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## BY THE BOARD:

Challenge well worth effort offered

The Pacific Citizen is "supposed" to be JACL's house organ, serving as a medium by which the entire membership is kept informed of national and local JACL activities. However, sad to say, it is NOT reaching the rank & file of the membership. Hence, the PC as it stands today falls short of its prime objective.

If JACL is to grow in strength and number, its membership must be kept informed of all phases of our activities and aspirations. To maintain continued high interest in JACL by the rank & file, the PC is invaluable for its steady flow of news and information.

Such, of course, is the philosophy of the PC and toward that end a great deal of time, effort and money is being expended.

An alarming fact is the circulation percent age among JACLers subscribing to the PC — about 25%, many of whom are our leaders. They hardly need to be inspired because they're already inspired. It is with the other 75% that PC can be of benefit. If this publication is to justify its existence, expenses and exertion, we must find ways and means to get PC into hands of as many JACLers as possible—into hands of the 75% where it can do the most good.

To date, save for a few instances, no real effort has been made at the chapter level to solicit readers among members. No honest-to-goodness drive has ever been attempted. It is high time we got behind the program to get PC into the hands of every JACLer. This is not a project that can be carried out successfully at the national level. For PC to attain its rightful function, it is necessarily up to individual chapters.

This is a tough challenge, but one definitely worth the effort. Are YOU going to sit this one out?

— George Inagaki  
Past President

## Salt Lake bids for 1958 convention 15th Biennial may be co-sponsored by Mt. Olympus; dates not yet announced

SALT LAKE CITY.—Very few, if anyone, had an inkling where the 1958 national JACL convention would be held after the successful 1956 Biennial at San Francisco. Over a thousand delegates were looking in all directions—Chicago, Washington, Seattle, Denver and Southern California—for a possibility.

The national JACL council, composed of official delegates from chapters attending the convention, was unable to act and determine the site of '58 conclave for the lack of a bid. Again, as in 1954, the delegates referred the question of a convention site to the National JACL Board for a decision within six months (which was due last Sunday).

Last Saturday, on the eve when a decision was due from JACL Headquarters, the members of the Salt Lake JACL attending their first general meeting of the year voted to extend a bid for the 15th Biennial.

Ichiro Doi, chapter president, presided at the brief business meeting prior to the Victory Membership dance at the Police Club-

house. Rupert Hachiya, immediate past president, explained details for staging a convention before voting on the motion made by Henry Kasai, naturalized Issei member of the chapter.

It was learned informal inquiry was made by Hachiya at the San Francisco convention and in subsequent weeks, correspondence between the chapter and National Headquarters determined the extent of a convention to be held here.

(Dr. Roy Nishikawa, national JACL president, of Los Angeles told the Pacific Citizen, upon being advised of Salt Lake's bid Tuesday that "it was the only chapter which showed interest" in staging the 1958 convention. "I am happy to hear it," he added.)

In all probability, official acknowledgment and announcement will be made from Headquarters. (It was also Pacific Citizen's understanding that convention dates would be earlier than the traditional Labor Day weekend, if held in the Intermountain area this time.)

George Tamura, Mt. Olympus chapter president, who was present, has agreed to bring the question of co-sponsorship at his next board meeting. Lack of a co-sponsor, however, will not deter Salt Lake JACL, the chapter assured.

This will mark the return of JACL delegates to a national convention for the second time since the end of World War II, when Salt Lake-Mt. Olympus hosted the 1948 Biennial. During the war years, with National Headquarters located here, Salt Lake was the site of the 1942 and 1944 meetings.

The last Salt Lake convention was held Sept. 4-8, 1948.

## FLOOD DAMAGE LIGHT FOR NISEI OF EAST OREGON

ONTARIO, Ore.—Flood waters of the Malheur River, a tributary emptying in the Snake River here, struck the vicinity of Vale, 28 miles west of here, on Sunday night Feb. 26.

The Pacific Citizen was informed a dozen Japanese American families were evacuated when swollen streams inundated the community and adjacent farm lands. However, as Operation Cleanup began two days later many returned to find damages not as extensive.

Oregon Governor Robert Holmes had requested Malheur county be declared a disaster area, seeking \$500,000 in federal assistance.

