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### BY THE BOARD:

'Something' besides a membership card

The Northern California-Western Nevada District Council meeting in Palo Alto last month recommended a San Francisco chapter plan for a regular bulletin from National Headquarters to both members and non-members for information and publicity purposes.

A few words of explanation may be in order here.

Starting on the premise that packaging the PC with membership is "ideal" but not practical immediately, this alternate plan was suggested to keep all members informed on national JACL activities.

Some chapters send out regular bulletins, but these usually contain local news only. Where chapters have no bulletins, members may not hear from JACL until the next membership drive.

Perhaps more Nisei than ever before now recognize the role JACL has played in their lives, directly or indirectly; but a surprisingly large number, especially in the larger cities, still will not admit that the JACL or its program has helped them in any way.

The NC-WNDC has recommended that a regular headquarters bulletin be made available to chapters at least quarterly for general distribution.

The JACL Reporter, abolished two years ago as an economy measure, could be revived. Another suggestion called for publication of a review issue of the PC every three months with extra copies printed for headquarters. Nearly every organization of any size has a definite program and budget for publicity purposes.

Whatever form it takes, it should serve to bring national headquarters closer to the individual member, providing him with "something" besides a membership card. It may also serve to tap a large pool of potential members.—Yasuo Abiko.

### ENNIS KEYNOTE SPEAKER AT 14TH BIENNIAL CONFAB

SAN FRANCISCO—Edward J. Ennis, general counsel to the American Civil Liberties Union, will deliver the keynote address at the opening ceremonies of the 14th Biennial National Convention of the Japanese American Citizens League on Friday evening, Aug. 31, according to Jerry Enomoto, general convention chairman.

In addition to being the general counsel to the ACLU, Ennis is presently the chairman of the American Immigration Conference, composed of 40 non-sectarian and religious national organizations in the field of immigration, director of the Common Council of American Unity, director of the American Association of International Institutes, board chairman of the National Council on Naturalization and Citizenship, and active in many other "liberal" movements. He is also the counsel to the Washington JACL office.

"No more appropriate American than Edward Ennis could have been selected as our keynote speaker," according to chairman Enomoto, "because few Americans have been more helpful to Americans of Japanese ancestry during the past 15 years and few have a better and more realistic under-

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### OSAKI-DESIGNED SILVER CREATION TO BE GIVEN EISENHOWER BY JACL

SAN FRANCISCO. — A beautiful creation of sterling silver by silversmith Harry Osaki of Pasadena will be presented to President Dwight D. Eisenhower by the Japanese American Citizens League at its 14th biennial national convention convening here from Aug. 31-Sept. 3, it was announced by convention chairman Jerry Enomoto.

Presentation will be made by National JACL President George J. Inagaki of Venice and will be accepted by Maxwell Rabb, secretary to the President's Cabinet, at the convention recognitions banquet on Sept. 3 at the convention site, the Sheraton-Palace Hotel.

The gift was designed by the noted Nisei silversmith and started early this year. It will bear the inscription:

"To Dwight D. Eisenhower, President of the United States of America, For Leadership in the Cause of Human Freedom and World Peace. Presented by Japanese American Citizens League, September 3, 1956."

Osaki, who was born in Fowler, graduated from Univ. of Southern California and attended the Art Institute of Chicago. He is celebrating his 10th year in the profession, is married to the former Rei Kihara of Wapato, Wash., who was the first Nisei woman to pass the Idaho state bar. They have two sons and live in Pasadena.

Osaki, who won the rank of Eagle Scout when 14 years old, has also continued his interest and service with Boy Scouts. Holder of 104 merit badges and recent recipient of the Silver Beaver, scouting's highest award, he has served as district commissioner and placed on council positions.



Miss National JACL, lovely Sharon Nishimi, extends an official invitation to Gov. Goodwin J. Knight of California to attend the 14th biennial National JACL Convention over the Labor Day weekend at the Sheraton-Palace Hotel in San Francisco.

### CONGRESSMAN CITES MASAOKA LETTER ON RESTRICTION OF JAPAN IMPORTS

WASHINGTON. — Rep. George P. Miller (D., Alameda, Calif.) urged his fellow congressmen to consider the American case for Japanese textiles by including a letter from Mike Masaoka on the subject in the Congressional Record.

As a member of the House Armed Forces committee and the Merchant Marine and Fisheries committee, Congressman Miller has made several recent trips to Japan and is considered as one of the outstanding Democrats who believe that it is in the national welfare to help Japan remain free from communist domination.

Including the letter in the official record of Congress, Representative Miller remarked:

"I would like to lay before my colleagues a letter that I received

from Mike M. Masaoka, so well and favorably known to all of us. He writes me in his personal capacity as a friend but I know you recognize him as one who can speak with authority when we deal with Japanese relations. I urge you to read this letter carefully."

The letter by Masaoka points out that the domestic textile industry is attempting to erect a "quota curtain" around the United States in an effort to gain a favored position against possible competition. It points out the mounting pressures from certain areas to restrict the importation of Japanese products into our nation by demanding absolute quotas against such commodities, "by organizing boycotts, and by disseminating misleading information."

In addition, the letter notes that these same interests "have succeeded in persuading two states, South Carolina and Alabama, to

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### JACL TO CITE CONFAB SPEAKER MAX RABB

SAN FRANCISCO. — Maxwell Rabb, secretary of the President's Cabinet and adviser to the President on minority affairs, will be honored by the Japanese American Citizens League at the 14th biennial national convention, where he will address the delegates at the Sept. 3 recognitions banquet.

Cabinet Secretary Rabb will be presented with the JACL citation, according to Mas Satow, national JACL director. It will read in part:

"For his leadership within the Eisenhower Administration and the common cause of human dignity and civil rights to the end that all Americans may enjoy new freedoms and greater opportunities without regard to race, color, creed or national origin; and for his cooperation, particularly in helping corrective and remedial legislation and administration actions for the equal treatment and consideration of Americans of Japanese ancestry."

### DEMO PLATFORM CHAIRMAN LAUDS NISEI LOYALTY

CHICAGO. — John McCormack, chairman of the Resolutions and Platform Committee of the Democratic National Convention and Majority leader in the House of Representatives, lauded the loyalty of Americans of Japanese ancestry following a plea for statehood for Hawaii by Mary Nakako Isa, first Nisei ever to serve on a platform committee of any major political party.

Miss Isa, Hilo-born secretary to the Territorial Democratic party and national committeewoman-elect of the Young Democrats of Hawaii, who now resides in Honolulu and is employed in the public prosecutors' office, made a short plea that the Democratic party adopt a plank reaffirming its advocacy of immediate statehood for Hawaii.

She pointed out that in these times especially when the uncommitted peoples of the Far East look to Hawaii as the showcase of American democracy it was not in the national interest to continue to deny statehood status for the Pacific territory. She suggested that the racial harmony which exists among all peoples in the territory demonstrated their qualification for statehood.

When the young Hilo miss had

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### ARMY TO CURTAIL JAPANESE LANGUAGE AT PRESIDIO SCHOOL

MONTEREY. — The U.S. Army Language School here at the Presidio is expected to curtail its once-flourishing Japanese language section as it was reported only 54 students will compose the next new class.

Reduction in the incoming class also means a reduction of teaching personnel which currently numbers 30.

The school at one time provided several hundred translators and interpreters for duty in the south Pacific during World War Two and for occupation duty since 1945 in the Far East. Since then it has been gradually cut in size as the school started concentrating on Chinese and Russian languages.

### \$187,000 for evacuation claims payment approved for 28 recipients

WASHINGTON. — Payment of evacuation claims awards in the amount of nearly \$187,000 was approved, the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League reported this week.

With the payment appropriation now signed into law by President Eisenhower, the Treasury Department will immediately begin mailing out checks totaling \$186,858.80 to the recipients of 28 evacuation claim awards.

All of the claims payments included in the measure were adjudicated under the original JACL-sponsored Evacuation Claims Act.

The claimants had the option of withholding final determination of their claims pending new consideration under the recently enacted

Lane-Hillings amendments, but decided to accept payment of their claims at this time, the Washington JACL Office said.

The 28 recipients of the \$186,858.80 appropriation are:

Frank Nakagawa, \$4,255.00; Hiroshi Nakagawa, \$7,388.72; John K. Masahara, \$4,146.76; Kakuichi Saito, \$4,235.47; Shigeo Saito, \$4,235.48; Tsuru Yokozeki, \$11,207.10; Herbert K. Nakao, \$5,969.33; Tadashi Kurnagai, \$7,389.00; Hachihei Tsuda, \$4,470.95; Joseph Teruaki Fukuda, \$2,681.40; Shigeki Hiratsuka, \$5,664.70; Kashiro Mizuno, \$11,424.36; Tony T. Takashima, \$10,442.86; Mikiki Miyata, \$9,848.75; Toyono Miyata, \$4,944.37; Munejiro Matsuyama, \$14,244.00; Kay A. Hisatomi, \$8,312.70; George Okazaki, \$5,987.00; Jimma Yabumoto, \$4,870.60; Satoshi Sakatani, \$3,214.00; Takayoshi Hayashida, \$3,805.88; Mitsugi Uye-no, \$3,312.52; Teru Kamada, \$5,587.00; Henry Ichida, \$9,619.15; Seinosuke Nishimura, \$7,941.97; Masami Hataye, \$4,306.59; Sakazo Mizutani, \$8,095.00; Fred Kojima as administrator of Hachihei Kojima, deceased, \$9,056.14.



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FROM THE FRYING PAN: by Bill Hosokawa

Pre-convention allure

Denver



■ The not inconsiderable ballyhoo about the impending National JACL convention in San Francisco recalls to mind another JACL convention in San Francisco. That was a good two decades ago. Tooru Kanazawa, now a parttime newspaperman in New York, parttime travel agent, was footloose and fancy-free, and so was I.

The pre-convention publicity was alluring indeed. We talked seriously of pooling what laughingly might be called our capital, buying a motorcycle, and cycling from Seattle to San Francisco. That would have been a 900-mile ride, up over the rugged Siskiyou and back down again. In the end, saner counsel prevailed and we decided to stay home. Now, even in our most frivolous moments, we wouldn't even dare think of such a physically punishing scheme.

