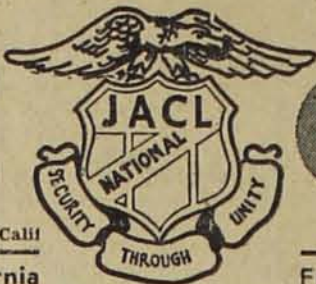


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PRESIDENT'S CORNER:

Final expression
of gratitude

This being my last column as National President I would like to take this final opportunity to express my sincere appreciation to those who have made my term of office a most pleasant one.

First of all, to the general membership of the organization I owe an enormous thanks for the truly wonderful way in which they responded to the task that faced us in 1952.

Thanks to them, we have successfully come through the transition period and today the JACL is on a sounder foundation than ever before in its history. The membership is showing a steady growth, new vitality and enthusiasm that permeates the rank and file of the organization. Thanks to them I am allowed to retire from office with the JACL's future looking brighter than ever before.

Secondly, I certainly owe a debt of gratitude to the national board members with whom it was truly a pleasure to serve. Each did a yeoman's job on whatever assignment asked of them. And, in their respective areas each exerted tremendous influence in bringing about the wonderful progress JACL enjoys today.

Thirdly, and certainly not the least, I could not retire without expressing my gratitude to the wonderful staff, from the national director to the office secretaries. Each one is devoted to the JACL. Time and time again I have seen this devotion exemplified in their efforts for the JACL. A national president cannot help but develop a sentimental attachment to people like our staff members.

So my closing remarks come from the bottom of my heart in a great big THANK YOU to you all.
—George Inagaki.

300 SAN FRANCISCAN ASSIST IN STAGING 14TH BIENNIAL CONFAB

SAN FRANCISCO. — A good thing like a national JACL convention is hard to kill.

When the 13th Biennial came to a close over the Labor Day weekend at the Statler Hotel in Los Angeles two years ago, over a 1,000 had registered for an all-time high and enjoyed what appeared to be the "biggest and bestest" convention among Japanese Americans.

As delegates were finishing their deliberations in the 1954 meeting, the subject of the 1956 convention was tabled and left to the discretion of the national JACL board—unprecedented in the 25 year history of the organization. A bid for the convention was left in the hands of national headquarters.

The National Council had decided to withhold action regarding the site of the 1956 convention for a half year and if no bids were received, the National board would then designate the time and place with national headquarters making necessary arrangements.

Mas Satow, national director, in March, 1955, reported to the board that the six-month period had elapsed and no chapters had submitted bids.

He then recommended to the board that the national council meeting be held in San Francisco over the traditional Labor Day weekend. The selection of this city was based on convenience and practicality since arrangements could be made with a minimum of correspondence.

Satow also pointed out that San Francisco never loses its attractions for things to see and do and that there were many good JACLers whom he could ask personally to assist.

Two months later, Satow met with the San Francisco JACL chapter board outlining a national convention on a simplified basis: council sessions over three days, banquet, official luncheon, 1000 Club get-together and a social.

The chapter board happily accepted and national headquarters began negotiating for a hotel to accommodate the convention. Other events such as the mixer, outing and sport tournaments were still not on the convention program with sponsorship of these

events open to any chapter in the vicinity.

Last September, the San Francisco chapter board unanimously went on record to take over the 1956 convention. In the meantime, the Sheraton-Palace Hotel was contracted as the convention site. As a matter of local pride, the board members geared themselves to stage the 14th Biennial. At the same time, a "watered-down" national convention with a maximum of business sessions and a minimum of social attractions disappeared as Jerry Enomoto, then chapter president, called the first meeting to organize a convention board.

With less than a year to prepare for the gala affair, Enomoto was named general convention chair.

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'Yes for Prop. 13' gains new support

Additional support for adoption of Prop. 13 on the California November ballot was revealed this week by the So. Calif. JACL Regional Office.

The Los Angeles Mirror News in an editorial on Aug. 23, called the Alien Land Law "an obsolete law that should be repealed," describing how the Alien Property Initiative Act of 1920 served an injustice on Japanese aliens and how the law was invalidated by the courts and congress, urging a "YES" vote on Proposition 13.

The California State Federation of Labor (AFL) at its 54th convention held in Long Beach on Aug. 13 to 17, adopted an endorsement of Proposition 13 recommending a "YES" vote.

Earlier other community groups not heretofore announced, endorsed a "YES" vote for Proposition 13 to repeal the Alien Property Initiative Act of 1920 and include the Chambers of Commerce of Los Angeles and San Francisco, the City Council of San Diego, the Jewish Community Relations Committee of San Francisco, the NAACP, Los Angeles City Councilman Edward R. Roybal and others.



George J. Inagaki, national JACL president, retires from office at the 14th Biennial national convention after leading the organization through its so-called transitional period of 1952-56.

1000ers urged to get tickets for Whing-Ding

SAN FRANCISCO. — Predicting a turnaway crowd for the 1000 Club Whing-Ding tomorrow night at the Surf Club, delegates were urged to purchase tickets at the Convention registration desk upon arrival at the Sheraton-Palace by Frank Oda, event chairman.

Reservations began pouring into Convention headquarters from chapters across the nation last week.

The Whing-Ding will start promptly at 5:30 p.m. with dinner being served at 6:30. Tokuzo Gordon of Chicago will emcee 10 fun-packed acts.

Del Courtney's orchestra to play at 14th Biennial finale—Sayonara Ball

SAN FRANCISCO. — The traditional Sayonara Ball which climaxes each national JACL convention will close the 14th Biennial on Monday, Sept. 3, in the Rose Room and Concert Room of the Sheraton-Palace Hotel with Marshall Sumida as master of ceremonies.

Del Courtney and his 12-piece orchestra will provide varied music for dancing in the two ballrooms which adjoin each other. The band leader is well known to San Franciscans through his weekly Del Courtney Show on KPIX on Saturday afternoons. Special request numbers will be encouraged.

The Sayonara Ball will be semi-formal. Ladies are reminded that either gowns or "after-five" attire would be appropriate. Dancing will be from 10 p.m. until 2 a.m.

The national convention queen, Sharon Nishimi will reign over the event with members of her court: Carol Narahara, Miss Alameda; Elaine Harada, Miss San Francisco; Ann Yamamoto, Miss San Jose; Barbara Arimoto, Miss Sequoia; Susan Shiba, Miss Stockton. A special "Queen's Dance" will follow the first intermission.

Special entertainment during the evening will consist of solos by Lane Nakano of Los Angeles, well-known singer of popular songs, and a dancing exhibition by the Arthur Murray Studios.

'CALLAHAN' TO RETIRE FROM TOP NATL' JACL POST

By HARRY HONDA

Beloved by his friends as "Callahan", national JACL president George J. Inagaki of Venice, Calif., is retiring this weekend from a post he held for four years when the Japanese American Citizens League was entering its so-called transitional stage.

Last year, the League celebrated its silver jubilee and its history was fully reported in the Pacific Citizen 1955 Holiday issue. Beginning with a handful of far-sighted West Coast Nisei leaders who first met in San Francisco in 1929, the organization has grown in stature and prestige in the intervening years.

With the war and evacuation, the movement had no alternative but to scatter eastward. There were dark moments at the height of evacuation in early 1942, when Inagaki joined the national JACL headquarters staff with Mike Masaka to confer with government officials in Washington, D.C., on the welfare of persons of Japanese descent.

As JACL field representative during the war years, Inagaki opened the Midwest JACL Office in Chicago in 1943 before enlisting in the Army to be assigned to the Camp Savage military intelligence school in June, 1944. He was among the first Nisei to be attached to the U.S. Navy, being stationed at Central Pacific headquarters in Honolulu. He also saw action on D-Day at Okinawa.

Upon discharge from the service in January, 1946, Inagaki renewed
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Part of the core of hard-working convention board members staging the 14th Biennial opening this weekend in San Francisco's Sheraton-Palace are (left to right): seated—Sumi Honnami, registrar; Sumi Utsumi, hospitality chmn.; standing—Mary Yonemoto, rec. sec.; Jerry Enomoto, conv. gen. chmn.; and Mrs. Flo Dobashi, pub.

Plant disease expert wins MSU appointment

EAST LANSING, Mich.—Dr. Harry H. Murakishi, former chairman of the department of plant pathology at Univ. of Hawaii, recently was appointed an associate professor at Michigan State University. He devotes full time to research on vegetable diseases.

Dr. Murakishi received the B.S. degree at Univ. of California in 1940, the M.S. degree at Univ. of North Carolina in 1947 and the Ph.D. degree at University of Minnesota in 1948. In 1955 he did research on viruses at Univ. of California on a Guggenheim Fellowship.

He is a son of Mrs. Naka Murakishi, Berkeley, Calif.

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FROM THE FRYING PAN: by Bill Hosokawa



Fujiwara Opera Co.

Denver

■ Cho-Cho-san came to town last week and the occasion fell somewhat short of being auspicious. It wasn't the Fujiwara Opera Company's fault, either, for even the elements seemed to be in league against the opera's success. "Madame Butterfly" was presented in Denver's vast, open-air Red Rocks theater with a stage as large and almost as barren as a basketball court. Poor Cho-Cho-san and her associates were practically lost in this massive setting and one got the impression that some of the characters were exhausting themselves simply shuffling on and off the stage.

In the opera's latter stages, a brisk wind came up, whipped the straw mats around like laundry on the line and otherwise disrupted matters. The well-bundled audience, which was surprisingly large and properly appreciative of the singers' efforts, was thoroughly chilled before the performance ended.

The Denver Post's critic, Alex Murphree, treated Eiko Kuwabara in the title role kindly. Her voice, he wrote, "had a forbidding tremolo during the first act but as the opera continued the tone production improved into a velvety bel canto." I'm not quite sure what that means, but I certainly agree with his high evaluation of Kiyoko Murayama as Suzuki. In addition to her merits as a singer, from the vantage point of four rows up, she was certainly the most handsome and shapely young lady in the whole cast.

IS 'MME. BUTTERFLY' APPROPRIATE?

■ Puccini's "Madame Butterfly" is an opera with more than its share of beautiful, hum-able music. Certainly in the right sort of setting, it can be a delightful thing. But at Red Rocks on a gusty evening, it was as out of place as cherry blossoms in the desert or a geisha in a ring with a lady wrestler.

I have my doubts, too, about how appropriate "Madame Butterfly" is as a Japanese cultural export. Reduced to its simplest elements, it's a story about a wandering Yankee sailor (okay, naval officer, if you insist) who meets, woos and betrays a simple, trusting little Japanese girl. He does her wrong. He abandons her and weds another. So what does our heroine do? Instead of sticking up for her rights and clouting him over the head as she should, or suing him in the courts for everything he has, she suffers quietly, sings a sad, noble little song and finally plunges a dagger into herself. What kind of democratic action is that?

Oh, I suppose this sort of thing has happened, is happening and will continue to happen. But for the Japanese themselves to export it abroad as a demonstration of how well they have served to adopt this Italian opera as their own theme song and learned to sing like westerners seems to me to be singularly inappropriate. It's about like a troupe of Germans coming to the United States to stage a wild west rodeo or Russians putting on a minstrel show in blackface.

I just wonder if Americans wouldn't be more gratified (and show their gratification at the box office) by a program made up of the most exciting bits of entertainment from what is strictly Japanese. It needn't be particularly long-hair, either. I'm certainly no expert on the Japanese stage, but I can recall, for instance, the famous Kabuki Lion Dance. The flutes sing shrilly and the drums thunder a wild rhythm and the lion (it looks more like a dragon) writhes and dances like a demon possessed. Man, it's a real gone show. This, as part of an evening of entertainment, would have Americans enthralled or jumping in the aisles, maybe both.

So much for this foray into the rarified atmosphere of culture. I'm glad it doesn't happen very often in From the Frying Pan.

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JACL convention—

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 man and the wheels began to roll. San Francisco was going to host another convention after staging the "Homecoming" national convocation of 1952.

What has happened the past eight months will be realized this weekend as another record-breaking turnout of delegates converges upon the Sheraton-Palace to participate in a full-scale national convention.

Yes, a good thing like a national JACL convention is hard to kill.

Close to 300 JACLers, some of them doubling up on assignments, have volunteered to stage the 14th Biennial Convention personnel assisting Enomoto include Jack Hirose, finance; Dr. Tok Hedani, treas.; Kaz Sakai, official events; Kei Hori, social events; Taxy Hironaka, special events; Hatsuro Aizawa, S.F. chapter pres.; Katherine Reyes, cor. sec.; Mary Yonemoto, rec. sec.; Flo Dobashi, pub.; Lucy Adachi, conv. chmn. sec.; Dan Nakatsu, Haruo Ishimaru, pub. rel.; Tosh Kubokawa, Operation Mercury; Thelma Takeda, booklet; Sim Togasaki, booklet bus. mgr.; Hisashi Tani, art co-ordinator; Sawae Futatsuki, hist. and the following:

Sumi Honnami, chmn.