(It was recalled Japanese American victims of the Marysville-Yuba City flood of Christmas 1955 were aided by JACLers. The Snake River Chapter, which covers Malheur county, has not found it necessary to make such an appeal.—Editor.)

Very few persons went to bed in Vale and Jamieson that Sunday night expecting muddy waters to seep into stores in town or maroon them on their farms. But by morning, Red Cross officials, national guard, sheriff's posse and individuals were engaged in spontaneous rescue and salvage work.

The Ontario Argus-Observer did report one moving incident when a young boy waded knee deep through flood waters to rescue the

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## CHAPTER TO VOTE ON OWN CORPORATION

DETROIT.—The Detroit JACL chapter will vote on articles of incorporation as a "non-profit organization" in the state of Michigan at its Mar. 17 potluck supper-business meeting at the International Institute, it was announced by Kay Miyaya, chapter publicity chairman.

Yoshio Kasai is handling general arrangements, while Fumi Kasai and Hifumi Sunamoto are in charge of food arrangements.

The newly-organized Teen Club will be in charge of children who attend the family affair.



Justice J. Allan Crockett of the Utah Supreme Court (left) receives the 400th membership card from Isamu Watanuki (center), Salt Lake JACL membership chairman. This commemorates the largest membership total in the 20-year-plus history of the chapter. While the active drive has been concluded for 1957, president Ichiro Doi (right) has been assured the final count would near the 500 mark. — Terashima Photo.

## REPATRIATES DENIED RIGHT TO SUE FOR VESTED PROPERTY RETURN

WASHINGTON.—Japanese nationals in the United States who were repatriated to Japan during World War 2 cannot sue in the courts for return of their vested property, the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League explained this week in reporting a decision rendered by the U.S. Court of Appeals.

In the particular case at issue, a German citizen was involved, but because the circumstances fit that of Japanese repatriates the same decision would apply, the Washington JACL office said.

In a two-to-one opinion, the Appeals Court reversed a ruling made last April by the District Court that cash and stocks should be returned to Anni H. J. E. Oehmichen, of New York City, now an American citizen.

Mrs. Oehmichen, according to the majority opinion, and her husband, Erhard, who died in Germany in 1948, were German citizens who came to the United States in 1933. The following year they entered into the importing business.

Shortly after the war broke out, the Oehmichens were arrested and interned. After about three years, they asked for repatriation to Germany and in January, 1945, they went to German-held territory in Austria.

After the death of her husband,

Mrs. Oehmichen returned to the United States, became a naturalized citizen, and re-established the importing business. She then filed suit against the Office of Alien Property for the return of her vested property, sequestered following the outbreak of war.

The District Court found that the Oehmichens returned to Germany because of the rigors of the internment camp and their difficulties with the pro-Nazi elements in the camp.

The Appeals Court, however, decided that the Oehmichens returned to Germany "of their own free choice" and were "willing residents of Germany" and, therefore, under the Trading with the Enemy Act they were enemies within the meaning of the law. Accordingly, they could not sue for the recovery of their property in the courts.

Attorneys for Mrs. Oehmichen announced that they would appeal to the Supreme Court for a final determination of her matter.

## OVER \$250,000 AWARDED FOR CLAIMS IN JAN.

WASHINGTON.—Over a quarter-million dollars were awarded to 140 claimants under the evacuation claims program during the month of January, the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League and Committee on Japanese American Evacuation Claims announced this week.

The total amount awarded in January by the Japanese Claims Section of the Department of Justice was nearly \$247,000. The largest award was for \$10,000 and was given to a claimant residing in Sunnyvale, Calif., while the smallest was for \$25 awarded to a claimant residing in Hawi, Hawaii.

Although most of the awards were made to claimants residing in California, residents of eight other states and the Territory of Hawaii and Japan also received awards. Other states involved besides California were Washington, Colorado, Illinois, New Jersey, Minnesota, Oregon, Arizona, Nevada, and Alabama. The awardee in Japan resides in Kumamoto-ken.

These awards were made under the provisions of the JACL-COJAE sponsored amendment to the 1948 Evacuation Claims Act that authorizes compromise settlement to all awards, while also recognizing the claims of internees and corporations.

