei at stake but the self-interest of the nation."

Friendly congressional leaders who stated that the legislative program of the JACL could be wrecked by this unjustified attack brought to the attention of the Washington JACL office the letter of the alleged Lincoln Yamamoto prior to the appearance of the February 20 issue of Newsweek on

the newsstands.

That it might fall within the purview of the FBI and postal inspection authorities was advanced by them and that no stone should be left unturned to uncover the writer of this malicious letter.

"The irreparable damage which has been done by irresponsible journalism in publishing this letter makes clear the necessity for exposing the writer and subjecting him to whatever penalties are provided by law," said Masaoka.

(Li'l Tokio sources were being checked by local FBI agents on Lincoln Yamamoto. The New Japanese American News disclosed Tuesday the receipt of a letter from one James Morihata of Los Angeles, who wrote in the same vein "white-washing" the deeds of Iva Toguri D'Aquino. A check of all directories failed to locate Morihata, whose letter was like Yamamoto's without a street address. The Morihata letter was also turned over to the FBI, the newspaper added.)

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FROM THE FRYING PAN: by Bill Hosokawa



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Denver
 The United States attorney general's office has listed 288 organizations as subversive. This list is being circulated by Better Business Bureaus whose primary interests is in informing members that contributions to these listed organizations are not deductible for income tax purposes.

Just as a matter of curiosity we went through the list and found these groups with Japanese names and parenthetical notes:

Black Dragon Society; Central Japanese Association (Beikoku Chuio Nipponjin Kai); Central Japanese Association of Southern California; Dai Nippon Butoku Kai (Military Virtue Society of Japan or Military Art Society of Japan); Heimusha Kai, also known as Hokubei Heieki Gimusha Kai, Zaibei Nihonjin, Heiyaku Gimusha Kai, and Zaibei Heimusha Kai (Japanese Residing in America Military Conscripts Association); Hinode Kai (Imperial Japanese Reservists); Hinomaru Kai (Rising Sun Flag Society, a group of Japanese War Veterans); Hokubei Zaigo Shoke Dan (North American Reserve Officers Association); Japanese Association of America; Japanese Overseas Central Society (Kaigai Dobo Chuo Kai); Japanese Overseas Convention, Tokyo, Japan 1940; Japanese Protective Association (Recruiting Organization); Jikyoku Iinkai (The Committee for the Crisis); Kibe Seinen Kai (Association of U.S. Citizens of Japanese Ancestry who have returned to America after studying in Japan); Nanka Teikoku Gunyudan (Imperial Military Friends Group or Southern California War Veterans); Nichibeiki Kogyo Kaisha (The Great Fuji Theater); Northwest Japanese Association; Sakura Kai (Patriotic Society, or Cherry Association, composed of veterans of Russo-Japanese war); Shinto Temples (limited to state Shinto abolished in 1945); Sokoku Kai (Fatherland Society); Suiko Sha (Reserve Officers Association, Los Angeles).

Before Lincoln Yamamoto gets excited about this mass of subversion and writes a letter to *Newsweek*, it might be well to point out that the average Japanese American never heard of most of these outfits, and probably couldn't identify more than a couple or three. Many of these organizations existed in little more than name, and a number died a sudden and permanent death through lack of interest as soon as War II got under way.

Of course I can't speak for all these organizations, but I have a good hunch that many of them existed primarily for the convenience of henpecked husbands who needed an excuse to get out of the house occasionally. This goes for those whose names indicate commercial as well as "patriotic" interests.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP UNINTERESTED

In other words it's altogether likely that some of these groups were the Issei's substitute for the Elks or Odd Fellows, which wouldn't have him, and if anybody was plotting in the back room with imported spy types, the general membership wasn't much interested. After all, and speaking frankly, the average Issei was a pretty simple fellow who would have been frightened senseless by any suggestion of espionage or international intrigue. He may have talked tough (more in sentiment than logic) in defense of Japan's invasion of China in 1937, but if it came to putting up or shutting up he was usually happy to go back to running his barber shop or truck garden.

Incidentally, the subversives seem to have a knack for selecting noble and high-sounding names for their organizations. Only a few on the list are obviously Communist, to wit Communist Party, U.S.A., and Young Communist League. But who would think to suspect outfits with names like American Peace Crusade, Everybody's Committee to Outlaw War, National Committee for Freedom of the Press, and League for Common Sense? We're told, however, that they're subversive, and you'd better not try to take an income tax deduction if you were foolish enough to contribute to their nefarious programs.

VERY TRULY YOURS: by Harry K. Honda



Chapter presidents

After President Eisenhower appeared on radio-TV to explain his wishes for a second term in office, the opposition charged we would have a "half a President" or a "part-time President" . . . Be that as it may, if the people return Ike to office come November, several precedents will have been set. His successors will be blessed forever by being spared of harassments that besiege that office without sacrificing any of the powers aspirants seek . . . Former President Hoover told Congress that an administrative vice-president might be authorized to handle the paper work that have nothing to do with top-ranking policies a president is required to act upon. The president need not sign the thousands of orders, letters and commissions . . . And with the best men available to make up his cabinet, the president need not make the many decisions that are posed to him. A president confident of his assistants sits better in running a government than one with inferior cabinet men.

All of this may have a parallel in the organizations of lesser rank in the future . . . Since many traditions and prac-

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Officers and area representatives of the 1956 Arkansas Valley JACL chapter were honored at a recent buffet dinner at the Rocky Ford Christian Church. Mas Satow, national JACL director, was guest speaker. The officers are: top (left to right) — John Shiba, Las Animas; Sam Maruyama, Crowley, treas.; Roy Shiba, Swink; Elmer Sakai, Las Animas; Ted Maruyama, Las Animas, adv.; Fred

Morimoto, Granada; Gene Hirakata, La Junta; front—Harry Shironaka, Ordway, adv.; Mas Satow; Haru Saiki, Rocky Ford, v.p.; Mrs. Matsuyo Sumida, La Junta, sec.; George Ushiyama, Rocky Ford, pres.; Mike Fujimoto, La Junta; and Jimmy Hiraki, La Junta, v.p.

—Courtesy: Rocky Ford Daily Gazette



New officers of the Salinas Valley JACL are (left to right) Tom Miyonaga, off. del.; Roy Ishikawa, treas.; Harry Shirachi, rec. sec.; Y. K. Yamashita, 2nd v.p.; Sumi Iwashige, cor. sec.; John Terakawa, pub.; Harvey Kitamura, 1st v.p.; James Tanda, pres.; and Lloyd Urabe, alt. del. They were installed by Mayor Alva Andrus at a dinner-dance Jan. 28 at the Santa Lucia Inn. Nelson Sewell, assistant school superintendent, was keynote speaker.

impressing those present with the important parts Benjamin Franklin, Abraham Lincoln and President Eisenhower had in the history of the United States. Lloyd Urabe, m.c., introduced as guests of honor: Sheriff and Mrs. Jack McCoy, Mayor and Mrs. Andrus; Ass't School Supt. and Mrs. Sewell. Newly naturalized citizens were presented with scrolls bearing the Pledge of Allegiance.

—Salinas Californian Photo.

Bob Sakata honored Colorado's young farmer of year

DENVER.—Bob Sakata, first vice president of the Mile-Hi JACL, was honored by the Denver Post last Saturday as a new face in its Gallery of Fame.

Sakata was named the outstanding young Colorado farmer by the state Jr. Chamber of Commerce. The 20-year-old Nisei operates a flourishing feed crop farm near Brighton after doctors said he would never walk again. He was critically injured in a car wreck in 1950, recovered and then almost lost his life in a gasoline barrel explosion in 1952.

He was picked from among 17 finalists nominated by state JC chapters meeting Feb. 27 at Ft. Collins. Sakata, younger brother of the late Harry Sakata, past president of the Mile-Hi chapter, was relocated from Southern Alameda County (Calif.) to Topaz WRA Center before resettling in Colorado.

He manages to work on 630 acres of crop land for the Davis Angus Farms as though he had no handicap. He has a brace for his right leg, injured in the 1950 automobile accident. Twenty-nine skin grafts and a number of transfusions have restored his face,

So. Alameda County community picnic set

CENTERVILLE. — The Southern Alameda County JACL will hold its annual community picnic on Sunday, March 18, at San Gregorio Beach.

Fishing derby and interesting games are being planned, according to committee chairman Yutaka Handa.

Those planning to attend are asked to meet at Sekigahama ranch in Centerville. Caravan will leave from there at 10 a.m.

Members assisting Handa are Chuck Shikano, Sam Yamanaka, Sat Sekigahama, Yosh Hisaoka, Janie Yamauchi and Dorothy Kato.

which was severely burned by the 1952 explosion.

Sakata, active in many Brighton civic organizations, will receive a trip to Pittsburgh to compete in the national Jr. Chamber of Commerce contest April 11-12, when the nation's four outstanding young farmers will be chosen.

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TV productions

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Television's awesome impact upon the American public—its potential for good or evil—can be dramatized in terms of its tremendous audiences. Top-rated programs, such as *I Love Lucy* or *The \$64,000 Question*, are viewed each week by some 50 millions in 15 million homes, or about one in every three U.S. residents. None of the other media of entertainment—motion pictures, books, periodicals and legitimate theater—can match TV coverage.

Many child psychologists are of the opinion that video crime and mystery dramas, of which there are many, can have a deleterious effect on the juvenile mind. Conversely, TV can, even within the frame of entertainment, get across affirmative ideas on interracial or intercultural relationships. During the past month three of television's most popular dramatic shows—*Dupont Cavalcade Theater* (ABC), *The Loretta Young Show* (NBC) and *Lassie* (CBS)—did just that in stories concerning persons of Japanese ancestry. Each of these shows was seen by about 25 million persons.

Call Home the Heart on *Cavalcade Theater* was the heart-warming story of an Issei couple's devotion to their adopted community. It is the true story of Kotaro Suto and his wife, Masa, and of their contribution to the beauty of Miami Beach, a city born of a sub-tropical jungle and of land dredged from the sea.

Admirably portrayed by Teru Shimada, who brought the strength of conviction and the warmth of humanity to the role, Kotaru Suto was shown as a young immigrant from Japan who finds work in 1916 as a gardener on the estate of Carl Graham Fisher, a man with a dream of a beautiful city by the sea. Suto transforms the Fisher estate into a landscape of beauty and, in his spare time, goes about planting flowers and shrubs along the roadways and in the parks of the new community.

JAPANESE 'JOHNNY APPLESEED'

Suto's work wins the admiration of Fisher and his wife. In gratitude for his services, the Fishers send him to Japan so he can come back with a wife and settle down in Miami Beach. Kotaro Suto returns with his bride, Masa Kanagawa, and the couple start a nursery with the help of the Fishers. In the years that follow, the little nursery flourishes but Kotaro Suto and his wife continue to spend much of their time in tending plants and flowers in the city's parks.

