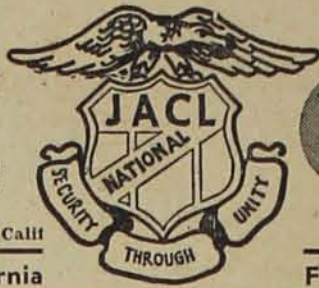


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EDITORIAL:

Nisei voters ready for party politics

The political limelight will be spotted on California next Tuesday when it holds its primaries. Our Golden State has been a paradox to professional politicians in past decades as Republicans were successful in their bid for offices even though there were more registered Democrats than Republicans. Yet, the state has voted Democratic in presidential elections each time from 1928 until Eisenhower's victory in 1952.

California presents other striking phenomena to politicians. With more than 13 million inhabitants, it is expected to surpass New York within a decade. Its growth in farm and industry is equally remarkable. But it's the spread of suburban areas that attracts the professional politician. And in considering this factor, there are close to 100,000 persons of Japanese ancestry in the state which should not be ignored.

Suburban life has founded a new club movement among Republicans and Democrats. These clubs are composed of some 30 "grass roots" voters who have taken a liking to politics. Organized on a neighborhood basis and small enough to meet in homes, they send delegates to nominating conventions at every electoral level. Nisei voters have organized in similar fashion. In due time, more Nisei names will be on the ballot for political offices. And these clubs are likely to stay on the political scene.

Indeed, the California Nisei is maturing. He has been successful in school, in business, in the community and now stands at the threshold of politics. One of the primary purposes of JACL when it was founded a quarter century ago to help Nisei become better citizens is materializing.

Up claims compromise to \$100,000

AMENDMENT TO FULBRIGHT ACT PASSED, PLUGS LOOPHOLE FOR VISITING STUDENTS

WASHINGTON. — A loophole in the United States Information and Educational Exchange Act of 1948 (the Fulbright Act) has been eliminated in an amendment passed the House recently.

It would require foreign students under the exchange program in the United States studying under government or private sponsorship to return to their own country for a period of two years following departure from the United States before change in immigration status can be granted, the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League pointed out.

Since the Senate had passed a similar bill, the House substituted the Senate one for its own bill.

The bill is now before the President for his signature.

The legislation would require a person admitted to the United States as an exchange visitor to return to his country of origin or to a cooperating country and to reside there for a total period of two years before becoming eligible for an immigration visa and permanent re-entry into the United States or for a non-immigrant visa.

President Eisenhower, upon the recommendation of the State Department, had urged last year that the loophole in the Fulbright Act be plugged inasmuch as the purpose of the exchange program was being defeated in view of the fact that foreign students preferred to remain here as permanent residents than to return to their native country in order to impart the benefits of their education obtained here.

An exchange student at the present time cannot have his status changed or apply for suspension of deportation orders should he fail to maintain the status under which he was admitted or fail to depart at the expiration of the time for which he was admitted.

He can, however, apply for an

Over 1,300 Issei in Northwest naturalized

SEATTLE. — In a recent report before the Pacific Northwest District Council, the Seattle JACL Bulletin revealed over 1,300 Issei and Japanese brides have been naturalized during the past year with some 800 in the Seattle area.

(In the first two years, 1953-54, since the Immigration and Nationality Act went into effect in Dec. 24, 1952, the Seattle JACL reported 750 Issei were naturalized in the Seattle area.)

SEATTLE SETS DATE FOR COMMUNITY PICNIC

SEATTLE. — A community wide picnic is being planned by the Seattle JACL for Sunday, July 15, it was announced by Jim Matsuoka, chapter president. The plans are tentative, he added, but the date is definite.

Japanese churches are being invited to be represented on the planning committee to assure wide participation.

immigration visa after leaving the United States and be readmitted immediately from either Canada or Mexico.

Furthermore, many special relief bills authorizing them to remain in the United States have been introduced in the Congress.

Since the purposes of the Fulbright Act are not only to enable these exchange students to understand the United States and to return to their own country to contribute toward developing friendly relations but to come here to get training and then go back to make their training available to their own countries, there has been a widespread feeling that the intent of the Fulbright Act was being defeated.

The bill, as passed, provides an exception to this amendment, however, in that upon the request of the interested Government agency and the recommendation of the Secretary of State, the Attorney General may waive the two-year residence abroad of an alien if he finds it to be in the public interest of the United States.

The provisions of this bill apply only to exchange visitors subsequent to the enactment of the legislation and are not applicable to exchange students currently studying in the United States under either government or private sponsorship.

Michigan ex-GI adopts Japanese citizenship

KALAMAZOO. — An ex-GI who fought the Japanese in the Philippines and New Guinea campaigns, Robert Sager, 33, of this city, has become a Japanese citizen because he "fell in love" with the vanquished nation when stationed there during the Occupation.

Sager received his final citizenship papers in Tokyo on May 20 and adopted the surname of his Japanese wife, Murakami. He is believed to be the first American to become a naturalized citizen of Japan since World War II. He teaches English at Waseda University.

Actions speak as loudly as words, says Canadian judge ruling on discrimination

CHATHAM, Ont. — An appellate judge over-ruling defense pleas that Ontario is trying to make racial discrimination a new crime last week upheld a magistrate's conviction of restaurateur Morley McKay for refusing services to Negroes.

Judge Harold Lang dismissed McKay's appeal.

McKay's counsel said the act was an "attempt on the part of the Province to create a new crime." Racial discrimination existed unfortunately—but it had never been considered crime in Canada.

Judge Lang said it is perfectly clear that McKay's Dresden restaurant had denied service to Percy Bruce and Jake Alleyne, University of Toronto students who laid complaints.

Senate judiciary committee acts on bill to push claims program

WASHINGTON. — The Senate Judiciary Committee today has reported out the bill to expedite the final determination of remaining evacuation claims with

one amendment, the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League reported.

(The bill was ordered late yesterday to be reported to the Senate for Friday.)

The committee boosted the compromise limitation from \$2,500 to \$100,000, which will cover all but 69 cases. Claims in excess of \$100,000 may be adjudicated through the court of claims or be compromised at the new figure, if the bill is enacted.

The bill, which is JACL-sponsored, was passed by the House last March. The action today sets the final wheels in motion to clear up claims for losses sustained by persons of Japanese ancestry through evacuation and exclusion from the West Coast in 1942. Upon Senate passage, the bill will require House concurrence because of the amendment before it goes to the President for signature.

The Senate Judiciary Committee, which has had the evacuation claims bill since it passed the House early last March, had been unable to meet in executive session to consider the measure.

San Francisco Memorial Day rites observed

SAN FRANCISCO. — Annual Nisei Memorial Day services were held at Golden Gate National Cemetery in San Bruno Wednesday under joint sponsorship of the Golden Gate Nisei VFW Post 9879 and Townsend Harris American Legion Post 438.

Flowers placed on all of nearly 100 Issei and Nisei servicemen's graves by veterans and Boy Scout Troop 58. Ernest Cox, VFW chief of staff for the California department, was main speaker.

Invocation was given by Archbishop Nitten Ishida of the Nichiren Buddhist Churches of America and benediction by Father Joseph Guetzloe, SVD, of St. Francis Xavier Mission.

3,000 HEAR SEN. KUCHEL AT L.A. MEMORIAL RITES

In the Evergreen Cemetery, some 3,000 of Southland Nisei community paid homage to their war dead Wednesday.

The ceremony, held at the foot of the Nisei War Memorial Monument, was conducted by the Nisei Veterans Co-ordinating Council.

Christian invocations were delivered by the Rev. George Takaya. The Rev. Reikai Nozaki led the gathering in chanting Buddhist benedictions.

The principal address was delivered by Sen. Thomas Kuchel, who paid tribute to Japanese Americans who laid down their lives in defense of the principles of freedom and democracy.

He cited Pvt. Sadao Munemori of Long Beach who was posthumously awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor for gallantry in World War II. Munemori typifies the more than 33,000 Americans of Japanese ancestry who bore arms in defense of this nation in World War II, he said.

Municipal Judge John F. Aiso presided.

Santa Barbara JACler wins in school election

SANTA BARBARA. — Richard Tokumaru, head gardener of the Dos Pueblos Co. in nearby Goleta, was one of two persons elected May 18 to serve on the board of trustees of the Ellwood Union School District for a period of four years.

Tokumaru had previously served for 10 months by appointment to fill an unexpired term. He is a father of two children, boy of twelve and a girl six years old.

Tokumaru is an active member of the Santa Barbara JACL chapter where he serves as the vice-president and a 1000 Club member.

Sacramento Nisei win in school post elections

SACRAMENTO. — Two of three Nisei candidates running for school trustee posts in the Sacramento County elections May 18 were successful.

William K. Kashiwagi, incumbent in the Sierra-Enterprise union district, had no opposition for one of two posts. Albert Mende tallied 89 votes in the Washington-Kelly union district near Perkins to succeed but Richard K. Oki with 50 trailed Ted Richey who won with 80 votes.

PNWDC delegate

GRESHAM, Ore. — The Pacific Northwest District Council, which held its district meeting Apr. 22, has appointed George Azumano of Portland to serve as council representative at the forthcoming national JACL convention in San Francisco.

NISEI CHOSEN PRESIDENT AT SAN DIEGUITO HIGH

ENCINITAS. — Yukio Hamada, 16, science-math major, was elected student body president for the 1956 fall semester at San Dieguito Union High School.

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Maryknoll's third Nisei priest named

MARYKNOLL, N.Y. — Rev. Bryce T. Nishimura, third Nisei to be ordained priest of the Catholic Foreign Mission Society of America June 9 at the Maryknoll Major Seminary here, has been assigned to Japan.

He is the son Mr. and Mrs. Mark H. Nishimura, 2832-12th Ave., Los Angeles, attended Fairburn grammar school and Manzanar High School before entering Maryknoll at its junior seminary at Clarks Summit, Pa., in 1945.

Francis Cardinal Spellman of New York will be the ordaining prelate for this year's class of 54 deacons, second largest in Maryknoll history.

Father Nishimura will celebrate his first solemn Mass July 1, 10 a.m., in St. Francis Xavier Chapel, 222 S. Hewitt St., Los Angeles.

Father Hugh Lavery, Maryknoll superior in Los Angeles, will be the assistant priest. Other officers of this Mass will be Father Robert Menard, deacon; Richard Bell, sub-deacon; and Christopher J. Anzai, master of ceremonies. A reception follows in the school hall.

In Japan, the Maryknoll Fathers staff 15 parishes in Tokyo and Kyoto and have started work in Hokkaido in 1954.

Other Nisei priests working in Maryknoll missions in Japan are Father Jim Tokuhisa and Father Thomas Takahashi, both of Los Angeles.

Nisei Buddhist minister returns

SAN FRANCISCO. — Daitetsu Unno, oldest son of Rev. Enryo Unno of the Guadalupe Buddhist Church, returned last Friday as the second Nisei Buddhist minister since the war.

He completed five years of study in Japan at the Univ. of Tokyo where he won his M.A. degree and hopes to continue at Univ. of California at Berkeley. His younger brother, Tetsuo, is a student at Ryukoku University, Kyoto.

First Nisei Buddhist minister returning from Japanese studies is Rev. Arthur Takemoto, now of Los Angeles Nishi Hongwanji.