I must admit that then, even as now, the pretty young ladies that show up at these conventions were a large part of the attraction for the young bucks. There were some fine lookers back then, pretty enough to match the dimpled queens who reign so handsomely over today's gatherings. Some of the boys named their own private nominations for queens, but the queen craze hadn't flourished to the point where pulchritude was made a public matter. The young men from California thought Northwest girls were stunning and Northwest boys, who'd known these girls from pigtail days, were completely enchanted by California girls. A goodly number of marriages resulted from these conventions and that was one more function of these get-togethers being fulfilled.

ISSEI MEMORIAL

■ Perhaps someone has come up with this idea, but it seems that this JACL convention would be an ideal time to set up some kind of living memorial to the Issei, so many of whom first sighted the United States through the Golden Gate. In New York, a diverse group of Americans has united to raise five million dollars for a Museum of Immigration to be established at the foot of the Statue of Liberty. Pierre S. du Pont III, secretary of E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., and David J. McDonald, president of the United Steelworkers of America, are co-chairmen of the fund-raising committee. The JACL is listed as one of the cooperating groups. San Francisco would be a fitting site indeed for an Issei Memorial. Anybody have an idea?

DOG DAYS IN DENVER

■ These are the dog days of August in Denver and no reference is meant to the heat. The dogs are the lean and speedy greyhounds that chase nightly around a well-curried oval after a mechanical rabbit named Rusty. The 60-day summer season is drawing to a close and almost everyone I know is (1) trying to get even at the pari-mutuel windows or (2) trying to make that big killing. Nobody likes to admit to being ahead. There were a mess of rumors flying around town last week when the winner of a \$6,900-plus daily double at the Centennial Horse track was described as a slightly-built man of Oriental ancestry. Turned out he was a Chinese, however, and scores of Nisei wives gave up the idea that perhaps it was friend husband, playing the horses on the sly, who'd hit the jackpot and wasn't saying anything about it.

'VACUUM CLEANER' AND 'DUST MOP'

One result of our Japanese heritage is that we enjoy a passle of squid cooked up in soy sauce. The kids like it, too, even though they don't even know the Japanese word for squid\*. But they do have typically American expressions for both the squid's tentacles and the torpedo-shaped body. The tentacles are "dust mop" and the body is "vacuum cleaner", and come to think of it there's a pretty fair resemblance.

\* Squid in Japanese is ika, not to be confused with iika which is "okay?"

VERY TRULY YOURS: by Harry K. Honda



Gardena's queen

● If our colleague Henry Mori sat down with pencil in hand and had time to chat with Phyllis Ono, Miss Nisei Week of 1956, I suppose he would have been enchanted to pen a different lead for his column this week . . . As it is, PC deadline for columnists are extremely early and unfortunately timely topics go unfurnished with well-studied opinions . . . In the rush of Coronation Ball antics, we really didn't meet for sake of interview, but scurried about the dance floor in search of a picture . . . Personally speaking, Phyllis ranks as the best Nisei Week queen since their reappearance on the local scene. Her pretty face has soft features, which melt away under harsh camera lights; she's listed as 5 ft. 4½ in., 115 lbs., with good figures to match—34-24-34 . . . Warner Bros. is said to be looking for a tall girl with a good command of English and Japanese for a part in *Sayonara*. Phyllis hasn't made any public utterances in Japanese, but her poise and command of English should have casting directors interested. The queen contest committee, chaired by Mrs. Mabel Ota—an active Southwest L.A. CLer, reported Phyllis's hobbies as "indoorish"—reading, dancing and sewing. There may be some hidden dramatic talent . . . Gardena Valley JACL should

500 MIGRANT WORKERS FROM JAPAN U.S.-BOUND

TOKYO. — Government officials here last week said, 500 Japanese farm workers will soon leave for California for seasonal work.

Terms and conditions of employment approximate those of Mexican workers now employed by California farmers under the U.S.-Mexican migrant labor agreement, it was said.

(Workers are admitted into the U.S. under provisions of the Walter - McCarran Immigration and Nationality Act which permits the U.S. Attorney General to fill any labor shortage for a short period.)

Democrat-

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finished, chairman McCormack declared that in his opinion there was not a more loyal and deserving element in America than Americans of Japanese ancestry.

The Massachusetts lawmaker talked of the unfortunate experiences to which Americans of Japanese ancestry in this country had been subjected during World War II and declared that in spite of their mistreatment they, at home and on the battlefield, "proved themselves better Americans than many of us." He particularly lauded the combat record of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team and the Nisei troops in the Pacific.

He concluded his tribute by assuring the Hawaiian delegation that as far as he was concerned there would be a plank for statehood in the Democratic platform.

Sumitomo Bank growth noted in latest report

SAN FRANCISCO. — The growth of Sumitomo Bank (California) was again noted in its June 30 statement for the first six months of the year.

Total deposits of \$15,950,000 indicate a \$4,030,000 increase over December, 1955; and total loans amount to \$9,180,000 or an increase of \$3,140,000. A decrease of \$10,000 was noted in the bond and securities total of \$5,190,000.

"This is convincing evidence of how the Sumitomo Bank is contributing to the economic development of the Japanese community", bank officials pointed out.

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Citizenship restoration policy for Tule Lake renunciants established

WASHINGTON—The Justice Department announced a new policy this week for citizenship restoration of certain Nisei on the basis of demonstrated loyalty to the United States, the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League reported.

Favorably affected are those Nisei who lost their American citizenship by renunciation and those who have shown their loyalty to the United States.

Criteria established by the Justice Department under its new policy requires that the renunciants shall have demonstrated his loyalty to the U. S. by showing:

- (1) He made a declaration of loyalty to the U.S. and thereafter took his first step toward renunciation at Tule Lake between Dec. 18, 1944, and Jan. 29, 1945;
- (2) After renunciation, he served, or offered to serve, in the American armed forces;
- (3) He is able to satisfy the Dept. of Justice that his renunciation at the Tule Lake Center was attributed to a state of fear or apprehension;

(4) She is a wife of a renunciant who was coerced and both acted in unison in all important respects.

Qualification by one or more of these four criteria will be sufficient for citizenship restoration in the absence of any prejudicial evidence, the Washington JACL Office was informed.

This new policy is expected to favorably affect almost one half of the pending cases.

The Justice Department noted that the new policy establishing demonstrated loyalty criteria will be applied to all cases pursued by renunciants either through the courts or through administrative procedures. These administrative procedures, worked out by the JACL in cooperation with the Justice and State Departments, enable the applicant to have an administrative determination on the validity of his renunciation by applying for a United States passport.

One effect of the new policy is that the Justice Department is withdrawing its defense in a pending suit, clearing the way for citizenship to be restored to 157 Nisei. The number of cases to be beneficially aided by the policy under administrative procedures has not been estimated.

In making the policy announcement, the Justice Department explained that "the cases directly affected by the Attorney General's action are those of American citizens of Japanese ancestry who . . . were evacuated by the Army from their homes on the Pacific Coast on short notice, suffering as a consequence losses of property and derangement of their lives, and were confined in camps in a manner that, in ordinary times, would not have been tolerated."

The evacuation of the West Coast affected more than 110,000 persons of Japanese ancestry. Despite the hysteria, intimidations and property losses, only a small percentage of the Nisei renounced their citizenship and only about 2,600 cases or approximately 2 per cent have yet to secure a satisfactory solution to this problem.

Name Nisei to chair Brighton Agri. Institute

DENVER. — Seiji Horiuchi, extremely active in Jr. Chamber of Commerce and a state vice-president, was named general chairman of the Brighton Agricultural Institute to be held in early February, 1957.

The Institute attracts over 1,000 farmers. Probably less than 100 will be of Japanese ancestry, the Colorado Times noted.

Robert Y. Sakata, a Nisei of the Biennium nominee, was chairman in 1955 when it was started and continued as chairman in 1956.

Pharmacy fraternity

Alpha Iota Pi, professional pharmacy fraternity at the Univ. of Southern California, received the American Cancer Society's Appreciation Award, Ray Kato, fraternity president, announced this week. Members of the organization, most of whom are Japanese, have presented a film and lecture program to local Japanese civic and religious groups.

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# VAGARIES: by Larry S. Tajiri



## Art direction by Imazu

(In his latest guest column from Hollywood, Bob Okazaki tells the story of Eddie Imazu, art director at MGM, and the man who designed the settings for the recently-completed, "Teahouse of the August Moon." Bob, incidentally, worked throughout the making of "Teahouse" as Marlon Brando's "dialogue coach" and considers the film "a successful adventure in Japanese-American picture-making.")

By BOB OKAZAKI

When Machiko Kyo, the Nipponese star of "Teahouse of the August Moon", stepped off the limousine at the Tobiki Village outdoor set on MGM's 60-acre lot No. 3 for her first day's shooting there as "Lotus Blossom", she surveyed the set wide-eyed and exclaimed, "Ara Nihon ni iru yoo-na kanji da wa" ("My, the impression is that of being in Nippon").

For this set, as well as the exterior sets of the army camp, the rice paddies, the teahouse, and the interior sets of the offices of the colonel and captain, and the teahouse itself, were exact duplicates of the sets which were built at Nara in Japan.

The shooting of "Teahouse", as is well known by now, was started early this year in Japan. The elaborate sets had been built for the making of the entire picture there when the rains came.

Misfortune after misfortune fell on "Teahouse", climaxed by the death of Louis Calhern, an important member of the cast. The seers and prophets of Hollywood proclaimed that the picture was "jinxed" and MGM seriously entertained the thought of abandoning the project. But wise heads decided to bring the company, the Japanese cast, props, costumes and equipment to Hollywood and start the picture from scratch.

Began the huge task of building an entire series of sets in Hollywood in a hurry exact duplicates of the ones which had been built in Japan. Time was of the essence; a million dollars had gone down the drain with the Japanese rain and the appalling costs were mounting unabated.