Since these are awards only, Congress must still appropriate the necessary funds with which to pay these claimants.

JACL and COJAE will continue their efforts to secure the needed appropriations in order that these awardees may be paid by early summer.

## L.A. race relations progress in Look

A report on how better race relations were developed in Los Angeles county is given in "A Race Relations Success Story" by Sara Boyneoff in the Mar. 19 Look magazine.

Negro editor Loren Miller, City Councilman Ed Roybal and Saburo Kido, Nisei lawyer, are all quoted on how vastly enlightened the public has become on this once explosive problem.

The situation as it existed during the tension filled postwar era, what was done about it and the results are treated. A Negro, Willard Johnson, is UCLA student body president; Richard Pacheco, of Mexican descent, is president at Roosevelt High School; and John Aiso is municipal judge. These are signs of progress.

All is not success but the leadership mechanism has been developed, the article concludes, for further progress in the future.

(Miss Boyneoff's story was originally contained in the CBS-KNX "Minority Reports" radio broadcast, which is being cited by the National Conference of Christian and Jews.)

## REEDLEY JACLER PICKED 'MR C. OF C.' FOR 1957

REEDLEY.—Dr. James Ikemiya has been named "Mr. Chamber of Commerce of 1957" at a recent dinner meeting held in the high school cafeteria.

Dr. Ikemiya is a past president of JACL, board of director of Kiwanis Club, and served as first chairman of the dental survey taken among elementary school children.

This year he is chairman of the Red Cross drive and member of the city recreation commission.



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## From the Frying Pan

by Bill Hosokawa

Denver, Colo.

**NISEI REF**—The Colorado state high school wrestling tournament was held in Denver a couple of weeks ago, and so it was natural that George Nakayama should drop in. George is the Rocky Ford Nisei who's been making a name for himself in southeastern Colorado as a wrestling referee. He was one of a dozen referees selected to work the tournament, and one of the seven selected to officiate in the finals, so he must be a pretty fair hand at his business.

Nakayama got interested in wrestling while attending Denver University. He wrestled in the 145-pound class, but by his own admission he was no sensation. He turned to officiating while teaching at Trinidad junior high school and high school and he's still officiating even though he's no longer teaching.

(Incidentally, I wonder what became of Sam Hokari, my old friend who was a Pacific Coast Conference northwest division wrestling champion a couple of decades ago. Haven't heard anything about him since before the war. Sam wasn't very big but he was as tough as an octopus.)

**CRYING A SALE**—Nakayama dropped in, not to talk about wrestling, but to tell me about his latest interest, which is crying a sale. That, I learned, means running an auction. Out in the farming country, auctions are almost a way of life. Some farmer gets discouraged and figures he'd do better out in California. So he hires an auctioneer to sell his land, or if he's renting, he'll have his livestock, farm implements and even his household goods auctioned off. Or a rancher wants to get rid of some range cattle, so he holds an auction for farmers who are looking for cow critters to feed out during the winter.

George, it seems, has been attending auctions for a long time and the chanting of the man behind the microphone fascinated him. Also, the more he saw of auctions, the more he became convinced that people seemed to be getting gypped. Sometimes the fellow who was getting rid of the merchandise didn't seem to get enough cash for it. And at other times buyers out of ignorance were paying exorbitant prices for junk. He figured he'd like to become an auctioneer and run fair sales.

Not long ago George put down \$150 and enrolled in the Reisch American School of Auctioneering at Mason City, Ia. There he learned to cry a sale. Now he plans to take out a license and go into business for himself as soon as he gets some experience helping out at sales and learns a little more about land values.

**LOOKING INTO THE FUTURE**—One reason Nakayama is interested in land values is that he's looking into the future. Before long, he figures, in maybe 15 years, practically all Nisei in Colorado will be related by marriage. He'd like to be in position by then to help them pool their resources to raise enough capital, buy land when a good bargain comes along, and set up a corporate farming venture.

Tied in with this thinking is the need for cooperative marketing. It's only a matter of time, he believes, until all produce will be sold by auction in wholesale markets through marketing associations. And he wants to be ready for that day.

