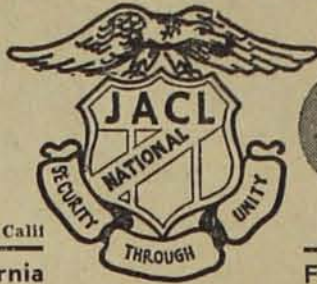


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## BY THE BOARD:

Wear it proudly  
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There is no room for complacency in an expanding organization, as the National JACL must be, if our national organization is going to continue to fulfill a legitimate function in the lives of Americans of Japanese ancestry in the United States.

Ever since the difficult years after evacuation, the national membership of the Japanese American Citizens League has been increasing. Last year, 1955, there were 14,000 members. The latest May 1 report shows only 8,423 members thus far in 1956 or only about 60 per cent of the past year's record.

Admittedly, during the peak years of JACL activities, there were dramatic national issues which fired the enthusiasm of workers in all chapters across the nation, so that the national membership continued to grow.

Now, National JACL is approaching a period of maturity having passed its 25th year of organization. Crucial issues, we hope, are things of the past. But, in our own experience, we know that "poison pen" letters in Pasadena have reacted to detriment of our family wherever we live; and the innuendoes in those letters have been reflected in Congress. Only by the firm action of the National JACL have the effects of such letters been nullified.

Your national JACL membership means more security for you, your family, and for all of us. We believe that it is essential that every chapter be again inspired in order to hold the many significant gains that have been achieved at so much sacrifice and devotion of many thousand of loyal JACLers.

Make your national JACL membership a significant part of your community life, and wear it proudly like a badge!

—Tak Terasaki

## Sen. Kuchel meets Bay Area JACLers, community leaders

SAN FRANCISCO. — Sen. Thomas H. Kuchel (R., Calif.), and several members of his staff were honored Wednesday last week at a dinner given by Bay area JACL officials and community leaders.

Appreciation was expressed to the junior California senator for his recent strong statement on the floor of the U.S. senate refuting the letter to Newsweek magazine signed by a "Lincoln Yamamoto."

Masao Satow, National JACL executive director, who made arrangements for the dinner, said that Sen. Kuchel has also been helpful on the pending evacuation claims legislation and a number of other bills affecting Japanese Americans.

Accompanying the senator were Merrill Small, his administrative assistant, and Tom Mellon of his staff.

Present at the meeting were presidents of five Bay area JACL chapters, Hatsu Aizawa, San Francisco; Sei Kami, Richmond; El Cerrito; Paul Yamamoto, Berkeley; James Tsurumoto, Oakland, and George Ushijima, Alameda.

Also present were: Frank M. Nonaka, Tom Hoshizawa, Howard Imazeki and Dr. T. T. Hayashi.

## POPULATION STUDY OF MIDWEST JAPANESE DUE

CHICAGO. — A population study of Japanese Americans in the Midwest is being made by the Midwest District Council to determine its extent in meeting the national JACL financial budget, it was disclosed in the current Chicago chapter bulletin.

The study is being made by George Ono, to be presented at the MDC meeting May 26-27 at Cincinnati.

The bulletin pointed out that some Midwest chapters were finding it increasingly difficult to meet their quotas due to loss of membership and leadership.

A first-hand report from Mas Satow, national JACL director, will be a highlight of the MDC meeting.

## Truck knocks house off foundation

JEROME, Utah. — Mrs. Tsuneo Ogata was injured slightly Tuesday last week when a heavily laden potato truck ran wild and crashed into her house.

Police said the truck driver apparently fainted just before reaching a stop sign and the truck shot across the intersection and into the Ogata home, shifting it 18 inches off its foundation.

Mrs. Ogata, standing inside the house, was thrown to the floor. A child with her at the time and the truck driver escaped uninjured.

## Japanese literature

PARIS. — Twenty of the most important works in Japanese literature since the Middle Ages will be translated into English and French under a program sponsored by the United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization.

## THREE TELEVISION NETWORKS IN ALL-OUT EFFORT TO AVOID OFFENDING MINORITIES IN SONGS; SOME BANNED, CHANGED



Mas Satow (left), national JACL director, publicly thanked Sen. Thomas H. Kuchel (R., Calif.) for his denunciation of the Lincoln Yamamoto letter published in a national magazine on the Senate floor at a recent San Francisco dinner.

Three television networks have banned some songs and changed words in others in an all-out effort to avoid offending members of minority groups—including persons of Japanese ancestry—who might take offense at lines in some tunes, the Daily Variety learned this week.

The show world publication, in its lead story last Tuesday, reported continuity and music clearance departments at NBC-TV, CBS-TV and ABC-TV are constantly on the alert for tunes which they feel might cause such offense, including persons suffering from physical defects.

While there is some difference in various network policies, Variety said all agree it is essential they maintain a vigilance lest there be any adverse reaction from the public.

NBC-TV for years has banned "Old Black Joe" on the grounds the lyrics are derogatory to Negroes, explained Bob Wood, manager of NBC-TV continuity department on the Pacific Coast. However, it is not banned on the other networks, Variety noted.

While NBC and CBS have changed certain words in other Stephen Foster melodies, ABC hasn't. Martie Hubble, head of ABC's music clearance department on the West Coast, explained "the things Foster wrote were of an era which factually existed. We have been clearing his songs without change."

CBS has banned "Sam, You Made the Pants Too Long", feeling it offensive and derogatory to the Jewish race. Word "chink" was removed from "Chinatown, My Chinatown" and an entire paragraph referring to "Chinks, Japs and Laps" was erased from "Let's Do It" so as not to offend the minorities involved.

"When many of these songs were written, the words involved no racial connotation," explains Jane Wamboldt, CBS head of the Coast music clearance. Rhythm and blues records are carefully screened and all those with any reference considered offensive to Negroes are banned.

ABC has eliminated the words "darkies" and "niggers", taking "darkies" out of "Old Man River" as well as "chink" out of "Chinatown, My Chinatown". At NBC, "My Old Kentucky Home" is okay after the word "darky" is changed. In "Swanee River", the word "darkies" has been changed to "children".

"Shortnin' Bread", explains NBC, can be only done instrumentally as the word "mammy" has been expunged from the tune. The word is associated with Negro servants down South and NBC feels it might be offensive to Negroes.

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## EISENHOWER HAS BILL OK'D BY CONGRESS PERMITTING USE OF MONGOLIAN LABOR

WASHINGTON. — The Japanese American Citizens League was successful in attaining one of its 1956 legislative aims when the Senate recently passed a bill terminating the prohibition against employment of Mongolian labor in the construction of reclamation projects.

The bill is now before the President for his signature.

As far as is known to the Washington JACL office, the signing of the bill would erase from the statute books the last vestige of discrimination by name against Mongolians or Asians, including the Japanese.

The House Interior and Insular Affairs committee report was incorporated by reference as a part of the report by the Senate subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation of the Interior and Insular Affairs committee, chaired by Senator Clinton Anderson (D., N.M.). The chairman of the parent committee is Senator James E. Murray (D., Mont.).

In the House committee report it stated "that this archaic provision has no place on the Federal statute books of today," and this recommendation was concurred in by the Senate subcommittee.

The bill had the unanimous approval of the Department of Interior as well as the House Interior and Insular Affairs committee, chaired by Clair Engle (D., Calif.).

## DENVER SCHOLAR WINS FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE AID

DENVER. — Carl A. Yorimoto, son of Mr. and Mrs. Art Yorimoto, received a four-year scholarship providing full tuition and fees at any Colorado college from the Boettcher Foundation, it was disclosed last week by foundation president Robert L. Stearns.

The Manual High student was selected from among a group of 425 applicants who were carefully screened with tests and interviews.

and was passed by the House just prior to adjournment by the first session of the 84th Congress last year.

The Department of Interior, which had wholeheartedly endorsed the deletion of this provision from the 1902 Act, pointed out to the House committee in its appraisal of the bill the inconsistency with current laws, such as the Immigration and Nationality Act (Walter-McCarran) Act of 1952, the Supreme Court decisions on land ownership and other matters, and Continued on Page 8

## Magnuson urges claims bill passage

WASHINGTON. — Early approval by Senate Judiciary Committee of the so-called Lane Evacuation Claims bill was asked this week by Sen. Warren G. Magnuson (D., Wash.).

In a letter to Judiciary Chairman James O. Eastland (D., Miss.), Magnuson said the measure (H.R. 7763) would "make possible the early settlement of remaining claims."

"I have always felt that the evacuation of the Japanese American citizen from the coastal states during World War II was a mistake and I believe they are entitled to full restitution of their losses," Magnuson said.

Magnuson pointed out to Chairman Eastland that the evacuation claims measure passed the House of Representatives on March 15, 1956 "without objection".

## FEAF TO QUIT TOKYO MEIJI BLDG. QUARTERS

TOKYO. — The Far East Air Forces is moving to Fuchu Air Station, 20 miles west of Tokyo, vacating the Meiji building which it occupied since October, 1945.

## Nisei market being sued \$3,000 by detained buyer

FRESNO. — Nisei market proprietors are being sued \$3,000 in damages by Mrs. Patricia Mendoza on the charge she was falsely imprisoned in the store Feb. 29.

In the complaint against Masumi Sakai, Robert Sakai and Roland Yoshioka, she charged that she was detained for a half hour until the management made sure grocery items for which she had no receipt were purchased elsewhere.



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## FROM THE FRYING PAN: by Bill Hosokawa



### Fat, fuzzy 'Frostie'

Denver, Colo.

At last count we had in our house one non-talking parakeet, one celibate guppy, two turtles of indeterminate sex, and one jackalope. The parakeet came to live with us three years ago last Christmas. For a while it made a valiant effort to learn to talk, but eventually it gave up. Too much competition. Now it can

make only like a bird.

The single guppy is all that remains of five or six, I can't remember which, that were given us last winter. I suppose we'd still have five or six, plus a whole school of young ones, if it weren't for the fact that guppies need a change of water once in a while. During the process of giving them a fresh supply of living space, first one than another of them slipped into the sink and down the drain. Gad, what a way to go. Guppies are notoriously prolific reproducers, but our one remaining guppy isn't in much position to do anything about that.

The turtles hardly count in our menagerie. When they aren't sleeping in their shallow bowl of water, they're trying to get out. For a little while they promised excitement when one of them, by climbing on the other's back, could almost escape over the top of the bowl. But the menu must have improved, or something, because they haven't tried to break out lately.

### WHAT'S A JACKALOPE?

The jackalope may require a little explanation. The first one I ever saw was mounted and hanging on the wall, just above the coffee urn, in the only restaurant in the little town of Deavor, Wyo. This was during the war years, during our late and unlamented stay in what was known as Heart Mountain WRA center. The jackalope had the face of a Wyoming jackrabbit and the horns of a buck antelope. In fact, that's exactly what the jackalope was—a strangely wedded combination of rabbit and antelope assembled in some whimsical taxidermist's shop. Robert W. (Red) Fenwick, a *Denver Post* reporter and the foremost chronicler of jackalope lore, happened to have more jackalope than he knew what to do with. So he gave us one. We sprayed it liberally with moth repellent and hung him up on the wall of the boys' room.