PASADENA GIRL WINS TWO SCHOLARSHIPS

PASADENA. — Mae Kosobayashi, 497 W. Montana, who has been active at Pasadena City College, has been awarded the \$300 State of California and \$100 Pasadena Education Association scholarships for further studies at Univ. of California at Berkeley. She is member of the local JACL.



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FROM THE FRYING PAN: by Bill Hosokawa



Pioneering Nisei farmers

Denver
 Rather than the dead, the accomplishments of the living receive recognition in *Frying Pan* this Memorial Day week. We salute first the pioneering spirit of the Ishibashi brothers of Torrance, Calif., whose use of plastic film in their strawberry beds is reported by the Bakelite Company's news bureau. It seems that a few years ago the Ishibashi brothers were suffering such a heavy fruit loss due to mold rot that they were considering a switch to another crop.

Then, in desperation, they tried a mulch made of polyethylene film to keep the berries from touching the moist soil. It was not a cheap venture. The plastic which comes in rolls 34 inches wide, cost about \$125 per acre. Labor for setting the plastic film in place ran another \$50. But, according to the Bakelite report, use of the film increased the harvest by roughly one-third. Last April and May, when consumers were paying premium prices for strawberries, the Ishibashi brothers supplied 10 per cent of the berries for the Los Angeles market from their 12-acre farm, which represents about 0.1 pct. of the total commercial berry growing acreage serving the market.

The way we understand it, the polyethylene film is stretched out over a double row of strawberry plants from a roll mounted on a tractor. Workers follow the tractor, cut slits into the film with razor blades, lift the leaves of the plants through the holes. A second tractor disc soil up against the edges of the plastic sheet to hold it in place. The plastic film is left down for three years. Small perforations in it allow rain or irrigation water to reach the soil, but the plastic keeps the berries from touching wet earth. The Bakelite people call this a "magic carpet," and the brothers Ishibashi helped to prove the feasibility of applying a product of chemical industry to agriculture progress.

Denverites, especially Nisei, are waiting to witness the accomplishments of other Nisei next week in another field, the theater. The Larry Parks company of the play, *The Teahouse of the August Moon*, will be coming in July with its handsome complement of Nisei performers. Aside from the fact that few Broadway productions make their way to Denver theaters, this production is doubly welcome because of the key roles that Nisei performers take.

Top billing among the Nisei in

the cast goes to Michi Kobi, formerly of Sacramento and San Francisco, who began her acting career in a relocation camp production of *Les Miserables*. Miss Kobi, judging from publicity photos, is a handsome young lady ideally cast as the geisha, Lotus Blossom, who throws Occupation officers in a quandry. She was in *Native Son* with the late Canada Lee, and has made numerous television appearances.

Next come Tura and Eileen Nakamura, a father and daughter team from Seattle. Tura, who somehow combined his talents to become a notable kabuki actor as well as baseball strategist and manager, plays the wispy-bearded artist Oshira. Eileen, who has a M.A. from the Yale Drama school, appeared in the New York production of *Teahouse* and plays the comic role of Miss Higa Jiga.

Among others in the touring company, according to advance releases, are Kikuya Yoshiwara, a recently naturalized American; Jack Fujiwara, a Nagasaki-born cooked turned actor; Mamie Kanazawa, one of the famed foot-juggling Kanazawas; Sanae Kawaguchi, a Californian who also writes and illustrates children's books; George Ito of Honolulu who's also a fire-eater; Sue Kikuchi of Seattle; Gladys Iwase from Honolulu and Minoru Watanabe from Colusa, Calif. Incidentally, Yuki Shimoda, a New York dance teacher, was choreographer for the original *Teahouse*.

It's a pleasure to welcome these artists to town. Only shame is that it takes a vehicle with an Oriental setting to provide them with the opportunity to perform and be recognized.

(There used to be a time when Bill's "Fryer" would hint of a possible article in a national magazine, but it was a complete surprise to find his "Angel of the Hills" in the May 26 Saturday Evening Post. It's a story of a housewife-nurse caring for sick in a mountain county.—Ed.)

VERY TRULY YOURS: by Harry K. Honda



Big time sports

● If people think college football is getting too big for its own good in view of subrosa solicitations to have stars on their varsity, a parallel exists in circle circles—though not in football... While I haven't covered sports first-hand in a long time (outside of JACL Nisei Relays each year at Rancho Cienega and the 1955 Long Beach national bowling tournament), I

do see a trend to big-time sports in Nisei ranks that may trap a JACL chapter or two in the process... It should be granted that athletics can have an integral part in a chapter's program for the benefit of its members and many chapters have been successful to this extent. It has also encouraged camaraderie and provided keen challenges... But when it upgrades itself outside of chapter boundaries, it takes expert administration to assure control.

● National JACL developed its bowling tournament to such heights in the 10 years of its sponsorship making it the richest and keenest. Yet, its fame was attended with entry problems once ABC sections were obtained... Now that the game is being handed over to Nisei bowlers themselves, it appears to be a wise move. JACL pioneered in it and hopes its successors, the various Nisei bowling groups can even raise it to greater heights.

● Problems in sponsoring bowling tournaments differ from issues that might arise in other sports like basketball, track, and softball... In basketball (largely operated by Nisei amateur associations), teams are often commercially-sponsored for the benefit of youth who need financial assistance to foot the bill in the way of uniforms, team fees and equipment. (Thus we understand the lack of Nisei football leagues—cost.)... Kango Kunitsugu of the Southwest L.A. JACL, who has resumed writing his sports column in the *Crossroads*, suggested businessmen pay equal shares in supporting a league rather than be responsible for an individual team. He felt this would insure the league... It seems some businessmen are becoming reluctant to sponsor a team—jointly motivated by ingratitude from the team sponsored and higher costs for keeping a team... At the same time, each team tries to obtain an all-star aggregation—which is O.K.—but raiding opponent's camp only weakens the entire league through lop-sided competition... It might be a case of the rich getting richer and the poor getting poorer. This philosophy certainly should find no quarters in amateur sports.

● In track, San Francisco's JACL Olympics this weekend looms as an all-state Nisei function drawing top-notch runners from Central and Southern California as well as communities in Northern California... George Yoshinaga of the *Nichi Bei Times* raises the problem of an all-star Los Angeles group wanting to enter under its own banner because the Downtown L.A. chapter was in no position to sponsor them to include travel subsidies. Facts do not bear that contention. The team, however, is entered under DTLA banners after asking for permission to use its name... This matter of "sponsorship" might be dissected for discussion. JACL, which is primarily obligated for the welfare of all persons of Japanese ancestry and not a particular branch of Nisei, would be in line not to dip too deeply into its finances to help the cause of a few rather than the whole... Sponsorship can be limited to use of a name or expanded to include all expenses. It's not the case of a chapter being "cheap" or "without sufficient funds", but the prudent expenditure of its funds that counts.

● Sports promotion has, of late, placed emphasis on winning than in participation. Even the great Olympic games are tending in that direction—that might be right!... If JACL chapters cater to the same principle, a lot of people who might benefit from active regions would be desirable, then regional groups ought to sponsor them aided with manpower from the most interested... San Francisco JACL should be commended for promoting Nisei athletics at this time, but it can raise financing problems in Los Angeles that may be misconstrued. Los Angeles chapters, I must add, have the same situation staring them in sponsoring its Nisei Relays a few weeks hence by making it big time.

MUSASHI

● As for *Musashi*, Toho's sequel to *Samurai*, which played this week at the Linda Lea Theater, it's still color and *chambara* that appealed to me. A third part is in the making to conclude the Miyamoto Musashi story... I wonder if Japan is banking on *gendai* pictures each year to win Oscars and Festival awards. By the third time, the *chambara*-color novelty will have worn thin and I hope story will be the norm for good motion pictures from Japan in the future.

TOKYO TOPICS: by Tamotsu Murayama

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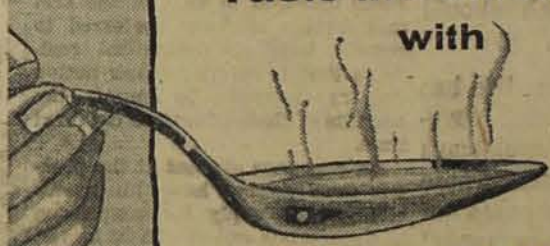
● When eight Nisei came to Japan in search of Japanese brides, the Japanese press was more excited over this prospect despite commotions on the domestic and international political scene.

The Russo-Japanese fisheries issue and Japanese-Filipino reparation talks actually have wider significance than eight bachelors looking for mates.

Japanese in America have experienced "picture brides"
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VAGARIES: by Larry S. Tajiri



Rabble rouser Tenney

■ Much of the fuss and feathers in California's June 5 elections has been stirred by the rival candidacies of Adlai Stevenson and Estes Kefauver who seek control of the state's delegation to the Democratic national convention in Chicago. A nation will watch the California balloting, for a ringing victory for one may doom the presidential future of the other.

Outside of Los Angeles, few voters know of another contest which contains considerable political portent. It is the election of a judge in Municipal Court, Office 18. In this race the shopworn rabble-rouser, Jack B. Tenney—repudiated by his own Republican party two years ago—is attempting to get his foot once again inside the door of public office. Tenney is challenging the incumbent, David W. Williams.

The years help obscure painful memory, but it is difficult to forget that Jack B. Tenney, then state senator representing all of Los Angeles County, was responsible in considerable measure for the racist hysteria generated against Americans of Japanese ancestry in California during World War II. In the name of patriotism, he harassed and tormented the Nisei. He was chairman, in the early war years, of the California Committee on Un-American Activities, also known as the "Little Dies" committee, which was successful through a series of purported investigations and statewide junkets in inflaming prejudice against Japanese Americans. The committee particularly exploited the November, 1943 riots at the Tule Lake segregation camp. The Tenney committee became a rostrum for the anti-Japanese bigot.

In 1944, Tenney and his committee lent themselves to the effort, however fantastic it may seem today, to obtain the permanent exclusion of persons of Japanese ancestry from the state of California.

PROPOSITION 15 DEFEATED

■ Tenney conducted his harassment of Japanese Americans on many fronts. He sponsored legislation which brought about the reactivation of the California Alien Land Law—then considered statutory deadwood—by amending it to provide a profit motive for local governments, given the latter a share with the state in the sale of escheated property. He was instrumental in obtaining a legislative appropriation of \$200,000 for enforcement of the Alien Land Law. He sponsored an initiative measure, in 1946, to tighten the Alien Land Law and make easier the confiscation of property owned by Japanese Americans. The measure was placed on the November, 1946 ballot as Proposition 15. The crushing defeat administered to Proposition 15 by the voters of California—the JACL's newly-organized Anti-Discrimination Committee helped fight it—was the first major repudiation of anti-Orientalism at the polls. Had the Tenney-sponsored measure passed, farm property owned by Nisei GIs, as well as civilians, could have been escheated by the state.

While state senator, Tenney also was active in the Yellow Peril movement outside the legislative arena. He was a director of an organization known as the Americanism Educational League which was involved mainly in anti-Japanese activities. Its principal officer was a Dr. John R. Lechner who often appeared as witness before Tenney's "Little Dies" Committee. Later Tenney organized another letterhead group, the Council on Alien Relations, which warned Californians about the alleged menace of persons of Japanese descent.