REGISTRATION

Friday reg. chmn.—Louise Endo;
 Saturday reg. chmn.—Kiku Hori; Sun-
 day reg. chmn.—Sachi Kawaoki; Mon-
 day reg. chmn.—Sally Noda.

(Partial List)

Bessie Nishi, Masako Sato, Louise Okubo, Tsuyu Hiura, Yasuko Fujita, Hideko Wada, Linda Yatabe, Margie Ikenoue, Katherine Reyes, Sumako Fukumori, Kay Sakaguchi, June Kohatsu, Torie Tomimatsu, Miye Magata, Iku Yamamoto, Chiye Nagareda, Janice Muramoto, Mary Minamoto; Bette Takeshita, Frances Togami, Alice Yasukawa, Virginia Sato, Yuri Ito, Mabel Iwata, Lucy Adachi, Sadie Yamashita, Helen Mikawa, Stella Horita, Rose Horita, Violet Ichikawa, Bessie Sonoda, Mary Morishita, Toni Yasuda, Kiyoko Okamoto, Wanda Komachi, Kiku Shimazaki, June Kohatsu, Mabel Iwata;

Masako Hattori, Carol Tanaka, Josie Matsuda, Connie Takahashi, Dorothy Suzuki, Mari Shinoda, Rose Kuroda, Yae Iwasa, Daisy Yamane, Sadie Yamashita, Vi Nozaki, Chieko Hashiguchi, and Ruth Eto.

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 Frank Maruoka, chmn., Barber Shop quartet contest.

MIXER

Viola Nakano, chmn.

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TOKYO TOPICS: by Tamotsu Murayama

Early JACL days grim

Tokyo



● While the 14th Biennial national JACL convention has been described as an elaborate demonstration to show what American citizens of Japanese extraction can do for America and democracy, this reporter can recall the early days of the JACL movement. We have certainly traveled a very long way. And we still note the handful of leaders of those days still sharing their burdens for the organization.

In the middle 1920s, there were many roadblocks to have the JACL movement on the "go". First of all, we had to deal with the California Issei group then led by the late Kyutaro Abiko of San Francisco. Some of the remnants of that group are still diehard as anti-JACL reports from Issei still reach Japan.

Another group was composed of strong, progressively-minded Kibei men and women. They had organized a "Dai Nihon Seinen Kai". They understood what JACL wanted to accomplish but steadfastly refused to accept Nisei leadership of that period which sought to implement a program for the benefit of Japanese in America as a whole. It would appear it was this "nationalistic" group that the late V. S. McClatchy detested, although the Nisei as a whole suffered.

Yet, there were equally (though the exception) capable Kibei leaders who cooperated with the JACL movement during its infancy. Iwao Shimizu was an outstanding coordinator at that time. This reporter was able to get him into the journalistic game. Today, he is editor of the Hokubei Mainichi. I was also able to draw strong support from Terumitsu Kano, Kibei leader in Seattle. Today, he is editor of the Hokubei Jiji. Kibei groups in Los Angeles also extended their cooperation.

Another group of Kibei was composed of young men who were radical in their thinking. Since Japan

was very anti-communistic, some of these Kibei students in Japan were kicked out of schools and returned home. Some joined the U.S. Communist party and began to attack JACL. It is ironic that these boys became heroes almost after World War II when they joined the Occupational forces here.

● Another group might be called the "Yobiyose" boys, whose parents were living in America and called "home" to join them. Most of them are probably in their 50s and 60s today and form the backbone of the Japanese community in America. While "yobiyose" children were normally Japan-born, some of the American-born children studying in Japan were treated as such forty years ago.

Tamezo Takimoto, who died destitute at this birthplace on Iki-shima during the war, had initiated a movement urging American-born children to leave Japan and return home. There was a shortage of agricultural workers in America and the "yobiyose" youth would be of tremendous help to their parents. The Japanese vernacular press in America pushed such a campaign.

Many responded even before finishing their college education.

While many anti-Japanese propagandists could not understand why Issei parents sent their children to Japan, their reply was simple. They wanted their children to get a Japanese education, to get acquainted with Japanese culture, etc.

Since that time, the dream of Issei pioneers of things Japanese has deteriorated. The people of Japan today are completely spoiled and changed. But Japan is rising to its gracious heights of old as old war wounds have healed and many Issei are coming home for eternal rest.

● There is so much to recall as we welcome JACL delegates to San Francisco to a bigger and better convention.

The anti-JACLer of yesteryears, its antagonists and enemies have all joined hands to stage a common front for the welfare of Japanese Americans. Times have changed and it's wonderful.

Calif. voter registration deadline emphasized by Pasadena JACL chapter

PASADENA. — Emphasis to Issei-Nisei citizens to be registered as voters for the coming November general election by Sept. 13 (deadline for registration in California) has been placed by the Pasadena JACL.

At a special cabinet meeting called by Harris Ozawa, president, at his Vernon St. home, discussion was held on the 14th Biennial national JACL convention and set an Oct. 18 general meeting date to report on the convention as well as preview election issues.

The regular Wednesday dance classes at the local Community Center have been cancelled until Sept. 12.

Ken Dyo, who reported on the "Vote Yes on Prop. 13—Repeal of the Alien Land Law" will be assisted by Ted Tajima in the local campaign. Dr. Ken Yamaguchi was named chairman of the Nov. 3 benefit movie (tentative) to raise funds for the campaign. Assisting are Elizabeth Ozawa, Kimi Fukutaki and Tom Ito.

442ND REUNION DATES IN 1958 ANNOUNCED

SEATTLE. — Dates for the 15th Anniversary reunion of the 442nd RCT were announced by Dick Settsuda, reunion steering committee chairman for the Nisei Veterans Committee, as July 19, 1958 and to continue for two weeks.

Convention Choristers

SAN FRANCISCO. — Members of the Oakland West Tenth Methodist Chapel choir who will appear during the opening ceremonies of the 14th Biennial convention are as follows:

SOPRANOS: Kay Awaya, Ruby Ebisui, Betty Kurihara, Velma Kurihara, Amy Maniwa, Callie Morizono, Sally Naganata, Dorothy Oda, Akiko Okuno, Bobbie Sugimoto, Motoko Togasaki, Karie Yamashita.

TENORS: Asa Fujie, William Fujita, David Iino, Elzo Kobayashi, Kazuo Maruoka, Frank Nishio, Mary Nishimoto, Calvin Yamashita.

ALTOS: Mitzie Akiyama, Rebecca Conrad, Sachie Hayakawa, Violet Ito, Sachi Kajiwaru, Elizabeth

Kimura, Kathryn Kusumoto, Elsie Mori, Carol Oishi, Toshi Ono, Irene Suzuki, June Yamane.

BASSES: Paul Ebisui, John Hayakawa, George Morita, Gene Oishi, Arthur Okuno, Richard Oshima, George Oyama, David Saito, William Takahashi, Edward Utsumi, William Utsumi.

The choir is under direction of Frank F. Ono with Michi Kajiwaru as piano accompanist.

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Beautifully embroidered silk flag bearing the JACL Emblem and national motto—Better Americans in a Greater America—will be officially presented to the Japanese American Citizens League by its donor, Yaemon Minami, well-known pioneer and Issei leader from Guadalupe at the Convention's Opening Ceremonies. The flag was originally donated in recognition of JACL's quarter century of service. By the flag are National Director Masao Satow of San Francisco and Sharon Nishimi of Sacramento, who reigns as Miss National JACL of 1956.



perspectively yours,

by Jerry Enomoto



San Francisco

■ WELCOME! Howdy, fellow JACLers, and a warm welcome to San Francisco. We of the host Chapter are happy to "open our Golden Gates" to you delegates and boosters to the 14th Biennial National Convention of our organization. Our city has been the locale of many an epoch making event and, in 1952, was the scene of our 12th Biennial. When we gathered here then, we were on the threshold of some of our most significant legislative victories. Now, four years later, we meet again in San Francisco, secure in the knowledge that the JACL has improved the lot of Americans of Japanese ancestry in this Democracy of ours yet aware that we continue to be challenged by unresolved problems affecting ourselves and our fellow men. Appropriately enough, our theme, "Changing Perspectives", reflects the need for an ever-changing and fresh approach to the problems of our times.

HOSPITALITY PLUS

■ "The City That Knows How", that's as good a motto as any, as we roll out the red carpet for all of you. Here at the Sheraton-Palace Hotel, headquarters of the 14th Biennial, you'll find comfort and service. By the way, why don't you register right now in the South Lobby and meet our registration boss Sumi Honnami, who'll give you official delegates all the paraphernalia you need for National Council sessions. If you're a booster, she'll take good care of you too. See that friendly gal over there? That's Sally Noda, the pre-registration boss.

If you're an old timer, you'll probably be frantically re-newing acquaintances with conventioners from all over the country. If you're a Convention "first timer" and are part of the "new blood" rapidly swelling our ranks, come on over and meet our hospitality chairman Sumi Utsumi, (don't tell her I said so, but she's actually the uncrowned queen of San Francisco). Anyway, she's got a host of gals itching to give out with hospitality. If you're tired and beat from the trip, drop into our Hospitality Room for refreshment. Oh yes, don't forget to drop by the Date Bureau and put in your order for a handsome (or shapely) escort (or date) for the big Sayonara Ball on Monday evening.

While you're in the South Lobby, take a gander at the master map, showing the hotel and City layout, for complete dope on locale of events, as well as spots to see in town. You'll also find material and information on guided tours around San Francisco and its environs, night spots, etc. You'll find a booth with two beautiful gals in it, and they'll be glad to take those "Operation Mercury" stubs and loot off your hands. If you have room reservations, you're OK, but if you don't, go and check at the desk. Maybe a room might still be available at the 25% discount rate.

■ Let's hop the elevator and go up to the second floor for a look at the National Council session locale. Here's the spacious and comfortable Comstock Room, where the delegates are already gathering for the first business session. A little later on, the vital and challenging, "National Planning Forum" will also convene here. Down the hall are some of the rooms where other groups will meet. Here is the California Room, where our Issei friends will meet and hear our Washington representative Mike Masaoka later in the afternoon.

■ Well, here we are in the evening at the Cafe Room for the Opening Ceremonies. We're just in time. You can hear the 40-voice Choir from the Oakland Methodist Church warming up. It won't be long before you'll be hearing the voice of our keynote speaker, Edward Ennis, legal counsel for the JACL, former Solicitor General of the United States, and long a staunch friend of the Nisei and JACL.

'HAHAI LA KAUA'

■ Now, let's follow the crowd to the Gold Room, where our bouncing and effervescent chairman Vi Nakano will really mix us up at the Convention Mixer. Here're all the lovely gals to meet us, and it looks like they got a big crowd doing the "bunny hop" already. Love this Hawaiian atmosphere! Oh, oh, get a load of that hula line, there must be 30 wahines, and they're really shaking it, ahem. What's that coming this way? Oh, that's one of those roving mikes coming around to interview us. Here's a chance to get ourselves on the map. Boy, they've really got this thing planned, haven't they? I must have met everybody at the Convention by now.

LUNCHEON AND 'DESSERT'

■ We are now at the Gold Ballroom again, this time to enjoy luncheon and feast our eyes on a "dessert" of some of San Francisco's prettiest Nisei women. These gals are showing, to very good advantage, some beautiful creations from the "City of Paris", one of the City's finest dispensers of ladies' wear.

■ After being treated to all that pulchritude, we have a variety of events yet on the menu for the rest of the afternoon. The members of the distaff side are welcome at the special Womens Auxiliary meeting where they'll be greeted by Katherine Nunotani, chairman for the day, representing the host Auxiliary.

The young blood might find the "Jr. JACL" forum and discussion stimulating.

So you see, regardless of your sex, whether you're young or old, if you can't find something to do, well . . .

■ We're glad you've got your tickets for the big 1000 Club shindig tonight (Sat.), because if you don't, you'll be out of luck. The picturesque Surf Club by the Beach is going to be the place. We'll enjoy a cocktail hour first to get acquainted and then wrap ourselves around a prime rib. We'll have a lot of laffs when Emcee "Tokuzo" Gordon takes the lid off the program. Frank Oda is heading up the Committee for this event, and it ought to be a "ball". Conserve your energy, be-

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A day with Queen Sharon in San Francisco . . .



TOP: Mayor George Christopher presents Sharon Nishimi, Miss National JACL of 1956, the Key to the City of San Francisco, when she paid a visit to His Honor and extended him the official welcome of the 14th Biennial Convention. The mayor will welcome delegates at the Opening Ceremonies. BE-

LOW: Tourists as well as natives love the skyline of San Francisco as noted in the background of Queen Sharon who tries to keep her little hat from flying off while posing for photographer Marshall Sumida, who has taken all the pictures in the special convention issue.