The attack on Pearl Harbor jolts the Sutos. FBI agents search their home, but discover only evidences of the couple's loyalty to America. In Kotaro Suto's strong-box the G-men find Liberty bonds, uncashed from World War I, a copy of the Declaration of Independence and The Gettysburg Address. Meanwhile friends call to express their faith in the Sutos.

The war is over and the years of peace come again. It is nearly 40 years since Kotaro Suto first came to what is now Miami Beach. Masa is lonesome, all her family is in Japan. The Sutos make a decision. They will give their nursery business to their employees and return to Japan.

At a public meeting the people of Miami Beach pay tribute to the man whom Mayor Frank Katzentine calls "the Japanese Johnny Appleseed". The Sutos announce their decision, and say goodbye.

Some months later Mayor Katzentine receives a letter from Japan. It is written by Masa Suto and she says "Papa is lonely and unhappy" in Japan. The Sutos want to come home—to America. The fadeout shows Kotaro and Masa Suto back in Miami Beach.

Call Home the Heart was written by Joe Pagano with assistance from Mayor Katzentine. It was directed by Laslo Benedek. The part of Masa Suto was played by Chiyoko Baker.

Teru Shimada also had the lead in the *Loretta Young Show's* presentation of *The Pearl*, a modern fable set in Japan. Shimada was Kiyoshi Arikawa, a poor fisherman who one day finds a great pearl but doesn't tell his wife, Kiku (Miss Young) of the treasure. Instead he dreams of wealth and ways of spending it. He will be a man among men, and lovely geisha will dance for him. Kiku, however, knows her husband better than he realizes. She finds the pearl he has hidden and substitutes a stone which he unknowingly takes to the city. Meanwhile, she sells the pearl and buys the new boat Kiyoshi has needed. *The Pearl* was a drama of marital relationships, charmingly told.

The *Lassie* episode was called *The Visitor* and told of a young boy from Japan who comes to the farm of Jeff Miller and his mother, Ellen, on a 4-H club, foreign exchange program. The Japanese boy, Haru Yamaguchi, encounters racial prejudice in the American community. Two young hoodlums attack him but Haru repulses them with judo. Seeking vengeance, the father of one of the rowdies tries to set fire to the Miller's barn, but is mauled by Lassie, Jeff's dog. Haru's first aid saves the man's life and helps change the local attitude. When Haru returns to Japan, he has won the goodwill of the entire community.

Haru Yamaguchi was portrayed by 12-year old Warren Nagata of Los Angeles in his first acting role.

All three of these dramas were effective in that they were, basically, good entertainment. The *Cavalcade Theater* often projects stories of the immigrant-in-America theme, but the others were definitely offbeat since Miss Young generally is seen in sophisticated roles, while *Lassie* appears in melodramas of derringdo. The producers, in each case, are to be congratulated.

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Oregon governor praises Japanese Americans, says 'no group has better earned' right to citizenship at Snake River Cl. fete

ONTARIO, Ore.—Gov. Elmo E. Smith praised the Japanese American people and told the recently naturalized citizens that "no group has better earned" the right to citizenship.

The governor spoke at the annual installation banquet of the Snake River JACL Feb. 25 at the East Side Cafe. The Rev. Junichi Fujimori pastor of the Community Methodist Church, translated the governor's address for benefit of the Issei citizens.

Most people came to the United States to escape persecution, the governor said. However, he pointed out in the talk that the Japanese were subjected to persecution in this country. He gave the relocation during World War II as an example, along with the Japanese exclusion act.

During the days of persecution, the Japanese, some of whom had been in the country since the 1900's, had even been denied the right to allow sons to serve in the U.S. army, he said.

The governor pointed to the new naturalized citizens some of whom had been in the country for 56 years. "I wonder what it would mean to other people to be granted citizenship after 56 years in the country," he said.

Smith listed the Japanese Exclusion Act of 1924 as one of the minor causes of the Japanese entering the war. The act "caused a rift in mutual respect."

"I have spoken with a lot of pride about you," Smith said. He also acknowledged that he had been one of the leaders in the fight for the repeal of the agri-

cultural laws in the state that prevented some Japanese from owning farm lands in Oregon.

Smith also paid tribute to the Caucasians for their sense of fair play. During the war, "we avoided any serious incidents in Malheur county" between the races.

The governor urged the continuation of the traditions and languages of the Japanese people. Parents, who fail to teach their children the Japanese language, are doing the children a great injustice, he added.

Tom Itami, toastmaster, led in Pledge of Allegiance followed by brief messages from George Iseri, 1955 chapter president, and Masato Yamada on behalf of Issei citizens. Mayor Earl Bopp on Ontario

installed the 1956 officers led by Dr. Kenji Yaguchi. Vocal solos were rendered by Mrs. Tom Nishitani and Shirley Sugahiro, both accompanied by Byron Jensen at the piano.

Dancing followed at the Lions Den with Bob Smith's orchestra. Guests included Judge M. A. Biggs, circuit court judge, and 27 Issei citizens:

Mr. and Mrs. Roy S. Sato, Mr. and Mrs. Masato Yamada, Mrs. Mine Yamaguchi, Harry Y. Miyamoto, Mrs. Fujiyo Umemoto, Mr. and Mrs. Kazuo Shimooka, Koichi Shigeno, Mrs. Mary Y. Wakasugi, Kenichi Hamada, Tokutaro Mori, Mrs. Sumire Tomiyoshi, Hisakichi Komatsu, Mrs. Kayo Mukai, Mrs. Yukie Nakano, Mrs. Sueno Nishida, Mrs. Teru Mio, Mrs. Nobue Wada, Frank Yokota, C. Shima, Roy Kondo Sr. Jack U. Tanaka, Mrs. Komo Iida Yoshizo Yamaguchi, and Mrs. Chiyono Yamaguchi.



Gov. Elmo E. Smith of Oregon (extreme right) meets with JACLers of the Snake River chapter at its installation dinner. They are (left to right) George Iseri, past pres.; Mr. Henry Ogura, cor. sec.; Walter Fuchigami, treas.; Mrs. Mam Wakasugi, pub.-hist.; Mrs. George Mita, past pub.-hist.; Sammy Wakasugi, v.p.; Dr. K. J. Yaguchi, pres.; Gov. Smith; back row—Roy Kaneyama, Gish Amano, soc. chmn.; George Sugai, IDC chairman; and Mrs. George Saito, IDC sec. —Harano Photo.

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SOU'WESTER: by Tats Kushida



Conspiracy!

Seems like an organized hate campaign is on to discredit the good name of the Nisei. Concurrent with the Lincoln Yamamoto episode, we learn from Tomo Yone-mura and Frank Kuida of the Gardena Valley JACL that some poison pen letters were circulating in our own backyard.

With Tom we checked with Gardena's Chief of Police Fields who stated several such letters had been reported to him that had been postmarked Gardena and one from Pasadena, addressed to various non-Nisei, written in a hand-printed style and signed "Nisei of Kawakita Society". Chief Fields would not divulge the contents of the letters except that they were along the same line as Lincoln Yamamoto's. We're glad the FBI is looking into this one.

We urge anyone running across this kind of rodent mis-sive to report same right now.

Newsweek mag, finally replying to our reproach with a "we deeply regret . . ." still failed to answer our challenge to produce a real LY, pronounced "lie". Also no photostat. Thanks to our old friend Joe Yoshino, a Sanfran realtor and 442nd vet with whom we used to work in Bristol Bay, Alaska, who sent us a copy of his blistering reply to Newsweek, and to Albert Bonus of Seattle, who likewise waxed indignant.

Albert, by the way, feels that the word Nisei is both singular and plural, and shouldn't have an "s" added for the plural as many Nisei seem to do. We heartily concur for we like to think of Nisei as a collective noun, like furniture, equipment and junk, none of which should have an "s" added. Incid, NW would not capitalize Nisei.

'HOT ROD GIRL'

That's the name of the second movie to be made by Nacirema Productions headed by PSWDC chairman Dave Yokozeki. The first one, "Sierra Stranger", now complete with music, sound, etc., was sneak-previewed at Oxnard Friday night with a highly favorable audience reaction. Nisei investors in S-S stand to make a handsome profit and many of them are investing in the hot-rodder.

Actor Robert Kino (shita) will be seen on Channel 11 on Tuesday the 13th at 7:30 p.m., when he co-stars with Don Taylor in the Chevron Hall of Stars production, "The Captain". Bob has a real meaty part and tosses some potent J. Lingo in portraying the role of a die-hard Japanese army captain who is revealed to have human rather than stereotyped qualities of a J. heavy. See it for sure.

Michael Blankfort, screenwriter for James Edmiston's "Home Again", is a novelist in his own right, his latest being "The Strong Hand", an exciting and moving love story with a rewarding insight into the religion of the Jews today. Interest-compelling throughout. Says Edmiston himself: The best book I ever read.

LINGO LESSON OF WEEK: KARUYAMU

With a view to make more room for news and stuff, we exercised our prerogative as bizmgr to fill this space fortnightly rather than weekly weakly, hence no column last issue nor next. This brings us to our linguistics lesson, namely on the word column.

Why, we don't know, but most fourth estaters seem to insist on pronouncing it like it's written call-yum. We'll stick to Webster's kol-em. Proceeding from there, the J. Phonetics is *karamu*, translation for which is *ka* (interrogative), *ra* (sixth note of the do-re-mi scale) and *mu* (lowering of cattle), which combined mean: Are cows musical? Answer: It depends on the bull. Which brings us back to this column.

While on the subject, the new chapter paper for the Downtown L.A. JACL was almost named ETIN, the bulletin without the bull. At any rate, the *shita-machi shikyo shimbun*, with delerium tremens, impacted the members last week with its rag called the Dee Tee Press. Editor is PC columnist Henry Mori, production crew and printing plant at the regional office.

LIFE ESSAY

Jim Lipscomb of the local staff of Life mag dropped in to chew the fat with us concerning a pictorial essay of Japanese Americans which Life is now working on and for which we've offered our full cooperation and assistance.

Delayed credits: Pasadenans who helped put over the PSW clinic on Feb. 12 include Mae Yamasaki, Eiko Matsui, Kimi Fukutaki, Sati Ohashi, Joe Kuramoto, Bert Doi, Mary and Paul Miyamoto, Elizabeth Ozawa, Grace Morikawa, Revs. Kiyoshi Fujihara and Donald Toriumi, Mack Yamaguchi, Tosh Nagata and two odori students and magician Bill Marquard.

Incid, Mack says the chapter will hold monthly cabinet meetings on the second Tuesdays and general meetings on the third Thursdays whenever possible. The general meeting on the 22nd at the Presbyterian Church at 8 p.m. will feature Yasuo Tanaka speaking on "Investments". A benefit movie night at the Cleveland school aud on April 28th with S. Takei in charge will show "24 no Hitomi" and Shochiku's colorful revue.