All this is by way of preliminary to saying that, lonesome for pets, our underprivileged young prevailed upon us to get them a puppy dog. Dogs had been taboo in this family for a long time, but finally the member who makes the important decisions gave her approval. So we got us a fat and fuzzy two-month-old Husky, name of Frostie.

Frostie promptly proved himself to be a real character, the kind of creature who can hold his own in a family like ours. He showed right off that he's strictly independent. He can take or leave people. Unlike some breeds that fawn on their masters, demanding affection and attention, he's sufficient unto himself except at chow time. Then, how he puts the groceries away.

### ABOUT SIBERIAN HUSKIES

Being completely ignorant about Huskies, we got hold of the American Kennel Club's book about dogs and read up on the breed. The book said Siberian Huskies (which are closely related to Eskimo dogs and Malamutes) are naturally gentle and friendly, alert, intelligent, tractable, fastidiously clean and free from body odors. He is, the book continued, an ideal pet, and is quick and light on his feet and free and graceful in action.

Frostie certainly isn't quick and light, nor is he free and graceful. He's all feet and as awkward as a sophomore half-back. Of course we made allowances for him since he's only a little baby, relatively speaking, and that made us feel good as parents of a Husky. Then we got to reading about all the other breeds—more than a hundred starting with Griffons in sporting dog class and winding up with Schipperkes in the non-sporting class. Know what? Couldn't find a stupid stinker type in the bunch. They were all fine, noble beasts and pretty soon I began to get suspicious about a book that praises everything. We're withholding judgment on Frostie for another week, at least.

## VERY TRULY YOURS: by Harry K. Honda



### 'Jap-anese'

Before someone calls me down for a typographical error in this column last week, I hasten to correct Josiah Royce's year of birth from 1885 to 1855. Numbers always demand utmost care from proof-readers. . . . Now for the subject at hand: One Nisei editor has gone on record that his feeling on the Hoagy Carmichael incident, where Nisei were referred to as "Japs" on a radio broadcast, borders the "I give up" mark. . . . "Must we always growl and growl when referred to unintentionally and without malice as 'Japs'?" he asks. Admitting his is not of a majority feeling, there are occasions when he feels the word "Jap" assumes a malicious connotation only in "our minds" . . . He explains that a Nisei can realize when a speaker is using the word in a derogatory manner or not. . . . Probably if Mitch Miller, on whose show the incident occurred, hadn't replied to explain the slip-of-tongue, we would never know what was intended. And a rightful protest may have come from the writer to whom we refer.

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Bay area JACL chapter presidents were present at an informal dinner at Yamato Suki-yaki recently to meet with Sen. Thomas H. Kuchel (R., Calif.) to discuss the JACL evacuation claims program to which Kuchel has pledged his support. In the photo are (left to right) Sei Kami, Richmond-El Cerrito; Hatsu Aizawa, San Francisco; Sen. Kuchel; George Ushijima, Alameda; James Tsurumoto, Oakland; and Paul Yamamoto, Berkeley. —Photo by Kami (S.F.)

## Ear complications studied by Issei

Dr. James Hara, nationally recognized ear-nose-throat specialist, and his wife Dr. Margaret Farr Hara, left Los Angeles by air Tuesday to attend the North American Ear, Nose, Throat Surgeon's meeting in Montreal May 11-17.

The naturalized Issei doctor will present a paper on Intracranial Complications originated from acute and chronic ear diseases.

According to his research, since the advent of penicillin and other potent drugs the incidence of infectious diseases has been markedly reduced. But there has been increasing evidence of the ineffectiveness of these anti-bacterial drugs the past 10 years because of the emergence of drug-resistant strains of bacteria, alterations of normal human bacterial flora, development of sensitivity to drugs among the general population and masking of all important grave symptoms which prevent early diagnosis of serious complications.

Dr. Hara is a 1000 Club member of the Downtown Los Angeles chapter.

## Fowler JACL to celebrate fifth anniversary May 26

FOWLER. — An outdoor evening supper will feature the fifth anniversary celebration of the Fowler JACL Saturday, May 26, at the local city park.

Bill Hashimoto was named chairman for this celebration which will be held as a family affair.

Also on the committee are Mrs. Tom Shirakawa, Mrs. Frank Sakohira, Mrs. George Miyake and Mrs. George Taniguchi, food committee; Tom Kamikawa, soda water; Joe Yokomi, barbecue pit and equipment; Mrs. Ada Yamamoto, notices, and Thomas Toyama, publicity.

**NAMED PRESIDENT OF CLEVELAND IRON LEAGUE**  
 CLEVELAND.—Frank Shiba, division manager at Builders Structural Steel Corp., was recently elected president of the Cleveland Iron League, composed of some 30 steel fabricating and allied firms here.

## G.I. MARRIES JAPANESE BRIDE THROUGH PROXY

COLUMBUS, Kan. — A judge here last week performed a proxy wedding for Afc. William H. Curley, 33, of Alabama and Junko Harada, 27, of Kure, Japan, who was 6,000 miles away. Court deputy Mrs. Grace McCullum stood in for the bride.

Curley met his Japanese bride in 1952, but was transferred back to the United States before they could get married. Curley is stationed at Jacksonville, Ark.

## Parlier CL plans for Round-Up parade

PARLIER. — An entry will be sponsored by the Parlier JACL in the 11th annual Veterans' round-up parade here May 20, it was recently decided at a chapter meeting with Ralph Kimoto, president, appointing Miss Rickie Kozuki in charge, assisted by Ami Furumoto, George Kubo and Min Doi. The chapter has entered floats previously.

James Kozuki was named in charge of the chapter picnic, assisted by Kay Yoshimoto and Robert Yano. Location and date are to be announced.

John Kashiki, deputy county clerk, registered over 40 newly naturalized Issei and Nisei voters for the coming elections.

## 100 San Jose Issei witness voting movies

SAN JOSE. — Close to 100 newly naturalized Issei witnessed educational movies on voting procedure at the San Jose JACL-sponsored meeting last Monday at San Jose High School. Eiichi Sakauye was chairman.

The Rev. Hoffman, who instructed citizenship classes at the adult education division, served as narrator to the films, "Tuesday in November" and "How to Elect Your Representatives".

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## S.F. commercial artists win prizes

SAN FRANCISCO. — Hisashi Tani of San Francisco and Hiroto Arai of Berkeley were among top prize winners in the eighth annual exhibition of advertising art sponsored by the San Francisco Society of Artists and Art Directors.

Tani took the prize in the direct mail (color) division as both artist and art director. Arai was one of four who worked on the prize winning exhibit in the company publication (annual report) division.

The winning displays will be exhibited at the society's building, 252 Clay St., 1 to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday until May 25.

## More refugees from Kagoshima arrive

SAN FRANCISCO.—Another group of 58 Japanese permitted to enter this country as permanent residents under the U.S. Refugee Relief Act arrived at the San Francisco International airport May 5 from Tokyo.

The immigrants, the second to go to United States recently from Kagoshima prefecture, will work in the grape fields of Delano.

After they are settled in the U.S., many plan to call their families to America. Yoshizo Oda, leader of the group, said at the airport. "We plan to work hard in America so we will be a credit to Japan," he added.

## Joins ad agency

George Akimoto, Southwest L.A. JACler and an artist who is an expert on airplanes and still life, was one of four artists added to the staff of Fred Kopp Advertising Art recently.

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# VAGARIES: by Larry S. Tajiri



## 'Children's Garden'

■ In Japanese, *shonien* means "children's garden."

In Los Angeles, Shonien is the name of the Japanese Children's Home of Southern California. It is a center for dependent children of Japanese ancestry and, except for an interruption during the war years, has served the Japanese American community since 1914. Until its activities were suspended by the mass evacuation of Americans from the west coast in 1942—when even kids in a children's home were forced to move to inland relocation centers because they presumably posed a threat to military security—the Shonien served the motherless, the fatherless and the young broken homes.

The Shonien's contribution to its community is a matter of record. It has harbored hundreds of children in long decades of service. Its boys and girls who faced a far more uncertain future had there not been a Shonien, have grown to sturdy adulthood.

Following the return of the evacuees to the coast in 1946, a committee of interested citizens, assisted by child welfare specialists, evaluated the need for a children's home to serve the Japanese American community. The conclusion was that a modern child welfare center was urgently needed to offer group care in conjunction with a foster home placement program.

### EXAMPLE OF COMMUNITY PRIDE

■ From the time of its founding, more than 40 years ago, the Shonien has depended for its support upon the Japanese American community. When the necessity for a new Shonien was spelled out after the return of the evacuees, the impetus came from the Nisei themselves. Sixteen Nisei architects, engineers and designers donated their time to develop a building which would be beautiful and structurally practical as well.

The handsome, contemporary-type building, completed last November, contains all the features which were recommended by the Shonien's advisory committee, composed of leaders in the welfare field. Designed and built for group living, the structure already has attracted considerable attention among those interested in group care of children.

The Shonien is a project of which the Nisei can be proud. It is a product of the Japanese American community. Back in the early 1930s when the Nisei were beginning to take over much of the responsibility for the Shonien's support, we remember joining a deputation which spoke at churches and club meetings to raise funds for the home. Few of those making that speaking tour and others like it were old enough to vote, but the fact of youth did not deter the participants from carrying out what they considered a community responsibility. The same spirit has pervaded Nisei activity in behalf of the Shonien since those days.

Nobu T. Kawai, the president of the Shonien, is a businessman who has been a leader in the National JACL movement since its inception. He stresses the role of the Nisei in bringing the new building into being.

"The New Shonien is a heartwarming example of community pride and charity in which hundreds of people are giving their time, talent and financial support," says Nobu. He adds:

"The beautiful landscaping was done by volunteers, and more than 100 landscape contractors, gardeners and helpers came out on seven consecutive Sundays to complete the job and to make the Shonien literally 'the children's garden.' All materials, including seed, fertilizer and more than 350 plants and shrubs were donated. The result is a showplace of which Japanese Americans can be proud."

### ATTRACTIVE BROCHURES SPELL GOAL

■ The New Shonien was dedicated on May 5, and the center has held open house until May 9. The dedication rites also launched a drive to raise funds. And for the first time, the drive is being extended beyond the Nisei and Issei group in Southern California. The goal is \$50,000.

"Because of the large amount needed, we are appealing for the first time in our history to our non-Nisei friends for support," says Nobu.