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for a ride on a famous cable car . . .

VAGARIES: by Larry S. Tajiri



Mayor Ab Jenkins

Denver

An old friend passed away the other day, and we would like to pause for a moment to recall some cherished memories.

Perhaps it is presumptuous to say he was an old and valued friend, for if he had passed us on the street a month ago, he would probably not have known us from Adam. But we'd have remembered him, recognizing the tall figure, the tanned and friendly face. We would have recalled, with gratitude and affection, the numerous times he had come to the help of the Nisei in Salt Lake City back in those days immediately following the evacuation.

He was Ab Jenkins, and of course the name will be instantly recognized by followers of sports. He was one of the great ones in auto racing, and though death came to him at the age of 73, he left behind him a number of still unbroken records for speed and endurance. Last year, at 72, he established a new 24-hour endurance speed record, and still unchallenged were his records for 200 miles at 196 miles per hour, 1,000 miles at 172 miles per hour, and 3,000 miles at more than 165 miles per hour. His speed records notwithstanding, he was a fanatic on road safety and spent as much time demonstrating the need for courtesy and safety on the road as he did in advancing speed records.

JACL HEADQUARTERS RELOCATED

But when we met Ab Jenkins, the year was 1942, when the JACL moved its national headquarters to Salt Lake City. He was then serving out his first and only term as mayor.

It was a year when no mayor had to court the Nisei vote to retain the good will of his constituents, a year when a word on behalf of the Nisei seemed to be political suicide.

In those politically frenetic days Mayor Jenkins performed a lot of personal and touching acts on behalf of the Nisei and Issei moving into Salt Lake City. He was aware as anyone else that the uprooted Nisei, traveling eastward after the evacuation, felt driven and unwanted. But in the mayor's office the latchstring was out.

When he learned that a little Nisei girl was having difficulty with her classmates in the small country school in which she was enrolled, Mayor Jenkins gave her a photo of himself suitably inscribed to indicate that she was a good and close friend of the Mayor of Salt Lake City. It impressed her classmates and she had no further trouble.

GREETED EVACUEES ON HIGHWAY

But the story we remember the best, and one we hope we will never forget, concerns the auto caravan of Nisei and Issei moving along the highway toward the city limits of Salt Lake in the spring of 1942. They were escaping the evacuated area, and when the caravan was halted by a car, they stopped apprehensively.

The man who stepped toward them greeted them with a smile and a handshake. I'm the mayor of Salt Lake City, he said, in effect, and I just wanted to welcome you to our town.

How he had learned of their coming we do not know. But we came to know well that instinct for friendship and humanity that prompted him to make this unorthodox and spontaneous visit to make a friendless group feel wanted.

Ab Jenkins was not remembered as the most successful mayor in Salt Lake history. His term was characterized by bitter quarrels with the city council, though these were often conceded to be the result of his searching honesty, his direct and forthright inquiry into problems, and his failure to use tact as a political instrument.

He had no particular addiction to such labels as "liberal" or "humanitarian," but he was both of these by instinct.

CHERISHED MEMORIES OF MAYOR

All that was a long time ago, a full decade and almost a half more. There were many staunch political figures then who defended the rights of the Nisei and the Issei, and we remember among them Governor Carr of Colorado, Governor Maw of Utah and Mayor Earl J. Glade, a later mayor of Salt Lake City.

But we remember Ab Jenkins with a special affection, and we were grieved to learn of his passing. The press notices of his death underscored his sports and political activity, but we have our own memories of him.

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CANDIDATES FOR 1956-58 NATIONAL JACL OFFICES

(The Pacific Citizen last week requested various chairmen of the JACL district councils to submit a 1,000-word pitch for candidates for national JACL office residing in their areas. It was felt that this background would be of help to

delegates who will cast their "one vote per chapter" at the final session of the 14th Biennial for national officers who will guide the organization in the next biennium.)

By YAS ABIKO

The Northern California-Western Nevada District Council has nominated three staunch and active JACLers for national cabinet posts for the election to be held in San Francisco at the national convention.

They are Jack Noda for first vice-president, Dr. Harry Y. Kita for third vice-president and Jerry Enomoto for secretary to the board.

Before discussing the qualifications of these nominees, it might be pointed out here that the NCWN's nominating committee limited their selections to the above three because the committee could see no point in further nominations.

Inasmuch as there are a total of 88 chapters in the national organizations and eight districts and although this NCWN District Council has the largest number of chapters with 25, a feeling was expressed by the committee members that it was unthinkable that district should try to place persons from their area in all elective posts.

Therefore, the committee decided—
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By MIWA YANAMOTO

Confirmation of four prominent JACL candidates for national offices was announced by Pacific Southwest District Council nominating committee chairman, Ken Uyesugi of Orange County.

The 18 chapters of the district gave the nod to Dr. Roy M. Nishikawa, David Yokozeki, Ken Dyo and Hana Uno who will vie with other nominees for the offices of president, second vice-president, treasurer and secretary, respectively, when the 14th biennial convention meets in San Francisco.

Dr. Roy Nishikawa

Noted for his energetic and conscientious devotion to the national organization, the personable Los Angeles optometrist has been a bulwark in southland C.L. activities.

The native Angeleno was a pre-war JACL member of the Venice chapter and rejoined the Downtown chapter in 1948. He served as the first president of the newly—
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By WILLIAM SASAGAWA

As requested, here is the short biographical sketch of candidates residing in the Eastern District Council for national JACL offices.

On the 1956-58 ballot are Dr. Tom T. Tamaki for secretary to the national board, Akira Hayashi for treasurer, and Ira Shimasaki for 2nd national vice-president.

Dr. Tom H. Tamaki

Former President of the Philadelphia and Tacoma, Washington JACL Chapters . . . Present Eastern District Council 1000 Club representative—has been for the past 5 years . . . Twenty years of active service and support of the JACL Program . . . Wearer of the JACL Sapphire Pin . . . Successful and prominent practicing pathologist for several large Philadelphia hospitals and a member of the faculty of the Jefferson Med—
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By ABE HAGIWARA

The telegram requesting a thousand word pitch for candidates nominated by our Midwest District Council for national offices was forwarded from Chicago to Seattle where I am spending part of my vacation. The request has caught me short and unprepared to fulfill this assignment. However, I shall attempt to set down a few things about each candidate from memory.

Nominated were Shig Wakamatsu for 1st national vice-president; Kumeo Yoshinari and Dr. Ruby Hirose without designation of an office.

Shig Wakamatsu

Formerly of Fife-Tacoma Shig Wakamatsu of Chicago is the present National 1000 Club Chairmah having been elected to—
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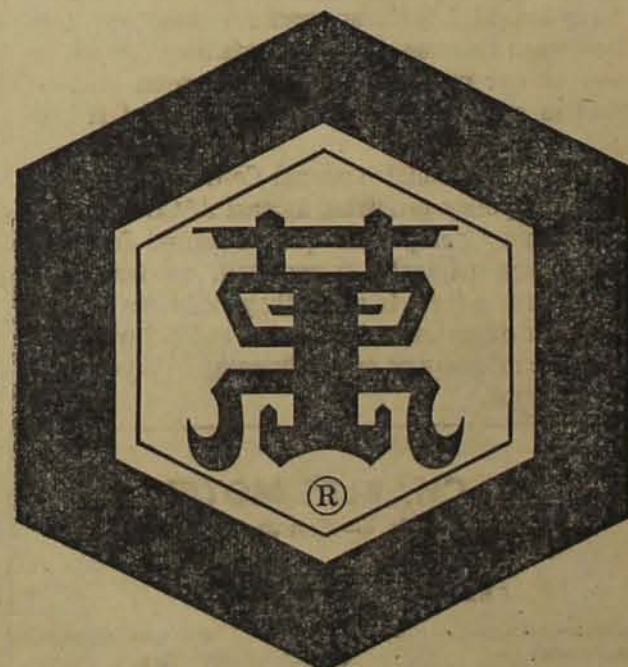
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Bill Mimbu

Bill Mimbu, presently serving as secretary to the national board, of Seattle is the lone candidate from the Pacific Northwest District Council on the 1956-58 slate. Nominated for 2nd national vice-president, his background is told by our Seattle correspondent Elmer Ogawa in his column on page 8 of this issue.—Editor.

CCDC—

Kenji Tashiro

Central California District Councils lone candidate for national office is Kenji Tashiro of Tulare County, presently serving as second national vice-president. He has been nominated to the office of first vice-president.

A farmer by occupation, Kenji's leadership in the area was soon recognized when he was elected president of his chapter in 1951 and then chosen chairman of the CCDC the same year.

Currently active in the campaign to repeal the Alien Land law from the California statutes, Tashiro has undertaken similar committee assignments to coordinate national JACL projects in Central California.

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NAT'L DIRECTOR'S REPORT: by Masao Satow



Changing Perspectives

In an ever changing world and society, though many of the changes are brought about by forces over which we personally have no control, human life is given dignity and meaning by the fact that certain changes in our society can be wrought by people who will them and work together to achieve them for the common good. But in the midst of change there are basic fundamentals which remain constant to give life stability. And this holds true of an organization in terms of its guiding principles.

From the day of its founding more than a quarter century ago, the basic purposes of the Japanese American Citizens League have been: (1) to protect the welfare of persons of Japanese ancestry in this country consistent with our allegiance to this country, her institutions and form of government; (2) to help members of our particular group become better Americans, and to eliminate whatever barriers which might prevent fulfilling our responsibilities as American citizens and making our positive contributions to a greater America; and (3) to make ourselves known to Americans as fellow Americans with the same aspirations and loyalty to this country, through a program of public education and through our individual participation with them in the activities of our respective communities.

Despite varying degrees of acceptance of persons of Japanese ancestry in the country within our lifetime, and turnovers in the personnel and leadership of our organization, these original purposes of the JACL have continued to give direction to its program and have been the criteria of its activities.

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These fundamental purposes are reflected in the very name of the Japanese American Citizens League. For those who are unaware of our basic goals and may consider our organization as an attempt to hyphenate our Americanism, we point out that the words—"Japanese American"—in the name of the organization refer only to the kind of problems and define the matters with which we concern ourselves as a group, and not a description of our constituency.

Upon matters which affect members of our group as Americans and not specifically as Japanese Americans, we have maintained that as individuals we should actively participate in those activities and join those organizations which best express our individual interests and concerns in cooperation with our fellow Americans, lest we set ourselves apart from the larger community. Indeed, we find participation in our local chapters have been helpful as effective channels through which our members have become integral parts of their respective communities.

JACL can never be all things to all men, although some who do not understand the nature of our organization have sought JACL's support for their own concerns. And even in some matters which may fall within the realm of our purposes, there have been realistic limitations in our resources of finance and staff personnel.

At this 14th Biennial National Convention we will face important policy problems against JACL's original objectives. From a perspective quite different from the time these were originally formulated, we may even want to re-examine them to see if they still have validity in shaping our organization's policies and future. This, we feel, is the meaning of our "Changing Perspectives" convention theme.

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ed to limit their nominations.

Along this same line, it also might be added that the NCWN District Council has recommended an amendment to the League by-laws to provide that all national officers chosen by the national council all be from different chapters.

This was requested to prevent the repetition of a situation which occurred several terms back when two chapters had two persons each on the national board of six officers.

Jack Noda

Jack Noda, a farm owner and operator of Denair, Calif., is a member of the Cortez chapter. During the past term he has been serving on the NCWN executive board as immediate past chairman after heading the District Council for one year up to November, 1955.

An active member of the Cortez chapter from before World War II and past-president of the chapter, he is a recipient of the JACL sapphire pin.

At the present time, he is also serving as chairman of the Committee for "Yes" on Proposition 13 (For Repeal of the Alien Land Law) which was formed earlier this year to direct a campaign in support of the above measure in the Nov. 6 state balloting.

In addition to his JACL activities, he has been serving as alternate member of the U.S. Department of Agriculture raisin marketing advisory board for a number of years. In this capacity he attends many meetings of the board annually and several years ago was a member of a raisin board delegation which went to Washington, D.C., to settle an industry problem.

He is also an active member of the local Lions club in his area and the county Grange. Church work and Boy Scout committee-man activities also keep him busy.

Dr. Harry Kita

Dr. Harry Y. Kita is one of the real old-timers of the JACL. A dentist in Salinas, California, he helped organize the Salinas Valley Chapter, one of the first units in the JACL.

He is also a past-president of the Northern California-Western Nevada District Council and for several years he served as 1000 Club chairman for the area.

He is also a wearer of the sapphire pin for long and outstanding service to the JACL.

Jerry Enomoto

Jerry Enomoto of San Francisco has been chairman of the National Convention committee of the San Francisco JACL which carried on the preparatory work for the 1956 conclave.

Before this appointment he served two years as president of the San Francisco JACL during which time the chapter carried on more activities for its members than ever before in the chapter's history. Prior to that he served several terms on the San Francisco chapter board, being first elected a member while still a student at college.