**MIGRATION TO KANSAS**—Nakayama reports that a number of southeastern Colorado Nisei farmers have been moving across the line into Kansas. The cut-back in wheat acreage allotment freed some good land for other crops. And deep wells are providing irrigation water on what heretofore has been dryland farms. The combination has lured Nisei farmers who are growing sugarbeets, melons and onions on land never before devoted to these crops. And thus another Nisei frontier has been opened.

## Salt Lake JACL honors 18 naturalized Issei citizens in 5th annual testimonial; supreme court justice guest speaker

BY JEANNE KONISHI

**SALT LAKE CITY**—For the fifth consecutive year, the Salt Lake JACL has honored its newly naturalized Issei who became American citizens this past year at a

dinner held Feb. 28 at Dawn Noodle House.

After welcome and introduction of honored guests by master of ceremonies Rupert Hachiya, 18 new citizens were presented with

scrolls, which contained the Pledge of Allegiance and the Japanese American Creed, together with red and white carnations from Mrs. Midori Watanuki.

Honored guests were Justice J. Allan Crockett of the Utah Supreme Court, the main speaker; Albert Fritz, Salt Lake City NAACP president; the Rev. Shintatsu Sanada of the Buddhist Church; Bishop Shobo Aoyagi of the Nichiren Buddhist Church; the Revs. Tosuke Ota and George Hirose of the Church of Christ; Jack Griffins, chief of the Salt Lake immigration office; State Sen. Sol Selvin and Mme. State Sen. C. L. Jack.

The occasion also honored the clergymen of the three churches serving the Japanese community.

The chapter has now recognized a total of 193 Issei who have become naturalized since the Walter-McCarran Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952 became effective, permitting aliens of Japanese descent the privilege of naturalization.

Sen. Selvin (pictured above congratulating an Issei citizen), himself, is a naturalized American citizen of more than 40 years since coming to the United States as an immigrant from Lithuania. In his message to the Issei, he described citizenship as of "the greatest bounty" to him.

As senior senator in the Utah legislature, he was honored by his colleagues on Feb. 1 with a huge cake and party for his 79th birthday. He first introduced a civil rights bill in 1945 and has been its constant champion.

While he believes a state civil rights bill is still not ready to become law, he noted America's heart is changing and has faith in its passage soon. He added that he no longer receives public insults on the streets or over the telephones as he used to.



Utah State Sen. Sol Selvin (second from left) congratulates Kiyutaro Tanaka, naturalized Issei citizen, of Salt Lake City at the fifth annual Salt Lake JACL dinner honoring new American citizens, while Mme. Sen. C.L. Jack (left) and Jack Griffins, immigration service district chief, look on approvingly. — Terashima Photo.

## STEREOTYPED 'YELLOW PERIL' ATTITUDE BLAMED FOR WAR-TIME EVACUATION

**STOCKTON**—Mamoru Sakuma, a Sacramento attorney, blamed the stereotyped "yellow peril" attitude of Americans as the primary cause of the detention of some 112,000 persons of Japanese ancestry in relocation camps during World War II in a speech delivered Feb. 23 at the annual installation dinner of the Stockton Japanese American Citizens League.

Two-thirds of the internees were American citizens and were deprived of their constitutional rights by their evacuation from their homes and businesses and their detention in the centers, he charged.

Sakuma pointed to the advances made since the war in the restoration of evacuation losses, citizenship, immigration, the repeal of California's Alien Land Law, and the franchise of Issei, but said that persons of Japanese ancestry still are not exempt from sharing in the problems created by American attitudes.

Despite reports of the Office of War Information and the Federal Bureau of Investigation that no act of sabotage was committed by a Japanese American in the United States or Hawaii, the idea still persists among many Americans that such acts were perpetrated, Sakuma said.

Lou Tsunekawa, a landscape contractor, was installed as president of the local chapter, succeeding Richard Yoshikawa, local photographer.

Municipal Judge Bill L. Dozier

installed the new president and the other officers: Ted Kamibayashi, 1st v.p.; Ted Ishihara, 2nd v.p.; Yoyo Ijuin, cor. sec.; Yukie Shinoda, rec. sec.; Al Umino, treas.; Frank Shinoda, publicity; Mrs. Mitsuye Kamimura, hist.; H. Hayashino, Issei relations; Mrs.