Attractive brochures have been mailed to every Japanese American family of record in Southern California. These brochures were designed by Arnold Fujita, art director for one of the country's big advertising agencies. Copies may be obtained by writing the Shonien.

"We are asking Nisei friends to send these brochures to non-Nisei on the Christmas card lists and to their employers, with a personal note enclosed," says Nobu. "We also need the support of Nisei in other parts of the nation, many of whom already know of the Shonien."

The total indebtedness is \$75,000. Of the \$50,000 quota in the present campaign, \$25,000 will go toward operating expenses for the first year before the Shonien becomes eligible for Community Chest membership. \$10,000 is for furniture and equipment, and the remainder will apply on the mortgage.

### FOSTER HOME PLACEMENT

■ The New Shonien's child welfare project is under the direction of Michio Mike Suzuki, formerly of the Jewish Family Service in New York City. Under Suzuki, the New Shonien will offer a consultation, information and referral service and would aid in coordinating child welfare programs serving the Japanese American community. The Shonien already has been able to aid in developing sorely needed foster homes.

"Our group living facilities, in addition to the foster home placement program, will enable the selective placement of children in accordance with the highest standards of child welfare practice," says Nobu Kawai. "Our program is dedicated to the fullest development of individual personality."

The center hopes to be of help to persons of Japanese ancestry in other parts of the country. Already requests have been received for placement of children from Detroit, Denver and other areas. Meanwhile, many couples have written in asking for advice on possible adoptions.

The New Shonien is an enterprise of the Japanese American community which affects all Nisei. It is worthy of support. Contributions (tax-deductible) may be sent to the New Shonien, 1815 Redcliff St., Los Angeles 26, Calif.



The new Shonien child care center opened its doors to the public for the first time last weekend. Nobu T. Kawai, who is pictured with his wife, is chairman of the Shonien board of directors.

—Toyo Miyatake Photo.

## Outdoor fun and relaxation assured at 14th biennial nat'l JACL convention

SAN FRANCISCO. — All National Convention Board as well as executive board members of the San Francisco JACL have pledged to register in advance on the "package deal", it was disclosed at the convention board meeting last week.

The \$20 "package deal" covers registration, souvenir program booklet, Convention mixer, luncheon and fashion show, Sunday outing, Convention banquet and Sayonara ball.

The "package deal" of \$20 covers registration, the souvenir program booklet, convention mixer, luncheon and fashion show, Sunday outing, the convention banquet and Sayonara ball.

Masao Satow, JACL national director, commended this fine example and urged others to follow suit at substantial savings to themselves, and also to encourage those who are also giving their time and effort to assure a successful biennial gathering, especially since funds are needed to underwrite convention expenses which must be paid in advance. Prospective delegates and boosters may also pre-register for \$2. Checks should be made out to the JACL Convention and sent to the JACL office at 1759 Sutter St., San Francisco.

Convention outing chairman Frank Dobashi reported that the Blackberry Farm in Monte Vista, just outside of Mountain View, has been reserved for the exclusive use of JACLers on Sunday, September 2. The Blackberry Farm is considered one of the finest picnic spots on the Peninsula with shady trees, meadows, and Stevens Creek running through it. Also available are a swimming pool, a baseball diamond, and playground facilities for the youngsters. The outing committee assures that games for the children will be planned.

The afternoon activities will be followed by a steak barbecue and dancing under the stars in the evening. Bus transportation will be provided for those without transportation.

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Prizes and trophies for the golf tournament will be presented at the outing by the convention queen and her two attendants, according to Yone Satoda in charge of the tournament. The 36-hole tournament in three flights will be held at two courses, the Sonoma Golf course on Saturday and the Hillview course in San Jose the following day.

For the fishermen, there will be a fishing derby on the high seas just outside of the famed Golden Gate under the direction of co-chairmen March Dobashi and Larry Kanzawa, assisted by Mas Ito, Sam Naito and Tak Shiosaki. The committee noted that the salmon are really running this year, but since September represents the peak for salmon fishing in this area, advance reservations will be required. Reservations should be sent in by August 18 and will include charter boats and fishing gear and bait for those who desire them.

### Detroit CL dance acclaimed as success

DETROIT. — The spring "Carousel" dance sponsored by the local JACL on Apr. 23 was acclaimed a huge success with some 200 persons crowding the Elks Hall. Bebe Horiuchi and Mrs. Irene Hatate were co-chairmen.

Highlight of the evening was the floor show of acrobatic stunts, vocal renditions by Japanese war brides and skits by the Univ. of Michigan Hawaiian Club. A large group from Ann Arbor was also present.

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## Nisei home listed for Berkeley tour

BERKELEY. — The new home of Dr. and Mrs. Henry Takahashi at 1 Vicente Rd. will be among five unusually attractive and well-designed homes to be shown May 20 when the Women's Architectural League here holds its annual homes tour.

The home contains two bedrooms and a study in addition to the living-dining-kitchen area. An outdoor-living area can be entered from kitchen or bedroom. Downstairs, Dr. Takahashi's hobby of photography is provided for with well-equipped darkroom. Next to this is a second living room which opens into a fenced patio.

## Tokyo Rose granted OK to move to San Francisco for deportation trial

CHICAGO. — Permission was granted to Mrs. Iva Toguri D'Aquino by the Immigration and Naturalization Service here Wednesday to depart for San Francisco, where she will stage her fight against deportation. The California-born broadcaster of World War II fame, known as Tokyo Rose, was ordered deported Jan. 28 when she was released from the women's prison at Alderson, W.Va., after serving six years imprisonment for treason.

Robert H. Robinson, I&NS director here, said Mrs. D'Aquino wants to go to San Francisco because her friends and attorney Wayne Collins are there. All papers necessary in the case are to be forwarded to the coast, Robinson added.

## Japanese wire-acrobat hurt in circus fall

NEW YORK. — Takeo Usui, 30-year-old Tokyo acrobat with Ringling Bros. and Barnum-Bailey circus, fell 30 feet to the floor of Madison Square Garden recently on his second slide down an inclined wire. He was not seriously injured, according to examining doctors at St. Clare's Hospital.

A troupe of Japanese dancing girls also appear in no less than four of the big "spectaculars." Their charm and grace have won approval from the twice-a-day capacity crowds at the Garden.

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by Jerry Enomoto



San Francisco

With the shipment of tickets to the Midwest District Council, "Operation Mercury" will have reached into every (we hope) JACL stronghold in the United States. Chairman Joe Kubokawa assisted by our better half and secretary Lucy, now have the distribution well under control, thanks to the cooperation from various DC chairmen and chapters.

In introducing Joe, we might say that he's with the Bank of Tokyo, and is a big wheel in the local Chamber of Commerce and the newly organized San Francisco Nisei Optimist Club. He and our host San Francisco Chapter are setting top notch examples for the rest of you by waging a strong sales drive, even at this fairly early stage. San Francisco Chapter Board member Sam Sato is in charge of the local push and has 3,300 pasteboards out, and we understand that Joe himself took 600.

It may well be that, as "Mercury" goes so will go the financial fortunes of "Changing Perspectives". So with this in mind, will all of you JACLers please push the campaign in your areas. Remember, it's only 16 weeks until Convention time, and we want all of you to get a crack at the rich rewards.

### BOOKLET ADVERTISING

At the risk of making this week's column rather hard to digest, we're throwing another financial problem at you. After all, you can't expect joy and pearls of wisdom every week. Seriously though, we would like to urge all chapter presidents to appoint a good JACLer to assume the responsibility of soliciting a few ads for our Souvenir Booklet.

As always, the Booklet will be a top notch publication and one that will fully reflect the dignity and prestige of our national organization. The editorial staff, headed by Thelma Takeda and consulting editor Yori Wada, is teaming up with art editor Hats Aizawa and convention art coordinator Hisashi Tani to insure an interesting, informative, and artistic booklet.

### FOR BRIDGE FANS

Our host San Francisco Chapter is holding the second in a series of pre-convention Bridge tourney "warmups" this month. Also a current series of lessons in the fine points of this stimulating game is attracting a goodly number of students. The classes are under the tutelage of "Professor" Wilfred Hiura who, coincidentally, is chairman of the Convention Bridge Tournament. Will is being assisted by Tok Hedani, Yone Sato, and our NCWNDC Chairman Yas Abiko who drift around and give neophytes the benefit of their skill and knowledge of Goren. We note with interest that the Berkeley Chapter is sponsoring a duplicate bridge tourney shortly. We invite all of you interested followers of bridge to try your hands at the tournament during "Changing Perspectives".

### STRICTLY FOR FISHERMEN

Entry blanks for our traditional Fishing Derby will be coming your way soon. This event is slated for Saturday morning, Sept. 1, and is under the co-chairmanship of Marchie Dobashi and Larry Kanzawa. We urge all you anglers to pack your rods and reels, and take a crack at the salmon and the trophies.

### CHICAGO CORNER: by Smoky H. Sakurada



## Federal police force

Chicago

The Council Against Discrimination of Chicago holds its annual fund-raising dinner at the Morrison Hotel on April 7 with Oregon Senator Richard L. Neuberger as guest speaker. He discussed the problem of discrimination and suggested a federal police force was needed to enforce laws designed to eliminate discrimination. The Chicago JACL, a member of the Council, contributed \$50. Attending the dinner on behalf of the chapter were chapter president Dr. Frank Sakamoto, Kuneo Yoshinari, Maudie Nakada, Esther Hagiwara and Toshi Nakamura.

Among nine enthusiastic teenagers sounding off on what it takes to improve a community was Robert Nakamura, 16, of Waller High School. They were giving "two-minute" improvement speeches for honors as the YMCA Youth Citizen of the Year in a contest sponsored by the Chicago Junior Association of Commerce and Industry. The Nisei reviewed recent community efforts in his neighborhood of knocking down old buildings, planting gardens, picking up old cars and having the parks flow into the community.

Noted Ceylon professor and president of the World Buddhist Fellowship, Dr. G. P. Malalasekera, addressed the Chicago Buddhist Church last Sunday. He is also chief editor of the new World Buddhist Encyclopedia and presently attending UNESCO conferences. The Asoka Society will have a square dance party on Saturday, May 19, at the Chicago Buddhist Church. The Christ Congregational Church will hold special 10th anniversary services on May 18-20 at its church, 701 Buckingham Pl. The anniversary banquet is scheduled for Sunday, May 20, 6 p.m., followed by services in Japanese.

Masato Tamura, 1000er, made last-minute plans to attend the first world judo tournament in Tokyo and is expected to return here in three weeks. His younger brother, Vince, up against stiff competition, bowed in the quarter-finals. (See sports.)

Dr. Kenji Kushino, member of the 1000 Club and Entertainer, was recently elected a fellow in the American Academy of Pediatrics. He is a diplomate of the American Board of Pediatrics and member of the Chicago Pediatrics Society and on the medical staff at Children's Memorial Hospital. He is consultant at Ravenswood, Augustana and Swedish Covenant hospitals.