He has been a state parole board officer and is now on the staff at San Quentin state prison.



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One of the highlights of the 14th Biennial will be the election of national officers at the final session Monday. Vying for the top post of president are Roy Nishikawa (left) of Los Angeles and Tak Terasaki of Denver. Dr. Nishikawa is currently serving his third term as national treasurer, while Terasaki is third national vice-president.

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this post at the 13th Biennial Convention in 1954. He served as Chairman of the National Planning Committee during 1952-54. Shig is past chairman of the Midwest District Council (1950-52) and was President of the Chicago Chapter for two consecutive terms (1949-50). Prior to this Shig was an active member of the Chicago Chapter as Membership Chairman and he continues to serve on the JACL Credit Union Board.

Throughout his JACL association, Shig has been one of the most active and devoted chapter leaders. His reputation as an energetic and tireless worker is only surpassed by his ability to get results in whatever task he undertakes. As Chairman of the National Thousand Club, Shig has built up the membership to the highest in its history. "Operation Breakthrough" was designed to double the original goal of 1000 Thousand Club members by this year's convention time. Shig is regarded by Midwest JACLers as its greatest booster for the national JACL program.

Shig devoted considerable amount of time for the Committee on Japanese American Evacuation Claims in the Midwest area as chairman of the Chicago committee of COJAEAC and most recently as co-chairman of Chicago's effort to raise funds for the Marysville Flood Relief.

Shig Wakamatsu finds time for community and neighborhood activities in the field of public relations. He was honored in 1954 by Levee Bros., where Shig is employed as a research chemist, as their "Public Relations man of the month."

He is married to former Toshiko Hashimoto and they have a four-year old son, Brent.

Kumee Yoshinari

Formerly of The Dalles

Kumee Yoshinari became active in the JACL movement before World War II. He was President of the Mid-Columbia JACL chapter on two separate occasions. Like so many JACL leaders, Kumee came up through the ranks of active church leadership. Kumee settled in Chicago after evacuation with his family—wife, Mary, and three children. He became active in the Chicago chapter and served in various capacities. He was elected chapter president in 1954 and again in 1955. Kumee is a member of the Chicago JACL Credit Union Board and the Chicago JACL Reserve Fund Board.

Kumee is a member of the Armistice Methodist Young Peoples Church and has served on its Board for many years. However, his civic life has been exclusively devoted to JACL.

Dr. Ruby Hirose

Formerly of Seattle

Dr. Ruby Hirose of Dayton, more than any single individual has kept the small Dayton Chapter alive and loyal to the National JACL. After many years of active support, she was elected President of the Dayton Chapter in 1955. Dr. Hirose often attended National con-

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ical School of Philadelphia . . . Married and the proud father of 2 boys and a girl . . . Handsome with an engaging personality.

Akira Hayashi

Former President of the New York JACL Chapter . . . Former Chairman of the Eastern District Council . . . As lifetime resident of the Eastern seaboard he was responsible for playing a large part in helping to establish the acceptance and integration of the evacuees in the New York area . . . Gave much of his personal time and experience in promoting and developing the New York JACL Program . . . A successful business man . . . He and his lovely wife, Midori, are the proud parents of a beautiful daughter . . . Tall, with a trigger-quick mind . . . Has an excellent command of English and a wonderful knowledge of parliamentary procedure.

Ira Shimasaki

Former President of the Washington, D.C., JACL Chapter and Past Chairman of the Eastern District Council . . . Is a distinguished veteran of World War II and was an ardent JACL supporter during his prewar years in Tulare County, California . . . Helped to establish the Eastern District Council as one of the most important represented District Councils . . . A prosperous auto mechanic in Washington, D.C. . . . Married to the former Gladys Onoye of Salinas, and they are proud parents of two grown boys and a girl . . . Quiet and unassuming . . . His sincerity and earnestness has been a large factor in making the JACL Program on the East Coast a vital and an invigorating one.

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Art Ito, active Hollywood 1000er, co-chaired the annual convention of the California Teleflora Association, which met recently at the Ambassador Hotel.

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JACL in its essence

There are many avenues available in which one can sell an idea and yet the customer may still not buy. We must respect his right to choose . . . The same can be said of JACL. It's not often that we are given a chance to present JACL to a prospect under the circumstances that befell us last week . . . The usual avenue of approach has been on the basis of individual benefits from joining the organization, but last week's path took us down another line—a very fine line, our prospect pointed out, since I was trying to present JACL in its essence.

For when you can sit by the hours and engage in a full dissertation on the nature of an organization, we are in the realm of broad principles and the findings are just about rock bottom . . . We agreed that an organization of human society was composed of two parts: purpose and people . . . But it was not an automatic matter to come to this basic premise. It demands solid reflection mentally to picture "purpose" without people. It would seem the two go hand-in-hand. Purpose has no form unless people are there to pronounce it and put meaning to such purposes . . . But by pointing out that an organization's prime purposes are embodied in an impersonal constitution, which is fundamental, "purpose" without coloration of their proponents or opponents was agreed upon as one part of the organization as a whole. The second part, the people or its membership, was easy enough to comprehend afterward . . . As students of philosophy well know—the simplest ideas are often the most difficult to fathom. And by "simple", we do not mean it in its fifth or sixth sense—of weak intellect or not worthy of consideration. We mean it in its first sense—consisting of one thing.

We find in the preamble of the JACL constitution: We, American Citizens, in order to foster American democracy, Continued on Page 11

SMOGLITES: by Mary Oyama



'32 Convention memories

Los Angeles—

Thinking back to 24 years ago is no easy task, and we are embarrassed to recall how "typically Nisei" or "naively young" we were in those carefree days. All we can honestly recall are memories of the fellows we met, the social aspects, and what we wore. In that year of 1932, our family had just moved to L.A. in February and five months later in July the Second National JACL convention was held during a weekend close to August. About that time the World Olympic meet was also being held in our Fair City, and our brother Joe Oyama of New York still remembers when a gushy female tourist rushed up to him at the Coliseum with autograph-book in hand exclaiming, "Pardon me—but are you one of the Hindu athletes?" We were all young enough to be mistaken for athletes, youth conference participants, and even as teen-agers by the Caucasian Americans. ("Oh you Japanese girls always look SO YOUNG—don't tell me you already attend college!" etc.)

We the average layman Nisei were so young that most of us were honestly thankful that we were not official delegates who had to attend the official sessions. Our interests leaned toward the socials and dances rather than the serious problems of the Nisei which the "older" (late twenties and thirtyish) leaders tried to pound into our frivolous heads.

To refresh our rusty memory, we dug out some old albums from the top shelf of the closet to find out a few: where, who, and what, and came up with a few fragmentary, unrelated, or even irrelevant facts.

Dated: "July 26, 1932" there was a clearcut snap (taken with our trusty red, inexpensive, box-camera) with the image appearing as if it had only been snapped but yesterday—a group of delegates smiling on the steps of the City Hall. There were: Yoshioka of Washington, "Judge" Elmer Yamamoto of L.A., Miss Cora Asakura of Santa Barbara, Honda of Washington, Tamotsu Murayama of San Francisco (now of Tokyo), Miss Nobuko Yanagimachi of Seattle, Wash., and Clarence Yamagata of L.A.

Most of these people are active in JACL today with the exception of the latter, the late Dr. Clarence Yamagata whose untimely passing a few years ago was a genuine loss to the Nisei leadership of Hawaii.

Dated "July 28th '32", we see Miss "Nazie" Nazumo Oga-wa of Monterey sitting in the patio of the International Institute which was then a new building. We remember Nazie because she was a congenial luncheon partner at a Convention Luncheon and we both laughed over Sim Togasaki's sophisticated (shall we say?) jokes. Also at our luncheon table were: Jimmie Sakamoto of Seattle, Saiki Muneno of Pescadero, and Tom Takagi of San Francisco.

Looking over this one, we sighed over the sad loss of Jimmie by his tragic death less than a year ago. He was one wonderful, inspirational person—. We had met him for the first time at this convention.

Another good friend whom we met was "Texas Sal" (Sally Yabumoto of El Paso, Tex.), who spoke Spanish like a native Mexican and had the zippy, lively personality of delicious chili-con-carnel. There was indeed a pic of Texas Sal on the City Hall steps arm-in-arm with Mrs. Aiko Igasaki of L.A.

Texas Sal later became Mrs. Tokutaro "Tokie" Slocum and at present is residing in Fresno. Recently when she came to L.A. we had a pleasant chat over the phone about old times, including the '32 convention. Incidentally, she told us to relay this cryptic message to Tom Takagi now of Tokyo: "Remember the time we went to the Huntington Gallery in San Marino with Charles Kamayatsu and walked through the cactus garden?"

This is how Sim Togasaki described Tom Takagi whom the girls thought such an epitome of a gentleman that they all Continued on Page 10

Candidates from PSWDC—

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organized Southwest Los Angeles chapter in 1948 and was re-elected in 1949; his capable leadership was further affirmed by his election as chairman of the PSWDC in 1949.

The two-year term as District Council chairman was interrupted when Dr. Nishikawa was called upon to serve as National Treasurer in 1950 and has been re-elected in 1952 and 1954 to remain in that capacity to this date.

Conventioners will recall the highly successful 13th biennial affair which was hosted by the Los Angeles Coordinating Council and chaired by the indispensable "Doc". The high powered coordination of the many committee chairmen and countless assisting members was due to his diligent administration throughout the two-year preparatory period.

In addition to these major duties, Dr. Nishikawa is the recipient of the JACL Sapphire pin (10-year service) and Ruby pin (sacrificial service). He has served as a board member of the PSW JACL Credit Union, the Shonien Children's Home and the Friendship Day Camp.

The many years of service "Doc" has selflessly rendered JACL could not have been possible without the wholehearted support of his very lovely missus. The charming Alice is certainly deserving of undulated praise for her major role in Roy's busy life. The couple have a teenage son, Kenneth.

David Yokozeki

One of the Southland's most capable leaders, popular David Yokozeki was thought to be indispensable to the local district as the current chairman of the PSWDC and his name was intentionally omitted by the district nominating committee from the initial list of nominees.

But this line of thinking was not to be accepted by the general membership as witnessed by their spontaneous demonstration to rally to his support. Three local chapters immediately instigated a petition movement which resulted in the unanimous endorsement of his nomination by the 18 PSWDC chapters attesting to the young attorney's qualifications as a candidate for national office.

Another prewar member, David's outstanding leadership was first ascertained in 1952 as vice-president of the Downtown chapter. He became president of that organization the following year and was re-elected for a second term when he was called upon to double his duties as chairman of the Los Angeles Coordinating Council. He served as Historian of the PSWDC from 1953 to 1955. He is chairman of the PSWDC and also a member of the Alien Land Law Committee and chairman of the National Constitution Committee.

Veteran CLers and new members are unanimously agreed that David is the one person directly responsible for the unprecedented increase of 1000 Club members in the southland. His tremendous drive in this all-out campaign was equalled only by his earlier prowess as chairman of the first PS-

WDC chapter clinic. The latter project, now an annual affair, is credited as being largely instrumental in securing and developing "new blood" in the organization.

Despite his tireless efforts in behalf of the JACL, David, a partner in the law firm of Maruya & Yokozeki and president of the first Nisei film venture, the Nacirema Productions, devotes much of his time to other community organizations and even manages to squeeze in a few rounds on the green to boast a 12 handicap.

Ken Dyo

The pride of Pasadena and a mainstay in southland C.L. circles, Ken Dyo's contributions to the JACL and other civic and community organizations could readily fill an entire page of this publication.

Briefly, this dynamo of organizational "know-how" joined the Santa Barbara chapter in 1938 and returned to that city as its first postwar president in 1945 and was re-elected in 1946. Since that time, Ken has been elected to serve in various capacities of the PSW District Council: as secretary, treasurer, 1000 Club chairman, 1st vice-chairman, and two terms as chairman. He has chaired the National Nominations Committee and the National Convention Budget & Finance Committee.

Throughout his activities in district and national levels, Ken has devoted much of his time and boundless energies to the Pasadena chapter, having served as president, vice-president, official delegate, and chairman of the PSWDC chapter clinic hosted by Pasadena.

A recipient of the Sapphire pin, Ken is in partnership with his brother as licensed landscape contractors. He has been a primary leader in the organizing of southland gardeners and is a past president of the Pasadena Gardeners Association and former chairman Continued on Page 11

Mt.-Plains—

We are extremely sorry that the pitch for candidates in the Mountain-Plains area did not reach us by deadline. We feel certain boosters from the area will adequately acquaint others of the six nominees — some of them being well known already to PC readers. For president is Tak Terasaki of Denver, Roy Inouye of Arkansas Valley, 1st v.p.; Larry Tajiri of Denver for 2nd v.p.; Hershey Miyamura, the only living Nisei Medal of Honor winner of Gallup, N.M., 3rd v.p.; Tom Ujifusa of Northern Wyoming for treas.; and Mrs. Lily Okura of Omaha for secretary to the board. —Editor.