Eddie Imazu, MGM's set designer and art director, thus became the busiest man in Hollywood, the first man in the history of movie-making to build two complete series of sets for the filming of a picture.

### EDDIE'S CHILDHOOD DAYS

This, then, is the story of Eddie Imazu, Hollywood's top-ranking art director, who, for more than 35 years, has been creating fabulous fairytale castles, magnificent mansions, fanciful ballrooms, tumble-down rustic farmhouses, authentic interiors of palatial ocean liners, and a hundred and one sets of deep imagination, sparkling ingenuity, artistic integrity, and keen conception.

Born in Yamaguchi prefecture in Japan, Eddie was a little boy when his mother hustled him down the gangplank of a rusty old Japanese ship at Tacoma, Washington, in the early 1900s. Eddie's father had come to America, had found it the land of promise, had sent for his wife and number one son to make it the land of their choice.

From Tacoma, the little family journeyed to San Francisco. But Papa Imazu decided that Hollywood would some day become a great city. This, mind you, in the days when all Hollywood was a sprawling farmland with young lemon trees, orange groves, and walnut orchards which could be had for \$400 an acre.

Eddie Imazu remembers when the corner of Hollywood and Vine where stands the Taft Building was a churchyard, when fields of hay covered the ground where now KTTV's television station holds forth, when jack-rabbits romped the open pastures where NBC and CBS rise in concrete splendor, when a dusty wagon road meandered along what is now famed Sunset Strip.

In 1918, Eddie graduated Hollywood High School, the first Nipponese to receive a sheepskin from the Highland Avenue institution. The "movies", as they were then called, had not yet become "Big Business", but already the independents and the small companies were forming combines and being shuffled and sorted into corporations and production organizations.

Eddie knocked on studio doors and began to know his way about.

In 1920 he went to work for the old Metro Studio, a Hollywood lot where today the Desi-Lu Studio now turns out television pictures by the dozens. This became Metro-Goldwyn, and Eddie, who had been scene-shifter, became scene-painter.

### METEORIC RISE AT M-G-M

Out in Culver City, surrounded by Japanese celery farms and Chinese truck gardens, was Triangle Studios, which was a combination of the resources of D. W. Griffith, Mack Sennett and Thomas Ince, and Aitken. Sam Goldwyn, in what was the Triangle Corporation and in 1924 formed Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer. Eddie moved to Culver City and began drawing rough sketches.

MGM's rise to become the largest motion picture production company in the world is history. Eddie kept pace, putting in long hours of study, wading knee-deep in research, keeping up with the new inventions and techniques of a highly specialized profession.

In a post-war survey of the motion picture industry, Fortune Magazine reported, "If you would know something about set design and decoration you would go to Eddie Imazu at MGM..."

Quiet, unassuming, held in high respect by members of his profession, well-liked by the men who work under him, Eddie Imazu, the one-time immigrant boy who stumbled down the gangplank of a Nipponese ship at Tacoma, Washington, now stands among the top-flight motion picture set designers of the world today.

When "Teahouse" is screened all over the world late this year, the credits will show "Art Direction by Eddie Imazu" but Eddie's greatest thrill during the making of the picture was seeing two of his three talented daughters, dressed in the rags and tatters of the villagers of Tobiki Village, running around on his lot No. 3 set in the big scene in which hundreds of gallons of "sweet potato brandy" are being made, poured

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## Southland Nisei urge civil rights plank in both political platforms

Prominent Southland business, religious and civic leaders joined in urging the Republican and Democratic parties to write a strong civil rights plank in their 1956 platforms, it was announced last week by the L.A. County Conference on Community Relations.

A strongly worded letter to California delegates attending the conventions was signed by 16 individuals including Frank Chuman, Saburo Kido, Robert Y. Kodama and Frank Kuwahara.

## Sakata to tour 48 states promoting welfare of young farmers for Jaycees

DENVER. — Robert Y. Sakata of Brighton, who won the national award as one of the "four outstanding young farmers of America for 1955" at the national meeting of the Junior Chamber of Commerce in Pittsburgh in April, was recently named the national chairman of the agricultural committee of the U.S. Junior Chamber of Commerce.

As national chairman, Sakata will be traveling throughout the 48 states during the fall of this year,

promoting the welfare of young farmers.

Although Sakata has achieved national recognition in the agricultural field, he is also active in the local community. He serves as a deacon for the First Presbyterian Church in Brighton, is director of the Chamber of Commerce, a supervisor on the West Adams Soil Conservation District, and an active member of the Brighton Japanese American Association.

Moreover, despite considerable physical handicaps as a result of a gasoline tank explosion in 1952, Sakata has endeavored to promote welfare of Issei and Nisei residents and cement goodwill in his community.

He is the program and activities chairman for the Mile-Hi JACL chapter. He is married to former Joanna Tokunaga, former secretary of the Mountain Plains JACL office in Denver.

## Coachella Valley students win high school awards

INDIO. — Lillian Mizutani, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Y. Mizutani of Thermal, won the U.C. Alumni scholarship recently awarded at Coachella Valley Union High School commencement exercises.

Jean Nishikawa received the Soproptomist International and CVUHS Teachers scholarship. Other Nisei graduates were Agnes Matsushita and George Nagata.

## Fujiwara opera tour in U.S., Canada told

TOKYO. — Fujiwara Opera Co., founded in 1933 by Yoshie Fujiwara, will leave here in mid-August for a 15-week tour of 80 performances in the United States and Canada.

Gilbert-Sullivan's "Mikado" and Puccini's "Madam Butterfly" will be presented, starting Aug. 22 at Berkeley.

(Two offers from Hollywood film studios to film both productions are being considered, according to Fine Arts Enterprises, tour managers.)

## Yoshino joins gov't agency as liaison man

WASHINGTON. — The President's Committee on Government Contracts announced last week the appointment of John Y. Yoshino, formerly of Alameda and Chicago, as a member of its professional staff, assuming duties as liaison officer to state and local governments, private organizations and industry.

The group, chaired by Vice-President Nixon, seeks elimination of discrimination, because of race, religion or national origin, in work done under government contract.



This group of travel people recently got a look at newest of Pan American World Airways' Clippers. The plane is Douglas DC-7C (Super-7), capable of flying from Japan to the United States non-stop. Pictured are (left to right) Alfred Kosakura of PAA; Hisako Minobe, Kusano Travel Bureau; Lola Logan, Japan Travel Bureau; PAA Capt. Fred Richards; Toshi Kataoka, Aki Travel Bureau; and Seichi Mikami, Mikami Travel Bureau in Fresno.

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## NAT'L DIRECTOR'S REPORT: by Masao Satow



## Heart of convention

■ With every National Biennial there is the inevitable paper work in preparing for the National Council sessions. Within the next week we hope to get out to all the delegates the outline of the important policy matters for which we must find answers. This past weekend a few of us spent two full days trying to formulate the basis of presenting

these issues and to draft preliminary statements and background to point up these problems. We will be running down to Fresno this week for a preview discussion of the issues with our Central California chapters.

To outsiders and those new to our convention procedures, the pre-convention publicity may give the impression that our biennial will be four days of glamour, gaiety and fun. But veteran delegates know they are coming for many hours of deliberation as the fundamental purpose of our coming together, with the social events only secondary. Indeed, although we hope otherwise, it could easily be that the official delegates may have to forgo some of the fun that is scheduled in order to get our business matters completed. This has often happened in past conventions.

## CONVENTION COVERAGE

■ While puttering around on convention preparation, we find that the *San Francisco News* has just timely assigned newsman Donald Canter to cover activities of Americans of various descent in this area. We found Don already acquainted with our group as former editor of the *Sebastopol Times*. Credit our Sonoma County Chapter for a fine public relations job in hosting our Northern California-Western Nevada DC convention last fall.

Starting the last week of August, Tats Kushida will come up to San Francisco to take over the convention publicity contacts to the wire services, metropolitan newspapers and the vernaculars.

## JACL BUDGET

■ We have already been in consultation with National Treasurer Dr. Roy Nishikawa on our budget for the next biennium. On the overall national picture, the asking budget is higher than in the past. However, we quickly add, to allay any fears the chapters may have, so far as district council and chapter quotas are concerned, the budget will remain about the same. Additional sources of income nationally will take care of the difference.

## NATIONAL JACL FLAG

■ At the Convention opening ceremony, Mr. Yaemon Minami, well known pioneer and Issei leader from Guadalupe, will officially present our organization with a beautifully embroidered silk flag bearing the JACL emblem and our national motto of "For Better Americans in a Greater America". Mr. Minami originally donated this flag in recognition of JACL's quarter century of effort, but this is the first chance we have had for official national acceptance and public display.

## CHAPTER RECOGNITION AWARD

■ The recent meeting of the Northern California-Western Nevada District Council approved an award to be given by local chapters to members and those in their respective communities who have given a great deal of time and effort toward JACL, but who might not qualify for the sapphire pin. The award will be in the form of an embossed copy of the Japanese American Creed inscribed with the recipient's name, the chapter making the presentation, and date of presentation. Chapters will pay for the award which will be given through National Headquarters upon recommendation from the District Council Recognitions Committee.

## PROPOSITION 13 ENDORSEMENTS

■ We have received additional endorsements for Proposition 13 from the Immigration Study section of the Commonwealth Club and from the Japanese Chamber of Commerce of Northern California. A letter from Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz states, "I am happy to join with other Californians in the State's repeal of the Alien Land Law". Admiral Nimitz was largely responsible for helping us open the navy for the Nisei after the close of World War II.

Our California members and chapters are reminded that September 13 is the final deadline for the registration of voters for the November election.

## 1957 JACL BOWLING TOURNEY

■ We dropped across the bay to the Albany Bowl to meet with our 1957 National JACL Bowling Tournament Committee chaired by Mo Katow of Berkeley. This beautiful 26-alley house will be the scene of our tournament next March, and this will be the first tournament held with automatic pinsetters. We met with Albany Bowl proprietor Frank Lacey who is the newly elected President of the Bowling Proprietors Association of America. His interest in our National tournament resulted in the recent spread of this JACL event in the national magazine of the bowling proprietors.