TARGET OF PC EDITORIAL

■ In an editorial in the Pacific Citizen in 1948, this writer declared Senator Tenney had shown himself to be a "man of hate and unreasoning prejudice." Tenney's activities in the years that followed served to bear out the appraisal. A onetime songwriter (*Mexicali Rose*), Tenney worked days and studied nights to get himself a law degree. He entered politics and was first elected to office in one of the New Deal landslides of the 1930s. He started changing the tune of his compassion for the common people and eventually changed parties. By the time of Pearl Harbor he was a powerful figure in the state capitol as the only senator from the state's most populous county.

Togo Tanaka once wrote: "Jack Tenney . . . wore out a dozen broomsticks during the war, riding the California hinterlands as a witchhunting knight errant dedicated to the holy mission of keeping the evacuees out forever . . . Few Californians worked harder in public during the war years to permanently exclude the Nisei from California than did Jack Tenney . . ."

In 1951 a new national organization called America Plus, Inc., was organized in Los Angeles and selected California for a testing ground in a legislative effort to nullify the state's civil rights laws. America Plus, Inc., sponsored the so-called "Freedom of Choice" initiative which it sought to place on the California ballot in 1952. "Freedom of Choice", in a few words, meant the freedom to discriminate. Its passage would have nullified state and municipal measures which guarantee a modicum of fair play for all, regardless of race, color or creed. America Plus didn't get very far. Californians saw it for what it was, a bald attempt to hoodwink the people.

National chairman of America Plus, Inc., at the time of its formation was State Senator Jack Tenney.

■ In the 1952 national elections, Tenney, hell bent for reaction, turned up as a supporter of McCarthyism. He wound up the political year by estranging himself from the Republican party. He became the vice presidential candidate on the ticket of the Christian Nationalist party, headed by Gerald L. K. Smith.

In recent years anti-Negro and anti-Semitic statements have been attributed to Tenney. If true, it would not be surprising. His political bedfellows have been the denizens of the extreme American right.

In 1954 the Republican party slapped him down by nominating attractive Mildred Younger over Tenney. Mrs. Younger later lost the state senatorship to her Democratic opponent.

Now Jack Tenney is hoping the people have forgotten. He is trying for a seat on the municipal bench. Tenney's opponent, Judge David W. Williams, was appointed by Gov. Goodwin Knight. In his short time in court he has compiled a notable record, one which already has won him the endorsement of the Los Angeles County Bar Assn. Judge Williams also is supported by the AFL-CIO Committee on Political Education.

If he has any at all, Judge Williams' political liability is that he is a Negro. In his campaign to date, Jack Tenney is making the most of his opponent's racial background. The voters of Los Angeles will make up their minds on June 5. Their choice would seem an obvious one.



Gladys Ishii, Sacramento JACL's candidate for Miss National JACL honors, was introduced to delegates attending the NCWNC quarterly meeting at San Jose recently by Bill Matsumoto (right), who won the 1000 Club golf trophy the same weekend. —Higaki Photo.

NEW CITIZENS TO BE HONORED AT GALA JUNE 9 AFFAIR IN CLEVELAND

CLEVELAND. — Recently naturalized Issei citizens are to be publicly honored by the Cleveland JACL at a "New Citizens Night" program at the Hollenden Hotel June 9, it was announced by Bill Sadataki, chapter board chairman.

Invitations have been extended to Ohio Governor Lausche, Cleveland Mayor Celebrezze and other civic dignitaries to honor the Issei citizens.

National JACL Director Mas Satow and Midwest District Council Chairman Abe Hagiwara of Chicago are also expected to be present, according to Mickey Fujimoto in charge of the guest list.

Compilation of naturalized citizens of Japanese ancestry living in

this area has been in progress for the past several months with Helen Ono in charge.

Paul Ohmura and Howard Tashima are handling publicity and tickets, respectively. Joe Kadowaki is in charge of the program.

The chapter is also contemplating to follow with an education-information program to assist Issei citizens in the November election.

The event marks the rebuilding of an active chapter here.

At its May board meeting held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Sashihara, Harry Kaku, membership chairman, reported eleven 1000 Club members with prospects of more during the June-July membership campaign period.

S.F. Jewish weekly editorial blasts Gardena letter as 'tactics of bigots'

SAN FRANCISCO. — Tactics of bigots in trying to stir up trouble between minority groups were flayed in an editorial of the local weekly Jewish Community Bulletin last Friday.

Masao Satow, JACL national director, recently wrote to Eugene Block, editor of the Bulletin, stating the League's views on the vicious attacks against the Jews contained in letters mailed from Gardena, Calif.

The Bulletin editorial, entitled "Bigotry Unlimited," reads as follows:

"Bigots seem unwilling to confine their nefarious tactics to the smearing of one group in American life but chose rather to direct their attacks in a way that will hit as many as they can assail at one time.

"The most recent case in point involves a scurrilous, obscene poison pen letter now being sent broadcast through the mails to Jewish congregations and other organizations throughout the country over the signature of a fictitious organization. 'Nisei For Kawakita Society.'

"Mailed from Gardena, a Southern California community, the letters first reached San Francisco. In recent weeks they have been received in Indianapolis, Cincinnati, Miami, Atlanta and other scattered communities.

"Smearing Jews in unprintable language, the letters, all similar in

content, are mailed with the obvious purpose of creating a breach between Jews and Japanese Americans. Government agencies are

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Sansei succeed in stiff state exams

NEW YORK. — Two Sansei girls were among 1,500 high school students of New York City receiving annual state scholarships offered by the state board of regents.

They are Arlene E. Yoshikami, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Egen Yoshikami, 632 Columbus Ave., and Keiko Itokawa, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Takeo Itokawa, 145-53 23rd Ave., Whitestone.

Girls will each receive \$350 a year for four years study at any approved college or university in the state. A total of 28,000 pupils from 1,200 high schools took a nine-hour competitive examination.

Keiko Itokawa is 16 years old senior at New York City's Music and Art school, where she will graduate this month. She plans to major in English at Queens College. She is interested in music and modern dance and enjoys ceramics as a hobby. Her family originally came from Los Angeles, and relocated from Manzanar.

Arlene Yoshikami is 17 years old senior at Bronx High School of Science, where she will graduate this June. She plans to major in literature at Hunter or Syracuse. She likes poetry and reads extensively in the classics. She is interested in dance and music. The family came here from Honolulu, almost nine years ago.

Regret naming dance as 'Buddha-head Stomp'

SAN FRANCISCO. — A public apology by a Stockton Nisei social group for using "Buddha-head Stomp" as a theme for a recent dance was found in a letter published by the Hokubei Mainichi last week.

"Although we did not choose the theme to insult the Buddhist religion, it implies that we did," Joann Hayashi, secretary for the Mam'selles, wrote.

Madera girl awarded top Bank of America prize

MADERA. — Lucille Inami, 18, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Inami, was among four \$1,000 first-prize winners in the Bank of America Achievements Awards program in the field of liberal arts. Graduating from Madera High this month, she plans to major in education at Fresno State.

KEEP STORY PUBLISHED IN READER'S DIGEST

The June Reader's Digest features a story of Paul Rusch, who stayed in Japan after the Occupation to establish the Kiyosato Educational Experiment Project in Yamanashi prefecture.



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DOCTORS MOVE INTO NEW MENLO PARK OFFICES

MENLO PARK. — Dr. George R. Baba and his wife, Dr. Masako Akimoto Baba, have moved into their newly constructed offices at 934 Santa Cruz Ave. this past week.



**perspectively
yours,**

by Jerry Enomoto



San Francisco

The blueprint for *Changing Perspectives* is rapidly taking tangible shape on the drawing boards of the Convention committees, as everybody prepares for the stretch run leading to Aug. 31. In the midst of this bustling activity and growing time pressure, the host chapter continues to maintain a full and varied program. Let's take time out from our musing about *Changing Perspectives* and focus the week's spotlight on this City by the Golden Gate, and what JACLers here are doing.

LINIMENT AND LAFFS

The second-year's running of the "Liniment and Tape Derby", better known as the Industrial Basketball League, met with continued success. Under the joint sponsorship of the S.F. JACL and the Buchanan St. YM-YMCA, approximately 50 "Old timers" relived their past glories on the maple court. Roughly 10 players cavorted for each of five teams sponsored by Kik's Smoke Shop, Soko Hardware, NB. Department Store, Joe's Signal Service, and Mike's Richfield. The perpetual trophy was carted away for the second straight year by an aggregation of former S.F. Drake stars sparked by Tom Tomioka, Chinky Hidekawa, Stan Tsujisaka, and Mits Kojimoto, playing under the banner of Kik's. A handful of orchids to league boss, Kiyoshi "Otto" Tanamachi, who set up the schedule, arranged for court time, officials, etc. Much deserved credit to Babe Utsumi and Shiro Horita who handle the officiating, and to our good friend, Fred Hoshiyama, executive secretary of the "Y", who provided facilities, equipment, and full cooperation as co-sponsor.

All in all this project of the S.F. Chapter gave an opportunity for some of us to work out, have a good time, and, in the words of George (Horse's Mouth) Yoshinaga, sometimes produced a surprisingly good brand of honest competition.

In the hopper for the immediate future is a combined business meeting and program, the latter dealing with "Wills and Estate Planning". San Francisco attorney and official chapter delegate, Jack Kusaba, and budding barrister, Marshall Sumida, will handle these informative and interesting subjects. Marshall is General Arrangements Chairman for *Changing Perspectives*, and he'll be aided and abetted by his sidekick, Jack.

A bevy of crack athletes from all sections of California will answer the San Francisco call to its annual JACL Olympics on June 3 at Kezar Stadium. This meet will be under the direction of a committee headed by Dick Nishi, backed up by Mo Noguchi, Alice Shigezumi, Fred Obayashi, Kei Hori, Yas Abiko, Ki Tanamachi, and George Yoshinaga. The latter is doing yeoman work, as the "Horse's Mouth", providing vital publicity to insure the Meet's success. Incidentally he'll also be the man behind the camera for many of our Souvenir Booklet shots.

Topping off the year's busiest month for the Chapter will be the annual community picnic, under the steady hand of Jack Kusaba, where have we seen his name, before? Then we'll be taking in the "Summer Informal" at the colorful Surf Club by the Beach, where San Francisco's choice for "Miss National JACL" will be crowned. This show will be put on the road by our Secret Love and Japanese refugee, Sumi Utsumi.

Congratulations to chapter prexy Hats Aizawa and program VP Yone Satoda for top notch programming, despite the added responsibilities inherent in hosting the 14th Biennial

Let's keep those Package Deals and Pre-Registrations coming in; they're a little slow. You chapters that don't know who your delegates are going to be, don't let that stop you, just shoot us your checks so we can have their kits ready.

CHICAGO CORNER: by Smoky H. Sakurada



Aged Issei

Chicago

Five survey meetings have been conducted the Committee to Study Problems of Aged Issei since January, 1956, with Charles Ukita presiding as chairman. The local Japanese American Council hopes to establish a community project—a home for the aged and nursing for persons of Japanese ancestry here.

Questionnaires for establishing such a home have been circulated and if the responses warrant an immediate need to go ahead, the committee would then explore existing facilities to make sure there is no duplication of services. What makes the problem unique is that the Issei aged being cared have a language and cultural barrier. But, if a final analysis shows no need for establishing a home, the committee is expected to disband for having completed its assignment.