Detroit JACL set for 10th ann'y fele Sept. 29

By YOSHIKO INOUE

DETROIT. — Although June 7 is the "legal" 10th birthday of the Detroit JACL chapter, the formal celebration of the Tenth Anniversary has been set for Saturday, Sept. 29, with a dinner-dance at the Adrienne Room of Paul's Steak House in northwest Detroit.

It was on June 7, 1946, that the chapter was formed and Peter Fujioka, formerly of Hollywood, Calif., was elected as president to guide a then tiny group of 51 charter members.

Although 10 years is only a short time and formative years for an organization, the membership has since climbed to 370 members.

Under the parental guidance of National Headquarters, the chapter has endeavored to live up to the high purpose of promoting, encouraging and developing good citizens, Nisei and Issei alike.

With each passing decade as old problems are ironed out, the transition will bring about new problems congruous to the times which means the chapter is always looking ahead. But since it is a human proclivity, to look back on the pleasant past, the Detroit chapter has set aside this date, Sept. 29, to hold its gala anniversary celebration.

Amid preparations for attending the national JACL convention in San Francisco this weekend, Min Togasaki, as dinner-dance chairman, has been working through the summer months organizing committees to make this affair something that will bring out everyone in the Motor City.

Highlight of the affair will be the presence of Dr. T. T. Yatabe of Chicago, first constitutional national JACL president, as guest speaker. Following the dinner, Tom Sheridan and his band will play at the dance.

Assisting Togasaki are Roy Kaneko (toastmaster), Paul Nakamura, gen. arr.; Wally Kagawa, program; Jiro Shimoda, fin.; Peter Fujioka, awards; Mrs. Aiko Morita, guests, inv.; Paul Joichi, Y. Inouye, pub.; Ki Mano, Kay Miyaya, Sud Kimoto, Mrs. Miyo O'Neill, souvenir booklet; Mrs. Betty Mimura, ent.; Mrs. Toshi Shimoura, tickets & res.

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THE NORTHWEST PICTURE: by Elmer Ogawa



William Y. Mambu

Seattle

■ Unpretentious, generous of time and effort, and with a natural mien of leadership that evokes confidence in a group, whether socialites or a humble neighborhood gathering.

That's William Y. Mambu, Pacific Northwest candidate for the 2nd Vice-Presidency of the JACL. (Mambu is the

lone nominee from the Pacific Northwest District Council for election of 1956-58 national JACL officers at the 14th Biennial. Background of other candidates for national JACL office are found elsewhere in this issue.—Editor.)

A young 44, Bill Mambu attended Seattle schools and graduated in law from the University of Washington in 1936. He married Merry Masuda in that year, and practiced law in Seattle until 1942. After working in the project attorney's office at Rohwer Relocation center in 1942 and 1943, he engaged in private practice in Madison, Wisconsin, and served as attorney for the State of Wisconsin Welfare Department for 18 months during the years from '43 to '46. Returning to Seattle in 1946, he has been in practice here since, and three years ago joined with William J. Wong to form the law firm of Mambu and Wong.

Now secretary of the National Board of the JACL, Mambu has served in many capacities locally. He has served as Secretary of the Japan Society; is immediate past president of the First Hill Lions Club. As a Langlie appointee to the Washington State council of children and youth, he attended a White House conference in this capacity in 1950. He is a board member of the Health and Welfare Council, and for six years has been a member of the Civic Unity Committee.

On the community level, Bill has for several years been a member of the board of the Jackson Street Community Council and is a past Vice-President and board member of the Japanese Community Service. A lifelong member of the Blaine Memorial Church, he is a trustee of that church.

As a member of the Citizens League since 1932, he chaired the Northwest District Convention in 1940, and was a board member of the Seattle Chapter until 1954.

Always active in Boy Scout affairs, Bill Mambu age 11, was "in" at the founding of the original Troop 53, and later with Troop 55 when it was organized at Blaine Church, and has continually been active in adult guidance of Scout and Cub work since. The Mimbuses have two sons, John, 15, and David, 11.

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Showing off a total of 21 trophies to be awarded to successful golfers in the 14th Biennial Convention 36-hole tournament is lovely model Ruby Yamamoto. Three flights for 90 entrants are scheduled this weekend at the Sonoma and Hillview golf courses. —Marshall Sumida Photo.

Another 85 pre-register for Nat'l JACL convention; record turnout anticipated

SAN FRANCISCO. — The latest list of convention delegates having registered as of Aug. 23 for the 14th Biennial totals 85 persons, according to convention registrar Sumi Honnami.

DELEGATES

(Names in parentheses pre-registered only)
Berkeley—
(Ko Ichiji, Shig Kozu, Junko Kaku, Kathleen Date, Daniel Date).
Cortez—
(Jack Noda, Ernest Yoshida, Ruth Yoshida).
East Los Angeles—Ikuye Kaneko, Amy Nakano, Mie Fujita, Jeanne S. Inouye, Tane Nakadate, Stella Nakadate, Sue Kobayashi, Cathy Yoshida, Roy Yamadera.
(Grace K. Sakurai).
Fresno—Jin Ishikawa, Alice M. Takahashi.
(Paulo Takahashi).
Hollywood—
(Sat Nakagawa, Yemi Nishimura).
Livingston-Merced—
(Ben Hashimoto, Thelma Sasaki, Doris Hashimoto, Joyce Kimura, Mide-ri Shiba, Margie Tanioka, Mary Tanioka).
Mile-Hi—Yutaka Terasaki.
Mt. Olympus—Toshi Odow.
Orange County—
(Tad Ochiai).
Pasadena—
(Hide Noguchi).

Philadelphia—William Sasagawa.
Portland—George Azumano.
Reedley—Masaru Abe.
Salinas—
(Violet Ichikawa).
San Francisco—Kaye Uyeda, Katherine Reyes.
(Teru Dobashi, Alice Shigezumi, Yukio Kumamoto, Frances Ogohara, Nan-gee Limjap).
San Mateo—William Takahashi.
(Kaoru Abe, Hiroshi Ito, Dorothy Kani, Jiro Mukai, Tom Shimoki, Mary Sutow, Tomiko Sutow).
Selma—
(Masato Morishima).
Sequoia—Roz Enomoto.
(John Enomoto).
Sonoma County—
(Jim Miyano, Shiz Kawaoka, Margaret Murakami, Suzy Hirooka, Mary Hamamoto, Isabelle Ellis).
Southwest L.A.—Mary Enomoto, Arnold Fujita, Toshie Fujita, Mabel Ota, Kats Kunitzugu.
(Min Iwasaki).
Watsonville—
(George Ura, Ben Tada, Cliff Fujimoto, Jim Etow).
West L.A.—Jim Higashi.
(Aki Ohno, Sumako Ohno).

FAIR QUEEN SELECTED

STOCKTON.—Rose Futamichi was crowned as this year's Miss Japan for the San Joaquin County Fair last week.

SONOMA COUNTY FISHING DERBY UPPED TO SEPT. 9

PETALUMA. — Riyuo Uyeda, chairman of the Sonoma County JACL Fishing Derby, announced the annual affair will be held on Sept. 9 at Nelson's Resort in Napa. The derby is being held earlier this year due to many JACL Chapter activities scheduled for October and November.

The contest is opened to all JACL members of the NC-WN District Council. Out of town fishermen are requested to notify James Miyano, 3090 Skillman Lane, Petaluma, specifying the number of persons and if boat reservations are desired.

Should there be sufficient number of out-of-town entries a special prize will be given in this category. A registration fee of \$2 will be charged, Uyeda stated.

2nd annual Sonoma County bowling tournament open to all NC-WNDC keglers

SANTA ROSA. — The second annual Sonoma County JACL Bowling Tournament has been set for Oct. 13 and 14, it was announced, by JACL Bowling League President George Hamamoto. The Santa Rosa Bowl, the scene of the tournament, will reopen in time for this tournament after extensive remodeling of the alley.

Entries to all bowling leagues in Northern California will be mailed shortly, according to Hamamoto.

The JACL summer league was concluded with Paris Cleaners winning the title. On the winning team were Ed Ohki, Tom Nelson, Anne Ohki and Jim Yokoyama.

Entries are now being accepted for the winter league with Sept. 15 as the deadline. Bowlers are asked to notify George Hamamoto, Johnnie Hirooka or Anne Ohki.

Sports Briefs

Kenji Fujii, veteran Univ. of Nevada quarterback, will be among returnees to the squad which resumes practice in Reno this week.

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Convention Schedule

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 30

5 p.m.—Registration (South Lobby). Sumi Honnami, chmn. Basic fee of \$2 is necessary pre-requisite for all Convention events—official, special and social. For events in which families or couples are involved, at least one member of family or couple should be registered. Package deals of \$20 covers six events (**boldfaced** below) plus basic registration and souvenir booklet.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 31

All Day—Registration (South Lobby).

7:30 a.m.—Breakfast, Nat'l Nominations Committee. Tom Hayashi, chmn.

9 a.m.—National Council: 1st Session (Comstock Room).
12 noon—Lunch (Open).

2 p.m.—National Committee meetings.
(California Room, Comstock Room, English Room, Room 2127, 2062 and 2064.)

4 p.m.—National Planning Forum (Comstock Room). Pat Okura, chmn.

4 p.m.—Special Issei Meeting (California Room). Yukio Kumamoto, chmn.; Mike Masaoka, spkr.

6 p.m.—Supper (Open).

7:30 p.m.—Opening Ceremony (Cafe and Parlor A). Fred Hoshiyama, chmn.; Jerry Enomoto, gen. chmn., presiding.

Addresses of welcome: Mayor George Christopher, San Francisco; Hatsu Aizawa, San Francisco JACL president.

Messages to Convention: Read by Yasuo Abiko, Response: George J. Inagaki, national JACL president.

Keynote address: Edward J. Ennis of New York. Color guards—Townsend Harris Post 438, American Legion; choral numbers by West 10th Methodist Church of Oakland, Frank F. Ono, choirmaster, and Michi Kajiwaru, accompanist.

9:30 p.m.—**Convention Mixer** (Ball Room). Viola Nakano, chmn. Admission: \$2 per person. Jimmy Blas and Orchestra.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

All Day—Registration (South Lobby).

6 a.m.—Salmon Fishing Derby (From Buchanan-Marina Blvd. pier). March Dobashi, chmn. Entry fee: \$7.

9 a.m.—National Council: 2nd Session (Comstock Room).

10 a.m.—Convention Golf Tournament (Sonoma Golf & Country Club). Yone Satoda, chmn.

12 noon—**Convention Luncheon-Fashion Show** (Gold and Concert Room). Alice Shigezumi, luncheon chmn.; Mrs. Haru Hedani, fashion chmn. Admission: \$5.25 per plate. (Fashion show only: \$1.50). Fifteen Nisei models in fall fashions from City of Paris. Mrs. Nancee Limjap, fashion coordinator.

3 p.m.—Women's Auxiliary Meeting (English Room). Mrs. Katherine Nunotani, chmn.; San Francisco JACL Auxiliary, hosts.

3 p.m.—Jr. JACL Forum and Seminar (California Room). Yori Wada and Tosh Koba, co-chmn. Jr. JACL Registration: \$1 (includes free admission to dance). Theme: "Segregation in Our Lives".

Keynote Speakers: Lester Bailey, western regional director, NAACP; Stan Lyman, Univ. of California.

Four seminars: (1) What Youth Expects from JACL: Mary Kawakami, mod.; Barbara Hata, res.; (2) Segregation in Social Relationships: Joyce Imazeki, mod.; Jane Kuwano, res.; (3) Segregation in Community Activities: James Mori, mod.; Kahn Yamada, res.; (4) Segregation in Campus Organizations: Kiyoko Takeda, mod.; Midori Kanzawa, res.

3 p.m.—National Council: 3rd Session (Comstock Room).

6:30 p.m.—1000 Club Whing Ding (Surf Club). Frank Oda, chmn. Admission: \$5 per plate. Theme: "Bonanza". After-dinner M.C.: Tokuzo Gordon.

10 p.m.—Jr. JACL Social (Surf Club) Admission \$2.50 per couple (plus one registration fee per couple), \$1.75 per person. Jack Fisher and his Orchestra. Theme: "Autumn Leaves".

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

10 a.m.—Special Meeting of California Chapters (Comstock Room).

10:30 a.m.—Convention Golf Tournament (Hillview San Jose).

12 noon—Lunch (Open).

1 p.m.—**Convention Outing** (Blackberry Farm, Monte

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Convention stagers go western to relax a bit



Getting in the mood for the 14th Biennial are members of the San Francisco JACL, host chapter for the convention, at their recent Round-Up. TOP: Enjoying the Hokey-Pokey are (left to right) Nancee Limjap, Hatsu Aizawa, Mrs. Amey Aizawa, Jerry Enomoto, Elaine Harada and Ken Toyofuku.