Also on hand was Bill Kenzie on a business trip from Honolulu. Bill came with the bowlers from Hawaii early this year. He reports the interest in our tourney is so great over there that already fifteen teams are signed to come.

This time the five Eastbay chapters of Richmond-El Cerrito, Berkeley, Oakland, Alameda and Eden Township are helping to sponsor the meet, which promises to be the largest yet.

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## Roy Nishikawa, Tak Terasaki vie for national JACL presidency as nominations committee offers slate

SAN FRANCISCO. — Dr. Roy Nishikawa of Los Angeles, now serving his third term as national JACL treasurer, and Yutaka "Tak" Terasaki of Denver, who almost single-handedly paced the Mile-Hi chapter membership campaigns for several years, are the two candidates for the office of national JACL president.

The complete slate of nominees for other offices was revealed this week by National Nominations Committee Chairman Tom Hayashi of New York.

The nominations will be presented at the first session of the council convening Friday, Aug. 31, at the Sheraton-Palace with elections scheduled on Monday, Sept. 3.

Additional nominations may be made upon petition bearing signatures of not less than three supporting chapters and also from the floor when the council is convened for election of officers at its final session.

Four named by various district council nominating committees for the office of first vice-president in charge of program are Roy Inouye of San Luis Valley, Jack Noda of Cortez, Ken Tashiro of Tulare County (now serving as national

second vice-president), and Shig Wakamatsu of Chicago (now serving as national 1000 Club chairman).

Wakamatsu is being supported by the Midwest District Council for the post of National 1000 Club chairman again. The 1000 Clubbers will hold their election on Saturday, Sept. 1.

Three nominated for office of second vice-president in charge of public relations are Larry Tajiri of Denver, William Mimbu of Seattle (now serving as secretary to the national board), and David Yokozeki of Los Angeles.

Candidates for the office of third vice-president in charge of membership are Hiroshi Miyamura of Gallup, N.M., only living Nisei Medal of Honor winner; Dr. Harry Kita of Salinas; and Ira Shimasaki of Washington, D.C.

Vying for the office of treasurer are Ken Dyo of Pasadena, Aki Hayashi of New York, and Tom Ujifusa of Northern Wyoming.

Named for the office of secretary to the national board are Jerry Enomoto of San Francisco (who is chairing the 14th Biennial convention), Mrs. Lily Okura of Omaha, Dr. Tom Tamaki of Philadelphia, and Hana Uno of South West Los Angeles.

Nominated to the board without designation of office were Dr. Ruby Hirose of Dayton and Kumeo Yoshinari of Chicago.

A breakfast meeting of the national nominations group is scheduled for Aug. 31, 7:30 a.m., at the Sheraton-Palace.

## N.Y. Times features story updating status of Japanese Americans

The New York Times last Sunday described the status of Japanese Americans in this country in an article by Gladwin Hill, N.Y. Times representative in Los Angeles.

The report vividly contrasted the position of Japanese Americans before and after Pearl Harbor and their position today where "they have moved into status of first class citizenship".

(Hill was in long consultation with the JACL Regional Office here for the story. Spread across eight columns on an inside page over a seven-column display ad, the one-column head read: Japanese in U.S. Gaining Equality; with a subhead reading: Housing is Only Conspicuous Barrier Remaining and It is Expected to Fall.)

High degree of acceptance of Nisei socially and economically and in all phases of employment was explained but pointed to their problem in housing as "the only conspicuous remaining barrier".

"A person of Oriental extraction," Hill wrote, "trying to buy a home in a Caucasian neighborhood often will encounter resistance . . . but even in this respect, the barrier is no longer insur-

mountable and the indications are that in due course it will fall entirely."

The writer attributed this transformation in status and steady progress toward integration including action by Congress to grant naturalization and immigration privileges to several factors.

Main factor in the change "almost certainly was the largely exemplary and often heroic deportment of the Japanese Americans themselves in the relocation centers and the Armed Forces".

The public then became familiar with the record of 33,000 Nisei who served during World War 2 and with the 442nd RCT, Hill continued. "This record shattered the stereotype of a shadowy minority group with sinister alien ties. One can imagine all kinds of contrasting eventualities if they had not accepted their wartime tribulations with such patience and forbearance."

The writer also attributed the Japanese American Citizens League with its 15,000 members nationally in 88 chapters as being the principal organization forwarding the cause of Japanese Americans and describing the leadership of Washington representative Mike Masaoka.

"The League has worked adroitly to enhance the community status of Japanese Americans without arousing antagonisms," the article said, adding that the JACL "has raised a fund now totaling \$90,000 to be used to stem any reappearances of prejudice. To date the trend has been entirely the other way".

## SEATTLE PICNIC READY FOR '57 VERSION NOW

SEATTLE—The Seattle community picnic finance committee recently reported a balance of \$55.90 from the successful 1956 affair to be earmarked for next year's outing.

While no regular meetings are scheduled for August, the JACL chapter will hold a meeting in September to hear a report of the convention and a political rally in October.

All Seattle JACLers this past week received by mail a copy of Sen. Warren G. Magnuson's speech as reprinted from the Congressional Record.

## Pediatric chairman

CHICAGO. — Dr. Kenji Kushino, member of the Ravenswood Hospital staff, recently was elected chairman of the pediatric section and hospital nursery.

## SLC chapter set for August activities

SALT LAKE CITY. — Recently naturalized Issei were being urged by the local JACL to register for the Sept. 11 Utah primaries.

Those in doubt as to where they should register were expected to call JACL officers here for addresses of registration centers.

The chapter also enjoyed a night of dancing at Saltair last Saturday. A JACL-Women's Auxiliary picnic has been scheduled for this Sunday, Aug. 19, at Maxfield Lodge in Big Cottonwood Canyon.



Dr. Roy Nishikawa of Southwest Los Angeles, now serving his third term as national JACL treasurer, has been nominated by the Pacific Southwest District Council to be national JACL president.

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by Jerry Enomoto



San Francisco

The climactic Labor Day weekend, signifying the beginning of Changing Perspectives, is now almost upon us. In the midst of the inevitable last minute "shitaku", let's take time out to review the Convention picture, and take to heart some vital requests from our hard-working 14th Biennial Board.

### OPERATION MERCURY

Chairman Joe Kubokawa, at the helm of this most important project, expects that most chapters will personally deliver stubs, loot and unsold portions to the Sheraton-Palace, Convention Headquarters. There will be a station established in the registration area, where members of the committee will take these off their hands.

Of course, it'll be a big help if these items are in fairly good order, when turned in. Please remember that your commission of one third, should be deducted first, and the balance remitted. **IMPORTANT NOTE:** as specifically clarified in our past releases regarding "Mercury", each book of 12 must be sold, in order for the one third commission to apply. Please do not turn in partially sold books, figuring your commission on the total sales, since a flood of incomplete books will create a tremendous bookkeeping problem for us. Let's get together and give out with that all out push to put "Operation Mercury" over the top.

### PRE-REGISTRATION WILL EXPEDITE

Sumi Honnami and Sally Noda, registration and pre-registration bosses respectively, have been working like beavers on pre-convention registration, and have mapped out a "master plan" for the registration procedure itself during the parley. Yet all this spadework is for naught, if you, the delegates, don't play ball. If you haven't got your official delegates pre-registered (package deals, of course), **DO IT NOW**. Get a line on your boosters that aren't sure about taking in all the events, and get them pre-registered (\$2) anyhow. This will give our gals a chance to whip up kits in advance, thereby saving you, and them, valuable time.

Please remember, every Convention event (with the exception of the Opening Ceremonies and the Fashion Show) requires registration.

Another thing, register as early as you conveniently can, in order to help keep confusion at a minimum prior to the Mixer on Friday evening, Aug. 31, which is the first event requiring registration. The registration station, in the South Lobby of the Sheraton-Palace, will be manned from Thursday evening.

### STAY AT THE SHERATON-PALACE

This corner has been urging you conventioners to use the facilities of the Sheraton-Palace all along. Why? Because of convenience, comfort, service, and economy. All room rates quoted on the reservation cards that have been mailed to each chapter are subject to a 25% discount. A block of rooms is being held for JACLers, but if advance reservations are not made, nothing can be guaranteed. The differing room rates, about which we've been questioned during our "travels", is a matter of location, size, etc. of each room. Suffice it to say that the Sheraton-Palace is a top flight San Francisco hostelry.

Look at it this way, considering the 25% cut, you will be paying the same tariff, in many cases, staying at a less desirable hotel away from the Convention locale. We are not without selfish motivations, however, since the Convention will receive use of meeting rooms, ballroom, etc. gratis. IF our quota of rooms is filled. Remember, this may well fatten the 'kitty' for a new headquarters building.

### FAVORS

Further testimonial to the long distance support of our confab, from Dr. Joseph Sasaki of Ann Arbor, Mich., arrived the other day in the form of another box of key chains. This time, the donor was the Ford Motor Co. Many thanks Doc, and Ford, hope your stock goes way up. While we're talking about favors, we expect to have a quantity of products from the Granny Goose people for distribution, through the kind offices of our Booklet Chairman Thelma.

### 'GOOD IDEA' DEPARTMENT

Coming under the heading of "pregnant" and imaginative ideas was one we heard from Paulo Takahashi at the recent CCDC Rally in Fresno. Paulo's inspiration is the use of distinctive caps or hats by the Central Cal delegation, for identification, that will enable all of us to spot anyone from that neck of the woods right now. A real good "gimmick" that we hope other areas will consider.

### BLACKBERRY FARM

Although we didn't find any blackberries at the Farm, a group of us journeyed down the sunny peninsula and satisfied ourselves that it will meet our specifications for a day of real fun at the Outing. An afternoon of sunny relaxation was enjoyed by Chiz Satow, Elaine (Miss SF), Lucy Adachi, Mary Hamamoto, Vi Nakano, Kei Hori, Daisy, and the two lively offsprings of Sequoia JACLers Johnny and Roz Enomoto; Kevin and Kim. We were joined there by Outing Boss Frank Dobashi, his missus Flo, and her sister Kay. We met the operator of the "Farm", surveyed the layout, discussed Frank's program, and hereby give our unanimous endorsement. The swimming pool, play apparatus for the small fry, abundant space to relax, privacy, etc. will add to the Outing spirit.