## JUDGE GOODMAN TO ADDRESS NC-WNDC QUARTERLY MEETING BANQUET MAY 20

SAN FRANCISCO. — Judge Louis E. Goodman of the U.S. District Court will be main speaker at the annual quarterly meeting of the JACL NC-WNDC on May 20, it was announced by president Phil Matsumura of the host San Jose Chapter.

Judge Goodman has figured prominently in many cases affecting persons of Japanese ancestry in recent years. He will speak at the banquet at the Kogura Hall at 6 p.m.

SAN JOSE. — The program for the coming second quarterly Northern California-Western Nevada JACL District Council meeting here on Sunday, May 20, was announced by the host San Jose JACL chapter after confirmation by the regional office in San Francisco.

Two official delegates from the 25 member chapters and over 100 booster delegates are expected to attend the meeting here.

The schedule of the day will be: 10 a.m.—Golf tournament at Hillview course. Clark Taketa and Frank Shimada, co-chmn.

12 noon—Registration at Onishi hall at 195 E. Taylor St. Sumi Minato, chmn.; Florence Jumura, Sachi Ikeda, Lillian Hinaga and Masako Tsukamoto.

1 p.m.—Business meeting. Yasuo Abiko, district chmn., presiding.

3 p.m.—Coffee break. Mrs. Ada Uyeda, chmn.; Mrs. Sue Matsumura, Mrs. Bessie Harada, Mrs. Kay Ishigaki, Mrs. Edith Hashimoto and Mrs. Yoshi Bepp.

3:30 p.m.—Workshop. John Enomoto of Redwood City, chmn.

## SLC graduates dinner-dance at El Gaucho June 2

SALT LAKE CITY. — The annual Salt Lake JACL graduation affair this year has been changed from the usual semi-formal ball to a dinner-dance. Spacious El Gaucho Inn has been selected for the scene of the affair to be held on June 2 from 7:30 p.m.

Ichiro Doi, chairman, is working hard with his committee to make this an outstanding event of the spring social calendar. Invitations are being sent now to graduates of high schools, colleges, and universities in the Salt Lake area.

If through some oversight any graduate who wishes to attend this affair does not receive an invitation, please write or call Doi and an invitation will be extended.

Working on the committee are Tomoko Yano, Sue Kaneko, invitations; Midori Watanuki, souvenir flowers; Rae Fujimoto, Rupert Hachiya, tickets; Rose Kanzaki, finance; Mary Ujifusa, Kimi Kasai, decorations and theme.

## SLC keg award fete rescheduled for May 26

SALT LAKE CITY.—The Salt Lake JACL Bowling Association annual bowler's party has been rescheduled for May 26 at the Meadowbrook Country Club. The steak dinner starts at 7:30 p.m., followed by dancing. Jerry Tsuyuki and Peter Oki are co-chairmen.

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## Detroit CL passes '55 membership

BY YOSHIKO INOUE

DETROIT. — Final membership figures for the Detroit JACL of 373 were announced by Mrs. Miyo O'Neill, chapter president, who pointed out the total represented a boost of 75 new members over the past year.

The chapter held its bride tournament last night at International Institute with Mrs. Mary Seriguchi and Sud Kimoto in charge.

Jiro Shimoda and Mrs. O'Neill were named as chapter delegates to the Midwest District Council meeting in Cincinnati May 25-26. Several booster delegates are also planning to attend.

The chapter also acknowledges generous donations from the Alger Homes, Greenblat & Wright, Lancaster Bldg., Joy Lumber Co., Shigeo Iseri, Mr. & Mrs. J. K. Yamaguchi of Ann Arbor, Mr. & Mrs. George Okamoto, Saburo Uchiyama, and Mr. & Mrs. Mits Ogawa.

## Past-chapter president named to Portland seat

PORTLAND. — With the resignation of 1st vice-president Albert Naito from the local JACL chapter cabinet, chapter president Shigeru Hongo appointed Nobu Sumida to the post. An active CLer, Sumida was the 1955 chapter president.



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**Eats at Elbee**

● Association is a gimmick by which pleasant things can be remembered. Now take food, for instance. Thanks, we will. Food, good food and lots of it is how we fondly associate the Long Beach-Harbor District chapter, whose hospitality generously gill-filled our gullet twice in two weeks.

First, on April 22, the LB-HD JACL honored 75 Issei newcits with an elaborate spread conjured up by the culinary Fujinkai. Prexy Easy Fujimoto and others messaged in English leaving the booch greetings to emcee Mas Narita about whom you read in Henry Mori's kolyum two PCs back.

The second LB-HD deal was the fancy potluck following the PSWDC session last Sunday at the Harbor Community Center. The Narita clan was again in evidence with Nobie, the missus, this time whipping up the savory vittles with the help of chapter matrons, Mas merely staying up 'til 3 ayem the nite before to put up decorations.

While we are more often classified a glutton rather than an epicure, nevertheless as a patron of the art of gastronomy we claim recognizability of commendable comestibles and bro, they were that.

This chapter is to be congratulated, however, not only for its fine fare but for its successful activities, the caliber of its responsible officers and the pulchritude of its distaff members that surely had something to do with the unusually high attendance (90) at the afternoon bizsession.

The PSWDC chapters got a pretty thorough briefing on the alien land law proposition that will appear on the November ballot, with Wilbur Sato (ELA), Midori Watanabe (Hollywood), F. F. Chuman (DTLA) and Doc Nishikawa (SWLA) elaborating.

Nat'l treasurer Roy Nishikawa is the choice of the PSWDC to head a slate of candidates for national board offices. Yep, Roy for nat'l prexy, announced nomination committee chairman Ken Uyesugi (Orange County). Other candidates to be submitted to the national nominations committee are: 1st veep, Shig Wakamatsu (Chicago); 2nd veep, Tut Yata (SWLA); 3rd veep, Tom Sakai (Coachella Valley); treasurer, Ken Dyo (Pasadena); and sec'ty, Hana Uno (SWLA).

**COURAGE OR COWARDICE?**

● Not long ago, we credited possessing gummy intrepidity for Middlehorse chUMAN with possessing gutty intrepidity for daring to room with the S'w'er. We take it all back, even if he did bunk with us again at a Fresno motel when the alien land law committee met there on April 29. Either he cowardly turns off his hearing aid or the guy's stone deaf when he's asleep.

"Have some", we said, charitably offering him some assorted goodies from our emergency snack rations we always tote on overnight trips. No response. By the way, he snores too. "Wow! Take a gander at the babe that just pulled in next door!", we tremoloed. Nuthin'. "Hey Frank, the Santa Fe Limited just rolled over in front of the station!" When this didn't get a rise out of him, that was the convincer.

On second thought, we shouldn't knock Frank so much, he being the only member of the nat'l board or staff willing to put up with our ibiki, which is J. for snore and derived thusly: i (stomach, usually a full one) and biki (be boss, as opposed to kibi, which means underling). Significantly, the correlation between stomach and snore is very pronounced.

**LOCAL FOCUS**

● We wondered why the East L.A. chapter invaded the baillwick of the West L.A. chapter when it held its 2nd annual Emerald Ball last Saturday at the Elks Club in Santa Monica. Answer: it's a nice place. Prez Fred Takata's chapter had a real nice affair, too, and we say this not because we were non-paying guests. Last year's E-B was held in August but, explained emcee Jno. Watanabe, someone found out that emerald is not the birthstone for August.

The coordinating council of Ellay chapters will sponsor a couple of youth activities in June, namely the 5th annual JACL Nisei Relays at Rancho Cienega field on June 24, and on the weekend before (16-17), the Hi-Co Conference for high school seniors at a leadership institute at Forest Home in the San Bernardino mountains. We visited the campsite with one of the conference leaders, Bill Marumoto, who's student body prez at Whittier College. It's an ideal, out-of-the-smog locale. Chapters of the council include DTLA, ELA, Hollywood, Pasadena and SWLA with Jim Higashi, chairman.

Somehow, we've been able to average three evenings home per week this past month which gave us a chance to visit a couple of PTA meetings at the Gardena schools attended by our youngsters. Teachers tend to flatter parents, we realize, but what exactly do they mean when they tell you your children are unusual? We've been called that, too, but not in a complimentary way, and usually in connection with eating.

Recent visitors: Tets Iwasaki of Philadelphia, past chairman of the Eastern District Council; and U.F.O. (unidentified free-wheeling office-wrecker).

**THE NORTHWEST PICTURE: by Elmer Ogawa**



**For photographers only**

Seattle  
■ Since the very moment of mailing off last week's column, the activities of your boy have been so wrapped up in pictures, that it's impossible to think of anything else. So that's what this is going to be about. And if five and one half of the PC photo contributors care to read it, then the column's readership will have doubled for the week.

Picturing a long series of events and social occasions, much of it under direction from various sources, leaves a photog with an undeniable feeling of frustration. Most of us are innately lazy, and will slip into the mood of turning out just what is expected from us when working at high speed and under pressure, rather than dreaming up a situation and directing the

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Smiling Yoshiko Kono, 16, of Rocklin was crowned by last year's queen Sumiye Hirota as the 1956 Placer JACL picnic queen.

—Photo by Kay Miyamura.

**Placer JACL's 8th community picnic hailed as most successful as 5000 attend**

By ROY T. YOSHIDA

PENRYN. — A record breaking crowd of nearly 5,000 people taking advantage of the balmy summer-like day April 22 jammed into the JACL Recreation Park near here for the eighth annual Placer JACL Community picnic. It was by far the most successful outdoor event in chapter history, stated Bob Kozaiku and Nobuya Nimura, special events co-chairmen.

In memory of late Tom Yego of Penryn, who was a charter member and first Placer JACL president, a moment of silence was observed. Floyd Bowers, Roseville attorney, then presented the chapter with a plaque memorializing Tom Yego's long JACL leadership and valuable public service to the community.

Activities opened with a flag raising ceremony conducted by Scoutmaster Jack Yokote and the Penryn-Loomis Boy Scouts. Chapter president George Itow extended cordial welcome to the visitors and invited them to participate in the picnic program.

**San Francisco to name 'Miss JACL' hopeful**

SAN FRANCISCO. — The local JACL is looking for a queen to compete in the Northern California district finals in August for the title of "Miss JACL", who will reign over the national convention, Aug. 31-Sept. 3, at the Sheraton-Palace Hotel here.

Only qualifications are that she be single, 18 years of age or over and a JACL member.

The chapter selection will be made at the annual summer dance, June 16, at the Surf Club. Entry deadline is May 31, according to co-chairmen Jack Kusaba and Yo Hironaka.

Other chapters of the NCWNDC are expected to name candidates.