MIDDLE: "Operation Mercury" chairman Joe Kubokawa signs with Date Bureau chairman Mrs. Yo Hironaka, assisted by Mrs. Nellie Noguchi. BOTTOM: Putting on the feed bag are Marty Oshima, Daisy Uyeda and Hatsu Aizawa.

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Vista), Frank Dobashi, chmn. Admission: \$4 per person, \$1.75 for children under 12 (includes admission to Farm, barbecue dinner, evening dance). Premises open from 10 a.m. Barbecue served from 5 p.m. Dancing from 9 p.m. to 12 midnight (Admission to Farm and dance only to be set).

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

All Day—Registration (South Lobby).

9 a.m.—National Council: 4th Session (Comstock Room).

12 noon—Lunch (Open).

12 noon—New National Board Meeting (English Room).

1:30 p.m.—Convention Bridge Tournament (California Room), Dr. Wilfred Hiura, chmn. Entry fee: \$2. Ernest W. Rovere, director.

6 p.m.—Convention Banquet (Gold Room), Victor Abe, chmn. Admission: \$6.50 per plate.

Opening Remarks: Sen. William F. Knowland, Reps. John F. Shelley, William S. Mailliard.

Main Speaker: Maxwell Rabb, Secretary to the President's Cabinet.

Presentation to President Eisenhower: by George Inagaki.

Installation of JACL national officers: Dr. T. T. Yatabe.

Nisei of Biennium recognitions: Mike M. Masaoka.

JACLer of Biennium recognition: Kenji Tashiro.

10 p.m.—Sayonara Ball (Rose and Concert Rooms), Mary Hamamoto, chmn. Admission: \$4 per person.

Del Courtney and Orchestra. Semi-formal.

PERSPECTIVELY YOURS: by Jerry Enomoto

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cause the "Jr. JACL" bunch is setting up a hop right after this shindig, so you can drink, dance, and be merry.

■ Come on over and meet Frank Dobashi, the man behind the scenes of this real super-duper outing—here at Blackberry Farm. You're enjoying the swimming pool, the kids are winning prizes and playing games, everybody's getting a kick out of the "Barber Shop Quartets", and you're going to fill up on steak, followed by dancing under the stars, all because of the extra hard work put in by Frank and his huge committee.

CLIMAX

■ Well, after a hard day of business on Monday, and a few rubbers of bridge at the tournament, we settle down at the big Banquet. We meet some local and national dignitaries, see our National Board bow out and our new Board bow in, applaud the recipient of the "Nisei of the Biennium" and "JACLer of the Biennium" awards and listen to main speaker Maxwell Rabb as he provides the climactic touch to our 14th Biennial. The distinguished looking fellow who acted as toastmaster was banquet chairman Victor Abe—lawyer, JACLer and newlywed.

Now we leave the Banquet to adjourn to the Rose Ballroom where our gracious chairman Mary Hamamoto bids us welcome to the Sayonara Ball. As we chat, relax, and strut a few steps, we look back on four eventful days, marked by renewed and fresh friendships, plain fun, and stimulating experiences. We heave a nostalgic sigh, as "Changing Perspectives" fades into history on the final notes of Maestro Del Courtney's orchestra. Aloha—and a safe journey home.

SMOGLITES: by Mary Oyama

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wondered whom HE would escort to the Sayonara Ball (each secretly hoping that SHE would be asked.) Well, when came the Night, Mr. T. escorted a nice girl from Puyallup, Wash. named Ayako Ohashi, who is now Mrs. Rokuro Okubo of Hawaii.

Tom being a good friend of ours, we just hope he won't murder us for this glaring, unwanted, unwarranted publicity. We could tell too, about a dashing gentleman who was broke after a luncheon at a young lady's home in Hollywood and walked miles back to his downtown hotel—philosophical, undaunted, gallant—but we won't.

■ All kidding aside, we remember Tom as being the person who seriously wrote to us, gently upbraiding the younger set Nisei for "going out in droves to socials and dances but being conspicuously absent at JACL meetings and serious conclaves considering the future welfare of the Nisei in America." Once upon a time in 1932 or 1933, he wrote: "Why if the Nisei would only get together and work together, we could even have a Japanese American police-man directing traffic on the corner of E. First and San Pedro, who knows? Some day we should have Nisei councilmen, etc., taking active part in American life. You kids should wake up and think seriously about these things."

Today in 1956 we're glad to report back to Tom Takagi in Tokyo that we not only have Nisei in the Law Enforcement department of L.A. like Stanley Uno, but we even have a Nisei police woman who recently passed her examinations and has been accepted for duty. There are County Committeemen like the late Tom Yegg, Republican of Penryn; in JACLers like Seichi Mikami, Democrat of Fresno, Soichi Fukui, Republican of L.A. etc. By the time of the next biennial convention, we could in all probability have elected a Nisei councilman.

Certainly by 1980, 24 years from now we might have not just a "Nisei mayor" or "Nisei governor", but rather more accurately and simply an American governor or president; for in the not too distant future such terms as Nisei, or Mexican-American, or "minority groups" will be completely outmoded by historical progress. We American citizens can look with hope to that bright future.

Board Members—

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Kel Hori, M.C.; Elsie Uyeda, Jane Ohmura, Jean Okubo, Kathy Osaki, Florence Higa (Instructors); Kathy Asano (decorations); Tom Hoshiyama, Daisy Uyeda, George Araki, Vi Nakano (special program).

1000 CLUB WHING DING
Frank Oda, chmn.
Vi Nakano, Mary Hamamoto, Miyuki Aoyama, Kel Hori.

FISHING DERBY
March Dobashi, chmn.
Larry Kanazawa, Tak Shiozaki

FASHION SHOW
Haru Hedani, chmn.

Nancee Limjap, Sumi Utsumi, Daisy Uyeda, Sawae Futatsuki, Mary Hamamoto, Yo Hironaka, Margie Shigezumi, Joyce Enomoto, Vi Nakano, Ryo Ichikawa, Thelma Takeda, Katherine Nunotani, Yasuko Wada.

ISSEI PROGRAM
Yukio Kumamoto chmn.
S. Hideshima, M. Kitano, M. Itatani, S. Kawaguchi.

YOUTH PROGRAM
Yori Wada, adv.

Tak Watanabe, Yoko Yuki, co-chmn.; Nancy Moriguchi, Joyce Imayeki, Janet Oyama, Akira Watanabe, Barney Hata, John Doami.

BRIDGE
Dr. Wilfred Hiura, chmn.
George Miyamoto, Yasuo Abiko, Fred Obayashi, Yo Hironaka.

GOLF
Yone Satoda, chmn.

Yosh Hirota, Jack Hirose, Taxy Hironaka, Sat Hirono, George Matsumoto, Babe Morino, Yon Futatsuki, Sophia Okamoto.

QUEEN CONTEST
Kay Uyeda, chmn.

Vic Abe, Jack Hirose, Joe Kubokawa, Michi Onuma, Amey Aizawa, Kayo Hayakawa.

LUNCHEON
Alice Shigezumi, chmn.

Jean Hironaka, Terry Ishimaru, Masa Nakamura, Katherine Reyes, Marie Shigezumi, Joyce Wakita, Janet Yokota.

OPENING CEREMONIES
Fred Hoshiyama chmn.

Roy Ashizawa, Tom Hoshiyama, Frank Ono, Michi Kajiura, Ella Nakabe, Gladys Nakabe, Hisashi Tani, Niki Haramaki, Marshall Sumida.

BANQUET
Victor Abe chmn.

Dorothy Fujimoto, Louise Murata, Ken Kiwata, Jack Hirose, Hatsu Aizawa.

BALL
Mary Hamamoto, chmn.

Hiroshi Tamura, Tess Hideshima, Kuni Koga, Rose Kuroda, Miye Magoita, Josephine Masuda, George Miyamoto, Ryo Ishikawa, Shirley Mura-kami, Marshall Sumida, M.C.

Ishimaru wins life insurance honors

SAN FRANCISCO. — Haruo Ishimaru, special representative for the San Francisco Agency of the West Coast Life Insurance Co., has earned the title of president of The 1956 Leaders Club by leading the company's entire agency force in sales for the year ending June 30. Ishimaru placed over one million dollars of new paid life insurance in his first ten months with the company to earn this distinction.

As Leaders Club president he will preside over the company's 50th Anniversary Convention at The Fairmont Hotel from Aug. 29-Sept. 1.

Ishimaru received additional honor by placing first in insurance production during a special campaign from April 2 to Aug. 30. For this he and his wife will fly to Hawaii following the convention for a week's stay at The Royal Hawaiian Hotel as guests of the company.

In his ten months as a West Coast life insurance underwriter, Ishimaru has received several commendations. He received the Millionaires Award for placing over one million dollars of insurance in the shortest time in the half century of the company, and was proclaimed "Set the Pace" winner of the company for being the leading underwriter during the first six weeks of the year. He was the first underwriter to qualify in this Club Year for the company's top production division, the President Class, and has been the leading newcomer in monthly sales several times since joining the company in September.

It is believed that this is the first time that a Japanese American has been the top underwriter for a major life insurance company in the United States.

He is a board member of the Japanese Chamber of Commerce, and is vice-president of the Japanese Optimist club which he helped to organize. Prior to joining the West Coast Life Insurance Co. Ishimaru was JACL regional director of the Northern California-Western Nevada District Council, as well as their state lobbyist.

A turnout of 2,400 fishermen was expected by Seattle's International Sportsmen Club on Labor Day for its salmon derby. Dr. Kelly Yamada, PNWDC chairman, is club president.

OFFICIAL CHAPTER DELEGATES TO 14TH BIENNIAL CONCLAVE NAMED

SAN FRANCISCO. — Delegates to the 14th Biennial National JACL Convention meeting here this weekend from 51 JACL chapters across the country were announced Monday by National JACL Headquarters. Last-minute registrations were expected by convention time.

(Pre-Registered as of Aug. 27)

Alameda—Miyo Furuno, Kitty Hirai, Arizona—Cherry Tsutsumida, Arkansas Valley—Henry Hirose, Berkeley—Paul Yamamoto, Masuji Fujii.

Chicago—Dr. Frank Sakamoto, Kumeo Yoshinari. (Alt.: Maudie Nakada, Satoru Takemoto).

Cincinnati—Dr. James Takao.

Cleveland—Joe Kadowaki, Harry Kaku.

Cortez—Albert Morimoto, Frank Yoshida. (Alt.: Jack Noda).

Denver—John Sakayama, Sam Matsumoto.

Detroit—Min Togasaki, Mrs. Aiko Morita.

East Los Angeles—Fred Takata, Wilbur Sato. (Alt.: Kathie Yoshida, Roy Yamadera).

Fort Lupton—Proxy by Robert Horiuchi, Mt. PDC chmn.

French Camp—Bob Ota, Hiroshi Shinmoto.

Fresno—Dr. Robert Yabuno.

Gresham-Troutdale—Proxy to George Azumano, PNWDC vice-chmn.

Hollywood—Miwa Yamamoto, Terry Kuwata. (Alt.: Nancy Kuwata, Hattie Nakamura).

Idaho Falls—Proxy to George Sugai, IDC chmn.

Livingston—Merced—Bulchi Kajiura, Buddy Iwata.

Milwaukee—Mrs. Mary M. Oura.

Monterey Peninsula—George Kodama, Paul Ichijui.

Mt. Olympus—George Fujii, Kiyo Nishida.

New York—Marie Kurihara, Tomie Mochizuki.

Oakland—James Tsurumoto, Paul Nomura.

Omaha—K. Pat Okura, Masako Nakadoi.

Orange County—George Kanno, Dr. Tad Ochiai. (Alt.: Ken Uyesugi).

Pasadena—Harris Ozawa, Marian Shingu.

Philadelphia—William M. Marutani.

Placer County—Roy T. Yoshida.

Pocatello—Novo Kato, Hero Shiosaki.

Portland—Kimie Tambara.

Reedley—Masaru Abe.

Reno—Fred Aoyama.

Richmond—El Cerrito—Seiichi Kami, Marvin Uratsu.

Sacramento—Percy Masaki, Joe Matsunami.

Salinas Valley—James Tanda, Tom Miyana.

San Diego—Dr. Tadashi Imoto, San Francisco—Hatsuro Aizawa, Jack Kusaba.

San Mateo—Nori Yui, Saiki Yamaguchi.

Santa Barbara—Richard Tokumaru.

Seabrook—Proxy to William Sasagawa, EDC chmn.

Seattle—James M. Matsuoaka, Min Yamaguchi.

Sequoia—Peter Nakahara, Richard Arimoto.

Snake River—Dr. K. J. Yaguchi, Geo. Iseri.