### ET CETERA

We have picked up some recent inquiries about baby sitting services, and can report that the Sheraton-Palace does provide such services. However, the problems of Convention Board handling of such facilities, are too overwhelming to consider at this time.



Selma chapter is probably the first in the nation to have the JACL emblem posted on the city's welcome sign. The JACL insignia joins other civic organizations such as Rotary, Lions, IOOF and 20-30 Club on the chamber of commerce billboard at the city limits. In the photo are George Abe (left), first chapter president; George Baba, present president; and George Okazaki, past president.

## Masaoka—

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violate the terms of an international treaty and require discriminatory identification to discourage the sales of Japanese textiles."

Masaoka then reports that "these vicious undertakings are completely contrary to the general welfare of all Americans and, at the same time, quickly weaken our leadership of the free world by driving Japan, and our other allies too if we enlarge upon these policies, into doing business with the Communist countries. If Japan is forced to trade with Red China, for example, in an international exchange program, we thereby increase the already vast potential of the Communists while decreasing our own."

Currently Japanese textiles are the major objectives of these import quota demands, Masaoka says and requests an examination of the facts. The complaining industry is seeking political solutions to this trade problem, because an administrative report by the Tariff Commission made known that "despite the widespread concern that has developed about imports of textiles from Japan, it appears that such imports are not offering serious competition to most segments of the domestic textile industry." The commission concluded that "it is clear that textile manufacturers in Japan do not have an 'across the board' advantage over the textile manufacturers in the United States."

The letter also notes that Japan is the best agricultural customer of American goods, taking large quantities of California exports of cotton, rice, soybeans and other products.

In conclusion, Masaoka says that

### Selma JACL honors new members at barbecue

By MINORU OKUBO

SELMA. — Approximately 65 Selma JACLers enjoyed the annual steak barbecue honoring 12 new members recently at Blakeley's pool in Fresno. The new members are C. Araki, Don Iwamura, Mitsy Iwamura, T. Iwamura, N. Iwamura, I. Katayama, T. Katayama, Haruko Kobashi, Akio Mukai, Mi-kiye Mukai, K. Nagao, N. Okubo.

### Sequoia JACL beach party at Table Beach Sunday

REDWOOD CITY. — A fishing derby for the adults and games for the children are on tap for Sequoia JACL's beach party at Table Beach this Sunday, Aug. 19, starting at noon.

A weenie bake is slated for 5 p.m. Picnickers are reminded to bring their own lunches, weiners and buns. The chapter is furnishing the soft drinks.

trade is the foundation capable of securing a peaceful and prosperous world. He notes that the United States "can ill afford to deny our allies an opportunity to trade with us, especially when these same allies purchase far more from us than we purchase from them." Trade barriers "contradict our national policies and jeopardize our international leadership."

## JACL endowment fund at \$92,000

SAN FRANCISCO. — The JACL national endowment fund trust stands at \$92,000, it was announced on the eve of the 14th biennial national convention by JACL headquarters with recent gifts to the fund totaling \$2,007.70. A sum of \$2,000 was transferred to the trust fund.

It was recalled that the national convention in 1952 here in San Francisco, gave the impetus and plans to realize JACL's dream of creating an endowment toward assuring the organization's future.

National headquarters also announced that a total of \$2,741.64 had been received in interest to date during this fiscal year from the Endowment toward the current expenses of the organization.

National JACL publicly acknowledges and thanks the following for their contributions:

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**MISCELLANEOUS**—\$32.67.

### MID-COLUMBIA CHAPTER FLOAT WINS TOP PRIZE

By GEORGE NAKAMURA

HOOD RIVER. — The Mid-Columbia JACL, which entered a float in the recent 4th of July parade at Parkdale, was awarded top prize in the fraternal division and in close contention for the sweepstakes.

Most of the work was done by JACLers in the Parkdale area with Tazue Noji and Kikue Tambara in charge. The float was sponsored by the Parkdale Booster Club.

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THE NORTHWEST PICTURE: by Elmer Ogawa



Hotel-Apt. business

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■ It has long been a well known fact that Seattle's Japanese are enthusiastic investors in hotel and apartment house properties. The Japanese Hotel and Apartment Owners Association has a pretty accurate figure on the number of properties owned, 280; and although it is difficult to make an estimate of the aggregate value, a conservative estimate is put at "in excess of 20 million dollars."

The overall picture is interesting and worthy of an exhaustive thesis, but this little vignette singles out a triumvirate of the community's most active JACLers, Bill Mambu, Jim Matsuoaka, and Dr. T. T. Nakamura, who have acquired control of the historic Frye Hotel, officially rated as Seattle's second largest. Lawyer, realtor, and dentist—the trio are for the most part entirely new to the business, and their freshness in approach to the problems of hotel management, we think, makes the story worth telling.

HISTORIC SITE BEING MODERNIZED

■ Pioneers George F. Frye and Arthur A. Denny opened Seattle's first butcher shop in 1859. Subsequent to that time, Frye became the packing house magnate of the Northwest. A public spirited citizen, he was well past the accepted age of retirement when some 50 years later he decided to leave Seattle a hotel which would be the last word; luxurious appointments, steel construction, and soundproof, fireproof walls of solid gypsum block. Years later, the Frye estate added to the legacy by building for the City, the Frye Museum on First Hill, which houses his world famous collection of European paintings.

The briefest description of the modernization program inspired by the three CLers may turn out to be lengthy as we go on. In this, at present, the only drive-in hotel in western Washington, the guest can step from his car, through the lobby door to the desk, a mere 10 or 15 feet. His car goes directly to the adjoining garage and is available on a moment's notice for in-and-out service. With an eye for the patronage of families, there is a formula room for preparation and storage of babies formulas, and subsequent service by the hotel staff. A complete laundromat with all services is available. A 24-hour teletype service on weather and road conditions is being installed. One hundred TV sets, the service included in the price of the room, will be available in two months, says manager Ashley (Joe) Doaks. The garage is being expanded to house 250 cars, 95 more than at present.

Other usual hotel features are a "Chuckwagon" coffee shop, cafeteria, four banquet rooms, a "Las Vegas Room" for cocktails, and barber shop. Ten apartments, (1 to 4 rooms) make 272 units available for rental. Catching on to the spirit of things, our old friend George Kawaguchi has moved his travel bureau into the building.

STILL MAKING HISTORY

■ The new management of three months has been fortunate on the publicity angle too. In June a Francis C. Pope, New York contractor stopped in. He returned a bar of soap which forty years ago, almost to the day, he "stole" from the Frye Hotel. On June 17, 1916, he married a Puyallup school teacher, and they honeymooned at the Frye. His wife had been after him to return to soap ever since. Story and picture in the paper said Pope made a special trip.

A month later Seattle's most popular columnist, Frank Lynch in his "Seattle Scene", obviously Frye Hotel inspired, reported his research on the necessity for, and disappearance of cuspidors and er-the crockery receptacles called "chambers" from Seattle hotel rooms. Heading the column was a picture of Frye Hotel assistance manager John Sagli, almost neck high in a pile of cuspidors.

By this time the reader (?) has waded through enough, or should we go down and see what else is in the Frye store-rooms?

VAGARIES: by Larry S. Tajiri

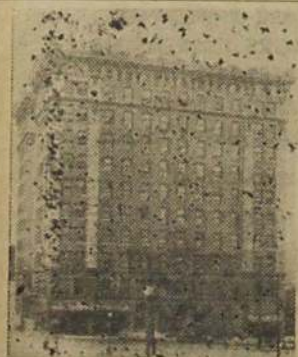
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in jugs, and carted off to supply the never-ending thirst of the soldiers and sailors at the near-by garrison and naval base.

Back of the Eddie Imazu story is a wonderful woman, his wife, Aiko, who is as well-known to the people at MGM, the grips and gaffers, the servicemen and propmen, the cablemen and floormen, the makeup men and wardrobe men, as Eddie himself.

They say of her, "She's a real lady, that girl". An old-time electrician who has been at MGM since its beginning tells me, "She's got what many movie stars ain't got, and that's Class". And Dave who runs the restaurant across the street from MGM says, "We've known her for 16 years and she's wonderful".

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Hawaiian swimmers grace American squad for '56 Melbourne Olympics

DETROIT. — Yoshi Oyakawa and Ford Konno, 1952 U.S. Olympic gold medal winning swimmers, are headed for the 1956 Games in Melbourne, accompanied by Richard Tanabe and George Oneke, all hailing from Hawaii.

Konno barely made the team by winning the 200-m. freestyle event in 2:10.6, followed by Tanabe in 2:12. The event is not an individual event on the Olympic program but held to pick four members for the 800-meter freestyle relay team.

Konno had failed to place in the 400-meter freestyle finals here last week.

Oyakawa bettered his own Games mark by winning the 100 backstroke in 1:04.7 during a prelim run. He won the finals in 1:05.2. The Olympic mark of 1:05.4 was made in 1952 at Helsinki.

Oneke has placed in the 400-m. and 1,500-m. freestyle events, being timed in 18:42.2 in a qualifying heat for the longer course.

Gerald Miki, a protege of Coach Soichi Sakamoto's Hawaii Swim Club, qualified for the finals in the 200-m. breaststroke but did not

place within the top three for an Olympic berth.

(The United Press in Tokyo early this week compared results of the Detroit meet with the Japanese Olympic tryouts concluded the same weekend. Japanese candidates were disappointing in that no national meet records were broken and times were far below those of U.S. efforts.)

Efforts merit trip to Canada Olympic tryouts

VANCOUVER, B.C. — A pert 14-year-old Nisei lass is bound for the Canadian Olympic swimming trials at Toronto Aug. 21-23 after record shattering performances at the British Columbia open swimming championships here Aug. 4-5.

Margaret Iwasaki, regarded as one of the top butterfly swimmers among Canadian juniors, won the 110-yd. butterfly for juniors in 1:21, a full 15 yards ahead of the field, for a new record.