Regarding funds for such a project, the group explored several avenues—community funds, foundations, special interest groups and federal funds.

Mrs. Helen Mukoyama and John Yoshino, who worded the questionnaire explained five categories were considered in preparing the 26-point form: identification, social information, financial situation, health and individual opinion regarding such a facility.

Wide local publicity was mapped out for getting the questionnaires filled. Personal or group interviews were contemplated and recruiting of volunteer interviewers to secure information was suggested.

Another important question was: would we serve only the Japanese people and exclude other nationality groups?

From available statistics, the committee found Mutual Aid assisted in burial of 49 Issei without family or property since 1949. The Japanese American Service Committee assisted in 8 such cases. There were 78 referrals since 1952 to Social Security offices and 141 aged Issei to hospitals, clinics, etc., since 1953. All were "male" cases.

Even an article in the *Pacific Citizen* was quoted by Ukita in describing how one community (Denver) met the problem of the aged by leasing a hotel and serving family style meals.

Sequoia JACL to select chapter queen at June 23 graduates dance; five girls vie

REDWOOD CITY. — Sequoia JACL chapter and its affiliated junior groups, the Tri-Villes and Redwood City A.C., co-sponsor of the annual graduation dance June 23, 8 p.m., at the Palo Alto Buddhist Hall on Louis Rd.

As an extra attraction, the queen to represent the chapter at the next NCWNDC meeting will be selected from five candidates as follows:

Barbara Arimoto, 20, is the pretty daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Arimoto of Redwood City. She is a nursing student at Franklin Hospital, San Francisco; stands at 5 ft. 2 in., and weighs 110 lbs.

June Sugimoto, 20, is the tallest of the group at 5 ft. 5 in. and weighing 115. Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Sugimoto of Palo Alto, she is a medical assistant major at San Jose State College and finishing her sophomore year.

Betty Taira, 19, pert and talented

girl who scripted the recent Tri-Villes production "TV Takarazuka", plans to enter San Jose State College in September. She is 5 ft. 2 in. and 110 lbs.

Shirley Yoshida, 22, is a petite 5 ft. 1 in., 100 lbs., and secretary at the Palo Alto city hall.

Yaeko Yuki, 22, personable and attractive miss of Redwood City, is stenographer with the San Mateo County welfare department. She is current president of the Senior Tri-Villes and publicity chairman for the Sequoia chapter, stands at 5 ft. 2 in. and weighs 113 lbs.

Queen contest chairman, Hid Kashima, adds that all five girls are active members of the Tri-Villes. Serving on Kashima's committee are Tom Yamane, John Enomoto, Masako Sakaguchi and Roz Enomoto.

Judges for this event are being contacted.



June Tsukida, East Los Angeles Jr. College co-ed, was a finalist in the annual Festival of Friendship queen contest and served as princess to the queen last Sunday at the Fresno Playground. She was sponsored by the East L.A. JACL, which is among some 35 community organizations participating in the Festival.

—Shin Nichi Bei Photo.

San Francisco JACLers to hear talks on 'wise investments' at June meeting

SAN FRANCISCO. — Are you interested in "wise investments?" and are you prepared for the unforeseen future?

These are the questions which will be discussed at the San Francisco JACL next general membership meeting on Friday, June 8, 8 p.m. at the Buchanan St. YM-YW-

CA. The general subject for the meeting will be "Estate Planning and Wills."

A brief talk on what every family should do to safeguard themselves from any economic loss due to premature death or disability and retirement of the breadwinner will be given by Marshall Sumida. At present he is a law student and especially interested in estate planning.

Jack Kusaba, local attorney, will speak on the need, validity, methods of drawing up wills and what can happen if you die without a will.

A discussion period will follow both talks, according to Yone Satoda, chapter program chairman, who added that the meeting is open to all members and their friends.

The chapter had a meeting for its Issei members last week at the American Friends Center at which the use of voting machines was demonstrated to acquaint new voters at the coming June 5 primaries.

Yukio Kumamoto was in charge of this program.

Letter—

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busy trying to locate the letter writers.

"Incensed over this latest outbreak of hate-mongering, the Japanese American Citizens League has joined Jewish agencies in denouncing this latest manifestation of bigotry and in baring its obvious purpose.

"The Japanese Americans, in a public letter, point out that the group purporting to sign the letter is non-existent and that the only apparent purposes are to smear Americans Jews and to cause them to blame their fellow citizens of Japanese descent. The latter, of course, will not occur.

"But the viciousness of the letters goes still further since the name of Kawakita is used in the non-existent 'society.' Kawakita, a Japanese American, now is serving a life sentence as a convicted traitor to America and the use of his name is intended to indicate that Japanese Americans sympathize with him and condone his traitorous acts.

"Such are the tactics of bigot."

Daughter of rose grower wins Hoe Club award

Flora Ninomiya is the recent recipient of the \$100 Hoe Club of Santa Monica award for the outstanding senior student majoring in floriculture and ornamental horticulture at the Univ. of California at Los Angeles.

Miss Ninomiya is the daughter of Tamaki Ninomiya, wholesale rose grower in Richmond, who operates a large range of glasshouses. She has assisted in rose-growing operations during the summer.

An active student in the UCLA college of agriculture, she plans to return to Richmond to assist her father's firm after graduation. The Hoe Club is a ladies garden group.

Lions official

LOOMIS. — Hiroshi Takamoto was named director of the Loomis Area Lions this past week.

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SOU'WESTER: by Tats Kushiida



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The agreement was that we'd alternate with nat'l dir. Mas Satow in columning the PC. But the boss takes off on a round of chapters in the midwest and east and sez take a rain check, with which we're stuck.

What he's going on, in the vernacular, is a homon, a word strangely derived from the Scotch. Seems a J. linguist observed during a trip to Loch Lomond that the local inhabitants, in calling on their friends, would invariably greet them with a *Hoot-mon!*

Charmed by this quaint practice, and being partial to softer sounds, the lingo-ist deleted the ot and on returning to Japan conducted a one-man crusade to have *homon* accepted as the word to mean a visit. Subsequently, someone else really scotched it by knocking off the n with queer results.

MITINS

Proceeding to less momentous matters, we report having sat in on some meetings the week ultimo: The luncheon meeting of the Downtown chapter featuring importer and 1000 Clubber (life member) Geo. Aratani, one of whose fine china-ware door prizes befell our lot. Food, by the way, was passable for a lunch—Chinameshi; two-day conference of execs in human relations agencies from north and south (Calif.) getting their heads together to coordinate activities of common concern; a hearing of the L.A. county board of supervisors Tuesday ayem on fair employment practices legislation, action on which was postponed because of the defection of one of the supervisors who had previously committed himself in its favor before labor organizations.

MORE NEWCITS

The Vandas do it again. This is a club of very eligible young ladies who since their teens just a few years ago have had our sec Blanche as adviser. They have consistently lent a willing hand to sundry JACL projects and Monday night was no exception.

A form-filling service by the Downtown L.A. chapter for some sixty Issei applicants for citizenship was held next door at the J. C of C offices, and the six Vandas on hand made up a third of the JACL manpower typing up the lengthy N-400 petition forms. They were Tane Murasaki, Hiro Kawabata, Janet Kubo, LaVerne Kurachi, Tae Murakami and Haru Toguchi.

Ellen Kubo and prexy Roy Iketani of the SWLA chapter as well as ELA members Bessie Yamamoto and Nancy Takamatsu pitched in, too.

The Downtowns included prez Kei Uchima, F. Rank Suzu the Kid, Helen Baker, Elmer Yamamoto, Merijane Yokoe, Blanche and the S'wer.

Fingerprint men were Sgts. M. L. Neis and G. D. Austin of the Sheriff's I.D. bureau.

TO COME

The Gardena Valley JACL is calling a community-wide reactivation meeting at the community center, 2000 Market St., on Friday, June 8 at 8 p.m. . . . A Nisei vet and his family are running into opposition in trying to buy a tract home in Las Vegas, he reported to us via long distance. We hope to assist and will report on any progress . . . Looking forward to a visit next week by PC columnist Larry Tajiri of the Denver Post who'll be vacationing here a few days.

SMOGLITES: by Mary Oyama



Return to Glocca Morra

This past weekend we did one of the most nostalgic things a person can possibly do, return to the scenes of one's early childhood where the happiest care-free days were spent. Exactly 28 years after we had last seen the place in 1928, we trekked to the little whistle-stop in Northern California known as Cordelia where we once attended a small two-roomed school during the 4th and 5th grades back in World War I days. We even saw our former home at the foot of the now abandoned Rock Hill quarry near which we were once bit by a chipmunk.

Foolishly entranced by a cute furry creature which dove into a cleft of rocky stone wall, we had reached in to grab the little animal for a pet which promptly dissuaded any such intentions by one big, mean nip clear through our thumbnail! That long-ago *ouch* must have resounded shrilly around those red cliffs above the quarry—. The old walnut tree stood by the gate but the house appeared so much smaller and also the distance between the house and the tree. In childhood the space between them had been so long and wide.

We remembered the gypsies who came one day begging the loan of a screw driver. They returned the implement all right but walked off with our gate, after having used the borrowed item to unscrew the hinges. Talk about audacity, nerve, and nonchalance—they took the cake.

AND ON UP THE HILL

The road past the house, up toward the hill had been re-routed but below us lay the old dirt road which we trod as children bound for school. The small frame building which used to be Simoneni's General (grocery) Store still seemed to be standing obscured by the same old willow-lane. Rather sadly we glanced up at the ruins of the quarry recalling its busy thriving "burunnng-burrnng" hum of former days. We remembered the day when teen-aged Joe Valentini whom we considered an old grown up, came down past the quarry paralyzing us with fear by shouting aloud for the world to hear, "Where you kids been all day? PLAYING HOOKY, hey? We kids had been doing just that—.

Though the row of uniform houses which formerly housed the quarry workers was not visible, the electric power-station stood as of yore in the same straight line of the railroad track which we sometimes used as a short-cut to the Cordelia school. The same old swamps, boggy meadows, and rising tides of iridescent blackbirds. (Our son was enchanted: "Were these blackbirds always here like that, Ma?" Yes, they were—.) And there was Thompson's corner where we used to get our
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Detroit JACL to assist in community picnic

DETROIT. — The Detroit community picnic has been scheduled for July 15 at the Middle Rouge Park. Synonymous of many Detroit picnics, the ondo will be one of the main features.

Dick Kadoshima announces that rehearsals will begin June 5 and will be held every Tuesday and Thursday evening from 7:30 p.m. at the International Institute. Committee members for the picnic include Kay Mio and Eddie Matsui representing the JACL; Ken Aoki and Ray Higo, Mr. & Mrs. Club; Tosh Sakow and Alex Matsunaga, Bowling League; Fred Yoshida and Friday Yoshida, Golf Club.

Choir to open 14th biennial

SAN FRANCISCO. — The opening program of the 14th biennial National JACL convention in August will again feature choral music directed by Frank Ono, according to a report from the local convention committee.

The West 10th Methodist church choir, conducted by Ono, will appear on the program, now scheduled for Friday night, Aug. 31, at the Sheraton Palace hotel.

Four years ago when the 12th biennial convention was held in San Francisco, Ono directed a special 100-piece massed convention choir, which won high praise for its rendition of the "JACL Hymn" and other numbers.