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## VAGARIES By Larry S. Tajiri

### 'Sayonara' Scramble

Denver

Michiko Iseri, the Nisei dancer who teamed with Yuriko (Kikuchi) in the "Small House of Uncle Thomas" ballet in Rodgers and Hammerstein's "The King and I" on Broadway and in the 20th Fox screen version, got into the middle of a hassle in Tokyo the other day.

Miss Iseri, now on a trip around the world, was quizzed by newspapermen about the difficulty between Joshua Logan, director of the Warner Brothers film "Sayonara", and Japanese critics who thought that Logan should have used a Japanese actor instead of Ricardo Montalban in the role of Nakamura, a Kabuki actor in the film.

It is somehow unfortunate that Logan got into an argument at all. It was only because Logan's insistence on giving the Japanese male a break that the role of Nakamura was written into the screen play at all. You won't find him in James Michener's original novel of the Takarazuka dancer who falls in love with an American jet pilot.

Logan, however, thought the world had been impressed long enough with the desirability of the Japanese female and decided that men should get a break, too. Japanese men, according to Logan, are known only by their wartime stereotype of a "buck-toothed, brutal soldier." So Nakamura, the Kabuki actor, was introduced into the movie with Michener's permission. He will fall in love with Patricia Owens, the Canadian girl who plays Marlon Brando's girl back home. This provides "Sayonara" with three Japanese-American romances, the major theme involving Brando and Miiko Taka, the girl from Los Angeles who portrays the dancer Hana-Ogi, the tragic affair between Red Buttons and Miyoshi Umeki and twain of "Nakamura" and Miss Owens.

It is Logan's announced intention, of course, to prove that east may be east, and west may be west but the twain do meet. Besides Kipling has been proved wrong by some 20,000 Japanese-American marriages since V-J day.

For a man of good intentions Logan got into all sorts of verbal hot water in Japan. The casting of Montalban, an accomplished actor of Mexican ancestry, unleashed a flood of criticism. That's when Michiko got into the act. "All the other Japanese in the picture are being played by Orientals," she said, "so why not the Kabuki actor? . . . especially the Kabuki actor."

Brando, at a press conference, skirted a direct question on whether Montalban should play a Japanese. Asked how he felt about his Sakini in "Teahouse of the August Moon," Brando said he would never try to play an Oriental in a realistic situation.

It would seem the criticism directed at Logan is unfair. As the director it is his prerogative to use anyone of his choosing to achieve the desired dramatic effect. Logan's sincerity is unquestioned and it is his announced purpose to present a valid picture of Japan in "Sayonara." He has cast all of his other Japanese roles with performers of Japanese ancestry. In the Nakamura role, however, he was unable to find a Japanese actor with a command of English to fill the requirements of the part.

But when Logan tried to get two of the top men of the Kabuki theater to double for Montalban in long shots, he got a blanket refusal.

The "Sayonara" company completed its shooting in Japan this past week and are headed homeward. Logan is optimistic about the picture, despite the difficulties encountered. He has announced that "Sayonara" is the most important film of his career. Mr. Logan's two previous films, it may be remembered, were "Mr. Roberts" and "Picnic."

American film makers, including Joshua Logan, have learned that the Japanese are thin-skinned about movies which purport to show Japan. "Tokyo File 212", an independent effort and a pretty poor film, took a lacing from critics and flopped dismally. Nearly every picture made in Japan since then, with the possible exception of Columbia's "Three Stripes in the Sun," the Aldo Ray-Michiko Kimura picture about a tough sergeant who falls in love with a Japanese girl, has evoked considerable unhappiness in Nippon. Twentieth Fox's "House of Bamboo," which starred Shirley Yamaguchi and pictured an ex-GI gang ring operating in Japan, became a national issue.

Perhaps as a result of this Japanese attitude, Universal-International decided the other day it probably would not release "Joe Butterfly," a picture made on location in Japan last summer. An U-I official admitted the film contains "one or two sequences that do not depict Japanese life and customs as they actually are. Releasing 'Joe Butterfly' might be offensive to the Japanese and would open the picture to ridicule."