**Contributions sought for Stockton community picnic**

STOCKTON. — The annual Stockton community picnic has been scheduled for Sunday, May 13, at Micke Grove. This year there will be a contribution drive headed by the following sectional committees:

Sec. I—Jim Okamoto, J. Matsumoto; Sec. II—Frank Inamasu & Mr. Tateyama; Sec. III—Sanji Fukuyama, Tad Akaba, K. Watanabe; Sec. IV—Miss Yukie Shinoda, Mr. Hagio, Miss Toyo Ijuin; Sec. V—Elmer Tsunekawa, George Baba; Sec. VI—Mr. Ito, Tomatsu Hayashi, Ken Takeuchi, Joe Omachi, H. Hayashino.

**Moonglow dance**

SAN JOSE. — A bid to the San Jose Belle's semi-formal dance July 28 will be given to a lucky girl at the "Moonglow" stag-stagette dance June 9 sponsored by the same group. Dance locales are to be announced.

**Cleveland chapter to emphasize public service**

CLEVELAND. — Greater emphasis on community service aspects was expected to revive a stronger JACL chapter here, following a recent meeting of old board members with newly-elected officers at the home of Joe Kadowaki.

One of the immediate events will be the long-awaited Recognition Night June 9 for Issei and war-bride citizens who have been naturalized since the passage of the Walter-McCarran Act.

Bill Sadatoki, board chairman, will head the program and his committee is presently engaged in compiling a list of new citizens of the Cleveland area.

Harry Kaku, membership and 1000 Club chairman, and his committee have started their concerted campaign to make Cleveland a leading voice in the Midwest. The membership drive is expected to be concluded by June.

Lillian Hashiba was elected secretary; Min Iwasaki, treasurer.

Joe Kadowaki and Gene Taka hashi will be in charge of civic affairs; Miss Mickey Fujimoto, public relations; Thomas Sashihara and Harry Nako, Issei relations; Paul Ohmura, program.

Howard Tashima and George Ono will co-edit the Bulletin, which will not only contain JACL items but news of other Nisei organizations.

**Cortez JACL confirms May 12 dance date**

TURLOCK. — Confirmation of the annual Springtime Dance sponsored by the Cortez JACL was made this week by chapter president Albert Morimoto.

Invitations have been extended to JACLers and friends in the vicinity to attend the May 12 dance, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., at the Ballico Veterans Memorial Hall. The committee has selected Morry Hall and his combo to play. A \$1 donation is being asked at the door.

**SAN JOSE CHAPTER NAMES NCWNDC SESSION DELEGATES**  
SAN JOSE. — Dr. Robert S. Okamoto and Harry Ishigaki were announced as official San Jose chapter delegates to the forthcoming May 20 NCWNDC quarterly session here.



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## TOKYO TOPICS: by Tamotsu Murayama



## 8 million Tokyoites

Tokyo

Now that cherry blossom season is here, hundreds and thousands of Japanese visitors are coming daily by plane and ship from Hawaii and the United States.

Undoubtedly, each visitor now realizes the presence and pushing of some 8 million people who live in Tokyo. (The Feb. 1 count of metropolitan Tokyo was 8,084,550: 4,154,760 males; 3,929,790 females). The rate of increase in the past decade is terrific and suffocating. The reckless taxi drivers, who are called "kamikaze" cabbies, actually weave through the milling mass of people.

## MIKAMI BACK IN TOKYO

Seiichi Henry Mikami of Fresno flew into town again in connection with the Refugee Relief program. He and Tsunetsu Kawasaki of Delano have accomplished much and their project is well appreciated.

Along with Mike Masaoka, who is doing much to promote Japan-U.S. amity, it's men like these who are making it possible for some 1,000 refugees and another 1,000 orphans to be admitted in America under the refugee relief program.

## GEORGE TOGASAKI U.S.-BOUND AGAIN

George Togasaki of the *Nippon Times* is departing for America again—this time with his wife, having sailed May 1 from Kobe. They are scheduled to arrive in San Francisco on May 13. He will then fly to Amsterdam to attend the International Council of Christian Leadership and return in time to attend the Rotary International at Philadelphia.

While in Philadelphia, he plans to attend his son Bobby's graduation from Haverford College and son Gordon's wedding.

## SOUTH CAROLINA LAW DISTURBING

Japan is very disturbed with the South Carolina law compelling retailers to display prominently signs that Japanese textiles are sold. The *Asahi Shimbun* began its comment on this law with "a boycott of Japanese goods is being carried out in America because of the big inroads made by the 'one dollar blouse' and other Japanese textiles'."

What the Japanese people (or the press) fails to understand here is the relationship between federal and state governments. A South Carolina law is regarded as an "American boycott" of Japanese textiles.

The *Asahi* then went on to explain that American importation of Japanese textiles has increased threefold since the previous year. The sale of blouses have increased steadily. Yet, the volume of Japanese goods sent to America is only 1 per cent of the 10 billion square yards produced annually in America.

This movement, however, will not benefit Japan if the impression is made that Japan is "dumping" her goods. It is also bad practice for Japanese exporters to engage in excessive price-cutting competition among themselves. Flooding the American market with "dollar goods" can only provide the excuse for resorting to boycott measures by U.S. textile interests and labor.

## THE NORTHWEST PICTURE: By Elmer Ogawa

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high dignitaries concerned into what part each will play in the scheme of things, as your ol' boy from this corner has been known to do without hesitation in the past. However, did not mean to be getting on the couch.

At a series of events which centered around the opening of the Washington State International Trade Fair, when scores of cameramen converge on the scene, from newspapers, press services, magazines, TV, and miscellaneous, one becomes impressed with the importance of pictures as a modern medium of news dissemination. The TV boys really make a Hollywood production whether putting on a live program or making a sound movie, with the team of electricians, light pushers, sound engineer, director, cameraman and assistant, and announcer.

## IMPORTANCE OF PIX TODAY

Go to the public library and look at a re-print of a newspaper of 1865. It reports the death of President Lincoln. The highly successful paper of that time would be a total flop today. No pictures. Surely, the photo engraving and halftone screen were yet to come, and photography was only in its infancy. A woodcut could be made, but would not appear till long after the written word had moved on to other phases concerning the assassination. And of course, there was no competition at the time from radio, movies, or television. By contrast we can often pick up a paper of today in which pictures dominate the front page and the written story is continued on the inside. Frequently, the editor may feel that the radio has already taken the "spot" news value from the story, which now makes the visual media the more important of the two. The picture takes the reader to the scene. It is eye witness art, although a static thing. But it makes an instant live; out of all time—out of eternity.

The amateur, the free-lance, and the part time pro play an important part in the modern picture scene, and are encouraged by many important and influential newspapers. They are much more numerous than the staff photographers who obviously cannot be everywhere at a given moment. There's the great picture of the sinking of the *Vestris* made by an amateur with a box camera. And the one of the woman in a death plunge at the Winecoff Hotel fire, also made by an amateur.

## ROUTINE AND SPOT PICTURES

All news pictures are in two classifications, routine and spot. Nearly all pictures appearing in the PC are in the former category. Routine pictures are predictable; the other unpredictable. By using the word unpredictable, we must then include in this class, the pictures of the vandalism at the PC office, for at least it reveals the scene that confronted the business manager when he came to work in the morning. The height of attainment in this category would be to picture the vandal in act; second best, a picture of the cops grabbing him—or her?

Since nearly all pix in the PC are of the routine variety, it would perhaps be in order to mention a few things that go to make better routine pix, such as installation, presentations, meeting and such, but I'm getting back to where I started, and besides people would only laugh and say, "Haw, look who's talking."

## U.S. Nisei lose in first world judo tourney in Tokyo

TOKYO. — Competitors from 20 countries, including two Nisei representing the United States, competed in the five-day world judo championships ending Thursday last week at the Kuramae sumo stadium.

Shokichi Natsui, 30-year-old policeman from Akita prefecture, won a split decision over fellow Japanese policeman seventh-dan Yoshihiko Yoshimatsu of Kagoshima in the finals of the first world judo tournament ever held.

After two judges were split in their score of the 20-minute bout, referee Chujo Mifune awarded the title to sixth-dan Natsui. Former European champion, third-dan A. J. Geesink of Netherlands, placed third by beating Henri Courtine of France by a fall in 3m.58s. Yoshimatsu had dropped Geesink, who stands 6 ft. 4 in., in 50s. Natsui threw Courtine even quicker in 10s.

Courtine scored the first and biggest upset when he eliminated Mitsuho Kimura, 38, of San Francisco and one of the two members of the U.S. team. Courtine won by a decision after nearly felling the Nisei sixth-dan three times.

Geesink had previously eliminated Vincent Y. Tamura of Chicago in the quarter-finals by a fall in 6m.30s. Fourth-dan Tamura defeated Chen Cheng Kao of Nationalist China in a first-round decision and scoring a fall in 10s, over Otto Schlatter of Switzerland.

Judo was founded in Japan 74 years ago with a following of about 2,000,000 Japanese; 200,000 in France; 100,000 in the U.S. and some 5,000 in Britain.

Kimura, who is the U.S. national AAU judo commissioner, is the top ranking judoist in the United States. He weighs 190 lbs. His teammate Tamura is 27 years old and weighs 180, the younger brother of two former Seattle judo stars living in Chicago. Brother Masato, a 1000er operates a judo school.

## Sonoma County JACL bowling league ends, award dinner May 26 at Green Mill Inn

SANTA ROSA. — The Sonoma County JACL Bowling League recently concluded a most successful winter season with Holsum Eggs taking the undisputed championship by

## NISEI GIRL, 13, SETS CANADIAN SWIM MARK

VANCOUVER, B.C. — Margaret Iwasaki of Vancouver became the first Oriental girl to establish a Canadian swimming record when she splashed her way to a new mark in the 200-yard junior women's butterfly in a recent Vancouver amateur swim meet.

At 13, one of the youngest record holders in Canada, Margaret sliced 12 seconds off the old time of 2:59.3 to set the new mark of 2:47.3, a mere three seconds off the senior women's record.

Competing in the 14-years-and-under class, she also placed first in the 50-yard freestyle and butterfly events and came in second in the 50-yard backstroke.

## HAMAMOTO SIGNED TO PLAY FOR SPOKANE NINE

SANTA ROSA. — Chet Hamamoto, prominently known in the local sport circle, recently departed for Spokane, where he will join the Spokane Indians baseball team.

Hamamoto was signed by the Indians to play shortstop in the organized Western International Class B professional league.

## Olympic swim training underway in Japan

BEPPU. — Fifty-three candidates for Japan's 1956 Olympic swimming team ended a week's workout at the new 50-meter indoor pool here this week under the eye of Hironoshin Furuhashi, former 1500 meter champion.

Training were 32 freestyle, eight breaststroke, six butterfly and seven backstroke swimmers.