20 Japanese brides feted by Sonoma Auxiliary

PETALUMA. — A group of 50 members of the Sonoma County JACL Auxiliary met recently at the local Memorial Hall to honor the war brides of this area at a dinner.

Some 20 guests were in attendance from the various cities of Sonoma County, Napa and Ukiah. A guest was seated at each table with the local group's members in order to become better acquainted. Various Japanese dishes were served under the direction of Jean Miyano. Alyce Sugiyama was general chairman.

To raise funds for various activities planned for remainder of the year, the Auxiliary is sponsoring a benefit project. Tickets may be obtained from members, it was stated by president Shiz Kawakoka.

Graduates' dance, community picnic and news bulletin planned by Sonoma County

SANTA ROSA. — Edwin Ohki, Sonoma County JACL chapter president announced that many events for all age groups have been planned for the summer months.

On Saturday, June 16, beginning from 9 p.m. a dance will be held at the local Memorial Hall to honor all graduates of this area. An orchestra has been secured for this affair by Johnnie Hirooka and Harry Sugiyama, co-chairmen. The Women's Auxiliary will be in charge of the refreshments.

Ohki stated that no individual invitations will be mailed to the graduates, however, they will be invited as guests of the chapter. There will be an admission charge for the general public.

The first issue of the chapter bulletin, "Sonoco JACL'er", will make its appearance this month. Members wishing to submit news items or photos are requested to forward them to Mary Hamamoto, 105 W. 8th St., Santa Rosa, by June 15, publication deadline. Members working on the first edition are Mary Hamamoto, George Hamamoto, Jean Miyano, Anne Ohki and Frank Oda.

On Sunday, July 1, the local chapter will again sponsor the annual community picnic at Doran State Park at Bodega Bay. Preparations have already begun for one of the largest community events of the year with George Hamamoto, Beth Yamaoka and Frank Oda in charge, assisted by the Women's Auxiliary. Games for all ages have been planned as well as a fishing contest with Jim Miyano as chairman.

The public and JACL members are asked to keep these dates open to assure the success of the events planned.

Tonight, from 8:30 p.m., the June general meeting will be held

Hold Stag Party at Women's Clubhouse

SANTA ROSA. — Departing from the usual calendar of activities the Sonoma County JACL Chapter male members gathered recently at the Penn Grove Women's Club House for a stag nite. The 75 male members enjoyed an evening of movies and games. Refreshments were served throughout the evening. The successful affair was under the chairmanship of Johnnie Hirooka and George Hamamoto.

Express need for JACL building

Newspaper columnist Roy Yoshida ("Speaking Freely" in the San Francisco vernacular *Hokubei Mainichi*) devoted his recent literary efforts to the need first expressed by our national vice-president Kenji Tashiro of a new JACL headquarters building. The JACL staff has been faithfully serving its membership as well as persons of Japanese ancestry to the fullest extent in spite of working conditions. The current movement of JACLers to see that better office facilities are provided for the staff is in reality a tribute to them.—Editor.

By ROY T. YOSHIDA

Newcastle, Calif.

DECEPTION: There is on the second floor of an unpretentious building on Sutter Street in San Francisco, a great deception. To reach it you climb a steep, narrow stairway that could delight only an Alpine climber. Ironically, it has a pretentious title: National Headquarters, Japanese American Citizens League.

To call this cubicle the national headquarters of our great organization is a 10-carat farce. Moreso, it is a pity that our administrative staff has to toil in such an odious atmosphere. All JACLers should feel ashamed that the dignity of JACL should be besmirched with an office that any self-respecting junkman would turn up his nose.

IT IS A SMALL WONDER that our National Director Masao Satow and his chief assistant Daisy Uyeda are able, let alone willing, to do their jobs as efficiently as they do. After seeing the office, I had to take my hat off to them. We have some wonderful people working for JACL.

Certainly JACL cannot long continue to allow itself to be without a national headquarters of proper stature. It has reached the point, just as Kenji Tashiro pointed out

in April 27 Pacific Citizen, where something must be done to correct this deplorable state of affairs. It won't be easy and it won't be quick, but it is something that needs to be done. And sooner we get going the better—at least at this year's JACL national convention.

Since JACL at present cannot pay salaries in keeping with services received, the least it can do is to offer decent working quarters. Our staff members are no ordinary employees, they are true blue JACLers who have dedicated themselves to the good of the organization. They are the epitome of JACL spirit.

As such they deserve better treatment.

IF YOU THINK I'm being overly solicitous about Mas and Daisy and too harsh with our third rate national headquarters, just drop in a 1759 Sutter Street when you're in San Francisco. You'll see what I mean, after blinking several times in disbelief.

Then perhaps you'll think twice before you next attempt to find fault with services rendered by your national director or his able assistant. If you want better service, give them better working conditions. Already you're getting more than you're paying for—many times over. —Hokubei Mainichi.

at the local Memorial Hall with chapter president Edwin Ohki presiding. Final plans for the picnic; District Council reports; appointment of official delegates to the National Convention will be among the items on the agenda for discussion. Refreshments will be served following the business meeting and all members are urged to attend.

Architecture subject for Fresno Auxiliary

FRESNO. — Allen Lew, well known Fresno architect, spoke on "Oriental Influence on Modern Architecture," at a regular meeting of the Fresno JACL Auxiliary held at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Kazato.

He showed an interesting film on "Architecture of USA", a best of contemporary buildings. A question and answer discussion period followed the showing of the movie.

Refreshments were served by a committee of Fusa Fujimura, Mickey Takaoka, Aya Kimura and Fusa Mikami.

The auxiliary will disband for the summer and resume activities in September.

Sequoia JACL to discuss summer season calendar

REDWOOD CITY. — The general Sequoia JACL chapter meeting tonight at the Okamura Hall, has on tap several important items on the agenda, it was announced by Pete Nakahara, chapter president.

They include the graduation party, outing, report of the last district council meeting at San Jose, and the next district meeting to be hosted by this chapter.

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'Save the Salmon'

Seattle

■ Glowing reports of how the big kings and silvers are beginning to run at Westport and Neah Bay on the ocean, and at Whidby Island on the Sound seem to have brought about a general exodus of nearby friends this week end. This is how it must feel to stay in a deserted campus dormitory during Christmas week. Fishing is such a universally popular sport among the Nisei and Issei here, it would be an interesting revelation to compile a census on the number of outboard motors owned. Many own two and some even more of the kickers. It's a common sight to see a couple of fishermen with a large and small kicker on the rear of their craft.

Aside from being big business and a tourist attraction, sports fishing fits into the picture as a part of the way of life in this region. It has been estimated that saltwater fishermen annually spend some \$35,000,000 on fishing trips and equipment, some \$7,000,000 is invested in boathouses and equipment, and the annual worth of salmon as a tourist attraction and effect on value of beach properties is put at \$250,000,000.

Fish and lumber were once the principal economic assets of this area. Deforestation helped to deplete the salmon by lowering the capacity of the watershed to retain moisture, and so reduced the supply of stream water in the drier months of the year, usually at the height of the spawning season. Moreover, the economic progress that salmon helped make possible, helped to imperil its own future, through subsequent environmental changes. Hydroelectric development with the construction of large dams has restricted the accessibility of fresh water spawning grounds, and industrial pollution, principally from pulp mill wastes is principally to blame in this case where the young migrating salmon are particularly susceptible as they try to get accustomed to salt water. Concentrations of sulphite waste liquor are known to have killed fish life by lowering the oxygen content of estuarial waters. Oysters and clams are very susceptible to this kind of pollution.

FISHWAYS SAVE FRAZER RIVER

■ The once fabulous runs of sockeye salmon in the Frazer River were brought to the point of near extinction by the blasting of a cliff which blocked the river during the course of railroad construction in 1913. This incident paralyzed commercial fishing activity since most of the Frazer River salmon passed through Washington waters. The construction of fishways and an intensive rehabilitation program since 1945, however have greatly improved the situation and this spring's fingerling count on the Frazer River indicate a much more plentiful supply of this commercial species in 1958.

Intensive sports and commercial fishing have been another factor in bringing about a situation which can only be helped by increased efforts in rehabilitation and stream management, and the progress of recent years by the State Department of Fisheries is praiseworthy.

Although the first salmon hatchery came into existence in 1895, it is the phenomenal growth of this activity, thanks to the far sighted programs of sportsmen's club and the Department of Fisheries that brighten the outlook. One new wrinkle in improving hatchery propagation is to arrange hatching tanks in tiers for better control and observation at the same time increasing the output of existing facilities. The survival chances of the artificially planted stocks are enhanced by placing the fry in parent or similar streams, regulating the plantings as former would insure maximum return.

Stream management includes many activities which briefly include the removing of obstructions, constructing fishways where blocks cannot be removed, screening irrigations ditches and power turbines, controlling the amount of water taken from streams for domestic and industrial purposes, preventing pollution, enlisting the cooperation of logging operators, and regulating the manner in which culverts are constructed in fish producing streams, and the enforcement of conservation laws.

"Save the Salmon" has for years seemed to be just a pretty phrase that has been lateral passed and intercepted in a play between the politicians, the power interests and the fishermen. The development of a workable conservation program with the backing of ALL the people will go a long way to perpetuate this outstanding and valuable natural resource.

TOKYO TOPICS: by Tamotsu Murayama

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years ago when "yobiyose" romances were popular among the Issei some 40 years ago. If a Nisei wants to get married to a Japanese girl, it certainly doesn't warrant such excitement. But there is a good story behind this brand of public relations encountered by "baishakunin" Yoshio Kogure, who might be regarded as a professional match-maker.

Kogure was successful in finding wives for some 100 Nisei and white Americans. Henry Hashimoto of the Asia Travel Bureau in Los Angeles has been closely associated with him in these endeavors.

If there are any Nisei women wanting to get married to suitable Japanese men, this reporter can assure a good number of "Don Juans" are in Japan. So far, not many cases of Nisei women marrying Japanese husbands have been reported.

There are quite a few girls here from Hawaii working for the U.S. security forces or American firms. It doesn't appear to be a husband-finding pastime as many have come to work due to the limited vocational opportunities afforded them at home.

And in due time with the complete removal of American land forces from Japan, Nisei workers with these forces will either return to Hawaii or the Mainland. Generally speaking, the reputation they are leaving behind makes up for the reputation impressed in the minds of Japanese who saw them during the early Occupation period.

The Nisei in Japan has not been given much credit, but without the Nisei, the success of Occupation in Japan would not have been as fruitful. Historians will be able to tell this story soon.

But, the coming of eight Nisei in early April did provide Japanese journalists with a new angle to exploit on the Nisei, who were considered to be so Americanized as to avoid baishakunin marriages.

SAN FRANCISCO JACL OLYMPICS TO DRAW 150 ATHLETES IN ALL-STATE ATTRACTION

SAN FRANCISCO.—The San Francisco JACL Nisei Olympics is expected to draw 150 athletes to its June 3 meet at Kezar stadium, according to the meet committee. Teams from San Francisco, San Jose, Watsonville, San Mateo, Sequoia, Alameda, Sacramento, Stockton, Fowler, West Los Angeles, Downtown Los Angeles, Livingston-Merced, Sonoma, Berkeley, and Richmond-El Cerrito are entered.