The saying still goes: Good people die young. Jennie Ishikawa, former Arizonan whom we knew in Poston and worked with in the K.C., Mo. WRA office, passed away last Thursday of a long illness at the home of her sis, Mrs. Kay Izumo. As recent as December, Jennie, who was school librarian at Beverly Hills High, the first Nisei on its staff, was giving JACL a hand as a volunteer typist.

Fowler JACL votes to rest this year from participating in Fresno Dist. fair

FOWLER—The Fowler JACL will not work with the Fresno District Fair committee of Fowler community this year.

The members of the chapter unanimously approved the motion to refrain from participation in Fair project at a dinner meeting at Fowler Coffee Shop Feb. 24. The motion was made to allow the members a rest.

Fowler JACL, in cooperation with the local Chamber of Commerce, had prepared and constructed the community displays at the district fair for several years past. The community booth has been a consistent winner each year. It had won the agriculture trophy last year as well as coming in second in the class A division.

Also discussed at the meeting were a trophy case for the local hall, the scholarship committee and membership.

James Hashimoto was appointed to study the matter of a trophy case and Tom Kamikawa was named chairman of the scholarship committee for the year.

James Renge, membership chairman, requested all chairmen

to complete their membership drive immediately. It was also announced that Dr. George Miyake, 1000 Club chairman, will speak to enlist past presidents as members of the 1000 Club.

The local chapter had sent a donation of \$25 to the Fowler Improvement Assn. for a community of Fowler 99 to be erected on Highway 99 in the near future. A letter from the association was read at the meeting. Also read was a letter of appreciation from Dan Nishita, Marysville JACL president and chairman of the flood relief program, for the chapter's contribution to the flood fund.

St. Louis CL eyes 120 members for '56

ST. LOUIS.—A realistic goal of 120 JACLers for 1956 was announced by the local chapter at the first board meeting of the year presided by Richard T. Henmi, president.

The current drive began with pledges to the 1000 Club and several regular membership at the Jan. 21 inaugural dinner. George Hasegawa, membership chairman, 8141 Manchester Rd., Brentwood 17, Mo., revealed there is a Japanese population of 300 in the St. Louis area. Chapter dues are \$2.50.

The chapter held its first social of the year Feb. 25 with a Fun-fest at the Washington University students center. On the committees were Mrs. Pauline Sakahara, reception; Mrs. Kimi Shimamoto, food; Kiichi Hiramoto, games, and Mrs. Toyo Henmi, children sitters.

Auxiliary benefit dance plans polished

SAN FRANCISCO.—Mapping out details for the forthcoming Mar. 24 fund-raising dance for the San Francisco JACL Auxiliary, Elsie Uyeda and her committee met recently in the apartment of Vi Nakano, auxiliary president.

In view of previous attendances at Auxiliary socials, Miss Uyeda anticipates a crowd of 300 at the YBA Gym on Mar. 24. A stag-stagette sport dance, tickets are being sold by members at \$1 per person.

Heretofore, the Auxiliary relied upon the fashion show as the sole fund-raising event. But with the show incorporated with the National JACL Convention program here in September, proceeds from the dance are to augment its activities.

Committee women assisting Miss Uyeda are Asaye Mizota, May Iha, mixer; Kathy Asano, Ruby Yamamoto, tickets; Hana Abe, Flo Higa, refreshments; Sumiko Fukumori, Sumi Utsumi, music; Daisy Uyeda, Mary Hamamoto, hostess; Mrs. Taxy Hironaka, poster; and Ryo Ichikawa, publicity. "Fashion with Furs" will be the topic of guest speaker Agnes Noeller of Beetz Furs at the March 14 meeting at Booker T. Washington Center from 7:30 p.m. Washington and mixer will follow with Tomi Yasueda and committee serving refreshments.



'1000' CLUB NOTES

SAN FRANCISCO.—New memberships and renewals in the JACL 1000 Club received at National JACL Headquarters during the month of February, 1956, are as follows:

- LIFE MEMBER**
- Parlier—Ben Koga.
- NINTH YEAR**
- San Francisco—Masao W. Satow.
- EIGHTH YEAR**
- Salt Lake City—Mrs. Rae Fujimoto.
- San Luis Valley—Roy Inouye.
- SEVENTH YEAR**
- Sallinas—James Y. Abe.
- Downtown L.A.—Sho Ino.
- San Luis Valley—Sojiro Yoritomo.
- SIXTH YEAR**
- Santa Maria—Harry Miyake.
- FIFTH YEAR**
- Denver—Toshio Ando, William K. Hosokawa.
- San Luis Valley—Charles Hayashida.
- Idaho Falls—Charley Hirai.
- Salt Lake City—Masaru Horiuchi.
- Downtown L.A.—David Nitake.
- FOURTH YEAR**
- Downtown L.A.—Harry K. Honda.
- Cortez—Nobuhiro Kajloka, Sam Kuwahara, Yeichi Sakaguchi, Ernest Yoshida, George Yuge.
- Idaho Falls—Fred I. Ochi.
- Parlier—James N. Kozuki, Gerald M. Ogata.
- San Luis Valley—Clarence Yoshida.
- THIRD YEAR**
- San Francisco—Victor Abe, Fred Hoshiyama, Keisaburo Koda.
- Parlier—Noboru J. Doi, Ted Katsura, Ralph Kimoto, Kaz Komoto, Byrd H. Kumataka, Richard Migaki, Norman T. Miyakawa, Tomio Miyakawa, Robert I. Okamura, Kengo Osumi, Ronald K. Ota, Bill Tsuji.
- Chicago—Dr. Susumu Hasegawa, Kenji Nakane.
- Berkeley—Tokuya Kado.
- Portland—James K. Kido, Dr. Mitsuo R. Nakata.
- Philadelphia—Noboru Kobayashi, Mrs. Teru Nakano, Yosuke Nakano.
- Cortez—Ken Miyamoto, Mrs. Chiyeo Sugiura.
- San Luis Valley—Mike Mizokami, Harry Sumida.
- No. Wyoming—Dr. Minol Ota.
- SECOND YEAR**
- Chicago—Mrs. Nobuko Asato, Sam Terao, Charles Ukita.
- Santa Barbara—Akira Endo.
- Sacramento—Akio Hayashi, Dr. Henry I. Sugiyama.
- East Los Angeles—Jim Higashi.
- San Francisco—Dixie Hunt.
- Parlier—Harry H. Iseki, Kaz Kawate, Harry T. Kubo, Kay Sunamoto, Sho Tsuboi.
- Ogden—Minoru Miya.
- San Diego—Tom Mukai.
- Downtown L.A.—Roy Satow, Blanche Shiosaki.
- FIRST YEAR**
- San Luis Valley—Charles Algaki, Shiro Enomoto, Roy Fujii, Yuji Fujimoto, George Hishinuma, Fred S. Kameda, Walter Kameda, George Kunugi, Mitsumasa Miyake, Kichigoro Ono, Don Shiohita, Morris Tanaka, Frank Uyeda, Frank Uyemura, Frank E. Yoshida.
- Philadelphia—Shoji Date, Richard Horikawa, George Sakai.
- San Francisco—Takafusa Fujisada.
- Chicago—Howard H. Hatanaka, Shig Yamada.
- Parlier—Sadao Kakutani, John Kashi-ki.
- Downtown L.A.—Takejiro Kusayanagi, Teru Shimada.
- Sacramento—Akito Masaki.
- Detroit—Dr. James T. Mimura.
- Salt Lake City—Joe C. Miyagishima.
- Cortez—Albert Morimoto.
- Delano—Edward Nagatani, George Y. Nagatani.
- Berkeley—Tad Nakamura.
- Southwest L.A.—Dr. Bo T. Sakaguchi, Tom T. Shimazaki.
- Marysville—Thomas T. Teesdale.

San Francisco—

Continued from Front Page committee was expected to sign up 125.

Third was Mrs. Yo Hironaka's team with 111, followed by Margery Shigezumi's committee with 105.

Although the contest is ended, an attempt to secure renewals still outstanding will continue, Miss Takeda said.

"Many 1955 members have not renewed, so we may still be able to add 100 or more yet to our present total," she added.

The Issei sign-up was reported at about 125 with many renewals still to be contacted.

Some 70 signed up through the chapter's credit union.

Miss Takeda also reported that 10 new 1000 Club members who pay \$25 annual dues were signed up during the recent drive.

To date only two chapters in the nation-wide JACL organization have topped the 1000 member mark, according to available records.

The Chicago JACL has reached that number several times but fell off to about 879 last year.

Los Angeles also had a large membership before the area was divided into seven separate chapters.

Alameda JACL general meeting set Mar. 15

ALAMEDA.—The local JACL Alameda drive was officially launched and a tentative program for the year planned at a meeting of the cabinet at the home of George Ushijima, president, last week.

Ushijima announced that an important general meeting is scheduled Thursday, Mar. 15, at the Buena Vista Methodist Church hall at 7:45 p.m.

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San Francisco
Have all of you noticed the brand new masthead that has flown over this column since last week? Well, the bit of art work is the product of Hisashi Tani, easily one of the Bay Cities top commercial artists. Recently, Hisashi flew down to smog city where he was the recipient of an award for a letterhead design. The shindig was held at the Beverly-Hilton and was a typical southland production with Art Linkletter acting as emcee. Congratulations! Busy as he is, Hisashi is serving as Art Coordinator for "Changing Perspectives".

We are fortunate indeed in having him on the Convention team, and feel that his willing contributions to date reflect the spirit behind our coming National parley.

COUNCIL FOR CIVIC UNITY

In the company of 1956 San Francisco Chapter prexy Hats Aizawa and Chapter board member, attorney Jack Kusaba, this writer took in the annual dinner of the Council for Civic Unity. Our good friend Haruo Ishimaru, now a successful life insurance agent, Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Hiura joined us; Will's CCU treasurer, incidentally. A very enjoyable and informative evening was enjoyed by all. The principal speakers, Major General William Dean and Dr. Harold Fisher discussed the topic, "Racism and National Security".

A tremendous job in the sphere of civil rights and human relations is being done by such organizations as the CCU and perhaps JACL's role in this overall picture might serve as an important consideration in "Changing Perspectives".

WELCOME ABROAD

When Hisashi assumed his new role as Art Chief, we were left without a Banquet Chairman. Stepping right in to fill the breach was San Francisco's successful and hard working barrister, Victor Abe. A past president of our Chapter and for years a JACL supporter, the convention is further enhanced by Vic's active presence.

In order to handle the vital television and radio contacts which are so much a part of convention public relations, we are fortunate in obtaining the services of Dan Nakatsu. Dan is public relations man for Japan Air Lines, and you can bet that "Changing Perspectives" won't be without top coverage.