## TAKATA ROLLS 1942 IN 10 GAMES TO WIN IN EXAMINER SINGLES MEET

Five Nisei keglers finished in the money, one copping a divisional title good for \$500 and trophy, in the seventh Los Angeles Examiner singles classic this past week.

Richard Takata, 27, Stockton-born lad who's been bowling for about four years and in several JACL tourneys, was the top Nisei winner to win the class B title and \$500 with his 10-game total of 1942. He rolled 254-181-189-203-163 at Trojan Bowl and 145-180-258-190-179 at Boulevard Bowl last Saturday and Sunday.

Produce clerk Takata sports a 169 average and is currently rolling in the Buena Park Nisei league. He qualified with a 692 series, top among Nisei Bee finalists.

Abe Fukui, who had an 1819 total, was second high money winner among the Nisei by winning third

place in the class C division.

Kaz Katayama, who rolled a 300 game in the qualifying rounds of the tournament, placed seventh in the A division with his 1922 total. George Kawahara also placed seventh in the Dees with a 1749, the prizes being \$60 each.

Eighth-place in the Dees was Ben Kobayashi who finished with 1741.

George Yamasaki's record in the class C division of the tournament, a 1919 total set in 1953, was broken by three pins—a 1922 by 22-year-old champion Don Pfatenhauer. Yamasaki did not compete this year.

Paul Ishizawa and Hy Sechi, among eight former champs competing this year, did not finish in the money. There were 480 bowlers qualifying for the classic who rolled their games over 10 different alleys.

## San Francisco JACL Olympics entry deadline nears; see record turnout

SAN FRANCISCO. — With the deadline date of May 26 nearing, the committee for the annual San Francisco JACL Olympics set for June 3 at Kezar stadium met to select various officials for the track and field championships.

All entries must be filed with committee chairman Dick Nishi, care of JACL office, 1759 Sutter St., by May 26.

The meet promises to be one of the best ever staged by the local JACL chapter with over 150 athletes expected to enter the meet.

The San Jose chapter made a request for additional entry forms

## SACRAMENTO NISEI RUNS FURLONG IN 22.8S.

SACRAMENTO. — Ed Hayashi of McClatchy High's B team won the 220 in a new meet time of 22.8, won the broadjump with 20 ft. 6 3/4 in., and anchored the winning 880 relay team which set a record time of 1:33.2 in a dual meet with Woodland High last Friday.

last week, which is a general indication of the interest being displayed in all quarters by this meet. San Jose was not represented in previous meets.

The Central California area is also expected to enter a strong squad to vie for the team title which has been monopolized by the strong Los Angeles teams in the past two years.

Individual marks are also endangered this year with outstanding marks already being posted by various high school and college athletes.

The meet will be conducted along the same lines as in past meets with qualifying heats in events where heats are required by a large field of entries. Semi-finals will also be run off if the field becomes too crowded.

In an effort to avoid large fields, especially in the sprints, the committee is requesting that contestants limit themselves to three events and one relay. However, if the contestant wishes, he will not be barred from participating in as many events as he desires.

Chairman Dick Nishi stressed once more that the fee for entry this year is \$1.50 per contestant. All entries must be submitted with the fee by the designated deadline. There is no entry fee for teams.

## Wash'n Clers aid in judo victory at Pan American meet

WASHINGTON. — Among U.S. team members competing in the second Pan-American judo championships in Havana last month were two Washington JACLers, Kenzo Uyeno and Donn F. Drager, representing the Amateur Athletic Union of the United States.

Uyeno, who is presently working at the Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Maryland, and also teaches at the Judo and Jujitsu Institute of Baltimore, placed second in the Shufu Fourth Belt Division. He was a former resident of San Pedro, California prior to World War II and was graduated from the University of California at Los Angeles.

Draeger, a major in the Marine Corps, is a holder of the 4th Grade Black Belt and studied judo in Japan. He also represented the United States as the official delegate to the Judo Congress, the administrative body for judo in the Western Hemisphere. Draeger is a local instructor for the East Coast champions, the District of Columbia AAU Judo team.

The United States was winner of the Black Belt team; Brazil placed second, and Cuba third. The all-grade Black Belt Individual Championship was won by John Osako of Chicago, Illinois, a 5th Grade Black Belt holder. He retained his title as the current Pan American Judo champion.

Countries participating in the tournament were Argentina, Brazil, Cuba, Canada, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Mexico, United States, and Venezuela.

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LOS ANGELES NEWSLETTER: by Henry Mori



# Shonien dedicated

Los Angeles — Oldtimers in prewar Shonien activities were prominent at the dedication ceremony of the new Japanese Children's Home of Southern California last Saturday at the former site on 1815 Redcliff St.

And as usual the old master of the oratory, Municipal Court Judge John F. Aiso was present to deliver the main speech before appreciative supporters of the latest of child welfare facilities. He keyed the importance of parents' duties to provide love, care and shelter for their youngsters.

"But it is not a rare case to find in my court some of the parents who are neglectful in caring for their young ones and the law is required to punish them," Judge Aiso pointed out. He noted that among persons of Japanese ancestry, most parents do give enough of their time, love and provide their children with proper home care. However, we do find exceptions," Judge Aiso said, and this is the institution built to provide the unfortunate the needed care they are entitled to.

Nobu T. Kawai, chairman of the Shonien board of directors, graciously thanked his audience and declared the \$55,000 edifice was finally realized after 10 years of planning and preparation and sincere support received from the community at large.

Three clergymen of different denominations took part in the invocation, the dedication prayer and the benediction. They were the Rev. Reikai Nozaki, president of the Los Angeles Buddhist Church Federation; Father Clement from Maryknoll; and the Rev. Dr. John M. Yamazaki, Sr., president of the Japanese American Christian Church Federation of Southern California.

## AMONG THOSE PRESENT

■ We renewed acquaintances with John Ando who, before the war, used to manufacture soap called Snow Queen on North Broadway. He and his wife are now interior decorators. It must have been nearly 15 years ago when we last saw John—but certainly age has never crept on him. He looks quite the same while some of us have fossilized with time.

Anyway, John is a philatelist and a numismatist of long standing and one of the first questions he fired at us was: Are you still collecting stamps? That is a topic which we can hang on for hours at length and still enjoy. It'll no doubt make PC editor Harry Honda, and Sou'wester columnist Tats Kushida very unhappy to learn that John once had 10 sheets each of the prewar Famous American series.

In Yankee dollars today the collection would cost one about \$5,000. And if our multiplication continues to be correct the face value on those stamps is \$1,029.

## VERY TRULY YOURS: by Harry K. Honda

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● I'm no etymologist but the term "Jap" has had an unpleasant beginning and persons to whom it referred have been rightfully indignant. . . . The term has a derogatory connotation similar to terms like "Wop", "Chink", "Nigger", "Kike", etc.—names that hardly dignify. As slang expressions, they connoted something un-American, alien, barbarian and to be excluded. Even poor farmers from the dust bowl of the 1930s moving to California were in a similar category for a while, being referred to as "Okies" and "Arkies"—certainly, a name they didn't appreciate when they were victims of circumstance. . . . During the war years some attempt was made to restrict "Japs" as those of the imperial Japanese army and navy, but with their surrender the term resumed its broader aspect. . . . I remember someone once advising us slang expressions, such as these, would be less stinging if used within the circle. He probably had in mind the example of "Yank" being used by Americans in general where no derogatory after-effect is noted, though in some sections of the South they still prefer "damyankee", unable to forget the war between the states.

● Going back to the editor, he did have one what he called a far-fetched comparison when someone uses the word "Christ" irreverently and the preacher who includes it in his sermon. . . . Actually, it doesn't seem far-fetched to me. . . . It makes me flinch more to hear "Christ" or "Jesus Christ" used blasphemously, in vain or irreverently (though unintentional if you check with him) than someone using "Jap". . . . Charity gets the best of me and I mentally respond "Blessed be His name". . . . When I hear someone who should know better use "Jap" when referring to Japanese Americans, I either think less of that person or try to correct it to "Japanese" or "Nisei" as the case may be. . . . Evidently, JACL's public relations program which goes back a number of years in this regard has made some headway. There have been occasions when non-Japanese acquaintances felt an awkward twinge, judging their facial expression, surge when they start with "Jap" and quickly add "—anese". . . . For a time, metropolitan editors used "Jap" in headlines when referring to Nisei—and it wasn't long afterward that "Nisei" became popular. "Japanese" is still a longer word, but only one letter more than "Chinese" and editors haven't abbreviated "Chinese" except in "Sino-", combining form for Chinese.

## PULITZER PRIZE WINNER

● The Watsonville Register-Pajaronian, edited by Frank Orr, this week joined the esteemed rank of American newspapers meriting the Pulitzer Prize for distinguished public service rendered during the year. . . . The editor had directed his news staff to cover activities of Charles Moore, then district attorney, which resulted in his resignation and prison conviction of his associate. . . . It was the same newspaper four years ago that went to bat for James Yoshida, the Nisei ex-G.I. who was refused service at a Watsonville barbershop. At that time, he wrote the JACL: "While it is not pleasant to know that such incident occur, still it is good to know that we can face them, recognize the problem of education which still is necessary, and speak frankly toward the eventual eradication of this sort of thing. I am proud of my community; proud of the real steps we have taken since World War II in establishing decent relations among our citizens; and I am determined to see that this progress continues. If there is anything I can do for you or your organization in the future, please do not hesitate to let me know."

# Newsman slam sets of 'Teahouse'

NARA.—Sensitive Japanese movie critics predicted this week that MGM's "Teahouse of the August Moon" may turn out to be a technical flop unless Hollywood learns more about things Japanese.

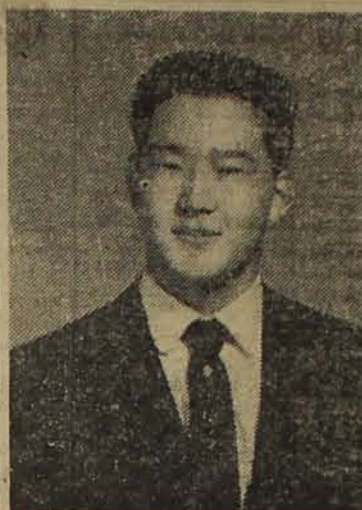
They are starting off with several boners, the reporters charged. The village of Tobiki, site of the teahouse in the play, as reconstructed by the Daiei Studios, does not resemble any town in Okinawa. It is strictly Hollywood, they said.

Another reporter pointed out the garden and extra-large pond in front of the teahouse is wrong. According to Japanese custom, the garden is always in the back to offer guests a chance to view the landscape from their room.

There are those who also say Marlon Brando's Japanese is lacking in accuracy. Brando plays the role of Sakini, the Okinawan interpreter in the movie.

MGM is spending over a million dollars to assure accuracy after Japanese movie-goers raised a hullabaloo over the movies of Japan made by Hollywood as being distorted.