The largest contingent will be the San Jose group with upwards of 20 athletes coached by Danny Fukushima.

Meet records will be endangered

Nisei hurdlers set meet marks

MODESTO.—Gordon Nagai of Livingston High posted a record 9.5s. in the class B 75-yard high hurdles at the Modesto prep relays here last Saturday. In the trials, he ran a 9.7 to break the old mark of 9.8s.

Sacramento High's crack Cee relay team with Osami Takeda running the third leg broke the record in 44.6.

BAKERSFIELD. — Hurdler Takemoto of Reedley High sailed over the 160 lows in 18.1s. to set a meet mark here last Saturday for this new event in the class B prelims for the State CIF championships.

Teammate Larry Iwasaki, consistent 100 winner during league competition, placed third in the 100, second in the shot and a third in discus.

Places in JC track finals

MODESTO. — Tom Sano of Fresno Jr. College threw the discus 137 ft. 3/4 in. to finish fifth in the state state J.C. track & field championships here last Saturday.

Coalinga JC nine bows

COSTA MESA. — Coalinga Jr. College laden with several Hawaiian Nisei ended its 35-game winning streak when Orange Coast College won the state junior college baseball title, settled in a three-game series.

Orange Coast won 5-4 in 10 innings last Friday and then 3-2 in 15 innings on Saturday to nab the title.

Oregon kegger

HOOD RIVER, Ore.— Taylor Tomita finished in second place with his 619 series in the Oregon State class C bowling tournament and a third in the all-events with 1643.

NISEI ELECTED TO HIGH SAN FRANCISCO KEG POST

SAN FRANCISCO. — Mrs. Grace Yonezu was re-elected for a two-year term as second vice-president of the S.F. Women's Bowling Association. Norma Sugiyama was also re-elected as one of three house delegates from Downtown Bowl.

Nisei weekly celebrates eighth publication year

Crossroads, the all-English Nisei weekly founded by Robert Uno, began its ninth year of publication here with a 12-page edition last Friday.

Editor William T. Hiroto, journalism graduate from Univ. of Southern California, commented "Crossroads reaches the eighth plateau, a far cry from the \$64,000 altitude, but nevertheless an accomplishment worthy of cement".

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in a number of events. The one most likely to be erased from the books is in the shot put where the top two putters of all-time will compete. Favored will be Tom Sano of Fowler who is the Northern California junior college champion. Herb Yamasaki of the San Jose team, with a best which far exceeds the present mark, will definitely be a threat to Sano.

Both of these thinclads can also nudge the discus record from the books.

A torrid battle shapes up in the 100-yard dash. The record could fall here if the top men do not exhaust themselves in qualifying heats.

Top man in the sprints appears to be Los Angeles' Bobby Kawaoka, Los Angeles City College performer with a best of 9.9 in the century. Teammate Tommy Uyeda with a similar clocking can be counted on as a threat here. He is the defending champion in the 220-yard dash.

Reedley's Larry Iwasaki could upset both L.A. sprinters as the Central California speedster has been consistently touring the course in 10.1 during the past season.

All of these clockings are better than the mark held by ex-UCLA star Bob Watanabe.

Sprinter Kawaoka, who also doubles in brass in the 440 could easily smash the mark in that event. He may become one of the few Nisei quarter-milers to crack 50s. flat in this event. He is six-tenths away from the barrier. He will have to be pushed and his teammate Vic Mitsuno, a 51s. flat one-lapper could be the man to do it.

Jimi Abe of Los Angeles, who set a new standard in the high hurdles last year will be back again to defend this title. He skipped the high sticks in 9.3 a year ago.

With the addition of a Cee division this year in place of the women's division, every winner of that class will be credited with new records, adding incentive to the younger boys to enter the meet against cindermen of their own class.

The meet is being headed this year by Dick Nishi, chairman.

The meet will get underway at 12:30 with heats and finals being run on the same day. Semi-finals will also be held if needed.

The candidates for the "Miss San Francisco" queen contest will be on hand to assist in the presentation of trophies.

Costa Mesa sweepers won by L.A. bowler

COSTA MESA. — Joe Murakami of Los Angeles monopolized most of the honors in the fourth annual Costa Mesa Bowling Sweeps over the past weekend with his 1258-80-1338 total. He took the top handicap money and trophies for the high handicap and scratch series.

Mas Shimatsu of Gardena rolled a 268 for high game trophy. Fumi Saito of West Los Angeles paced the women with her 990-252-1242 series and Mickey Gotanda was high with 203. The tournament attracted 240 Nisei men and women keglers.

Nisei cager Shinzato wins top freshman award at USC campus

Kaz Shinzato, USC freshman basketball player, was declared the most outstanding freshman of the year and presented with the Trojan Squire Award recently.

The former Roosevelt High varsity cager scored 317 points in 15 starts for the USC Trojans giving him an average of 21.1 points per game. His best effort was 34 points against East L.A. Junior College when USC downed the Huskies, 76 to 71.

Shinzato's record of 12 games and 22.3 point average will go down in USC freshman cage annals as new marks for top total points scored by an individual and for the highest average maintained by a freshman. He breaks marks set by Larry Hauser in 1955.

Eight Nisei trackmen score in L.A. city finals

Eight Nisei cindermen garnered points in the finals of the Los Angeles City High School track and field championships last Saturday at the Memorial Coliseum.

Gerry Osumi of Los Angeles High threw the shotput 48 ft. 2 in. for a fourth in the Bee division. Teammate Robert Iwasaki ran a leg in the relays with the Roman quartet finishing third.

In the Cee division, Rodger Kame of University and Ray Miyakawa of Roosevelt were third and tied for fifth, respectively. Sadao Yotsukura of University was third in the shotput with 49 ft. 3/2 in. George Hanazono of Dorsey was sixth with 47 ft. 9 in.

The Los Angeles High Cee relay team including Richard Nozaki and Beebe Kataoka finished fourth.

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LOS ANGELES NEWSLETTER: by Henry Mori



The heroic skipper

Los Angeles

"If our ship had been in distress, no doubt, other boats would have come to our rescue," said Captain George Fukuzaki of purse seiner Stella Maris who directed the crew of four men from his craft to save the lives of seven fishermen from the ill-fated Western Explorer on May 14 off Socorro Island, near Mexi-

co. The 43-year-old Fukuzaki was cited this week by the Fishermen's Cooperative Association with a plaque at a dock-side ceremony.

Capt. Fukuzaki and his brother Ben are co-owners of the Stella Maris. While Ben was left behind to man the Stella Maris in the storm, George picked Yoshikazu Uyeda, Carl Kaoru Shiba, Akira Hamachi and Stanley Hirotsu and piloted a small power-driven skiff to the scene of the disaster.

The Western Explorer crew of 12 men had cracked into the jagged rocks of Socorro Island during the height of a 60-mile tropical storm and breathing its last.

Darkness hampered Fukuzaki's rescue attempt for nearly 13 hours but his men charged into the stormy area three times before the first group of Katsumi Manaka, lost ship's engineer, and two other non-Nisei fishermen were dragged into the skiff safely.

The second thrust found the bodies of Shiro Matsushita and Mike Bebieh, both tangled in fish nets which were ripped off the Western Explorer by the strong wind.

Captain Frank Manaka, who has been Fukuzaki's buddy for more than 25 years, and Sennojo Yamagiwa (ship's cook) were discovered in a cave, while atop a cliff on the other side, Shigeru Nakaji and Ichiro Sato were picked up safely.

The battered body of Masayoshi Masuda was snatched from the shark-infested waters two miles out later in the day.

Two other Nisei—Kiyoji Nakane and Gentaro Endo—have gone under and their bodies are still missing. Fukuzaki and his men made a two-day search for them but their effort was fruitless.

Other crew members on board the Stella Maris included Nob Iwasaki, Jack Shundo, Min Chikami, Minejiro Shibata, Junji Tani, and Chomatsu Kishiyama.

The San Pedro Chamber of Commerce has submitted Fukuzaki's name for the Carnegie Medal, a national award given annually to a civilian who has achieved greatness through personal sacrifice and risk of own life.

ELA JACL HAS PRINCESS IN FESTIVAL

In their first year of participation in 1953, the East Los Angeles JACL chapter had Stella Nakadate as its candidate for queen of the Festival of Friendship. She won the title that year in the East Los Angeles community affair of drama, music, and sports at the Fresno Playground. Last year, Stella reigned as Nisei Week Festival queen to top all queen glories.

June Yoshiko Tsukida, 17-year-old ballet dancer and student at East Los Angeles Junior College, was this year's candidate sponsored by the JACL. While not taking the crown, she was among the 11 finalists from a field of 35 girls of all racial extractions.

In 1954, Jean Yabuki was a princess in the gigantic all-day program which starts with a motorcade at noon from a Brooklyn St. area. Nori Shiozaki was backed last year by the chapter but did not get into the finals.

Roy Yamadera, publicity chairman for the chapter, said the Festival of Friendship has grown in stature and next year's 10th annual show will be covered by Life magazine.

SMOGLITES: by Mary Oyama

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mail, the old general store, weathered ruins of the slaughterhouse, a turn to the right leading to the school.

THE LITTLE GRAY SCHOOLHOUSE

The building was still there but no longer neatly gray with tramped-down barren grounds and a row of wind-bent spruce trees to one side. Gone the trees, gone the fence, gone the overhanging shade. In the barren sunlight the school appeared incredibly small and shrunken. Only the gnarled, low-spreading fig-tree remained in front of the building which was now used as somebody's home despite its general dilapidation.

Our brother remarked, "I don't remember that porch at all, but I know we used to climb all over that tree". We replied, "I forgot about the porch too. Don't tell me we only had two windows on each side to each room, I'm positive we had at least four on each side! It just can't be that the whole building isn't large enough for even one room." Everything looked incredibly strange and different.

We stood bemused with memories: "Just a Baby's Prayer at Twilight", "Joan of Arc, they are calling you—", singing all three verses of "Columbia, the Gem of the Ocean" every single school morning, Nei McManus teasing pretty Muriel Dunker by pulling her blonde hair, Esther Madonna giggling during the lunch hour, the whole school knitting wash-cloths for the Red Cross to send to soldiers overseas, Mrs. Floy Weeks, principal of the school and teacher of the grammar grades reading novelist Churchill's *The Crisis* to us fifth graders (how we enjoyed that), and superstitions like: "If you put hair from a horse's tail into stagnant water it will turn into a hair-snake".

THE MARCH OF TIME

So on into Green Valley we went searching for our other old homestead near Falls school at the foot of Mt. Twin Brothers. There were the modern new Union school and the Falls school which succeeded the old Falls school but the original Falls school which sat on the edge of Jones' cherry orchard was gone. Only the old poplar tree remained in front of where our one-room school used to stand and in place of the little brown school-house of our memories, there stood somebody's house. The "crik" which ran nearby looked unbelievably small (had the boys actually been able to swim in it?). Had it run dry with the years? Was this really the creek where Walter Siebe caught the frog which he shoved behind our sister's neck, right down her back?