Sonoma County—Edwin Ohki, Frank K. Oda.

South Alameda County—Isao Handa, Yosh Hisaoka.

Southwest L.A.—Roy Uetani, Kaneko Kunitugu. (Alt.: Tom Shimazaki, Ellen Kubo).

Tulare County—Mike Imoto.

Twin Cities—Henry K. Makino.

Venice—Culver—Steve Nakaji, Tak Shishino.

Ventura County—Mr. and Mrs. Mike Mayekawa.

Washington, D.C.—Ben Nakao, Ruth Kuroishi. (Alt.: Hisako Sakata).

Exceptional weather aids Mid-Columbia fete

By GEORGE NAKAMURA

HOOD RIVER. — The Mid-Columbia JACL held its annual picnic at Viking Park near Troutdale recently and it was termed a huge success by chairman George Imai.

With exceptionally nice weather, an excellent turnout was on hand to enjoy the childrens games, prizes, drawings and other picnic games.

Winners of the gate prize would not ordinarily be mentioned but Mam Noji and his wife Aya hit the equivalent of the "daily double" by taking both first and second prizes: a man's and woman's Croton wristwatches.

On the picnic committee were Tazue Noji, Mary Hamada, children's games; Harry Inukai, Harold Okimoto, Homer Akiyama, George Imai, George Nakamura, Nob Hamada, bingo; Mark Hasegawa, refreshments; Clifford Nakamura, raffle; Harry Inukai, prizes.

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LOS ANGELES NEWSLETTER: by Henry Mori



S.F. post-mortem

Los Angeles

■ We are home from the Republican National Convention in San Francisco but fond and vivid memories of what transpired during our stay there remain. One of the most pleasant was renewing acquaintances with Mr. and Mrs. Scotty Tsuchiya who treated us royally at a luncheon at the swank Sir Francis Drake Hotel. Scotty was "Mr. Resettlement" back in 1946-47 when, as head of the Los Angeles JACL office (now known as the So. Calif. JACL regional office with Tats Kishida as director), he worked with the local War Relocation Authority in arranging proper housing for Issei and Nisei returnees to the west coast. Scotty really did a lot of leg work for the returnees, getting them private housing after they were being hustled back and forth in makeshift trailer camps and wartime barracks.

The Tsuchiyas have returned to their prewar business as Oriental fine arts dealers. Scotty was at a loss to pinpoint the type of his business other than to say it is far from being just an "antique" shop. And how true it was. We had anticipated seeing a shop with "run of the mill" Oriental items for home decorative purposes. We had even thought naively of getting a Japanese scroll for our living room wall.

But his prices ran into four figures and there wasn't anything else in his salon to match our pocketbook. The Chinese figurine, the Japanese pottery and parts of stoneware carvings from India, dating back thousands of years, were priceless museum pieces and they commended a high premium as far as collectors were concerned. Scotty pointed to one vase and mumbled something like \$3,500.

COURTESY CALLS

■ We devoted one morning to making courtesy calls in San Francisco. It was good to see Mas Satow at the National JACL headquarters where he was busily engaged in getting into shape the 14th biennial convention which begins tonight. Mas' artistry in printing all those Recognition Scrolls free-hand is indeed an asset to the organization. Mas does it as a service to the JACL. He stays up night after night to prepare them even though he claims he does it for the love of it.

We called on Yas Abiko, English editor of the Nichi Bei Times. He is chairman of the NC-WNDC and is an old timer in the League. We also met Howard Imazeki, English section bigwheel of the Hokubei Mainichi, for the first time. He is a very aggressive journalist—a type of newsman the Nisei world needs more of. We missed sightseeing San Francisco with him as his car had been stolen on the previous night.

Shin Nichi Bei president Saburo Kido was host at a Chinese meal on another night after we had covered a session at the Cow Palace. With us was Ichiro Iwatate of the Kyodo Press Washington staff. We shop-talked past midnight in a dim-lit room on Grant Ave.

Kido, who claims San Francisco as his "second home", says Grant Ave. used to be the border line for any Japanese at the outbreak of World War II. That night "we penetrated deep into Chinatown". We're convinced now that you can't beat Frisco food.

VERY TRULY YOURS: by Harry K. Honda

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promote active participation in civic and national life, and secure justice and equal opportunities for persons of Japanese ancestry, do establish this constitution for the Japanese American Citizens League of the United States of America . . . In Art. II of the Constitution on policy is a more specific guide: Section 1. This organization shall promote, sponsor and encourage programs, projects, and activities which shall be designed to further and encourage every member to perform faithfully his duties and obligations to the United States of America. The organization and its members shall uphold the Constitution of the United States and the laws of the land and of the several states. Section 2. This organization shall be non-sectarian and shall not be used for purposes of endorsing candidates for public offices, nor shall it engage in any other political activity whatsoever, except when the welfare and/or civil rights of persons of Japanese ancestry shall be directly affected.

● Our prospect could find no error in the preamble of JACL's constitution . . . The preamble is the heart of organization, giving life to those who ascribe and embrace its meaning by carrying out the functions of the organization through its main body of the constitution and its by-laws . . . (It would be well to read Mas Satow's column in this issue as he treats of JACL fundamentals in the light of its 25-year history) . . . In many instances, one would find fault with the organization because of its methods and then come to the conclusion the whole idea is worthless . . . Careful study would show that fundamental idea of JACL purposes as known from the constitution and its traditions are basically sound. Its interpretation by various members or personalities, however, might be subject to question. Since interpretations are human in nature, it may be true for the time if not for all time. And new situations arise to urge reconsideration of a given policy . . . As I said to the prospect in closing: If the fundamental purposes of JACL look right by you, you are a JACler in spirit and can add to the strength of the organization by joining . . . Out of this 14th Biennial called "Changing Perspectives" may come a deeper sense of personal knowledge of what the true meaning of JACL is.

● One of the beauties of seeing the Southland is said to be from the air—but it was a smoggy morning the day we were guests of Ted Kojima, 1000er who's with Pan American World Airways here, on a courtesy flight on a much quieter and faster DC-7C they plan to introduce on their transpacific service soon . . . The hour above the smog was spent in spotting US Hwy 60 and 70 to Palm Springs-Indio . . . Another way to avoid smog here is to drive above them like we did Sunday to the Big Bear-Lake Arrowhead country about 6,000 ft. above sea level . . . Getting away for a day has its blessings. It renews our vigor for meeting deadlines here.



Edward Shattuck (left), who was recently elected California member of the Republican National Executive Committee, lauds progress made by persons of Japanese ancestry to PC columnist Henry Mori and Saburo Kido, Pacific Citizens' general manager, during brief interview at the Sheraton-Palace Hotel last week when GOPs held their 26th national conclave at Cow Palace. Rollins MacFadyen (right), vice-chairman of the Los Angeles County Republican Assembly, who was instrumental in organizing the Japanese American group in Los Angeles, informed Shattuck most of Issei, now naturalized, were registered Republicans: Shattuck commended both Nisei and Issei for their ever-increasing interest in politics.



Nacirema Production's deposit of a \$100,000 was greeted by T. Satake, manager of the Los Angeles branch of the Sumitomo Bank of California, as one of the largest single transactions in the local bank's history. David T. Yokozeki (center), Nacirema head, presents check in presence of (left to right) Marvin Segal, Luis K. Aihara and K. Hashimoto, associated in the Nisei film enterprise. With the deposit, Yokozeki announced sale of "Sierra Stranger" to Columbia Pictures Corp. It was the first film produced by the Nisei group.

Vital Statistics

Weddings

ARAKAWA-OMI — Aug. 4, Kiyoto, Fresno; Jeanette, San Francisco.
KOBAYASHI-TOMITA — July 21, George S. and Marie, both Berkeley.
TAKATA-FUJIOKA — July 22, Shogi, Berkeley; Kimiko, Lincoln.

Deaths

FUJIMOTO, Zenkichi, 80: Watsonville, Aug. 5—wife Suyeyo, sons Kiyoshi (Kansas City), Sakae, Yutaka, five Nakasawa (Monterey), Masako, Ishidaughters Fumiko, Mmes. Chitose da (Modesto), Toshiko Uyeno (Colorado), Yoshiko Ohara (L.A.) tsuko Mori.
MATOI, Takuji, 75: Oakland, Aug. 18—son Dr. Roger, daughters Mrs. Kiyoko Yamada (San Francisco), Mrs. Masako Oishi.
TASHIRO, Kuniji, 85: Mesilla, N.M., Aug. 15—wife Tatsue, sons Harry, George; daughters Mmes. Kumi Ishizaka (Los Angeles), Sue T. Yanaga Rose T. Mitamura, Miyeko Mayeda.
MATSUO, Haya: Stockton, Aug. 22 (at Reno)—husband Jintaro, son David, Masami, daughters Mmes. Kiyoko Matsuo, Fumiko Mayeda (Japan).
ODA, Sadaichi, 67: Sacramento, Aug. 25.
ONO, Takeshi, 6: San Francisco, July 30—parents Mr. & Mrs. Takumi.
SAKO Morito, 42: Florin, Aug. 24—father Tokichi, brother Eiji, sister Mrs. Haruyo Masuda.
TAJIRI, Kumao, 83: Greeley, Colo., Aug. 16—three sons and daughter.
YAMASHITA, Rokujiro, 75: Seattle, Aug. 16—wife Mumeo, sons Morikazu, Isamu (Detroit), daughters Shizue, Mmes. Akiko Matsumoto, Na-

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To prepare Kalua pig for Oakland CL luau

OAKLAND — Preparation of a Kalua pig, wrapped in ti leaves, in the "imu" on the grounds of the hotel will highlight the Oakland JACL's "Night in Hawaii" Saturday, Oct. 6, at Hotel Alameda.

A ceremony will accompany the opening of the "imu" at 7:30 p.m. Colorful leis, Polynesian music, hula dancers and tropical food will make the setting for the evening.

Tickets are available at \$4.50 per person. It was reported that accommodations limit the number of tickets to be sold and admission will be by ticket only.

Members of the committee from whom tickets may be purchased include:

William Iino, James Tsurumoto, Paul Nomura, Margaret Utsumi, Dr. Charles Ishizu, Harry Tajima, Mrs. Fumi Tsuboi, Ziggy Akahoshi, Molly Kitajima, May Ikeda, Center Cleaners, Bert's Barber Shop, Utsumi Photo and Inouye Barber Shop.

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off the Southern California Garden-er's Council. He also holds an unusual post as a member of the Federal Prison Board of Rehabilitation.

The father of three children, he is married to the former Mikko Fukui.

Hana Uno

Secretarial and miscellaneous other non-titled duties are unhe-raided, menial tasks that irregard-less must be filled by top calibre people.

In the Pacific Southwest, Hana Uno's name has repeatedly been a by-word for such chores as require efficiency and dependability of the highest level. Soft-spoken and un-assuming, the lovely and gracious Hana was the postwar Los Angeles chapter's first secretary and has served for two terms as secretary of the PSW District Council.

Some of other official duties include service as second vice-pres-ident of the Southwest Los Angeles chapter, official delegate and a member of the advisory board of that group, member of the National Nominations Committee, and Sec-etary of the 13th biennial National Convention Board.

A Federal Civil Service employee with the Immigration and Natural-ization Service, she was recently awarded the Sapphire pin for her many years of loyal contribution to the JACL.

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WASHINGTON NEWSLETTER: by Mike Masaoka



JACL convention

San Francisco

As the 14th Biennial National JACL Convention convenes in San Francisco this weekend, it might be well to consider just how appropriate the Convention theme, "Changing Perspectives", really is in terms of our national organizational history.

In a sense, the Convention inaugurates the second quarter century of JACL's service to persons of Japanese ancestry in this country, for last year marked the 25th anniversary of the founding of the JACL as a national organization and this is the first national meeting since that epochal milestone which invited an unprecedented tribute in the Congressional Record by Congressman Walter H. Judd of Minnesota.

Again, the Convention represents the end of JACL's decade of legislative, judicial, and public acceptance achievements, a ten year period unparalleled in the annals of national minorities in the United States.

Finally, with the retirement of George J. Inagaki as the National President, the last of the national officers strongly identified with JACL's wartime activities is removed from the active leadership of the organization. As a matter of fact, the new National Board represents what amounts to a complete turnover in the leadership of JACL since World War II days.

Ever since the founding of the JACL movement more than 25 years ago, our primary efforts have been to eliminate the legal discriminations which circumscribed and restricted our lives and that of our parents. Now that these sanctioned prejudices have been wiped off our federal, state, and local statute books, our perspectives have changed as we meet to chart our future course of action.

While our perspectives, that is our way of looking at things, may have changed with our improved status, my own opinion is that the fundamental objectives and purpose of JACL remain the same—to encourage "Better Americans in a Greater America" and to gain "Security through Unity" for Americans of Japanese ancestry.