She clipped the 100-yard free-

style mark in the prelims with an 1:07.8 performance and went on to win the junior girl's title in 1:07.8 for another new record.

"Within a year or two, she should level up to standard world performances," according to her coach at the Dolphin Club. "One good indication is that her swimming improves markedly with every race."

Denver Sansei compete in Rocky Mountain swimfest

DENVER. — Norman Yabe, 18, helped the Mile-Hi Swimming Association team win the team championship in the recent Rocky Mountain Jr. AAU championships at the Congress Park municipal pool.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Yabe, set a record in the 200-m. breaststroke as well as assist in breaking the old mark for the 400-m. medley relay.

Mike Hosokawa, 15, was a member of the winning Sportland team in the novice boy's 200-m. freestyle relay. The son of PC columnist Bill Hosokawa, it was his first competitive effort after learning how to swim at the Sportland YM-CA pool.

'57 CL keg dates fixed for Mar. 5-10

BERKELEY. — The 1957 National JACL Bowling tournament will be held next year from Tuesday, Mar. 5 through Sunday, Mar. 10, according to Mo Katow, tournament chairman for the host East Bay Nisei Bowling Assn.

The 26-alley Albany Bowl in Albany will be the local for the entire tourney, both for men and women's events.

The original bid for the tournament had mentioned another alley, College Bowl, but Katow said arrangements had been made to use only the single house.

Katow said that the tournament committee has been meeting regularly for some time now, making plans for next year's event.

Nisei gridders prep for all-star Kezar classic

SAN MATEO. — Herb Yamasaki, all-Santa Clara Valley Athletic League tackle from Santa Clara High, and Palo Alto High's Dick Takaki, honorable mention on the All-Peninsula Athletic League team, are among 25 West Bay gridders undergoing training for the annual East-West Bay game at Kezar Aug. 24.

The West Bay squad is working out at the College of San Mateo. It is the second annual encounter sponsored by the Oakland and San Francisco 20-30 Clubs for boys club benefit.

Sports Briefs

Fowler's Little League Champions, the American Legion team, ended its season with a 14-3 record. Dennis Takahashi played shortstop and outfield. The local C. of C. team managed by Tom Shirakawa was second with a 10-7 record.

Placer JACL lost a chance to qualify for second-half championship playoff in the Placer-Nevada baseball league when they were upset 10-3 by Nevada City Aug. 4.

Lodi's fourth annual California Nisei baseball tournament over the Labor Day holidays will see a field of eight teams headed by defending champions Placer JACL. Tournament director Mas Okuhara said the schedule will include San Jose Zebras, Fresno Nisei, Sacramento Valley, Nisei Trading, Lodi Tokyo Giants, Mayhew A.C. and Lodi A.C.

Nobu Asami of Berkeley, top Nisei keggerette of Northern California, has been added to the secretarial staff of Albany Bowl, site of the 1957 JACL bowling tourney.

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LOS ANGELES NEWSLETTER: by Henry Mori



Nisei Week color

Los Angeles ■ Li'l Tokioans are in festive spirits this week. The banners and Japanese lanterns tell us it's the 16th edition of Nisei Week, which will have its traditional Ondo street dances this weekend, marking another gala program for Issei and Nisei participants. It was somewhat quiet this summer without much public fanfare over the usual Nisei Week queen contest, which has stirred and provoked the community in the past. As a matter of fact, most of us never met the candidates until it was coronation time at the Palladium.

If one missed the coronation ball, chances of meeting the queen and her court of seven princesses would have been slight during the week as they were busily hopping about from one event to the other with brief appearances.

Anyway, this year's winner happens to be Phyllis Ono, 20-year-old daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Richard Ono of Gardena. (Incidentally, Dr. Ono is a dentist. Stella Nakadate, last year's queen, is also the daughter of a dentist—the late Dr. M. M. Nakadate.) Phyllis was sponsored by the recently reactivated Gardena Valley JACL, so her gain on the "Miss Nisei Week" title has promoted some cheerful chatter among JACLers. Besides Miss Ono, chapter-sponsored candidates were May Ishii of East Los Angeles and June Sugiyama of Southwest L.A., who scored rather nicely in the no-elimination competition which attracted eight candidates just in time for Sunday's regal ceremony.

Other attendants who were escorted around town by Mrs. Mabel Ota, queen committee chairman, were June Fukute of Senshin Buddhist Church; Marilyn Ito of San Fernando; Gail Imazaki of Li'l Tokio; Phyllis Fukushima of Hollywood; and Helen Kobata of Harbor District.

Miss Ono is a senior at UCLA, taking a course in nursing. She was the eighth candidate and it was just a week before the coronation ball that she decided to enter after receiving the blessings of successful optometrist Dr. John Y. Koyama, president of the Gardena JACL.

HARD TIME PRONOUNCING NAMES

■ One of the difficult chores of an emcee is to be acquainted with the proceedings as well as pronouncing names of total strangers. While we do not intend to take anything away from the grand dad of motion pictures, Thomas Mitchell, his introductions of queen and her court certainly were feeble.

Soichi Fukui, past commander of the Commodore Perry Post 525 of the American Legion which sponsored the coronation ball, said Mitchell was brushed up on Japanese names for the ball but apparently they were hard. Romaji doesn't come too easily to persons not familiar with Issei and Nisei groups. Mitchell, an Academy Award star of the "rocking chair" era, was nice enough to sub when James Stewart, the Legion's first choice, had to leave on location for a new picture, and cowboy film star Gene Autry declined for one reason or another.

In a rather unusual precedent, the court is hosting a "Miss Ohina San" from Honolulu who has won a mainland trip for taking the title in competition in Hawaii under co-sponsorship of Hawaii Hochi and Miles California Co. She is Hilda Mikami.

To say that the pattern of the Nisei Week Festival hasn't changed a bit since prewar years is pretty true. And our friend, Eiji Tanabe, told us confidentially he'll close the celebration next Sunday on Weller St.

VERY TRULY YOURS: by Harry K. Honda

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be proud a young co-ed (pre-nursing at UCLA) they were glad to sponsor was the judges' unanimous choice. Miss Ono will be introduced at the first general meeting of the reactivated Gardena chapter next Friday, according to Dr. John Koyama, president . . . It is the hope of this corner she has a chance to join the Gardena Valley delegation to the forthcoming 14th biennial national convention.

● Pretty faces have a tempting way of making history from time to time. Phyllis may augur an era of community-wide enthusiasm among persons of Japanese ancestry in Gardena . . . Humans that we are, a pretty face does attract public attention and the some 4,000 Japanese residents in the valley (many of them newcomers of less than five years) are gratified a girl in their midst was selected Miss Nisei Week . . . It may trigger a wider consciousness by the Japanese American community to be a part of its hometown of Gardena . . . This is not to say that Japanese Americans are not already active in the community. To the contrary, there are men like Sam Minami, Henry Ishida, Ryo Komae, Taul Watanabe, Dr. Norman Kobayashi, Dr. Mike Horii, and others who are well known . . . But if we may retell the lesson of the Fowler JACL chapter, Issei-Nisei public relations with the community-at-large operates best when organized . . . There are active Nisei groups in the valley—the churches and veterans—but none will fit the shoes a JACL chapter has been noted to cover.

WASHINGTON NEWSLETTER: by Mike Masaoka

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was as gracious as when she received JACL's delegation at the White House during the war, the first Nisei to be allowed in the Executive Mansion after Dec. 7, 1941, and as when she visited the Gila River Relocation Center to gain a first-hand insight into the problems of the evacuees. She was probably the most beloved person at the Convention, though Truman was the headline-maker.

Most ambitious to be the Party's nominee in case of a deadlock was Kentucky's Governor Happy Chandler, remembered by some as the chairman of the Senate Military Affairs Subcommittee that investigated Tule Lake Relocation Center and who harassed the WRA in its efforts to provide a humane administration of the war relocation centers.

These were among the passing parade of celebrities and personalities at the Democratic National Convention of 1956.



Traditional coronation rites started the 16th annual Nisei Week Festival for Southlanders last Sunday as Stella Nakadate (left), last Nisei Week queen, places the jeweled coronet on Phyllis Ono, 20-year-old UCLA co-ed sponsored by the Gardena Valley JACL. Miss Nisei Week of 1956 is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Richard K. Ono, Gardena. —Toyo Miyatake Photo.