'GO FOR BROKE'

With a membership campaign of the intensity and scope seldom equalled, and the "Go For Broke" spirit of its chairman, Thelma Takeda, the San Francisco Chapter recently announced a sign-up to date of 1,033. A buffet dinner climaxing the drive was enjoyed by team captains and members. An orchid was very appropriately presented to Thelma. Everybody of course rates orchids, but we feel that it took a 100% organization and follow-through job to post the truly amazing figure. A big salute to the San Francisco Chapter, prexy Aizawa and his board, and again to Thelma, for an "impossible" job made possible.

CHICAGO CORNER: by Smoky H. Sakurada



Witness sought

Chicago

Chicago relatives of Mrs. Iva Toguri D'Aquino have started a search for a former Army man whose testimony is needed in her fight to avoid deportation. The man sought is a former officer, Maj. Wallace Ince, who testified in her trial that she did not broadcast statements attributed to her and who believed she was

no traitor but a helper of prisoners of war. The present whereabouts are unknown . . . She has been living here with her father since her release from prison last month.

ARE MEN COOKS BETTER THAN WOMEN?

Whether men are better cooks than women will be decided by those attending the Asoka Society supper on St. Patrick's Day, Mar. 17, 6:30 p.m. at the Chicago Buddhist Church, 5487 S. Dorchester. Full-course supper will be prepared by Henry Fujiura, Kay Miyamoto and Harold Tsunehara . . . We haven't been informed if the fare is to be Japanese, Chinese, Hungarian, Irish, Russian or what.

The Kenwood-Ellis Community Center held its first annual dinner Feb. 25 in observance of National Brotherhood and Negro History Week. The turnout was impressive with Caucasian, Nisei and Negro representatives. Among those being cited for promoting cultural life in the community was John Y. Yoshino, director of job opportunities for the American Friends Service Committee, for his work in opening new areas of employment for minority groups. He was also made a life member of the K-ECC.

The Armitags present their annual carnival-bazaar April 21 at the Olivet Institute, 1441 N. Cleveland. The Cherry Blossom theme will prevail in decorations, food and entertainment. Arnold Watanabe is chairman. Proceeds go toward the Christian Fellowship Church building fund.

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St. Louis JACL cabinet members for 1956 were installed by Shig Wakamatsu, national JACL 1000 Club chairman, at the annual Inaugural Dinner Jan. 21 at the DeSoto Hotel. They are (left to right): Joe Tanaka, pub. rel.; George Shingu,

treas.; Mrs. Uta Eto, cor. sec.; Richard Henmi, pres.; Wakamatsu; May Yamaoka, rec. sec.; Dr. Joe Ohmoto, del.; and Paul Maruyama, v.p. Flora Yamaoka, hist., was not present. Rose Ogino was the retiring president.

Idaho Fall JACLer honored as outstanding farmer of year

BY KAY TOKITA

IDAHO FALLS. — Joseph Nishioka, who operates 160-acre farm four miles northwest of Idaho Falls, was honored last week by the Idaho Jr. Chamber of Commerce as outstanding young farmer of Bonneville, Jefferson and Butte counties.

As district winner, judging was based on progress in farming, conservation practices and contributions made to community betterment. Young farmers between the ages of 21 and 35 are eligible.

Nishioka, 33, was sponsored by the local JACL chapter. The 1950 chapter president is married, has two children and has been farming for 17 years. He owns and operates a 160-acre irrigated diversified livestock and cash crop type farm.

In January, 1939, his widowed mother and five children (of which, Joe, the only boy, was 16 years old) purchased the farm with only 70 acres under cultivation. Land was of low fertility and there were 90 acres of badly eroded sagebrush land. Yields were low, producing some 20 bushels of grain per acre and some 75-100 lb. sacks of poor grade potatoes per acre.

The farm had only an old house, barn and granary. Joe, with his mother and sisters, with five head of horses and some old horse-drawn equipment, started his farming. During those years, they started to improve the farm. Today, it is one of the better farms in the community. It was high fertility and unusually good crops are produced. Present yields of grain are from 75 to 85 bushels per acre with over 250-100 lb sacks of potatoes per acre.

The original house has been made completely modern with latest electric equipment. A five-room house was made for his mother. The original granary is still being used but a steel granary will be purchased this year. The barn has been reshingled and repaired. The water system has been modernized. Corrals have been enlarged.

Other farm improvements include a new chicken house, potato cellar and fences.

Main cash crop is the Idaho Russet potato. An active cooperator of the West Side Soil Conservation District since 1947, his plan has been an example for neighboring farmers, especially for Nisei in the same district. Since the

majority of his land is quite steep, he uses extreme care to prevent land erosion. He was the first to install concrete block drop structures to control irrigation.

Original farm equipment has been replaced by modern tractors, trucks and a full line of modern equipment. A machine shop, a potato combine plus 30 head of his

own Hereford cattle complete his cares on the farm.

He has been active in the Idaho Falls JACL, currently serving as sergeant-at-arms. He was also treasurer, athletic manager and chapter delegate. He headed a committee to raise funds to start a YMCA here. He is a member of the Trinity Methodist Church.



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Tashima Brothers of Los Angeles, minus their stellar leader Chiyo Tashima, turned in a 2523 to defend their national JACL women's team championship at Salt Lake City's Ritz Bowling. Establishing a new record were (left to right) Mary Matsumura, Mas Fujii, Mari Matsuzawa, Chuckie Seki and Betty Daly.



The 1955 National JACL Bowling team champions—Gayway Bowl of Payette, Idaho—are standing (left to right) Shig Nishimoto, Tony Miyasako, Bill Nishioka; kneeling—George Saito and George Vaughn, who all rolled a 2843 to lead a roster of 64 teams at the Pal-D-Mar alleys in Salt Lake City.

THE NORTHWEST PICTURE: by Elmer Ogawa



Quartet of artists

Seattle
 ■ That Seattle is a commercial crossroads and gateway to the Orient is a long established fact. Now it becomes more and more apparent that here East meets West in painting and other art forms. Critics have pointed out that the work of some local Occidental artists reveal the influence of Japan and China in their offerings, whether in the field of decorating, designing, painting or sculpture. Japanese American artists, on the other hand, show a decided leaning toward the modernistic influence of the West. Outstanding in the local scene are one old timer, Kenjiro Nomura and three comparative youngsters, Paul Horiuchi, George Tsutakawa, and John Matsudaira. They have each gained prominence in local exhibitions since War II.

But distinctive participation in the arts is not a new development in Seattle's Japanese community. From the time of World War I, Tanaka and Shimizu were prominent, Tanaka to later take up permanent residence in Paris, and Shimizu to become famous in Japan. A group including Nomura, Tokita, Tomita and Fujii formed a club in the mid-'20s called Shun-jaki and held spring and autumn exhibitions each year.

Kenjiro Nomura is the connecting link between today's modern quartet, and the early group which contributed a great deal in their strong solid oils of impressive Northwest scenery and Seattle street scenes. Nomura came to Seattle in 1907 and started to paint in 1913 when he was 16. In the '20s he formed a signed painting partnership with Tokita. It seems the partners painted more scenery than signs for they eventually gave up. Tokita went into the hotel business; Nomura opened a cleaning pressing shop and became a Sunday painter. After a long period of inactivity during the war years and relocation, Nomura resumed a new artistic life devoted to tense modern abstractions in place of his former reposeful landscapes. For a daily bread and butter occupation, he now makes picture frames.

Paul Horiuchi owns an art store on Pine Street. Of the four, he is the only one who began his art career in Japan. He came to Seattle in 1921, and like Nomura was devoted to landscape painting.

TWO NISEI ARTISTS

■ George Tsutakawa holds a master's degree from the University of Washington art department where he is now an assistant professor. Besides outstanding accomplishments in oils and water colors, his sculpturing is praised by critics. He also designs furniture and decorative household fixtures such as lamps. An artist of the modern school, he avoids the realistic, believes in simplicity of form and abstraction in approach and is strong on conveying impressions rather than merely reproducing the physical aspects of what he sees.

John Matsudaira, youngest of the group, has a history like Tsutakawa in three respects. Both were born in Seattle, both got their early education in Japan, came back to Seattle as teenagers, and both are ex-GI's. Only John was severely wounded

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Complete Results, Cash Distribution of Salt Lake JACL Bowling

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 third title for their sponsor, having won the team title in 1951 and 1953.

A team from the host city took fourth money as Standard Produce was next with 2802. Choppy Umemoto, tournament chairman, bowls for this team.

Idaho bowlers continued to show their supremacy in this years team competition by also taking fifth and sixth places.

Except for the first four teams in the 2800 bracket and Electrical Contractor Supply of Pocatello, Ida, with 2764, the top scores were all under the 2700 mark. Honstead Motor Co. of Nampa, Ida., led the remaining field with 2696.

The winning Gayway team was paced to their win by the Chuck Yonezu team from San Francisco while Pacific Coast Dry Goods also from San Francisco was paired with the second place Long Beach bowlers.

In the women's division, the Chiyo Tashima-less Tashima Brothers team of Los Angeles retained their title even though they bowled without their No. 1 star. They replaced their old mark of 2517 with a 2523 effort.

The only other new record was established by Seattle's Mickey Oyama who rolled a 770 in the four-game sweeper to erase June Jue's 1953 mark of 736.

Angelinos Mas Fujii and Mary Matsumoto copped the Women's Doubles with a 1092, while second were Yoyo Kurisaki of Salt Lake and Dorothy Andrade of Hawaii with 1041.

Fuzzy Shimada, top bowler and only 200 average Nisei entrant, copped the men's all-events while Dotty Andrade, Hawaii's women match-game champion, took all-events in the other division.

Other 1956 champions were Bob Shiba of Salt Lake City, singles; Gish Endo and Fuzzy Shimada of San Francisco, doubles; Taki Taketomo of Los Angeles, sweeper; Lois Itano and Roy Kubosumi, mixed doubles; Lois Yut of Seattle, singles; Mary Matsumura and Mas Fujii of Los Angeles, doubles.

SALT LAKE CITY.—The complete summaries of the 10th annual National JACL Bowling Tournament, Mar. 1-4, here at the Pal-D-Mar and Ritz Bowling alleys are as follows:

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 Tats Nagase 581 173-204-204
 Fuzzy Shimada 617 181-210-226

COACH KAJIKAWA ENDS SEASON WITH 11-5 MARK

TEMPE.—Coach Bill Kajikawa's Arizona State Sun Devils closed their 1955-56 basketball season last week with a 11-15 record. In Border Conference play, the local cagers had a 5-7 record and finished at the bottom of the six-team league.

Tempe led the conference in early season but injuries to his key men plagued the varsity.

Kajikawa, who for years has been the only Nisei head coach in a major sport in any American college, last year was voted the conference "Coach of the Year" by his colleagues.