"Joe Butterfly," starring Burgess Meredith in the title role, concerns the efforts of GIs to put out the first issue of "Yank" magazine in Tokyo early in the Occupation. Others in the cast are Audie Murphy, George Nader, Keenan Wynn, Fred Clark, Charles McGraw and Keiko Shima. The picture is played for laughs but U-I is afraid the comedy might backfire and ruin the company's business with its other films in Japan.



The 1957 officers of the Snake River Valley JACL were recently installed by George Sugai, IDC chairman (back row, left), at a dinner-dance at the East Side Cafe in Ontario, Ore. In the front row are (left to right) George Iseri, 1000 Club chmn.; Dr. Kenji Yaguchi, past pres.; Gish Amano, pres.; George Mita, v.p.; Mrs. Harry Morikawa, treas. Standing are Sugai, Mrs. George Saito, IDC sec.; Mrs. Tom Ogura, social co-chmn.; Mrs. Tom Itami, sec.; and Mrs. Bobbie Watanabe, nisl.

—Harano Photo.

## Mile-Hi spring carnival set Mar. 23, for community welfare, JACL programs

DENVER.—John Masunaga and Buddy Uchida, co-chairmen, announced the Mile-Hi JACL will hold its annual spring carnival on Saturday, Mar. 23, 4 p.m. to midnight, at the Tri-State Buddhist Church.

The chapter indicated that the program will be designed to raise funds for community purposes, including support for the 1957 March of Dimes, Nisei Student Scholarship award, Memorial Day program, Issei recognitions, and to assure participation in Japanese community affairs such as the July picnic, enactment of state FEPC and supporting National JACL programs.

The community benefit is geared for family enjoyment with a food bazaar, hundreds of prizes, fun and entertainment. Volunteers are needed to man various phases of the program and were urged to call either Uchida, WE 4-1748, or Masunaga, AL 5-3412.

## Detroit Clers add touch of Japan at International Institute Folk Ball

DETROIT.—A Japanese touch was added to the gay 11th annual International Institute Folk Ball on Feb. 23 at the Masonic Temple. This year's ball was dedicated to Consul William K. von Weiler of The Netherlands.

During the evening, dancers clad in the costumes of many nations participated in the show of nationality dances. On the committee were Mrs. Mariko Matsura and Walter Miyao, both Detroit JACL board members.

Escorting Gov. and Mrs. G. Mennen Williams was Mrs. Mitzi Kinoshita while on the reception line wearing kimono were Mmes. Fumi Kasai (wife of Detroit chapter president Yoshio), Kinoshita and Matsura. Arrangement of flowers and also greeting guests were members of the Institute's Cherry Blossom Club, composed of Japanese wives of servicemen.

Also attending the formal affair were JACL president Yoshio Kasai, Sue and George Matsuhira, Larry Shinoda, Fusa and Tom Tagami.

## S. F. editor quits post for Redevelopment Agency

SAN FRANCISCO.—Mrs. Michi Onuma, associated with the Hoku-bei Mainichi English section since its inception in 1948, resigned her editorial post last week. She will be with the Redevelopment Agency of San Francisco as interviewer to assist those who are to be affected by the impending clearance of Western Addition area for redevelopment purposes.

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## SALT LAKE JACL HITS ALL-TIME RECORD OF 400

SALT LAKE CITY.—The membership team captained by Rupert Hachiya signed up 224 members during the month of January-February—more than half of the total 409 paid-up JACLers here as of Feb. 28 to win the steak dinner competition.

Isamu Watanuki, Salt Lake JACL membership chairman, so announced at the Victory Membership dance held last Saturday at the Police Clubhouse. He added that at least 425 members would be registered this week and saw a distinct possibility of boosting the total to 500 with renewal prospects.

Ichiro Doi, chapter president, noted that current figures represent an all-time record for the chapter.

Members of the winning team were Shiz Sakai, George Yoshimoto, Amy Doi and Alice Sakai.

## Flood —

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small pet dog of a Sansei girl who was being evacuated and crying frantically for her pet.

By the end of the week, Vale High School (where a Nisei football coach, Melvin Kawasoe, mentored a state championship team two seasons ago) was reopened.

As for Ontario, where many Nisei activities are centered in Snake River Valley, it was "bone-dry", the Pacific Citizen was told, though Ontario aided in providing temporary shelter and relief to flood victims.