VITAL STATISTICS

Births

LOS ANGELES

ABE, Mitsuru (Mabel Tsumori)—boy Geoffrey C., June 24.  
AGENDA, Francis M. (Mieko S. Uejo)—boy Mark A., June 29.  
AOKI, Hiroshi (Toshiko Yamaguma)—girl Chiye June, June 20.  
ARAKAKI, Eugene Y. (Ellen Ishiki)—girl Darlene Keiko, June 13.  
ARAKI, Yoshimi (Bernadette V. Takemaka)—girl Diane, June 29.  
ASANO, Toshio (Teruko Yanagimoto)—girl Tina Marie, June 9, Monrovia.  
BROWN, Francis G. (Yoshi Kitao)—girl Clara F., July 2.  
BUTO, George (Esther K. Yasaki)—boy Tim Tadashi, June 25.  
CALHOUN, Allan N. (Ruth I. Kido)—boy Steven J., June 5.  
DE QUIEROZ, Richard (Toshiye Kawaguchi)—boy Kevin, June 4.  
FUJIMOTO, Hideo (Akiko Kakiba)—boy Glenn Hideo, June 30.  
FUJIMOTO, Toshio (Michi Sawahata)—twin girls Susan & Anne, June 7.  
FUJITAKI, Takashi T. (Mitsuko Ono)—girl Alice Megumi, July 10, Rosemead.  
FUJITSUBO, William S. (Sylvia T. Shighara)—boy Mikki, July 2.  
FUKUI, George S. (Chiyoeko Susada)—boy Kenneth D., June 18.  
FUKUYAMA, Sunao (Fumi Nishioka)—girl Mari Michelle, June 12.  
FURUTO, Takao (Mabel N. Kobayashi)—boy Michael Kenmasa, June 25.  
HIGASHI, Takeo (Tamiko A. Matsumoto)—girl Sandra Yoko, June 24.  
HIRAGA, Ichiro (Kiyo Okamura)—girl Diane Ayako, July 1.  
HISASHIMA, Takashi (Betty C. Kinoshita)—girl May, May 28.  
HONDA, Sam S. (Mary Wada)—boy Kenneth Seizo, June 15.  
HORI, Norio (Hanako Tabuchi)—boy Eugene Goro, May 27.  
IKEDA, Gerald H. (Agnes Miyake)—girl Bambi Lynn, June 10.  
IKEGAMI, Tatsuo (Masako Yamada)—boy Stephen K., May 19.  
INOUE, Satoshi (Shizue Kanasaki)—girl Linda Megumi, July 5.  
ISHII, George (Mary H. Nakamura)—boy Jock Shigeo, June 30, Sun Valley.  
ISHIMOTO, Takeo (Rosie S. Wada)—boy Glen Takashi, June 23.  
ITO, Rev. Horyu (Kazuko Ito)—boy Shin, June 26.  
IZUMI, Pete H. (Florence Sano)—girl Beth Anne, July 4.  
KAICHI, Hiromu (Noriko Morimoto)—boy Ronald Satoshi, June 12.  
KANEMOTO, George M. (Michiko Tateishi)—boy Craig Masao, June 12.  
KANOW, Hachiro (Mary A. Hiraoka)—boy Douglas S., June 8.  
KAWASHIMA, Takeshi (Hannah Yamamoto)—boy Stanley S., June 7, Pasadena.  
KOCHI, Kikuo (Sakae Mano)—boy William Tsuyoshi, June 12.  
KOMAI, Leo G. (Eleanor Y. Kushida)—girl Merrill Ann, July 28.  
KOSAKO, Hiroshi (Mary Y. Fujita)—girl Barbara Hiroko, June 14.  
KISE, Shinko (Yukiko Heirakuji)—girl Jean Machiko, July 6.  
KITAMURA, George (Katie M. Nakagawa)—boy Rodney Shigeml, June 18.  
KUROMI, Isamu (Fumi Fujimoto)—boy Gary Takeshi, June 6.  
LINDSAY, Jerry V. (Ayako Kimura)—girl Renae D., June 18.  
MAEDA, William K. (Edna K. Okazaki)—girl Stephanie M., July 2.  
MARUYAMA, Kiyoshi (Fumiko Ryo-zaki)—boy Mark Sei, June 29.  
MATOBA, Hideo (Alice F. Kodama)—boy Allan Mineo, June 18.  
MATSUNO, Raymond T. (Barbara T. Yamura)—girl Lori L., June 28.  
MURRAY, Raymond H. (Misako Sato)—girl Linda M., July 11.  
MURRAY, Thomas H. (Lilly Aasakawa)—Clayton Isao, June 14.  
MURRAY, Charles Y. (Michiko Itomü-

ra)—twin boys John S. and Michael S., June 26.  
MIYASAKI, Noboru (Reyeko Matsumoto)—girl Etsuko Pauline, June 3.  
MIZUKI, Yoshiaki (Nancy K. Haya-shida)—boy Glenn Akio, July 9.  
NAKAMURA, Mamoru (Shirley F. Vi-eiros)—boy Randal Nobutaka, June 19.  
NAKANO, Lyle (Kinue Mayehara)—girl Carol Lynn, May 30.  
NAKANO, Shigeru (Sylvia S. Watanabe)—boy David Kenji, July 8.  
NISHIJIMA, Bill N. (Ayako Hashigami)—boy Clifford G., June 4.  
NISHIMOTO, Hiroshi (Shizue Sugino)—girl Alice Keiko, June 7.  
NISHIMURA, Joe (June J. Yoshigai)—boy Chris Hitoshi, June 22.  
OGATA, John T. (Nellie H. Oshita)—girl Shirley A., June 20.  
OGAWA, Kikuo (Kaoru Shimada)—girl Susan Akemi, June 9.  
OGAWA, William K. (Mary F. Kajiya)—girl Janet Sachiko, June 11.

Engagements

KITAHARA-YAMAGUCHI — Tamiko to Jack E., both West Los Angeles.  
KIYOHARA-YAMAGA — Mary Mitsue to Lucky S., both Los Angeles.

Weddings

AKITA-WAKAYAMA — July 29 — Richard I. and Beatrice A., both Hawaii, at Los Angeles.  
INOUE-INAGAKI — July 21, Ted (USAF) and Carolyn K., Denver.  
INOUE-SUGIMOTO — July 28, Frank T., Whittier; Chieko, Los Angeles.  
KAMIGAKACHI-WASHIYA — July 21, Masashi, Castroville; May, Sanger.  
NONOGUCHI-UCHIDA — Aug. 5, Hajime and Yukiko, both West Los Angeles.  
YAMADA-KANENAGA — July 28, Noboru, Orosi; Bernice S., Fowler.  
YOSHINO-YOSHINAGA — Aug. 5, Toshio and Suyako, both Los Angeles.

Deaths

OGAWA, Kirisuke, 75; Los Angeles, Aug. 6—widow Taneko; sons Hideo, Kenneth, Masami, Nagatoshi, Wilson; daughters Mmes. Yaeko Kiyuchi, Kumiye Hashimoto; 14 grandchildren.  
SUZUKI, Masami, 52; Pasadena, Aug. 7—widow Ei; daughter Masako Dorothy; parents Mr. & Mrs. Masashi. TAKAKI, Mrs. Tameyo, 68; Long Beach, Aug. 6—sons Sueo, Hideo, Takeo Takahashi; daughters Mmes. Ayako Noma, Shigeko Tsunawaki.  
UCHIMURA, Kiyotaka, 33; Long Beach, Aug. 4—widow June; son Walter.

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Ex-L.A. newsman dies of cancer

TOKYO. — Goro Murata, 49, a Nisei who made good as a newspaperman in Japan, died of cancer of the sinus in a Tokyo sanitarium Aug. 11. He is survived by his wife and daughter in Tokyo, parents and sister in Montebello, Calif.

Born in Los Angeles, Murata began newspapering after graduating from Whittier College by editing the prewar Shin Nichibei and Kashu Mainichi English sections. He arrived in Japan in 1933 and was news editor of the Japan Times. He subsequently became managing editor and business manager of the Nippon Times.

(Murata was one of the charter members of the Los Angeles JACL when it was reorganized in 1929 and active during the 1932 national JACL convention in Los Angeles.)

Chas. Kamayatsu's father dies, was naturalized

Hyoichi Kamayatsu, 79, native of Aomori and a naturalized citizen, died after a long illness Aug. 9. Funeral services were held last Tuesday at the Centenary Methodist Church. He was the father of Charles K. Kamayatsu, veteran JACLer and active in the Hollywood chapter.

Utah pet owners warned against rabies outbreak

SALT LAKE CITY. — Utah's dog & cat owners were warned last week that rabies may break out in plague proportions in the state unless pets are vaccinated against the disease immediately.

Taira Fukushima, virologist with the state bureau of laboratories, was pictured in the Deseret News-Salt Lake Telegram assisting in vaccination of a dog against rabies.

Threat of the outbreak came with the announcement that bats in the state are now known to be carriers of the disease when a local youth was bitten by a bat.

DENVER MOTHER WINS IN TRI-STATE ART SHOW

CHEYENNE, Wyo. — Mrs. Yuriko Noda, mother of two and a graduate of the Tokyo School of Fine Arts, was named grand purchase prize winner for her painting at the second annual Tri-State Art Exhibit here. Her grown children are Dr. Albert Noda and Mrs. Mahito Uba.

ACTIVE CLEVELAND JACL-ER RETURNS TO NEBRASKA HOME

CLEVELAND. — Lillian Hashiba, active in JACL circles here for many years, was honored a farewell picnic July 8 at South Chagrin Metropolitan Park. She left for her home in Scottsbluff, Neb., and from there her plans are indefinite. Marge Iwasaki and Mary Sadataki were in charge of the picnic.

OPTOMISTS TO SUPPORT SHONEN HOME REGULARLY

The local Japanese American Optomists are pledging a regular monthly contribution of \$10 until further notice to the Japanese Children's Home of Southern California, it was announced by Nobu T. Kawai, Shonien president. The Mesdames of Pasadena and Nishi Hongwanji Jr. Matrons have pledged annual support.

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## WASHINGTON NEWSLETTER: by Mike Masaoka



## Democratic convention

Chicago

When Truman endorsed Harriman for the presidential nomination, he selected this Convention as his battleground to determine whether he and his cohorts would continue to dominate the Democratic Party, or whether the new leadership of Governor Stevenson would take over. If Harriman wins, or a dark horse is nominated, Truman and the "pros", the old guards, will have emerged victorious. If Stevenson wins, Adlai will become the undisputed leader of the Democrats and the ties with the controversial Truman Administration broken.

What started out as a rather routine Convention, with the stalwarts maneuvering to retain party unity by working out some acceptable compromise on civil rights, has now developed into a real donnybrook, with perhaps the civil rights plank the first out-and-cut skirmish between the Harrimanites and the Stevensonites. As this Newsletter is being written, the 108-member Platform Committee is trying to hammer out some statement which will keep the South in the Party and still retain the goodwill of the liberals and the minorities. Stevenson is for a moderate approach, while Harriman is for the "give 'em (Dixiecrats) hell" technique.

Although the televised and broadcast features such as Governor Clement's "old school" oratorical keynote speech captured the headlines, the hard fight for control of the Party went on in the hotel rooms of the Blackstone, the Hilton, the Morrison, and every other place where delegates stayed as the drive to secure commitments moved into high gear. Every delegate with even a half vote was important, especially since most of the favorite sons and uncommitted delegates were maintaining a "wait and see" policy to try to gain the highest possible concession or "trade" for their or his vote.