A 1000er, he completes his ninth year as head basketball coach.

Little League tryouts

Tryouts for the Greater West Los Angeles Little League are scheduled for boys, 9-12, the next three Saturdays, 9 a.m., at Sepulveda Blvd. and Ohio St.

Renovating alleys

SAN FRANCISCO.—The local Nisei Major Bowling league rolling Thursdays at Downtown Bowl are taking a three-week vacation, resuming Mar. 15 as alleys are being renovated with automatic pinsetters.

Prize Dist.: 1st—\$300, 2nd—\$200, 3rd—\$125
 2802—Standard Produce Co. (SLC) \$90
 2764—Electrical Contractors Supply (Poc) \$60
 2696—Honstead Motor (Nam) \$41

SQUAD AWARDS

- Prize Distributions
 1st—\$65, 2nd—\$40, 3rd—\$31
 1—Idaho Falls JACL 2577, Kaneda's Food (H) 2570, Denver Nisei 2433.
 2—Jerri's U.S. Cafe (SLC) 2679, Triple XXX (LA) 2667, Mooney Real Estate (SLC) 2655.
 3—Star Cafe (SLC) 2654, Bowl-Mor Lane (Den) 2643, Mayflower Nursery (Gard) 2601.
 4—Bowl-O-Drom (H) 2770, Southeast Bowlers Service (LB) 2692, Main Bowl (Sea) 2691.

Men's Singles

- Record: 696
 Dr. Jun Kurumada (SLC) 1952
 665—Bob Shiba (SLC) \$150
 633—Bob Watanabe (Sac) \$115
 624—Edward K. Mori (H) \$90
 620—Jimmy Umemoto (Wap) \$75
 619—Ken Takeno (SLC) \$65
 618—Fuzzy Shimada (RC) \$55
 612—Speedy Shiba (SLC) and Tom Akimoto (SLC) \$47.50 each
 603—L. F. Nelson (Poc) \$36
 602—Eddie Tsuruta (LA) \$31
 600—Jim Matsui (Sac) \$24
 589—Yulene Takai (Sea) \$20
 588—Fred Takagi (Sea) \$16
 580—Ike Ogata (SLC) \$12
 578—Art Nishiguchi (Reno) \$12
 574—George Inai (SF) \$9
 573—Shig Nishimoto (Cald) \$8
 566—John Kwan (LA) \$7
 564—Mas Sonoda (Berk) \$6.20

SQUAD AWARDS

- 1st—\$24, 2nd—\$15, 3rd—\$10, 4th—\$6.66
 1—George Tamura (SLC) \$43, Tom Nakayama (Den) \$40, Bus Miya (Ogd) \$28, Thomas Au (H) \$19.
 2—Cecil Uchikoshi (SLC) \$81, Tosh Beppu (SLC) \$75, Duzo Seki (SLC) and Eise Nakazawa (LA) \$44—\$8.04 each.
 3—Preston Morishige (Den) \$67, Bill Yamaguchi (Poc) \$57, George Okino (SLC) \$54, Ike Oki (SLC) \$43.
 4—Charles Terukiwa (H) \$57, Jackie Tom (LA) \$55, Sam Fujioka (H) \$54, Mits Koga (Ogd) \$38.
 5—Kiyo Nakayu (SLC) and Harry Tsuji (H) \$70—\$19.50 each, Tony Miyasako (Cald) \$62, Richard Asato (H) \$59.
 6—George Korenaga (SF) \$91, Tom Hasegawa (Den) \$83, Toshi Igata (SLC) \$74, Tak Hiayama (Chi) \$51.
 7—Ichi Kaminaka (LA) \$68, Hank Masaoka (Gard) \$67, George Vaughn (Cald) and George Iseri (Comp) \$63—\$8.04 each.
 8—Tosh Tsukamoto (SJ) \$79, John Watanabe (SJ) \$67, Pap Miya (Ogd) \$65, Sab Tsuboi (Sea) \$57.
 9—Frank Sebara (Den) \$91, Mike Murotsune (SJ) \$69, Hide Mayeda (LA) \$68, Kenny Oyama (Sea) \$59.
 10—John Gibbs (Nam) \$99, Shoichi Torigoe (H) \$82, Seichi Hayashida (Nam) \$75, Jim Abe (LA) \$62.

Men's Doubles

- Record: 1269
 George Gee-Henri Takahashi (SF) 1953
 1256—Gish Endo-Fuzzy Shimada (RC) \$200
 1192—Dixon Ikeda-Tats Nagase (RC) \$150
 1188—Guy Yamashita-L. F. Nelson (Poc) \$100
 1174—John Kwan-Yo Natsuhara (LA) \$85
 1171—Kay Harada-Mike Nakamura (SLC) \$75
 1168—Masao Watasuki-Ken Koseki (H) \$65
 1164—Manuel Cabral-Larry Chun (H) \$50
 1156—Tosh Igata (SLC)-Art Nishiguchi (Reno); Bill Yamauchi-Dan Crawford (Poc) \$37.50 per pair
 1115—Mas Shimatsu-Hank Masaoka (Gard) \$16

SQUAD AWARDS

- 1st—\$24, 2nd—\$18.40, 3rd—\$12
 1—George Tamura-Harding Akimoto (SLC) 1050, Tak Iwamoto-Lou Nakagawa (SLC) 1035, George Tengan-George Okino (SLC) 1009.
 2—Eke Tanaka-Sho Nukaya (IdaF) 1065, Sam Tateoka-Shake Ushio (SLC) 1066, George Wong-Hal Ishizawa (LA) 1056.
 3—Eke Inouye-Boss Elg (IdaF) 1109, Shiro Inai-Minor Aono (Boi) 1034, Yosh Ozawa-Jeri Tsuyuki (SLC) 1007.
 4—George Sonoda-Seiko Kasai (SLC) 1069, Preston Morishige-Sam Inai (Den) 1059, George Otsuki-John Okizaki (Den) 1046.
 5—Roy Hashitani (Ont)-Tony Miyasako (Cald) 1089, Miki Fujino-Harry Tsujii (H) 1073, Ray Tsukawa-B. Acedilla (H) 1059.
 6—Tom Ioka-Tom Hasegawa (Den) 1145, Jackie Tom-Kaz Gojobori (LA) 1123, Ike Ogata-Tom Nakamura (SLC) 1106.
 7—John Sakayama-Jim Ota (Den) 1140, Sam Tomingaga-Shin Kawamura (Poc) 1113, Juy Takeshita-Mo Katow (Berk) 1107.
 8—Yon Takahashi-Yoshi Amino (Berk) 1116, Ken Takeno-Doc Kurumada (SLC) 1103, Lloyd Hahn-Nob Ishizawa (LA) 1101.
 9—George Hironaka-Shig Hironaka (Ont) 1130, Mas Horiuchi (SLC)-John Gibbs (Nam) 1124, George Sakashita (SLC)-Kiyo Hayakawa (SF) 1113.
 10—Joe Sato-Ace Mori (Poc) 1153, Fred Hasegawa-Easy Fujimoto (LB) 1148, Angel Kagiyama-Paul Yasui (Sac) 1099.

Men's All Event

- Record: 1902
 Henri Takahashi (SF) 1953
 T D S
 1880—Fuzzy Shimada (\$60) 617-645-618
 1809—Bob Shiba (\$50) 637-607-663
 1794—Mas Watasuki (\$40) 602-648-544
 1776—Speedy Shiba (\$30) 616-548-615
 1761—L. F. Nelson (\$22½) 504-654-602
 1761—Elden Martin (\$22½) 663-570-528
 1750—Tom Hasegawa (\$15) 557-610-582
 1749—Gish Endo (\$12) 577-611-561
 1743—Ike Ogata (\$10) 587-576-580
 1707—Tats Nagase (\$9) 581-569-557
 1705—Ed K. Mori (\$8) 530-551-624

Men's Sweepers

- Record: 1300
 Fuzzy Shimada (SF) 1953
 1205—Taki Taketomo (LA) \$125
 1200—Easy Fujimoto (LB) \$90
 1186—Yon Takahashi (Berk) \$70
 1185—Warren Hasegawa (SLC) \$65
 1178—Fuzzy Shimada (SF) \$50
 1171—Stanley Yamamoto (H) \$40
 1170—L. F. Nelson (Poc) \$35
 1168—George Tsuji (LA) \$30
 1166—Ich Okumura (SLC) \$25
 1154—Sho Uchida (Ont) \$20
 1151—John Sakayama (Den) \$15
 1146—Ace Mori (Poc), Art Nishiguchi (Reno) \$11.50 each
 1129—John Gibbs (Nam) \$10

SQUAD AWARDS

- Prize Distributions
 1st—\$24, 2nd—\$14, 3rd—\$10.44, 4th—\$8.57
 1—Nob Mori (SLC) 1149, Juddy Doi (SLC) 1061, Duzo Seko (SLC) 1056, Dick Matsuda (SLC) 1040.
 2—Dan Crawford (Poc) 1122, Stanley Chang (H) 1075, Tom Nakano (LA) 1060, Mike Nakamura (SLC) 1053.
 3—Sam Tomingaga (Poc) 1160, Dick Iseri (Comp) 1149, James Ah Nee (H) 1125, Yui Imamura (LA) 1103.
 4—Peter Oki (SLC) 1121, Steve Sato (IdaF) 1120, Mas Sonoda (Berk) 1099, Harry Kaneshige (Nam) 1067.
 5—John Watanabe (SJ) 1165, Pap Miya (Ogd) 1139, Shig Hironaka (Ont) 1134, Roy Kubosumi (Nam) 1128.
 6—Ko Akihara (Gard) 1130, John Kwan (LA) 1123, Dixon Ikeda (SF) 1119, Kenny Oyama (Sea) 1104.
 7—George Gee (SF) 1153, Joe Sato (Poc) 1149, Kayo Hayakawa (SF) 1130, Jim Abe (LA) 1120.

Women's Team Event

- Old Record: 2517
 Tashima Bros. 1953
 New Record: 2523
 Tashima Bros. (LA) 1956
 2523—Tashima Bros. (LA) 778-829-916
 Mari Matsuzawa 521 147-184-190
 Betty Daly 500 164-153-183
 Mary Matsumura 527 189-158-199
 Chuckie Seki 459 114-174-171
 Mas Fujii 506 164-180-182
 2408—Main Bowl (Sea) 801-839-768
 Miye Ishikawa 424 149-135-141
 Carol Dady 476 185-161-130
 Yoyo Konishi 446 147-144-153
 Lois Yut 506 157-173-176
 Mickey Oyama 556 164-226-166
 2355—Gen. Produce (Sac) 800-740-815
 Katy Moy 461 165-140-156
 Mary Susawa 446 173-128-145
 Ava Takai 487 174-135-168
 Nancy Hom 495 155-181-159
 Jean Nakatani 466 133-146-187
 Prize Dist.: 1st—\$100, 2nd—\$75, 3rd—\$55

SQUAD AWARDS

- 1st—\$30, 2nd—\$26
 1—Bowl-Mor Lanes (Den) 2159, San Jose NBA 2129.
 2—Copes Service (SLC) 2354, Kawano Jewelers (Den) 2309
 3—Seinan Realty (LA) 2342—\$42.