## Boy State Delegate



James Takeuchi, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Takeuchi, 1132 N. Stone St., was selected as the 1956 Boys State delegate by the Commodore Perry Post 525 of the American Legion. He is a junior at Cantwell High School, where he is an "A" student, football letterman and reporter on the school paper. He is also Jr. Asst. Scoutmaster at Troop 145 of Maryknoll and an Eagle Scout. California Boys State will be held in Sacramento June 16-23.

## Detroit mixed bowling league winds up season

DETROIT. — The Detroit Chinese and Japanese Mixed Bowling League culminated its very exciting season with a dinner at Carl's Chop House on Apr. 29 with over 90 persons attending. The Detroit JACL donated individual trophies to the winning team members. Chapter president Mrs. Miyo O'Neill made the presentations to E. Murakami, J. Ishii, F. Takahashi, T. Fukuda and K. Takahashi. Kay Takahashi was honored as the league's high man, Mae Miyagawa as the high woman. Her 219 also was good for a pin from the Detroit Women's Bowling Assn.

Frank Furukawa succeeds Frank Doi as league president. Dinner committeemen were Walter Fatt, Lloyd Watari, Aiko Nanjo, John Miyagawa, Tom and Lucy Yasuhiro.

## Chicagoan wins judo honors at Havana meet

HAVANA. — John Osako, fifth dan, of Chicago won individual honors at the second Pan-American Judo Congress here when he defeated Masayoshi Kawakami of Brazil. Osako is expected to compete in the Detroit tournament June 9.

## Placer JACL nine loses league opener by homer

LOOMIS. — Defending champion Roseville Merchants relied on a ninth-inning homer to defeat visiting Placer JACL 10-7 on April 29 in the semi-pro league opener.

Trailing 7-6, first baseman Joe Simon slammed a homer with the bases loaded to break up the game.

## NISEI COXSAIN HOPES TO MAKE OLYMPIC TRIP

VANCOUVER, B.C. — Another Nisei hoping to make the Olympic Games next November in Melbourne in Carl Ogawa, the coxswain of the Univ. of British Columbia rowing crew. The crew is entered in the Canadian national trials at St. Catharines, Ont., in July.

## Nishita blasted

MIAMI. — Miami Marlins blasted starter Bill Nishita off the mound with a four-run rally in the fourth inning, but Montreal went on to win 6-5 in the innings Apr. 30.

## VITAL STATISTICS

### Births

**LOS ANGELES**  
FUKUTANI, Koji (Iris E. Tanaka)—girl Karen V., Mar. 23.  
HANANO, Kazumi (Ryoko Tabata)—boy Russell R., Mar. 27.  
HIGASHI, Keiji (Ayako Watanabe)—girl Dale Natsuko, Mar. 26.  
INOUE, Patrick E. (Linda M. Hikida)—boy Gregory A., Mar. 30.  
ISHII, Tamikazu T. (Sonoko Sato)—boy Carl R., Mar. 25.  
KAJITANI, Salvador (Angelina Luna)—girl Jonie, Feb. 27.  
KIMURA, James K. (Kiyoko Ishikawa)—boy Randall Mamoru, Mar. 26.  
KUNISAKI, Chikara (Isoko M. Tanaka)—boy Thomas A., Mar. 20.  
MORINISHI, Ted H. (Agnes K. Kubota)—girl Teri Anne, Mar. 21.  
MURAMOTO, Yoshio J. (Helen K. Helshii)—girl JoAnn, Mar. 10.  
TAGUCHI, Kazuo (Reiko Morishita)—boy Mark, Mar. 26.  
TAKAUCHI, Frank S. (Kimiko Nakagawa)—boy Ronald K., Mar. 27.  
TATSUMI, R. T.—boy, Mar. 30, Gardena.  
YOKOYAMA, Masami (Nancy N. Katagi)—girl Cheryl Mituko, Mar. 26.  
**SAN DIEGO**  
TAKAHASHI, Arthur T.—boy, Mar. 7.  
**MONTEREY**  
KUWATANI, Hank—boy Keith Tadao, Apr. 2.  
**WATSONVILLE**  
TOMINAGA, Tats (Helen Morita)—boy, Apr. 17.  
FUKUBA, William (Rose Ichikawa)—girl, Apr. 25.  
**SAN JOSE**  
FUJITA, Yutaka—girl Debra Matsue, Apr. 18.  
HONDA, Mitsuo R.—girl Nancy A., Apr. 20, Santa Clara.  
KAWAKAMI, Richard T.—boy Wade H., Apr. 10.  
KUSUMOTO, Masami—boy William Masaharu, Apr. 16.  
NAKAMOTO, Kunio—boy Bruce D., Apr. 19, Sunnyvale.  
YOSHIOKA, Edward—girl, Apr. 19.  
**STOCKTON**  
FURUTANI, Kimio—girl, Apr. 1, Lodi.  
KIRIU, Makoto—boy, Apr. 10, Lodi.  
NOMURA, Bob—boy, Mar. 22, Lodi.  
SATAKE, Minoru—boy, Mar. 24.  
YAMADA, Ted—boy, Apr. 7, Lodi.  
**SAN FRANCISCO**  
SAKAI, Dr. Hisaji—boy David R., Apr. 25.  
YASUHARA, Yoshio R.—boy, Apr. 18.  
**OAKLAND**  
IWAMOTO, Morris—boy, Mar. 23.

**TAMORI, George**—boy, Mar. 27, Berkeley.  
**WEHARA, William**—girl, Apr. 17.  
**MARTINEZ**  
IMADA, Lee—boy, Apr. 24, Concord.  
**AUBURN**  
HADA, Yoshimitsu—girl, Apr. 17.  
**VACAVILLE**  
NAKASHOJI, Tadashi—boy, Apr. 5.  
**SEATTLE**  
ICHIKAWA, Frank—boy, Apr. 15.  
KATAYAMA, John—girl, Apr. 16.  
KOZU, George—girl, Apr. 23.  
MIYAZAKI, George—boy, Apr. 26.  
NAKAHARA, Tsuyoshi—girl, Apr. 27.  
TAKEMOTO, Victor—boy, Apr. 13.  
TANAKA, Eddie—girl, Apr. 24, Kent.  
**DENVER**  
KAWASHIMA, Ben—boy.  
TATEOKA, Harold—girl.  
**CHICAGO**  
KANKI, Mamoru—girl Phyllis J., Mar. 16.  
**DETROIT**  
OZAKI, Roy—girl Lisa Kristi, Apr. 4.  
**WASHINGTON, D.C.**  
OSATO, Bob—boy Dean Satoshi, Mar. 17.

### Marriage Licenses Issued

**FUJITA-KANO** — Gene M.; Margaret A., Seattle.  
**IMAI-MAYENO** — Keiichiro, 35; Dorothy K., 26, both Los Angeles, at Seattle.  
**MAEDA-FUJII** — Sam, Penryn; Haruko, Yuba City.  
**SASAKI-TANABE** — Takashi H., 30; Midori, 26, Seattle.

### Weddings

**IDETA-TAKESHITA** — Mar. 16, Akio, Sun Valley, Idaho; Carole, Seattle.  
**IDA-HAYASHI** — Apr. 15, George and Dorothy, both Ontario, Ore.  
**KODAMA-EVANS** — Apr. 28, Tom, New York; Deana, Washington.  
**MANO-FUJII** — Mar. 1, George, Los Angeles; Irene, Seattle.  
**OKUI-TAMURA** — Apr. 22, Masuo, San Fernando; Akiko, West Los Angeles.  
**TAKAHASHI-MORIHIRO** — Apr. 22, Robert H., Rosie Misuzu, both Los Angeles.  
**TANI-TOMA** — Apr. 8, Yasuo J. and Lorraine, Los Angeles.  
**TSUTSUMI-NAKANO** — Apr. 22, Marvin M., Selma; Aiko, San Pedro.  
**UCHIMIYA-FUJII** — Mar. 23, Joe and Della Raye, Los Angeles.  
**YOROZU-TSUTSUMOTO** — Mar. 25, Art and Helene, Seattle.

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## WASHINGTON NEWSLETTER: by Mike Masaoka



## Japan's constitution

Washington  
Americans generally and Nisei particularly have a special concern for Japan's Constitution. Drafted largely under the leadership of United States officials, it was hailed at the time of its enactment in 1946 as a model for modern day democratic government. It became effective in May, 1947, at a time when defeated Japan was still very much under the American Occupation.

Ever since Japan regained her sovereignty in the spring of 1952, questions have been raised in many minds in many lands as to how long it would be before a concerted effort was made to amend or revise the Constitution and in what direction those proposals would point, ideologically speaking.

The first major effort was made last year, when in the special session a bill to establish "a research organ to carry out a complete examination of the present Constitution of Japan from a new national viewpoint" was passed by the House of Representatives (Lower House) in July by a vote of 238 to 129. It failed to clear the Diet (Parliament), however, when the Upper House (House of Councillors) failed to take any action prior to the adjournment of the session.

The bill was reintroduced last March 9. Twenty days later, it was approved by the House of Representatives, this time by a 239 to 139 majority. It is expected that the House of Councillors will take some action soon.

## Majority Party statement . . .

The Liberal-Democratic Party, which controls an absolute majority but less than the necessary two-thirds for a constitutional amendment in the Lower House, is sponsoring this legislation and has officially declared in part that:

"The existing Constitution was drafted and instituted in 1946 in an extremely short period by the request of the Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers during the early part of the Occupation. It is an undeniable fact that the Constitution which came into force under such circumstances does not represent the freely-expressed will of the nation.

"Furthermore, in view of our experience with regard to its enforcement during the approximately nine years that followed, it is recognized that in various respects the Constitution requires re-examination in the light of the actual national circumstances.

"For this reason, the re-examination of the Constitution in its entirety is essential not only for the achievement of independence for our country but also for the future prosperity of a reborn Japan and the improvement of the national well-being."

## Minority Party statement . . .

The opposition Socialist Party, including those formerly associated with the Right and Left wings, has opposed this legislation, explaining in part:

"Although the existing Constitution is being denounced as an American document, the important thing is the principle upon which the Constitution was founded. The fundamental reason for such denunciation is none other than a sinister attempt to restore the old Imperial Constitution and thereby cater to the authority in power. The proposal to establish a Constitution Research Council within the Cabinet is very suspicious. Once the proposed Council is established within the Cabinet, its management including selection of its members will inevitably be put under the control of the government and its supporting party. This will destroy democracy.

"Besides, the draft of a new Constitution prepared by such an organ will also be colored by political considerations of the government and its supporting party without paying due respect to public opinion. The result will not be a freely-adopted Constitution but a Constitution prepared and enforced by the Liberal-Democratic Party."