All of us, of course, are Americans first and our ancestry is secondary. Nevertheless we are aware that we have problems which are particularly and uniquely our own because of this ancestry. Thus, it continues to be our task to attempt to resolve these problems as Americans within the framework of our way of life and government.

This is not to suggest that we are not deeply concerned with the great developments in our nation in the field of human and civil rights, and especially as they affect our fellow Americans of other races, colors, national origins, and religious beliefs. We are concerned, and we do want to participate in the peaceful and principled settlement of these basic rights, for we know that our own well-being is not secure as long as the welfare of others is in jeopardy. At the same time, we realize the practical limitations of our group in terms of numbers, finances, and resources, for any impractical venture on our part which threatens the overall success of the total program would do far more harm than restricting our activities to those for which we are best qualified and prepared.

We must keep in mind that the total area of discrimination and prejudice even in this country is a vast one, much too great in its magnitude to be solved by such a minor organization as JACL. Still, if JACL can concentrate and eliminate discrimination from any portion of that vast arena, even that segment which relates specifically to persons of Japanese ancestry, it seems to me that we are enlarging the area of freedom for all Americans and thereby making it a little easier for all to more effectively join in combatting the remaining bigotry and prejudices.

This Convention is particularly fortunate in having two outstanding speakers who are well qualified to help our delegates plan JACL's next biennium and beyond in the light of our "Changing Perspectives"—Edward J. Ennis and Maxwell M. Rabb.

Ed Ennis is general counsel of the American Civil Liberties Union and an officer in many of the leading "liberal" and "human rights" organizations in our country. He is in a position to advise us as a private citizen who knows our problems and our group more intimately than most as to what course of action we should follow.

Max Rabb, as the adviser to the President in minority problems, as well as Secretary to the Cabinet of the United States, represents the government and public point of view as to how organizations and individuals like us ought to conduct ourselves.

We look forward to hearing Mr. Ennis and Mr. Rabb for no two other Americans of non-Japanese ancestry are better equipped to help us plan our future destiny in this country.

Tribute to George Inagaki . . .

As George Inagaki retires from two terms as National President, I would like to pay personal tribute to him for his many years of service and devotion to JACL and to the welfare of Japanese Americans.

Ever since 1942, when he joined me in trying to persuade the general public at large of the loyalty of Americans of Japanese ancestry, he has been an outstanding and self-sacrificing leader of our minority people. Few, if any, have given more of themselves to promote the general welfare of our group than George Inagaki.

The limitation of space prevent me from recapitulating all of his many contributions to our betterment; suffice it to say that he was willing to undertake the presidency of the JACL after our dramatic and highly successful legislative and judicial campaigns were concluded and our organization was faced with a transitional period in which it would be most difficult to maintain membership and to secure the needed funds for operational purposes.

George now retires, having more than fulfilled his pledge that he would see JACL on a sound financial basis and with a program calculated to commend itself to his fellow Nisei and in the worthy JACL tradition of service.

JACLers and all Americans who believe in the rights and opportunities which should be the birthright of every human should be grateful to George Inagaki for his leadership during

JUDGES FOR NISEI OF BIENNIUM AWARD NAMED

SAN FRANCISCO.—Judges for selection of the five outstanding Nisei who have distinguished themselves for community leadership and outstanding achievement qualifying for the Nisei of the Biennium awards will meet today during the 14th Biennial JACL Convention.

They are Eugene Block, director of Jewish Community Relations Council of San Francisco; Dr. Terry Hayashi, prominent dentist who served as chairman of the 3rd Biennial JACL convention in 1934; Ed Howden, local Council for Civic Unity director; Dr. Kazuo Togasaki and Dr. Kunisada Kiyasu.

Inagaki—

Continued from Front Page his interests with JACL by reactivating the Venice JACL. He had been a member of the same group before the war, then known as the Bay District JACL.

Attending the first postwar convention in Denver in 1946, he was elected 1st national vice-president. At the 1948 convention in Salt Lake City, he was appointed national chairman, 1000 Club, which he helped organize a year earlier at an IDC meeting. After serving a second term as top knight of the "Order of the Tie and Garter", he was unanimously elected national president at the 1952 San Francisco convention, and then re-elected at the 1954 Los Angeles conclave.

During his two terms of office, the "transitional" period of the organization was marked by the successful campaign by JACL to secure immigration and naturalization privileges for Japanese in 1952. National headquarters moved back to San Francisco from Salt Lake City during his era and the Pacific Citizen was shifted to Los Angeles.

Emphasis on strengthening the some eighty-plus chapters in the organization followed with the bulk of the national projects finished. National membership rose to 15,000 and the JACL endowment fund was approaching the \$100,000 mark.

In the past year, he served as national chairman of the Committee on Japanese American Evacuation Claims (a post which he still holds) and actively participated in other JACL affairs at all levels—chapter, district and national. He is also a member of the Pacific Citizen Operating Board.

Equally prominent in non-JACL functions, Inagaki, who was born in Sacramento and a star athlete at Sac'to High, has been long associated with the So. Calif. Flower Growers, Inc.; is a member of the local Bank of Tokyo board of directors, a Rotarian (where he picked up the Irish monicker), member of various veterans and civic groups.

Today, Inagaki, who has always called himself a farmer but successful in growing gardenias for the market, is a real estate salesman and more recently studying to become a mutual funds investment salesman.

Married to the former Yuki Yagi of Salinas, they have adopted two children, Patti, 6, and Chris, 4.

D.C. chapter picnic attracts 250 persons

WASHINGTON.—The annual D.C. JACL picnic was enjoyed by 250 persons at the Homewood Recreation Center recently.

Included in the day's festivities were races and games for children, sewing contest for men, rolling-pin throwing contest for women, softball game between benedicts and bachelors and a drawing for prizes donated by local merchants and JACLers.

Soft drinks were provided by the local Japanese grocers. Picnic committeemen and volunteers included Tetsu Sumida, gen. chmn.; Ed Mitoma, Eiko Mitoma, Don Komai, Mike Tokumasa, Ronald Asaka, Sab Hasegawa, Bob Endo, Ed Izumi, Shin Inouye, Frank Baba, Roger Sato and Toshiko Morgan.

the past decade and a half in the common cause of freedom and dignity. As he retires from JACL, we join in wishing him well and "God-speed" in whatever he undertakes.

Ladies' day at 14th Biennial garbed in Saturday luncheon-fashion show

SAN FRANCISCO.—Women's day at the 14th Biennial should draw equal attention from the men, according to Mrs. Haru Hedani, fashion show chairman, who reported early this week that arrangements are completed and the setting ready for unveiling on Saturday, Sept. 1, the "Changing Perspectives in Fashion".

The exquisite display of feminine apparel and beauty follows the official luncheon at 1:30 p.m. in the Sheraton-Palace Gold Ballroom.

Diligently rehearsing since early June, under the able direction of Mrs. Nancee Limjap, the following models will gracefully parade down the runway to give the spectators a preview of what is most fashionable in styles and fabrics this fall:

Kathy Asano, Tomi Fukuda, Elaine Harada, Mrs. Misa Hiroshima, Margie Ikenoue, Mrs. Mary Miyagishima, Chiz Miyazaki, Nancie Moriguchi, Mrs. Jean Okubo, Martha Oshima, Barbara Watana-be, Louise Yanagihara and June Uyeda.

City of Paris Fashion Salon,

through the coordination of Mrs. Lisa Boissier and Miss Gloria Cohan, will feature the latest in smart fashions, emphasizing new-line suits in the slimming high-waisted Empire style; dresses designed to make the most of any figure, with ingenious cutting and draping; cocktail dresses with the "V" bare-back trend; slimmed-down coats in fabrics of fur mixtures; and coquettishly dipping large brimmed hats trimmed in feathers and ribbons.

Commencing with the showing of early afternoon dresses and continuing through the dressy evening finery, this spectacular affair will be climaxed by the procession of the traditional American bridal party, complete with attendants, including a ring bearer and a flower girl; and the appearance of a Japanese bride in her colorful and meaningful bridal attire.

An added attraction will be the shimi, Miss National JACL of 1956, who will also participate in this afternoon event with the galaxy of beautiful models.

presentation of lovely Sharon Ni-

Special services to JACL conventioners to be centered at South Lobby info desk

SAN FRANCISCO.—While emphasis has been placed in previous months on the major events of the 14th Biennial, the San Francisco Convention Board will be ready to make the delegates' stay as comfortable and convenient as possible.

Some of the services being offered during their stay here this weekend at the Sheraton-Palace are (1) the information booth, (2) hospitality room, (3) bulletin board for personal messages, (4) messenger service for official convention business, (5) check cashing facilities, (6) date bureau, (7) corsage procuring system, (8) transportation to the convention outing, (9) ushers and (10) registration desks at all convention locales.

JACLers arriving in time for the convention mixer tonight are urged to take advantage of the "package deal". Tailored to meet the needs for economy, the \$20 cost covers convention registration, souvenir booklet, opening ceremony, mixer, convention luncheon, fashion show, Sunday outing including barbecue dinner and dance, convention banquet and the Sayonara Ball.

Registration opened at the Sheraton-Palace South Lobby at 5 p.m. yesterday with Sumi Honnami, registration chairman, in charge.

Tickets and registration for the Mixer on Friday evening will be disbursed at the Registration Desk by Louise Endo. On Saturday, tickets for the luncheon and fashion show may be obtained from Kiku Hori at the desk. At the Sunday outing, Sachi Kawaoka will man a special registration desk set up at Blackberry Farm. On Monday evening, tickets and registration for the banquet and Sayonara Ball will be handled at the "gate" by Sally Noda.

Bulk of the special services will be found at the Information Booth with Toshi Kataoka in charge and set up beside Registration Desk in the South Lobby. Delegates may obtain information on restaurants, theater, sightseeing tour schedules, convention events as well as place orders for corsages, arrange for transportation to the Blackberry Farm or have checks cashed.

A very comfortable parlor has been set aside as the Hospitality Room where delegates can relax, have refreshments, meet friends, or just drop in between convention sessions. Hostess will be on hand to help wherever possible. For Friday, Aug. 31, room 2064 in the Sheraton-Palace will be designated the Hospitality Room with Marge Shigezumi in charge. On Saturday, Sept. 1, room 2053 will be the Hospitality Room under the direction of Miyuki Aoyama and Florence Higa. On Monday, Sept. 3, the Hospitality Room will move back to room 2064, with Sayo Soga and Daisy Yamane taking over for the day.

The Date Bureau, in the hands of Mrs. Yo Hironaka, will be established in the Hospitality Room. A drop-in box will be available for

requests and questionnaires will be passed out to those interested.

Sumi Utsumi, Hospitality Chairman, assures that a bulletin board will be placed in the Hospitality Room on which bulletins, and messages can be posted by delegates.

Mrs. Misako Sumida has been appointed to provide ushers for the opening ceremonies, luncheon and banquet.

Joe Kubokawa of the Bank of Tokyo announced that his bank is prepared to cash checks for registered delegates during the weekend when banking is at a standstill. Facilities will be set up for this service at the Sheraton-Palace and at the convention outing at Blackberry Farm.

SCOUT MISSING WEEK FOUND ALIVE, HUNGRY

SEATTLE.—Richard Mizuhata, 12, who vanished Aug. 19 on the rugged slope of Mt. Rainier while hiking with other members of Troop 263, was found alive last Sunday. He subsisted on some chocolate bars.

LETTERS

Reprimand

Editor: With reference to your story on the JACL Convention Salmon Fishing Derby in the Aug. 10 Pacific Citizen, I'm passing on a reprimand directed to me by the fishing derby chairman, my brother-in-law.

Salmon are not steelhead. The kind of salmon caught on the calm, blue Pacific, outside the Golden Gate are whopping-big fish. And I should know from experience and observation. Mostly observation.

However, according to Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary, salmon trout are steelhead. Fishermen commonly call steelhead "seagoing trout". Steelhead fishing is somewhat different from salmon fishing on the ocean.

Inasmuch as my husband and I are making our biennial steelhead pilgrimage to the riffles of Klamath, California, next week, please excuse my sensitivity on the subject.

FLORENCE DOBASHI
San Francisco.

CALENDAR

Aug. 31-Sept. 3
San Francisco—14th Biennial Nat'l JACL Convention, Sheraton-Palace Hotel, Conv. Hg.
Sept. 9 (Sunday)
Sonoma County—Fishing Derby, Nelson's Resort, Napa.
Sept. 12 (Wednesday)
East Los Angeles—General meeting.
Sept. 15 (Saturday)
Detroit—10th Anniversary dinner.
Sept. 22 (Saturday)
Cincinnati—General meeting.
Sept. 29 (Saturday)
Detroit—10th Ann'y dinner-dance, Adrienne's Room, Paul's Steak House.
Oct. 6 (Saturday)
Oakland—Hawaiian Luau, Hotel Alameda, 7:30 p.m.