We proceeded on up the lane where the willows used to be. Our old home on the Mason ranch was gone but the huge old barn still stood, though sagging wearily. And the amazing sight of golfing greens and fancy Country Club stood where



Capt. George Fukuzaki (second from left) accepts a plaque from Mason Case of the Fishermen's Cooperative of San Pedro for his heroic rescue of crewmen from the stricken Western Explorer, the Nisei-manned fishing boat, during a storm off Socorro Island in Mexican waters. With Capt. Fukuzaki are his brother Ben (left) and Capt. Frank Manaka (right) of the ill-fated ship. Looking on are members of the Stella Maris crew, which assisted in the rescue. —Shin Nichi Bei Photo.

VITAL STATISTICS

Births

LOS ANGELES
 DETRICK, Edward L. (Chiyoko Iwasaki)—girl Rosanna M., Apr. 23.
 FUJISHIGE, Fred I. (Fumi B. Ozumi)—boy Bobby Hiroshi, Apr. 22.
 HIGASHIDA, Sumio (Mitsuko Okamoto)—boy Motokazu W., Apr. 16.
 KATAYAMA, Ikuya (Hiroko Nagao)—boy Paul Ren, Apr. 18.
 KOIKE, Hideo Roy (Hiroko Mori)—girl Cynthia K., Apr. 16.
 KUSABA, Torao (Mary T. Baba)—girl Karen, Apr. 13.
 MAYEDA, Charles H. (Haru M. Okumura)—boy William W., Apr. 24.
 MCCOY, John G. (Mieko Ishii)—boy Kermit E., Apr. 23, Van Nuys.
 MOTOYASU, Tak (Yoko Otoshii)—boy Jeffrey Seiji, May 1.
 NAGAMOTO, Dr. Kenneth K. (Grace A. Oguchi)—girl Laurie D., Apr. 24.
 NAKAZAWA, Masao (Hannah Yamachii)—girl Julie A., Apr. 13.
 SHIBUYA, William H. (Nancy T. Murakami)—girl Roberta M., Apr. 14, San Fernando.
 SHIZUMURA, Norman M. (Yoshiko Tada)—boy Steven N., Apr. 18.
 TAKAHASHI, Frank (Tayeko G. Iseri)—girl Irene F., Apr. 21, Long Beach.
 TANJI, Nobuo (Michiko Uyeda)—boy Mark N., Apr. 12, Santa Monica.
 UYEHARA, Genko (Yoshino Shiroma)—girl Adrian T., Apr. 14, Azusa.
 YAMAGUCHI, William S. (Michiko Yoshida)—girl Karen Kiyono, Apr. 6.
 YAMASHITA, Roy T. (Michiko Kimura)—boy David Akira, Apr. 14.

VISALIA

HIRATA, Akito—boy, May 15, Dinuba.
 IMOTO, Shigeru—girl, May 14, Lindsay.

FRESNO

KAWAGUCHI, Tom—boy, May 2.

SAN JOSE

IDOTA, Toshiaki—boy Keith D., May 18, Campbell.
 NAKASHIMA, Masao—girl, May 4, Carruthers.
 NAKAMURA, George T.—girl Joyce, May 17.
 SUGIMOTO, Fred S.—girl Elaine S., May 17.
 TSUTSUI, Yoshiyuki—boy Alan Takayuki, May 17.

WATSONVILLE

DAIKOKU, Shigeto (Yoko Nishikawa)—girl, May 24.

HOOD RIVER, ORE.

HAMADA, Min (Alice Matsuura)—

Jones' cherry orchards had dominated the upper end of the valley. The charming old brown-stone house, where as little girls Sis and I enjoyed the social highlight of our childhood, "tea" (ice-cream and cake) with Mrs. Jones, had become the Country Club. "What hath Time wrought—!"
 "Last thing on earth, I ever expected," we mumbled as we sat in the car overwhelmed at the march of progress. Sis would never believe it.

SEATTLE

girl, May 19.
 NAKAMURA, Clifford S. (Akiko Imai)—girl Cynthia Ann, Apr. 18.
 FUJITA, Nobuchi—girl, May 22.
 KOKITA, Woody K.—boy, May 23.
 MATSUBU, Henry—girl, May 22.
 NAKAMURA, Jimmie H.—girl, May 20.
 OHASHI, Leo—boy, May 23.
 OKURA, Minoru—boy, May 20.
 TAKANO, Frank N.—girl, May 12.

NAMPA, IDAHO

KOYAMA, Joe—boy, Homedale.
 TAKASUGI, Johnny—boy, May 12.

DENVER

SHINTO, Jim—boy James Kishi, May 18.

CHICAGO

OZAKI, Robert—girl Pamela, May 17.

CLEVELAND

YOKOYAMA, Tom—boy Ken Thomas, Apr. 3.

NAKANISHI, Shigeji—boy Albert, Apr. 10.

YASAKI, Philip—boy Brian Ken, Apr. 22.

FUJIKAWA, Norio—girl Naomi, May 2.

Engagements

SAKAGUCHI-YAMAGUCHI — Betty Berkeley, to Edward, San Francisco, May 23.
 TOGUCHI-ITO—June to Wally, Cleveland.
 TOYA-FUJIMOTO — Grace F. West Los Angeles, to Masakazu, Encinitas.

Marriage Licenses Issued

KAWACHI-MURAKAMI — Mitsuo, 28, Kazuko, 23 both Seattle.
 ONO-KITANI — Yoshio, 27; Lily Y., 28, both San Lorenzo.
 TATU-HANADA — Francis J., 27; Marian, 22, both Berkeley.
 YAMADA-YAGI — Richard S., 35, Stockton; Alice H., 32, Santa Clara.

Weddings

FUJI-YOSHIMURA — May 12, William, Chicago; Mary, Cleveland.
 FUKUDA-TOGASHIRA — Apr. 29, Roy, Los Angeles; Yoshiko, Compton.
 FUKUHARA-YOKOYAMA — May 19, Morris T. and Betty K., Los Angeles.
 HASEGAWA-KAWACHI — May 6, Mark and Yuri, Hood River, Ore.
 HONDA-AMANO — Apr. 15, Ben and Mikiye, San Diego.
 HOSHIZAKI-NAKASONE — May 20, Howard Y. and Sumiko, Los Angeles.
 IGARASHI-TAKIGUCHI — May 5, Shig and Ruby, Cleveland.
 ISHII-KITAMURA — May 12, Hiroshi, Spark Nev.; Janet Tokiko, Ontario, Ore.—at Los Angeles.
 KOBAYASHI-MATSUMOTO — Harry, Mt. View; Jessie K., Fowler.
 MAKI-TAKETA — May 12, Robert and June, Cleveland.
 NARUMI-OMORI — May 6, Michio G. and Beverly, Los Angeles.
 NISHIKAWA-YOSHIMURA — May 5, Frank and Amy, Los Angeles.
 SAKAGUCHI-TAKAMINE — May 20, Noboru and Aya, Los Angeles.
 SASAKI-NISHIMOTO — May 6, Minoru and Ida, Los Angeles.
 SHIMIZU-KOBAYASHI — May 12, Kei, Los Angeles; Mary, Madera.

MINNESOTA NISEI WINS \$750 SCHOLARSHIP

ST. PAUL. — Jo Ann Mayeda, 17, senior at University High School, won a \$750 scholarship to Carleton College, Northfield.

TAKEUCHI-LEE — May 5, Goro and Patricia, Los Angeles.
 TANIBATA-HIRANO — May 20, Seizo R. and Jean, Los Angeles.
 YOSHINO-QUONG — May 12, Kenneth and Trula, Cleveland.
 YOTSUYA-DOI — May 6, Kenji and Jane, Los Angeles.

Deaths

FUTAGAKI, Umetaro, 81; San Jose, May 16, survived by wife Kin, son Roy.
 IGATA, Tomizo, 80; Salt Lake City, May 22, survived by wife Tatsu, son Toshi, stepsons Kichitaro Ikegami (Honolulu) Akitaro Ikegami, stepdaughter, Mrs. Mikiko Mizukawa.
 KIMURA, Suyekichi, 69; Anaheim, May 21, survived by wife Shige, sons Harry, Mike, Takeshi daughters Mmes. Mary F. Tokonami, Sara S. Sadakane, Aiko Sakauye.
 KURAMOTO, Steven, 5; New York, May 17, survived by parents Dr. & Mrs. Roy.
 MASUDA, Masayoshi, 36; Long Beach, May 14, survived by parents Mr. & Mrs. Yoshimatsu Masuda, brothers Kiyoshi, Yoshiyuki, sisters Shizuko, Mmes. Mitsuyo Kobata, Setsumi Nakajima, Sumiko Kobata.
 MATSUSHITA, Shiro, 40; Wilmington, May 14, survived by wife Grace, son Vernon, daughter Shirley, brother George sisters Mitsuyo, Mmes. Masayo Inui, Yasuyo Iwahashi, Mitsuyo Manaka.
 MURAYAMA, Tatsuma, 76; Ft. Lupton, May 16, survived by wife Kiyoo.
 NAGAOKA, Sunako, 44; Seattle, May 21, survived by husband Bill S., daughters Ruth Jane, mother Mrs. Kin Teramaye, brother Isao, sisters Mmes. Shigeo Imanishi, Harue Okamoto.
 NISHI Dr. Chotoku, 67; Berkeley, May 23, survived by wife Sakino, son Vernon Y., daughters Mmes. June T. Yoshioka (Hayward), Mrs. Misao Okawachi.

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WASHINGTON NEWSLETTER: by Mike Masaoka



California's primary

Washington

Next Tuesday, June 5, California holds its primary elections. In addition to the presidential preference contests to select slates for the Republican and Democratic National Nominating conventions to be held in San Francisco and Chicago respectively this coming August, a seat in the United States Senate and 30 seats in

the House of Representatives will be contested by incumbents and aspirants of both parties.

Last fall, following President Eisenhower's heart attack, it appeared that this Golden State primary might be the decisive battleground for the presidential aspirations of at least four Californians: Vice President Nixon, Senate Minority (Republican) Leader Knowland, Governor Knight, and Chief Justice Warren.

Now that the President is fit and has expressed a willingness to accept another nomination, what promised to be one of the most spectacular primaries in the hundred year history of the GOP, with a single state offering four possible presidential candidates for the first time, has disappeared. It appears a certainty that, barring another heart attack, the 1952 standard bearers will be teamed again for a repeat performance in the forthcoming November sweepstakes.

On the other hand, last fall it seemed that the Democratic nomination was all but conceded to former Illinois Governor Stevenson, the party's 1952 nominee who though gaining more popular votes than any other losing candidate nevertheless suffered one of the more lop-sided electoral college trouncings in history.

Now, Stevenson and Senator Kefauver are battling in next Tuesday's primary for the second largest bloc of votes at the Democratic National Nominating Convention. The front-runner last year, Stevenson seems to have recaptured the favorite's position after faltering this spring, especially in the Minnesota primary where he lost to the underdog Tennesseean.

For both Stevenson and Kefauver, a victory in California is a must. A loss next Tuesday will probably mean that Stevenson will not be renominated in Chicago, while a victory will make him the leading candidate for that prize. Only a substantial Kefauver victory will give him any chance at the presidential nomination, for the "crime-busting" Senator is not a favorite among the party regulars and organization.

Congressional battles . . .

Last fall, when it seemed probable that the Republicans with presidential ambitions would tear the party apart in their efforts to secure the nomination, the 19 Republicans in the House were fearful of their seats, while the Democrats confidently predicted that they would gain several seats.