## Public Opinion reaction . . .

According to *Japan Report*, issued by the Embassy of Japan, "The public debate on the Constitutional question falls into a general pattern. Civic leaders and others advocating amendment say that the Constitution was foisted on the Japanese people by the Occupation authorities and, as such, does not fully reflect the will of the people. They contend that there must be a revision of Article 9, which renounces armed forces capable of waging war, if Japan is to possess the necessary power of self-defense that goes with statehood and United Nations collective security.

"On the other hand, anti-amendment spokesmen say the Constitution was not only 'foisted' upon the Japanese people but that it was promulgated only after overwhelming approval by the Diet. Proposed amendments, they say, would destroy the fundamentals of democracy now inherent in the Constitution."

## Major amendments . . .

Based upon previous debate on the need for amendments, the following are likely to be the major ones proposed:

1. To make the Emperor the chief of state, rather than the "symbol of the State and the unity of the people" as Article 1 of the present Constitution describes him.

2. To redraft Article 9 so that there will be no question of the government's (majority party) interpretation that this Article does not forbid the maintenance of minimum armed forces for self-defense.

3. To clarify Chapter III of the Constitution, which deals with human rights, so that there will be better understanding of the circumstances under which these fundamental rights can or cannot be restricted for the sake of the public welfare.

4. To define more clearly the right of the Cabinet (Prime Minister and his colleagues) to dissolve the House of Representatives.

5. To re-examine the competence and the organization of the House of Councillors as well as the term of office of its members for the purpose of making the legislature more truly bicameral.

## Socialist Party claims . . .

In opposing these constitutional revisions, the Socialist Party, preponderantly leftist in inclination, concentrates their objections to those relating to the Emperor and to the minimum defense forces.

They allege that the first would pave the way to making the Emperor the sovereign at any time, thereby violating the

## OREGON HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT CITED FOR PERFECT GRADE AVERAGE

ONTARIO, Ore. — Theodore Sakano, who graduates with a perfect grade average, will be the valedictorian of the Ontario High School class at commencement exercises May 24, it was announced this week by Robert McConaha, principal. The class of 116 students is the largest to be graduated. Calvin Tanabe, with a 1.2 average, will be salutatorian.

## Songs on TV—

Continued from Front Page  
Ground" is banned at NBC. Words "daddy" and "mammy" have been changed to "grandpa" and "Granny" in "Waiting for the Robert E. Lee" and the phrase "light and dark folk meet" in "Basin Street Blues" replaced by "where friendly folk meet" at NBC. Same song's "mammy's arms" is now "someone's arms" and "darkies a-singing" is now "old folks a-singing".

In "Sleepytime Down South" the phrase "darkies crooning" becomes "people crooning" and the line "when old mammy falls upon her knees" becomes "sweet magnolias bloom in the trees".

NBC extends its frown on such matters beyond tunes as it has banned blackface routines or stereotyped Negro characters. No Italian gangsters have been depicted on the network for three years because it felt that there were too many gangster characters shown as Italians. Now there is more even racial distribution of heavies, Variety said.

The basic NBC philosophy in radio-TV broadcast is that "we delete any material which we consider derogatory to any minority group," Woods told Variety. "That's on a common sense and public relations basis. Our outlook on society is supposed to enlighten the rest of the world, and NBC wants to present that intelligently. We don't want to say slavery never existed—but we don't want to play it up."

At ABC, "K-K-K-Katy", one of the biggest potpourris of World War I, is banned on the grounds it would offend those who stammer. "Cross-Eyed Cowboy on a Cross-Eyed Horse" is also out because ABC's policy forbids anything which seems to poke fun at physical infirmities.

The Pacific Citizen does not recall any tunes in the past before the American public with words "Jap" in the lyrics though there have been a number of tunes with "Japanese".

The JACL, on the other hand, has campaigned against the showing of old movies on TV that ridicule or reflect against the dignity of any group regardless of race, creed, color or national origin through its National JACL Committee Against Discrimination in Entertainment and Allied Fields, which was chaired by Ina Sugi-hara.

## Elect Fowler Nisei as mayor pro-tem

FOWLER. — Yosh Honda, son of Mr. and Mrs. Yakichi Honda, has been elected mayor pro tem at a city council meeting held last week.

He was nominated for this position by Mayor John Panzak.

He will assume the duty of mayor in the event of the absence of Mayor Panzak, either because of illness or because of being out of town.

fundamental principle that the sovereign power resides with the people.

They charge that the second would only serve the military interests of the United States and would make Japan an American military outpost compelled to engage in armed action beyond its borders as part of the "American strategy of aggression".

Under the Japanese Constitution, amendments to the Supreme Law of the Land require a two-thirds majority vote in each of the two Houses of the Diet, followed by a majority vote in a popular referendum.

## Senate passes Hawaii land return bill, returned with amendment for House action

WASHINGTON. — The Senate this past week passed a bill to review and determine claims for the return of lands in the Territory of Hawaii which had been conveyed to the government or its political subdivisions during World War II by organizations composed of persons of Japanese ancestry, the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League reported.

The bill, which was introduced in the House by Republican delegate from Hawaii, Mrs. Joseph R. Farrington, and had been passed by the House last year during the closing days of the first session of the 84th Congress, was supported by the JACL for completion as one of its major legislative aims of 1956.

The bill was passed by the Senate with an amendment and has been sent to the House for its consideration.

The amendment provides that the Territory of Hawaii or its

political subdivision may bring eminent domain proceedings for condemnation of such property if it is needed for public use and that if it should be entitled to any reimbursements for discharging any encumbrances upon the property, such may be setoff in the eminent domain proceedings.

The amendment was introduced in the Senate at the request of the Department of Interior.

The bill authorizes any eleemosynary organizations composed of persons of Japanese ancestry in the Territory of Hawaii which had conveyed its prewar real property to the government or its political subdivision during World War Two to file a claim within a two-year period in the Circuit Court of Hawaii.

Chairman of the Senate Interior and Insular Affairs committee, is Senator James E. Murray (D., Mont.); chairman of its Subcommittee on Territories is Senator Henry M. Jackson (D., Wash.).

## No. Calif. Nisei flower market sends flowers for fete honoring Californians

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WASHINGTON. — The Nisei-owned California Flower Market, Inc., provided flowers and corsages for the annual dinner of the California State Society the Sheraton-Park Hotel here honoring distinguished Californians in government service and the congressional delegations.

Acknowledgments were made at the dinner sponsored jointly by the local California Chamber of Commerce delegation, holding its annual national meeting in Washington, and members of the Society by Walter Phair, president of the California State Society, to Mike Masaoka, Washington JACL representative who made the arrangements, the California Flower Market, and Harry Korematsu of Stonehurst Wholesale Florists, San Mateo, who supplied the flowers for the 28 tables and the two dozen orchid corsages for the honored guests.

Takashi Yatabe, brother of Dr.

## Mongolian labor—

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Executive orders regarding non-discrimination in government.

Although this law has been on the books, it was the impression of the Washington JACL office that it had not been enforced, and furthermore, very few persons of Japanese ancestry or of the Mongolian race were currently employed on reclamation construction projects.

Previous attempts by the JACL to eliminate the discriminatory provision by administrative action proved fruitless since the provision was written into the law of the land, and it was found that the only way to erase it was by amendatory legislation by the Congress.

The bill, HR 1603, was introduced by Rep. John J. Rhodes (R., Ariz.) with companion bills HR 6257 by Rep. Edith Green (D., Ore.), and HR 6722 by Rep. Thomas M. Pelly (R., Wash.).

## Turnout of Sansei in New York biggest ever

NEW YORK. — A turnout of 450 at the recent Family Frolic at the Joan of Arc Jr. High School included the largest aggregation seen to date here of Sansei children, according to Aki-Hayashi, frolic chairman.

"The number of Sansei who were able to attend, and they formed only a part of the total living in this area, gives an indication of the growing size of the third generation," he pointed out.

## Gakuen golden jubilee

VANCOUVER, B.C.—The Japanese School of Languages last week celebrated its 50th anniversary. School board chairman K. Iwata paid tribute to pioneer efforts in the establishment of the school, urging that the present-day school use its Japanese cultural assets effectively to repay the founders.

T. T. Yatabe of Chicago, National JACL's first constitutional president, is the manager of the California Flower Market which is presently building a new \$500,000 wholesale market in San Francisco.

Last year the Southern California Flower Market, which is also composed of nurserymen and flower growers of Japanese ancestry, sent the traditionally requested flowers and corsages for the annual State Society dinner.

George Inagaki, current National JACL president, is president of the Southern California Flower Market, and Frank Kuwahara, manager.

Distinguished Californians at the affair, included among the high-ranking government officials, were Under Secretary of State Herbert Hoover, Jr.; Under Secretary of Commerce, H. C. McClellan; Assistant Secretaries of Defense Thomas Pike and Floyd S. Byrant; Legal Counsel for the State Department Herman P. Phleger; Commissioner of Social Security Charles Schottland; and most members of the California congressional delegation.

## CALENDAR

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May 12 (Saturday)  
Cortez—Annual Springtime dance, Ballico Veterans Memorial Hall, 9 p.m.  
May 13 (Sunday)  
Detroit—Mothers' Day tea.  
Stockton—Community picnic, Mickle's Grove.  
Salt Lake City—Fashion Show and Mother's tea, Manor Heights, 201 N. Main St., 2 p.m.  
May 15 (Tuesday)  
Farlier—Auxiliary meeting.  
May 16 (Wednesday)  
Salt Lake City—Film on Japan (site to be announced).  
May 17 (Thursday)  
Pasadena—General meeting.  
May 19 (Saturday)  
Venice-Culver — Int'l smorgasboard, Westchester Playground, 6:30 p.m.  
May 20 (Sunday)  
NCWNC—2nd Quarterly Session, San Jose CL hosts, Golf tournament at Hillview C.C., 10 a.m.  
May 25 (Friday)  
Venice-Culver—Voting procedures explained for Issei.  
Cincinnati—MDC "Hello Mixer".  
May 26 (Saturday)  
Fowler—5th Ann'y Supper, City Park, Sonoma County—JACL Bowling Award dinner, Green Mill Inn.  
Stockton—Annual movie benefit.  
Salt Lake City—Meeting (site to be announced), speaker from Fish & Game Dept.  
May 26-27  
MDC—District convention, Cincinnati-Dayton JACL co-hosts; Netherlands-Plaza Hotel, Cincinnati.  
May 30 (Wednesday)  
Salt Lake City—Memorial Service, SLC Cemetery.  
June 2 (Saturday)  
Salt Lake City — Graduates dinner-dance (site to be announced).  
June 3 (Sunday)  
San Francisco—JACL Nisei Olympics, Kezar Stadium.  
June 9 (Saturday)  
Venice-Culver—Box lunch social (tentative).  
June 10 (Sunday)  
Detroit—Community picnic.  
June 16 (Saturday)  
Berkeley—Graduates' prom.