## Platform Committee hearings . . .

Last week, the Platform and Resolutions Committee began hearings on what should be included in the Party's campaign Platform for the coming November election. Although the civil rights issue was the transcending one, it was quite a lesson in the democratic system to witness so many individuals, each with his own version of what should be done on almost every subject under the sun, testify that in order to win the November elections the Democratic Party had to devote a special plank to their specific problem.

Unlike a congressional hearing, where some semblance of impartiality is at least maintained most of the time, these hearings were frankly and obviously political and partisan. They were sounding boards for Democratic pronouncements and attacks on the Republican regime which began at 10 in the morning and lasted until after midnight.

Of special interest to JACL will be the platform expressions on civil rights, immigration, foreign trade, and statehood for Hawaii.

## Comments on Personalities . . .

First Nisei ever to be a national committeeman is Dr. Ernest Mural, Honolulu dentist who studied at the Univ. of California and is well known to many mainlanders.

First Nisei ever to serve on a national platform committee of either major party is Mary Nakano Isa, Hilo, who is secretary to the Territorial Democratic Committee and national committeewoman elect of the Young Democrats of Hawaii.

Two ex-442nd veterans are also members of the Hawaiian delegation, Dan Inouye, who is a member of the Territorial Assembly, and Matsu Takibuki, who is a member of the Board of Supervisors for the City and County of Honolulu, both attorneys.

Earl Finch, well known as the "godfather of the 442nd", is also a member of the Territorial Delegation. He is the Party's treasurer.

Monroe Sweetland of Oregon was also a member of the Platform Committee. Presently a candidate to be Secretary of State of Oregon, he was a wartime national sponsor of the JACL and one of the most effective friends of Americans of Japanese ancestry during the years when even lukewarm and lip-service friends were scarce.

Congressman John Moss of Sacramento was among the few selected to sit at the "head table" along with Chairman John McCormack. He impressed many observers as a "comer" with his effective questioning. Added to his able leadership as the chairman of the Government Operations Subcommittee which investigated Government information procedure during the last session of Congress, young Congressman Moss appears destined for greater things in the Party leadership.

Edward J. Ennis, counsel to the Washington JACL Office and keynote speaker at the forthcoming National JACL Convention in San Francisco, testified twice—once for American Immigration Conference and once for the American Civil Liberties Union. His first appearance was to urge a liberalized immigration policy and his second was to demand a strong civil rights plank. He was one of the New York State delegation for Stevenson, though the bulk of that state's delegates were committed to their Governor, Harriman.

Dore Schary, vice-president of MGM in charge of production, was responsible for the film depicting highlights in the history of the Democratic Party which preceded the keynote address by Governor Clement of Tennessee. Schary was producer of "Go For Broke", film's tribute to the 442nd which was written and directed by Robert Pirosh. Schary was also the keynote speaker two years ago at the 13th Biennial National JACL Convention which was held in Los Angeles.

Congressman Francis E. Walter of Pennsylvania, JACL legislative champion in Congress, is one of the leaders of the Harriman for President campaign, while Congressman Sidney R. Yates of Chicago, also a strong JACL supporter in Congress, is a personal friend and leader in the Stevenson drive for the nomination. Senator Paul Douglas of Illinois is another strong Stevenson supporter.

Philleo Nash, President Truman's adviser on minority problems in the last Administration, is the national committeeman from Wisconsin.

Mrs. Roosevelt, widow of the late Franklin D. Roosevelt,

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The sign reads: Hahai la Kaula—Follow Us. The banner spells out the theme of the Convention Mixer, opening social for the 14th biennial national JACL convention at the Sheraton-Palace Hotel in San Francisco. After the opening ceremonies on Friday, Aug. 31, the mixer frolics begin about 9:30 p.m. at the hotel ballroom. Depicting the gay mood are (left to right) standing—Vi Nakano, chmn.; George Araki, Convention Chairman Jerry Enomoto, Kei Hori, Daisy Uyeda; seated—Jean Okubo, Jane Omura, Kathy Osaki and Elsie Uyeda.

—Photo by Peter Asano.

## Ennis—

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standing of JACL and our problems."

It was noted that the keynote speaker had served as assistant United States attorney in charge of the civil division for the Southern (New York City) District of New York, as assistant solicitor general of the United States, as special assistant to the attorney general of the United States, as the first general counsel of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, and as chief of the Enemy Alien Control unit of the Department of Justice during the war.

As far as persons of Japanese ancestry in this country are concerned, Ennis is best remembered as the most outspoken opponent in the administration against the War Department's mass evacuation orders of 1942. As the Department of Justice's representative on evacuee problems, he was among those responsible for the humanitarian and "liberal" policies of the War Relocation Authority.

After he left government service, following the end of hostilities, he entered private practice and was retained as general counsel in the years when the Washington office was established and the great legislative campaigns of the JACL were underway. He helped draft many of the corrective, and remedial bills which became law. He served as the national chairman of the Citizens Committee for Equality in Naturalization.

Since 1952, he has been the Washington counsel of the JACL.

As general counsel of the ACLU, he succeeds the late Arthur Garfield Hays as the attorney for this non-partisan, anti-communist public association which championed in the courts during and after World War II the historic cases challenging the constitutionality of the curfew and travel restrictions imposed by the military following the outbreak of war, the evacuation itself, the detention of loyal Americans of Japanese ancestry, the alien land law, the denial of commercial fishing licenses to aliens of Japanese ancestry, the racial restrictive covenants, and racial segregation in public schools and places of public accommodation.

"With his background in civil and human rights, as well as immigration matters, and with his intimate association with our JACL in its decade of achievement, Ed Ennis is well qualified to speak to our delegates at the Opening Ceremonies on the theme of our Convention, 'Changing Perspectives'. We are looking forward to his keynote address as one which will help us chart our organizational course for the coming biennium realistically and with due regard for the basic purposes of JACL," chairman Enomoto said.

## Tickets for 'Bonanza'—1000 Club frolic at Convention—given wide distribution

SAN FRANCISCO. — Tickets for the 1000 Club Whing Ding at the 14th Biennial at the Surf Club, Saturday, Sept. 1, from 5:30 p.m. have been distributed to various district councils and chapters. Reservations are already being received by the National JACL Office, according to Frank Oda, event chairman.

"Bonanza" has been chosen as the theme for the Whing-Ding this year, and each district council represented will put on a skit reflecting the theme. An award will be given to the district council whose skit is deemed most appropriate and original.

Harold "Tokuzo" Gordon of Chicago will be the emcee for the entertainment portion of the evening, and Abe Hagiwara, also of Chicago, will lead the group singing.

All 1000 Clubbers attending the convention will receive a novel plastic knight key chain upon registration. In addition, a number of special prizes will be awarded at the Whing-Ding to individual 1000

clubbers who qualify under certain categories. Convention Queen Sharon Nishimi and the five chapter queens will serve as judges. They are Elaine Harada, Miss San Francisco; Ann Yamamoto, Miss San Jose; Barbara Arimoto, Miss Sequoia; Susan Shiba, Miss Stockton; and Carol Narahara, Miss Alameda.

Since its inception in 1947, the 1000 Club has been known as the fun-loving yet earnest core of the JACL, and the whing-ding is where the club members "let their hair down" and have a hilariously good time. The Whing-Ding has become the high point for all 1000 Clubbers at the National JACL conventions, and this year's whing-ding is expected to be "the best" yet.

With a goodly number of the 1,145 1000 Clubbers expected to attend the Whing-Ding, members are urged to make reservations as soon as possible at the JACL National headquarters. Tickets are \$5 which includes dinner, entertainment and the dance to follow.

## JACL convention notes what to wear; minimum wardrobe suggested for women

SAN FRANCISCO. — The 14th biennial national JACL convention occurs during San Francisco's finest weather for September is the warmest and mildest month during the year. However, its occasional fog makes its a "suit" town which brings the subject of "what to wear" for JACL conventioners.

Because of this air-conditioned climate, San Francisco women always seem to be well-dressed. Delegates are reminded to bring a coat, as well as suits, wool dresses, sweaters and skirts. Also, don't forget to pack a dressy dress, as well as a cocktail dress or formal for the Sayonara Ball. Hats and gloves will give you the smart "San Francisco Look."

All types and styles of furs can be worn to add a touch of chic and elegance to your suits, dresses and coats. Bring along a sunsuit, peddle pushers, bermuda shorts, slacks, cotton dress or bathing suit for the Convention outing. Slacks are for sportswear only, and not for streetwear. Also, white shoes are seldom seen in San Francisco. The suggested minimum ward-

robe for women delegates would then include: a dress for the convention mixer on Friday evening, a suit or dress for the luncheon and fashion show on Saturday, a dressy dress for the 1000 Club Whing Ding that same evening, sports outfit for outing and dance on Sunday at the Blackberry Farm cocktail dress or formal for Monday banquet and Sayonara Ball.

Wool suits would be comfortable for the men, and it would be a good idea to bring a topcoat to ward off brisk winds during cool San Francisco evenings. Ties are always worn in the city, but casual clothes, including denims and sport shirts would be the dress for the day at the convention outing. Dark suits or tuxedos can be worn for the convention banquet and ball.

## CALENDAR

Aug. 18 (Saturday)  
Philadelphia — Community picnic, Friends Central School.  
Aug. 19 (Sunday)  
Mid-Columbia — Community picnic, Viking Park, Troutdale.  
Berkeley — Community picnic, Lake Temescal, Oakland.  
Aug. 24 (Friday)  
Gardena Valley — General meeting, Japanese Community Center, 8 p.m.  
George Inagaki, guest spkr.  
Aug. 26 (Sunday)  
Pasadena — Cabinet meeting, Tom Ito's.  
Aug. 31-Sept. 3  
San Francisco — 14th biennial Nat'l JACL Convention, Sheraton-Palace Hotel, Conv. Ho.  
Sept. 12 (Wednesday)  
East Los Angeles — General meeting.  
Sept. 15 (Saturday)  
Detroit — 10th Anniversary dinner.

## Photo 'Who's Who'

BERKELEY. — Dr. Henry M. Takahashi, local optometrist and photography expert, is listed as one of the top 10 internationally in the field of color slides for 1955 in the Photographic Society of America Journal "who's who".