Women's Singles

- Record: 588
 Chiyo Tashima (LA) 1953
 565—Lois Yut (Sea) \$65
 562—Sachi Ikeda (SJ) \$40
 546—Dorothy Andrade (H) \$30
 537—Mari Matsuzawa (LA) \$25
 522—Aya Takai (Sac) \$20
 519—Tay Kondo (Den) \$13.30

SQUAD AWARDS

- 1st—\$15, 2nd—\$10, 3rd—\$7.50
 1—Jane Hada (Den) 483, Alice Ueda (LB) 471, Yoyo Kurisaki (SLC) 452.
 2—Toshi Tamura (LB) 484, Nancy Hom (Sac) 468, Koko Matsuda (SLC) 466.
 3—Shiz Nakazawa (LA) 518, Amy Konishi (Den) 509, Terry Kuge (Oak) 494.
 4—Mickey Inouye (SF) 517, Jean Nakatani (Sac) 516, Mas Fujii (LA) 515.

Women's Doubles

- Record: 1108
 June Jue-Chiyo Tashima (LA) 1953
 1092—Mary Matsumura-Mas Fujii (LA) \$70
 1041—Yoyo Kurisaki (SLC)-Dorothy Andrade (H) \$50
 1008—Donna Nakagiri-Judy Seki (LA) \$35
 1007—Lois Itano-Rene Godfrey (Cald) \$20
 979—Jane Ozawa-Coco Watanabe (SLC) \$17
 959—Mickey Inouye-Kim Furuya (SF) \$13.80

SQUAD AWARDS

- 1st—\$20, 2nd—\$13.00
 1—Joby Martin-Opal Elg (IdaF) 915, Virgie Iwata-Helen Kobata (LB) 853.
 2—Happy Taeko-Sayo Togami (SJ) 1900, Kiyo Oshiro-Hannah Namba (SLC) 956—\$14.40.
 3—Dot Ueda-Maxie Kato (IdaF) 973, Mary Uchikoshi-Grayce Sato (SLC) 921.
 4—Martha Okawa-May Nadzu (SLC) 965, Terry Kuge-Nobu Asami (Oak) 953.

Women's All Event

- Record: 1747
 Chiyo Tashima (LA) 1953
 T D S
 1665—Doty Andrade (\$25) 502-617-548
 1576—Judy Seki (\$20) 496-377-583
 1568—Mas Fujii (\$15) 506-547-515
 1543—Sachi Ikeda (\$10) 515-466-563
 1539—Lois Yut (\$8) 506-468-565
 1519—Mari Matsuzawa (\$5) 521-461-537

Women's Sweepers

- Old Record: 736 June Jue (LA) 1953
 New Record: 770
 Mickey Oyama (Sea) 1956
 770—Mickey Oyama (Sea)
 733—Dorothy Andrade (H)
 714—Micki Inouye (SF)
 702—Amy Konishi (Den)

SQUAD AWARDS

- 1—Jane Ozawa (SLC) 631, Koko Matsuda (SLC) 621.
 2—Lois Itano (Cald) 622, Mary Uchikoshi (SLC) 648.
 3—Rene Godfrey (Cald) 609, Maxie Kato (Ogd) 691.
 HIG: 243—Aya Takai (Sac).

Mixed Doubles

- Record: 1192
 Marge Miyakawa-Pluto Shimamura '51
 1127—Lois Itano 550-Roy Kubosumi 577 (\$65)
 1096—May Nadzu 591-Warren Hasegawa 505 (\$45)
 1093—Terry Kuge 503-Geo. Gee 590 (\$25)
 1073—Nobu Asami 546-Fuzzy Shimada 529 (\$17)
 1064—Mickey Oyama 524-Sab Tsuboi 540; Lois Yut 529-George Inai 535 (\$10 each)

SQUAD AWARDS

- 1—Judy Seki-Kaz Gojobori 1069 — \$18.60; Lois Yut-George Inai 1064; Mickey Oyama-Sab Tsuboi 1064—tie \$11 each.
 2—Chickie Inai-Art Nishiguchi 1070 — \$17.30; Maxie Kato-Toyko Kato 1037 — \$11.50.
 3—Kiyo Oshiro-Yosh Ozawa 1049 — \$15.90; Sachi Ikeda-Larry Chun 1038 — \$10.50.
 4—Amy Konishi-Tom Nakayama 992 — \$15.10; Madge Hakata-Achi Ueda 980 — \$10.30.

Legend: Boi—Boise, Berk—Berkeley; Cald—Caldwell, Idaho; Comp—Compton, Calif.; Den—Denver; Gard—Gardena; H—Hawaii; IdaF—Idaho Falls; LA—Los Angeles; LB—Long Beach; Nam—Nampa Ogd—Ogden; Ont—Ontario, Ore.; Oak—Oakland; Poc—Pocatello; RC—Redwood City; Sac—Sacramento; SLC—Salt Lake City; SF—San Francisco; SJ—San Jose; Sea—Seattle; Wap—Wapato, Wash.

VITAL STATISTICS

Western Pioneer declares 1955 as 'best year' yet

LOS ANGELES NEWSLETTER: by Henry Mori



Friends of 'Molly'

Los Angeles

Now a 1000 Club member, Teru Shimada has received the personal congratulation from Kotaro Suto, pioneer-Florida resident of nearly 40 years for the terrific portrayal of the Miami landscape artist on a recent television program, sponsored by Du Pont. Shimada, a veteran motion picture star from prewar days, outdid the rest of the cast with his warm and dramatic touch as the man who "turned the jungles of Miami Beach into a beautiful city of today."

The wire from Mr. and Mrs. Suto read: "Mama and I want to thank you for the very excellent portrayal of our story. We were both surprised and pleased—in fact amazed—that you could react our thoughts and feelings so well. I feel you must love plants as I do to have done so well." Their story was entitled *Call Home the Heart*. It was Shimada's second big part in a span of a few short weeks. He had starred in the video play, *The Pearl*, on a Loretta Young program.

Shimada's true modesty would have kept the telegram under cover but it was PC columnist Mary Oyama, (or Molly Mittler to her friends) who related the good news.

The Mittler home atop the City Terrace summit has been a lounging place of many artists and writers. Such celebrities like Marlon Brando, Yuriko Amemiya, Isamu Noguchi, Taro Yashima, Carey McWilliams, and Nelson Algren have "climbed" the heights to visit the Fred Mittwers. Algren, incidentally, is the great author of *The Man with the Golden Arm*. Mary said she became acquainted with the writer through his first book, *Never Come Morning*, and penned him a fan letter. Another is Beatrice Griffith, who wrote *American Me*, a story about the Mexican Americans in this country. We also recall Negro author Chester Himes who wrote his first novel *If He Hollers, Let Him Go*, while staying at the Mittwers during the evacuation period, 1942-45.

STATE ASSEMBLYMAN FILES AGAIN

Assemblyman Edward E. Elliott from the 40th District has filed for re-election. He has served nine years in Sacramento and is receiving the endorsement of the District Democratic Council. Persons of Japanese ancestry and other minority group voters remember Elliott for his share promoting civil rights and remedial legislation. He spearheaded the defeat of the California Alien Land Law and was responsible for the passage of the bill which granted old age benefits to persons previously ineligible to citizenship. The Pacific Southwest District Council last November paid tribute to him at a testimonial dinner.

VERY TRULY YOURS: by Harry K. Honda

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ices in the U.S. Constitution are being followed by fraternal and social organizations, we visualize a club president being able to provide leadership and not saddled with minute chores his assistants could tackle. . . It is possible that many capable men (and women) shun the office of chapter president (for instance) because of administrative details involved. If work can be diversified to capable assistants as cabinet officers or committee men, leadership of a chapter president is then free to blossom and glory. . . In recent JAOL elections, we note one cabinet includes six vice-presidents. Another only picked a president who was authorized to select his own assistants. Both have appeal from the standpoint of club organizations.

THE NORTHWEST PICTURE: by Elmer Ogawa

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while serving with the 442nd in Italy and spent many months in a base hospital over there. He studied painting during the long period of convalescence. And like Nomura, Horiuchi and Tsutakawa, he has won high praise from those who judge paintings. Artists have to make a living, and John makes his as a draftsman for the Boeing Airplane Co.

One senses the fraternal camaraderie of these four artists, and the respect each to the others work. Yet each is an individual in his own approach to painting. There is surely a great contribution in the exchange of East-West cultural relationship.



Four Seattle artists examine a Horiuchi painting at the Du-sanne Gallery where they exhibited simultaneously. (Left to right): Paul Horiuchi, Kenjiro Nomura, George Tsutakawa and John Matsudaira. —Ogawa Photo.

Births

LOS ANGELES

AKIYAMA, R. Y.—girl, Dec. 29, Long Beach.
 COOPER, Leonard H. (Kay Takakuma)—boy Leonard S., Dec. 14.
 ESAKI, Masayoshi (Fukiko Kawahara)—boy Hiroshi Steve, Dec. 26.
 FURUMOTO, Charles S. (Betty A. Hayashi)—girl Cynthia Sunae, Dec. 27.
 HAMANISHI, George (Hisae Taira)—boy Gary Susumu, Dec. 18.
 HANAMI, Tomeo (Yasuko Hanami)—boy Ichiro Leopold, Dec. 15.
 HARADA, Henry H. (Tomiko Shinozaki)—boy Scott Hiroshi, Dec. 27.
 HARADA, Robert S. (Fumiko Kawahara)—girl Patricia Ann, Dec. 16, Compton.
 HIGA, Toshio (Mary N. Higa)—boy Richard D., Dec. 17.
 HIROTA, Thomas M. (Idolina Gonzales)—girl Yvonne, Dec. 31.
 HIROTO, William T. (Margaret F. Muir)—boy Lee Miki, Dec. 7.
 ICHINO, Paul T. (Janet M. Yamamoto)—Laurie Tazuko, Dec. 25, Compton.
 ICHINO, Phillip N. (Mary M. Suzuki)—girl Diane, Dec. 2, Pasadena.
 IMAMURA, Ise (Fujiko Tateoka)—boy David Ise, Dec. 4.
 ISHII, Jack T. (Amy Uno)—boy Robert, Dec. 7.
 ITAGAKI, Jay S. (Take Shimotsu)—boy Roni Satsuto, Nov. 30.
 IWAMOTO, Paul (Louise A. Kodama)—boy Paul Sho, Jr., Dec. 23.
 KASHIWAGI, Ryo (Shigeo S. Suzuki) (rakami)—boy Eric T., Feb. 17.
 KATO, Ray M. (Mary F. Morimoto)—boy Wade Shizuo, Dec. 7.
 MARUYAMA, Matachika—boy, Dec. 17, Pasadena.
 MASAI, Yukio (Hinako Sekita)—boy David Noboru, Nov. 30, Gardena.
 MATSUI, Isamu—boy, Dec. 7, Long Beach.
 MATSUSHIMA, Tohoru (Sachiko Hanada)—girl Irene M. Dec. 9.
 MIZUKI, Hiroshi G.—boy, Dec. 27, Pasadena.
 MORITA, Nori—boy, Jan. 4, Alhambra.
 MUNEMURA, Ja'ck S. (Frances T. Nakano)—girl Lucy, Dec. 3.
 MURATA, George M.—girl, Jan. 5, Pasadena.
 NAKAGAWA, Danny—boy, Jan. 2, Torrance.
 NAKAGIRI, Tadao H. (Florence Sahara)—girl Joan Keiko, Dec. 16, Culver City.
 NAKAUCHI, Charles T. (Yasuko Higa)—boy Dan C., Dec. 4, El Monte.