Now, the shoe is on the other foot, with the 11 Democrats fearful of keeping their own seats. The Republican National Convention in San Francisco (the Cow Palace is actually in San Mateo County) which once promised Democratic hopefuls a cat and dog fight for their television constituents to see and their radio constituents to hear now threatens to be a professional spectacular which will "sell" the Eisenhower-Nixon team, and along with it all the GOP candidates.

Under California's unique "cross-filing" system, as modified recently so that party designations are at least clear, several of the Republican incumbents are counting on winning both their own party and the Democratic nominations. In the 1954 congressional primaries, only Congressmen Engle and Shelley, both Democrats, won both party nominations and were unopposed in the November elections.

Nisei-Issei interest . . .

As the Nisei become more mature politically and as more Issei qualify for the ballot as naturalized citizens, the so-called "Japanese" vote will become more important, especially in close contests where a few votes can change the entire result.

For the first time, there are active Nisei Democratic and Republican committees operating on a state-wide basis. Although designated as Nisei or Japanese American Committees, many of their leaders and members are newly naturalized Issei citizens.

There are also several Nisei who are members of their local, county, and state committees in both the Democratic and Republican parties.

There will not be any bloc voting among the Nisei and Issei voters in California, at least in the primary, because the so-called "Japanese problem" no longer exists and scapegoating the "Japanese" is no longer a successful political technique.

As a matter of fact, as with every other minority, racial or otherwise, the Nisei and Issei never vote as a minority bloc unless there is a particular candidate who has a known record of "anti-Japanese Americanism" or a particular issue which directly involves their dignity as individuals and compromises or restricts their opportunities solely because of their race.

No known 'Jap-hater' on slate . . .

On the slates that will be offered next Tuesday, there is no known "Jap-hater" such as there were fifteen years ago and earlier. This is true insofar as the national congressional candidates are concerned, though there is some indication that a few of the candidates for the State Legislature are still suspicious of the "Japanese minority" in their midst. These few, however, are silent in their prejudices and generally reside in rural areas where there are few, if any, voters of Japanese ancestry.

On issues, however, not in the primary elections but in the fall balloting, Nisei and Issei voters are expected to vote as a bloc for the proposition which will repeal from the California State Constitution the infamous alien land law of 1920 which restricted the economic development of Japanese Americans and their alien parents in that state by prohibiting their parents who were denied naturalization privileges by federal statute from the ownership of real property.

This racist vestige of a recent era must be stricken from the State Constitution and all Californians of good will, and not just those of the Japanese minority, should vote as a bloc, regardless of party affiliation and candidate preferences, for the proposition on this November's ballot to repeal this 1920 discrimination.

NISEI FEDERAL CIVIL SERVICE WORKERS URGED TO AIR OPINIONS TO ELIMINATE DISCRIMINATION IN GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT

WASHINGTON. — Seeking means whereby voluntary groups may be of assistance to the President's Committee on Government Employment Policy, the Committee met here recently with employment and personnel officers from governmental agencies and representatives from national agencies and groups.

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The President's committee, organized in February 1955 in order to implement Executive Order 10590 eliminating discrimination in

government employment on the basis of race, color, creed or national origin, has sought since its inception to effectuate this policy.

It has a twofold purpose:

To provide clear-cut and easily accessible channels through which a government employee or applicant for government employment who feels that he has been discriminated against because of his race, color, religion, or national origin may have his case carefully investigated and a decision made by the agency head with additional procedural safeguards; and to conduct a long-range program of education and persuasion having for its objective the elimination of those fears and prejudices that give rise to acts of discrimination.

Generally speaking, it has sought to disseminate information regarding government employment to all groups; to educate governmental supervisors on interracial relations; and to review any cases of discrimination in government employment in hiring, firing, or promotions.

It was voiced in the meetings that it is oftentimes impossible to obtain legitimate cases of such discrimination for fear of reprisals on the part of the government supervisor and that in such instances it would recommend complaints from an organization.

Officials representing the government who gave talks were Maxwell M. Rabb, secretary to the President's Cabinet; Col. James P. Goode, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force; Dr. Arthur S. Fleming, Director of Defense Mobilization; Maxwell Abbell, chairman of the President's committee, and Dr. Archibald J. Carey, Jr., vice-

chairman of the committee.

National agencies participating on the panel were R. Maurice Moss, assistant director of the National Urban League; Col. Harold Riegelman of the American Jewish Committee; and Dr. Benjamin Epstein, National Director of the Anti-Defamation League.

Ross Clinchy, executive director of the President's committee, was moderator.

The President's committee welcomes suggestions from non-governmental agencies which may be helpful in carrying out the Administration's policy of non-discrimination in Federal employment. Nisei federal government employees are urged to make known their complaints and suggestions to the Washington JACL office.

2,500TH ANNIVERSARY OF BUDDHISM BEGINS

NEW DELHI. — The world's 150 million Buddhists began a year-long celebration last week to observe the 2,500th anniversary of Buddhism. May 22 marks the day of Gautama Buddha's death in 544 B.C. (There are an estimated 67,000 Buddhists in the United States today.)

Perry Post commander

Frank M. Kuramoto will be installed as commander of Commodore Perry Post No. 525 of the American Legion at its annual dinner June 5, 7:30 p.m., at Sun Kwo Low. He succeeds Soichi Fukui. Toyoko Yamagata will head the 1956-57 Auxiliary cabinet as president and will be initiated at the same time.

NISEI MOTHER NAMED JR. HIGH PTA CHAIRMAN

Mrs. Betty Kozasa, 5710 Cimmaron St., who has been active in Red Cross volunteer work for close to 10 years (three in Los Angeles and six in Madison, Wis.), was installed as new chairman of the John Muir Jr. High School PTA last week.

SAN GABRIEL YOUTH WINS SCHOOL PRESIDENCY

SAN GABRIEL. — Hiro Kobayashi, who captained the varsity football team last season, will be finishing his term of student-body president this month at San Gabriel High School. He is the first Nisei to hold the position and plans to continue his studies in engineering.

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- June 2 (Saturday)
 - D.C.—Gen'l meeting, YWCA 3rd floor Assembly Room, 8 p.m.; Mas Satow, spkr.
 - Salt Lake City — Graduates dinner-dance (site to be announced).
- June 3 (Sunday)
 - San Francisco—JACL Nisei Olympics, Kezar Stadium.
- June 5 (Tuesday)
 - Detroit—Ondo practice for picnic, International Institute, 7:30 p.m.
- June 7 (Thursday)
 - Ventura County — Cabinet meeting, home of Yosh Toyohara.
- June 8 (Friday)
 - San Francisco—General meeting, Buchanan St. YM-YWCA, 8 p.m.
 - "Wills and Estates", Marshall Sumida and Atty Jack Kusaba, spkrs.
- June 9 (Saturday)
 - Cleveland—New Citizens Night, Hollenden Hotel.
 - Selma—Clam-dig, Oceano.
 - Venice-Culver—Box lunch social (tentative).
- June 10 (Sunday)
 - San Francisco — Auxiliary visitation, Laguna Home, 1 p.m.
 - Mid-Columbia — Auxiliary Mother & Father's banquet.
 - Detroit—Community picnic.
- June 12 (Tuesday)
 - Pasadena—Cabinet meeting, home of Harris Ozawa.
- June 16 (Saturday)
 - Sonoma County—Graduates dance, Memorial Hall, Santa Rosa, 8 p.m.
 - Florin—Graduation dance, Florin YBA Hall. Selection of candidate for Miss Nat'l JACL.
 - Berkeley—Graduates' prom.
- June 17 (Sunday)
 - EDC—Special cabinet meeting, Philadelphia.
- June 23 (Saturday)
 - Long Beach—Graduates' dance, Harbor Community Center, 8-12 p.m.
- June 24 (Sunday)
 - East Los Angeles—Chapter picnic, Cincinnati—Community picnic.
 - Los Angeles—5th Nisei Relays, Rancho Cienega.
 - San Francisco — Community picnic, Speedway Meadows, Golden Gate Park.
- June 30 (Saturday)
 - Orange County — Inter-Club Council carnival, Buena Park Recreation Park.
- July 1 (Sunday)
 - Sonoma County—Community picnic, Doran State Park, Bodega Bay.
 - Cleveland — Community picnic, Weiland's Lake Park.

Calif. Assembly candidate visits Wash'n JACL office

WASHINGTON. — Robert L. Meyer, while attending the meeting of the American Law Institute here, visited with Mike Masaoka, Washington representative of the Japanese American Citizens League, as its offices here recently.

Meyer is Republican candidate for the California State Assembly from the 59th District comprising Beverly Hills, West Los Angeles and Sawtelle.

Among the problems discussed with Masaoka were the evacuation claims bill now pending before the Senate Judiciary committee, which Meyer stated he would, while here, contact Republican senators and urge their support; the problem of the consolidation of agricultural and horticultural products in air transportation which has been administratively taken care of by the Civil Aeronautics Board; and the proposition to remove the alien land law from the California statute books, which will be on the California ballot this November.

Meyer, a native of Los Angeles, was graduated from Los Angeles high school and the Univ. of Southern California law school in 1949. He served as a naval officer during World War Two in the Pacific.

Meyer, whose interest in Nisei affairs has spanned a number of years, showed particular consideration in how he could be helpful to the JACL and its legislative program.

He is at the present time attorney for the Flower Consolidators of Southern California, an organization in which many Issei and Nisei growers and nurserymen shipping flowers in interstate commerce are members.

Colorado Issei, Mile-Hi JACL tender letter of appreciation to Rep. Walter

DENVER. — Letters of personal thanks and appreciation to Rep. Francis E. Walter (D., Pa.) who co-authored the Immigration and Nationality Act with the late Sen. Pat McCarran for enabling Issei to be naturalized were extended by the Mile-Hi JACL and the Japanese American Association of Colorado.

Congressman Walter was in Denver for a four-day hearing on subversive activities.

Dr. F. Hayano, president of the Japanese American Association of Colorado, authorized Z. Kanegaye, former chairman of the Kika Kisei Domei to represent the Association and John Sakayama, president of the Mile-Hi JACL, authorized Min Yasui to speak for the local chapter. Robert M. Horiuchi, chairman of the Mountain Plains JACL joined in the message.

JACL representatives met with Rep. Walter May 18, upon adjournment of hearings and personally expressed the thanks of the more than 600 Issei of this area who have become naturalized citizens. The congressman acknowledged the thanks of the local JACLers and of the Issei, and commented that persons of Japanese ancestry have been a great credit to their com-

munities. Congressman Walters was profuse in his praise of Mike M. Masaoka, Washington JACL representative.

The text of the message delivered personally to Francis E. Walters is as follows:

"The Mile-Hi Chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League and the Japanese American Association of Colorado wish to express personally to you, the deep appreciation and sincere thanks of the more than 600 Issei residents of the Mountain-Plains JACL Region, who have become naturalized citizens of the United States, by virtue of the Walter-McCarran Law of 1952.

"We regret that we are unable to express our gratitude in a more tangible and impressive way, but we did want you to know, since you are here in Denver, Colorado, that persons of Japanese ancestry everywhere in America are deeply grateful to you.

"As a co-author of the Walter-McCarran Immigration and Nationality Law, which conferred the great privilege of citizenship upon our Issei in America, we honor you. Your name and good works will live forever in the hearts and in the history of persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States."