SATO, Teruo (Setsuko L. Yamasaki)—girl Deborah, Dec. 15.
 SHINBO, Arthur (Alice Hamada)—girl Sharon A., Dec. 8.
 SHREVE, Howard P. (Donna Ishimoto)—girl Barbara A., Dec. 29.
 SUYENAGA, Yutaka (Akiyo Tanikawa)—girl Cindy Jo, Dec. 29, Palmdale.
 SUGIHARA, Masatoshi (Patricia M. Horino)—girl Kim, Dec. 14.
 SUGIMOTO, Kazuo G.—boy, Jan. 1, Pasadena.
 TAKAHASHI, Thomas N. (Tayeko Uyeno)—boy Ronald K., Dec. 1.
 TAKATA, Albert—boy, Jan. 13, Pasadena.
 YAMAGUCHI, Ken—girl, Jan. 30, Arcadia.
 SANTA ANA
 KANEOKA, Frank—girl, Jan. 2, San Clemente.
 YASUSHI, Ralph S.—boy, Jan. 12, SAN DIEGO
 KOBA, Yoshito—boy, Dec. 31.
 YABU, Shigeru—boy, Jan. 7.
 YAMAGUCHI, Yutaka—girl, Nov. 18.

Engagements

FUJITA-WATANABE — Ruth, Pasadena, to Dr. Robert, West Los Angeles, Feb. 11.
 HASHIMOTO-YAMADA — Alice Sumiko, Los Angeles, to Shigeru, Anaheim.
 KADO-FURUKAWA — Janet to John, both Los Angeles, Feb. 12.
 KODAMA-TAKAHASHI — Emiko to Joe, both Los Angeles.
 TSUJUCHI-TAKEMURA — Mary to Arthur, both Los Angeles, Feb. 14.
 TSUSHIMA-NAKAGIRI — Irene, San Gabriel, to Bob, Culver City, Feb. 11.

Weddings

AKIOKA-KANJA — Feb. 18, Sammy, Selma; Aiko, Hawaii.
 FUJINAMI-ENDO — Feb. 19, Kiyoshi and Emiko, both San Fernando.
 MIKAMO-OKANO — Feb. 12, Arthur, Los Angeles; Edith, Madera.
 MURATA-KAMINAKA — Feb. 18, Ben M., Westminster; Shizuko, Santa Maria.
 NAGAO-KUBO — Feb. 12, Joe, West Los Angeles; Sadako, Los Angeles.
 SUGIDONO-TSUTSUI — Feb. 12, Jiro and Jane, both Watsonville.
 YAMAMOTO-MORI — Jan. 31, Yujiro and Doris K., West Los Angeles.
 YUYAMA-TAMURA — Feb. 12, John, Fresno; Margaret, Madera.

OAKLAND—The past year was the best year Western Pioneer Insurance Co. has experienced since its founding in 1949, chairman Mike Iwatsubo and president A. D. Erickson declared this week.

The firm will hold its annual meeting Mar. 31 at its home office here, 2270 Broadway. An official proxy committee was named by the management consisting of Dave Nitake, Los Angeles; Tom Shirakawa, Fresno; and Frank Tsukamoto, Berkeley.

Total premiums written, admitted assets and surplus reached an all-time peak, according to the Nisei insurance firm.

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Nineteen fifty-five was the best year in your company's history. Steady progress was made and fundamental plans which will contribute substantially to your company's continued growth and prosperity were approved and placed into operation.

HIGHLIGHTS FOR 1955

Admitted assets reached an all-time peak, amounting to \$1,638,000, an increase of \$104,400 or about 7 per cent during the past twelve months.

Total premiums written were higher than in any previous year.

The loss ratio to premiums earned was 46.2 per cent, an extremely low and commendable situation as compared with a five year average of other casualty companies as high as 58.3 per cent.

Underwriting gains totalled \$120,000.

Return on investments was \$25,482 after taxes, as compared with \$15,000 during the preceding twelve months. Currently the annual estimated income on investments is \$33,660 after taxes or more than 220 per cent of that obtained during 1954.

Surplus increased \$101,800 or 48 per cent to \$323,133.

A dividend of \$.50 per share was paid for the second consecutive year. Additional dividends are anticipated during 1956.

A Home Office building was obtained in Oakland, California.

The management is proud to report such favorable results. They express confidence in the quality of services rendered. As your company grows, your management believes it should safeguard your interests by selecting its risks, thereby insuring the stability and strength of the company's overall financial position. This, in turn, brings benefits to all policyholders and stockholders.

LAW SUIT

During the year, the Company successfully defended itself in a lawsuit brought by its former President and General Manager against the Company because he had been dismissed by your Board of Directors for violating his contract. We are glad to report that an Alameda County Jury supported your directors' action. The case is now on appeal.

ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting will be held on March 31st, 1956 at the Company's new headquarters in Oakland. We hope as many of our stockholders and other friends as possible will attend.

OFFICIAL PROXY COMMITTEE

The official proxy committee for the management appointed by your Board of Directors on February 24 is comprised of David Nitake of Los Angeles, Tom Shirakawa of Fresno and Frank Tsukamoto of Berkeley. They are all members of the Executive Committee and have served your company since it was formed in 1949. We wish to point out that these gentlemen are the only individuals legally authorized to obtain proxies in behalf of your management. All stockholders will receive within a few days from the Company copies of the official proxy and the annual report for 1955.

MANAGEMENT TEAM

Your management believes the results obtained under its leadership during the past two years speak for themselves. The company today is stronger than it ever has been. Plans instigated during the past year should expand further its operations for the mutual benefit of its policyholders and stockholders.

The results are a direct reflection upon the new teamwork established amongst the majority of your management as against the dictatorial policies followed by your former President and General Manager. As we go forward, we shall continue to strengthen the organization and work for the benefit of the many loyal stockholders whom we have the privilege of representing. We trust we shall continue to warrant and receive your strong support.

Mike Iwatsubo
 Chairman of the Board

A. D. Erickson
 President

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WASHINGTON NEWSLETTER: by Mike Masaoka



New immigration bill

Washington
This is the third in a current series analyzing possible implications for Japan and the Japanese in the President's proposed program for liberalizing certain provisions of the Immigration and Nationality (Walter-McCarran) Act of 1952 as implemented in identical Administration bills introduced by Senator Arthur V. Watkins of Utah and Representative Kenneth B. Keating of New York, both leading GOP spokesmen in the field of immigration and naturalization.

This week, we shall examine other aspects of the Administration program which have specific reference to Japan and the Japanese.

Re-Entry of Deportees . . .

The Watkins-Keating bill eliminates the prerequisite in existing law that an alien once deported from the United States for any reason whatsoever must secure specific permission from the Attorney General prior to applying for either a temporary visitor's visa or for one for permanent residence. Since none of the other conditions or requirements for the issuance of an immigration visa are repealed or waived, it is believed that the national security of our nation is amply protected.

A number of Japanese aliens, possibly several hundreds, were deported, most of them prior to the enactment in July, 1948 of the JACL-sponsored statute to authorize the Attorney General to suspend the deportation proceedings and to adjust the status of deserving Japanese on the same discretionary basis as for other aliens similarly situated. If these deported Japanese had been allowed to remain in this country just a few years or months more until this 1948 law as enacted, they would not have been deported; therefore, this provision seems to be a matter of simple though delayed justice.

Adjustment for Non-Immigrants . . .

Another section of the Watkins-Keating bill removes the one-year-in-status requirement for adjustment from non-immigrant to permanent residence status at the discretion of the Attorney General.

This provision was particularly directed to the expense and trouble to which such non-immigrants as students are placed under current law if they marry a United States citizen within a year after their admission into this country. At present, such non-immigrants are subject to deportation or voluntary departure and must apply for re-admission from another country with the proper immigration visa. If the marriage takes place after a year, adjustment may be accomplished without leaving the United States. The proposal eliminates this one-year-in-status requirement.

With so many Japanese students marrying United States citizens within a short time after their entry into this country, the enactment of this proviso should be most helpful to these young couples.

Adopted Children . . .

The Administration recommends that nonquota status be conferred upon legitimated children when immigration status is sought by virtue of the relationship of the child to its natural mother, and to adopted children under 12 who have resided with the adopting parent or parents for at least two years. Present law confers nonquota privileges only to "natural-born" children and legitimated and adopted children must come within the quota provisions.

The realities of war and the occupation period thereafter in Japan, as well as the present situation, make this particular liberalization most appropriate. Families need not be separated and possibly more adoptions and legitimizations of unfortunate children may be encouraged if this amendment is enacted.

Asia-Pacific Triangle . . .

The Presidential suggestion that an Asian spouse and children be given the benefit of an accompanying spouse, and to permit the Asian spouse of a native of a Western Hemisphere country to be classified as a nonquota immigrant if accompanying, or following to join, such a spouse is of special moment, for it would represent the first breach in the racist discrimination inherent in the so-called Asia-Pacific Triangle formula.

While this provision would relate to those of mixed blood generally, it would have immediate effect on those Canadians of Japanese ancestry who though married to Canadian citizens of non-Japanese ancestry are presently required to secure practically non-existent quota numbers from Japan before being allowed to enter the United States for purpose of permanent residence.

Reallocation of Quotas . . .

Another major revision proposed by the White House is to specify that at least 10 per cent of the annual quota be assigned to the so-called fourth preference category, which is presently available only if the designated first three preference categories remain unfilled to the alien brothers, sisters, sons or daughters of American citizens and the spouses and children of such aliens if accompanying such aliens.

Under proposed revision, the first preference for "skilled workers" and their families would remain at 50 per cent of the annual quota of any country. The second preference, now 30 per cent, would be reduced to 20 per cent for the alien parents of United States citizens. The third preference for the alien spouses and children of resident aliens in the United States would remain at 20 per cent. The 10 per cent taken from the second preference would constitute the newly recognized fourth preference. New seed or regular immigration would be deferred until all the preferences are filled and quotas remain available.

In the case of Japan, the second preference available to the alien parents of citizens is presently the one most oversubscribed, and under existing law and regulations it will remain oversubscribed for many years to come. Therefore, any reduction of the numbers available to this category may not be welcomed by American citizen children who desire to call their alien parents from Japan.

On the other hand, since the entire annual quota of 185 for Japan is oversubscribed for many years to come, at present there is absolutely no possibility for any alien brothers, sisters, sons or daughters of United States citizens to emigrate to this country. Perhaps, even at the risk of delaying some second preference alien parents, a few fourth preference "close relatives" should be admitted annually.

442nd regimental patch to be worn by Reservists

HONOLULU. — Reservists of the 442nd Infantry Regt. will be permitted to wear the wartime shoulder patch issued in 1943. The Army made exception to policy in approving a request upon recommendation of Lt.-Gen. Bruce C. Clarke "and on the basis of the prestige associated with the unit and its veterans".

Men will also be permitted to wear the Presidential Unit Citation on their uniforms.

New claims bill—

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management expenses, fair rental values, and crop losses.

The House Judiciary committee in no way felt that these items were not justified or meritorious, but rather the provisions would tend to delay rather than expedite the prosecution of the evacuation claims program.

The committee pointed out that although these provisions were eliminated from the bill, under the Court of Claims alternative, it would still be possible to have a judicial determination made on the validity of these items of expense and loss.

Also eliminated in the amended bill is the provision for a lump sum payment to all evacuees in lieu of a determination of pre- and post-evacuation expenses.

Although the committee was sympathetic to this provision, it believed that such a provision would delay rather than expedite the evacuation claims program and because of the budgetary consideration of this item voted to delete this payment.

The amended Lane-Hillings bill is more liberal than existing law which provides a ceiling for compromise settlement of 75 per cent on compensable items or a \$2,500 ceiling, whichever is less for smaller claims, and is more generous than the original Hillings bill of 1954 which would have required the claimant to accept any compromise award offered by the Attorney General so long as the amount was not less than 50 per cent of the original amount of the claim as well as a 75 per cent limitation on compensable items.

Real Nisei hero—Miyamura—writes in defense of Japanese Americans

To Newsweek:

As a proud winner of the Congressional Medal of Honor, I am writing this letter in regards to your publication of Lincoln Yamamoto's letter . . . He only speaks for himself.

I feel, and I am sure I speak in behalf of my fellow Japanese Americans, that our first allegiance is to our country . . . Have we not proven that by our record in World War II and the Korean Conflict? How much more blood must we give to prove ourselves loyal Americans? . . .

—HIROSHI MIYAMURA
Gallup, N.M.

Real heroes

To Newsweek:

. . . Instead of giving Iva D'Aquino a heroine's welcome, it is our unwavering conviction that men like Hiroshi Miyamura of Gallup, N.M., and Sadao Munemori of California, both winners of the Congressional Medal of Honor, are the heroes of the Japanese Americans in the United States.

—MIN YASUI
Denver.

Judge wonders

To Newsweek:

. . . It is an obvious attempt by some envenomed soul to use an ulterior and not too subtle means of smearing our Nisei citizens . . . Notwithstanding our commitment to the ideal of freedom of speech, it is a wonder to me that you published such a letter.

—J. ALLAN CROCKETT
Justice
Supreme Court of Utah
Salt Lake City.

'BOOquets'

To Newsweek:

Please . . . correct a statement attributed to me in a recent letter (which misquoted me) as follows: "Bouquets from one Yamamoto to another". Sentence as sent and confirmed by Western Union was: "BOOquets from one Yamamoto to another".

—PAUL H. YAMAMOTO
Oakland.

Seabrook JACL prepares for Apr. 15-16 Eastern District Council convention

BY AYAKO N. NAKAMURA

SEABROOK, N.J. — Tentative plans for the 1956 EDC JACL Convention to be held at Seabrook Farms on April 14-15 were drawn up at recent meetings held at the home of Convention Chairman Charles Nagao.

Bringing together delegates from various Eastern District chapters for a diversified weekend, the program will take place at the Seabrook Community House and the Cumberland Hotel in Bridgeton.

Nagao will be assisted by chapter president Henry Furushima and numerous committee members in making arrangements. Correspondence and contacts are being handled by Mrs. Wm. Wakatsuki, Mrs. Wm. Tagawa and Mrs. Chas. Nagao.

Nisei lawyer named Cheyenne justice

CHEYENNE.—The case of three punchboards seized in a cafe Feb. 17 by Laramie county sheriff officers brought to light the recent appointment of Tosh Suyematsu as justice of the peace here.

Issue at stake was whether the evidence should be destroyed or returned. The defense argued punchboards are not illegal under Wyoming's anti-gambling statutes. Suyematsu said he would make a decision later.

(Suyematsu, local attorney, was one of two temporary appointments, according to the Colorado Times. A Wyoming University law school graduate, he practiced in Laramie before coming to Cheyenne. Suyematsu fills the vacancy of Justice Boyd F. Biggs, who requested an indefinite leave because of ill health.)

Vernon Ichisaka is being assisted by John Fuyume and Kiyoshi Nakamura in outlining the program for the spring gathering.

Cal-Neva credit union names Shiota chairman

SAN FRANCISCO.—Jutaro Shiota, local Oriental art goods dealer, was named as chairman of the Cal Neva JACL Credit Union at the Feb. 27 board meeting.

He succeeds Susumu Togasaki. John Enomoto of Redwood City was named vice-chairman. Yukio Wada will continue as secretary-treasurer.

Miss JACL queen contest particulars announced

SAN FRANCISCO.—Deadline for the 14th biennial National JACL Convention queen nominations was set for July 15 by the contest committee. Chapters in the No. Calif. - Western Nevada District Council are only eligible to name candidates.

Selection will be made at the Aug. 5 pre-convention rally according to Miss Kaye Uyeda chairman.

As Miss JACL, the queen will be awarded a trophy and \$100 for wardrobe expenses. She must be at least 18, single and a JACL member.

Dance successful

CLEVELAND. — Baby sitters by the score were recruited to assure success of the recent Jr. Matrons social at the Engineering Society Bldg. attracting many stay-at-home couples to an informal "record" dance. Kay Furukawa was dance chairman, assisted by Sachi Tanaka, Jimmy Sakamoto and Ken Asamoto.

Mayor says

To Newsweek:

. . . For 12 years as mayor of Salt Lake City, I have been closely affiliated with our citizens of Japanese ancestry . . . to my knowledge, every single one of them has been the soul of loyalty to our government.

During our troublesome years of the war, they responded to every request I made of them as mayor. None of our citizens was more loyal or more patriotic. The record of Mike Masaoka of Salt Lake City and his associates, as participants in our beloved country's defense and war heroes, was an example of our loyal citizens.

—EARL J. GLADE
Salt Lake City.

Newsweek's burden

To Newsweek:

Obviously, the letter was deliberately calculated to create a misapprehension . . . an investigation should be made as to the writer and find out the basis for the letter; or it should be retracted. The burden at this point rests with the Newsweek magazine.

—THEODORE R. BOHN
Judge, Circuit Court
Detroit.

Governor speaks

To Newsweek:

. . . As former governor of the State of Utah, I desire to state I found the Japanese Americans to be among the (most loyal) citizens during my term of office which covered the period of World War II . . . Nothing could be further from the truth than the statement of Mr. Lincoln Yamamoto to the effect that Niseis consider themselves citizens of Japan regardless of where they are born . . .

A great wrong has been done to some mighty good citizens of this country.

—HERBERT B. MAW
Salt Lake City.

Insult well-planned

To Newsweek:

. . . This letter is a well planned insult to the loyalty of this group of respected citizens . . . No good can come of such publication as the facts stated are not borne out by services rendered by our Japanese American citizens.

—NEIL R. FITCH
Past Dep't Commander,
American Legion, Idaho

CALENDAR

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- Mar. 11 (Sunday)
Hollywood — Get-Acquainted Social, Hollywood Community Center.
- Mar. 10 (Saturday)
WLA-Venice-Culver — Joint dinner-dance, Santa Monica Elk's Club, 7 p.m.
- Mar. 14 (Wednesday)
San Francisco — Auxiliary meeting, Booker T. Washington Center, 7:30 p.m.; "Fashion with Furs", Agnes Noeller, spkr.
- East Los Angeles — General meeting.
- Mar. 15 (Thursday)
Alameda — General meeting, Vista Methodist Church, 7:45 p.m.
- Mar. 17 (Saturday)
Cincinnati — General meeting.
- Mar. 18 (Sunday)
So. Alameda County — Community picnic, San Gregorio Beach. Caravan leaves Sekigahama Ranch, 10 a.m.
- Detroit — General meeting, International Institute; Abe Hagihara, spkr.
- Natl' JACL Credit Union — Annual meeting, Temple Noodle House, Salt Lake City, 7 p.m.
- Mar. 20 (Tuesday)
Pasadena — Cabinet meeting, Harris Ozawa residence, 7:30 p.m.
- Mar. 22 (Thursday)
Pasadena — General meeting, Presbyterian Church, 8 p.m.; "Investments," Clifford Y. Tanaka, spkr.
- Mar. 23 (Friday)
East L.A. — Voters Registration night, International Institute, 8 p.m.; Tats Kushida, spkr.
- Mar. 24 (Saturday)
East L.A. — Membership dinner-dance, San Francisco — Auxiliary benefit dance, Buddhist Hall.
- Mar. 28 (Wednesday)
Salt Lake City — Welcome Night, pre-basketball tournament dance.
- Mar. 29-30-31
Salt Lake City — 21st Nat'l Nisei Basketball Tournament, Judge Memorial High School gym.
- Mar. 30 (Friday)
Venice-Culver — Voters Registration night, Venice Gakuen, 12448 Brad-dock Dr., 7:30 p.m.
- Mar. 31 (Saturday)
Southwest L.A. — Marty Party, Park Manor, 607 S. Western.
- April 7 (Saturday)
D.C. — Spring Dance (semi-formal), Airport Terrace Room, 10 p.m.
- Apr. 14 (Saturday)
Detroit — Spring social.
- Placer County — Picnic ball, Loobis Memorial Hall.
- Apr. 15 (Sunday)
Placer County — Community picnic JACL Recreation Park; Issel program, Penryn Japanese Hall.
- May 5 (Saturday)
East Los Angeles — Emerald Ball, Santa Monica Elks Club.