## 'This is Your Life' kinescopes on hand

SAN FRANCISCO.—Eighty-six chapters of the Japanese American Citizens League throughout the United States were informed last week that two kinescope copies of the Jan. 2 "This is Your Life" TV program featuring Mike Masakawa are available for private showing.

National JACL Headquarters, in making the announcement, stressed that no charge is to be made at local showings. The film is 16mm. sound.

"Under no condition is the local chapter to loan the film to any other community organization or individual, unless special arrangements for such have been made beforehand with National Headquarters," Mas Satow, national JACL director, warned. "If there is any violation of these agreements, the National Broadcasting Co. reserves the right to ask for the return of the film."

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## NAT'L DIRECTOR'S REPORT By Masao Satow

### Distinguished Americans

San Francisco

We spent a good weekend in Portland attending the Pacific Northwest District Council meeting and the joint installation and recognition banquet of the Portland and Gresham-Troutdale Chapters. We are always impressed with the interest of our good JACLers in giving up their personal enjoyments on Sundays to get together for JACL business.

In spite of conflicting program of other organizations, a goodly group gathered to honor the newly naturalized citizens and three of JACL's wartime national sponsors: Messrs. E.B. MacNaughton, Monroe Sweetland, and Charles A. Sprague. In accepting his JACL scroll of appreciation, Mr. MacNaughton modestly stated he did not think he did anything worth this ado, but we know it took a great deal of courage in those dark war years to stand by Americans of Japanese ancestry. It must be highly satisfying to those who served as our National sponsors to see now that their faith in us and in America has been justified.

It may seem incongruous in America to honor those who uphold the principles of democracy, but through our experiences we fully realize it is not an easy matter to stand up and be counted when many want to declare a moratorium on democracy.

Our weekend in Portland was made all the more delightful by three staunch JACL-ynes taking us to dinner. Thank you, Sumi Fugita, Shiz Ochiai and Kimi Tambara. The following evening after the banquet, these three plus six other Portland roses escorted the Deacon to the town and wound up with a midnight pizza snack. The office of National Director has compensations!

#### HARRY KINGMAN RETIRES

We join this coming Saturday noon to honor Harry Kingman and his good wife, Ruth, with a host of other people whose lives have been enriched by their many years of selfless service. Mr. Kingman retires after almost forty years as the executive of Stiles Hall, the Univ. of California YMCA, but this retirement means only that he is freed from administrative responsibilities so that he and Ruth can continue their efforts to better human relations. Americans of Japanese ancestry particularly remember them as active in the Pacific Coast Committee for American Principles of Fair Play. Their warm friendship will always be an inspiration and encouragement to us in our efforts to be better Americans.

#### INFORMAL MOMENTS WITH VIPs

Representatives of ten chapters in the bay area had an enjoyable time squatting with visiting dignitaries from Washington at Tokyo Sukiyaki: Messrs. George Cochran Doub, Enoch Ellison, and Eli Glasser, all of the Department of Justice. Typical of the informal tone of the gathering: Everytime NC-WNDC treasurer Kenji Fujii bummed a cigarette from Mr. Doub, the fellows reminded him that this would be deducted from his evacuation claim. We appreciate the interest of these gentlemen in coming out here to expedite the claims program.

#### TV PUBLIC RELATIONS CAMPAIGN

Now that we have the listing of TV stations with names of managing and program directors throughout the country, we are drafting our letter to alert them in the effort to eliminate the offensive films made during the hysteria and hate of wartime. Incidentally, Dick Weeks, a free lance writer from New York, was in the other day to gather material for a story on the Nisei for a national magazine, and he felt this particular angle should be featured.

#### 'THIS IS YOUR LIFE'

Because so many of our members missed the original telecast of "This Is Your Life, Mike Masaoka", we have purchased two kinescope copies of the film. They are available to the chapters on a first come, first served, basis. A nominal charge will be made for shipping cost and servicing the films to keep them in good condition.

#### AMERICAN MUSEUM OF IMMIGRATION

During the next several weeks a letter campaign will be conducted through the northern and central California chapters to give our people an opportunity to share in the national campaign for the American Museum of Immigration. The purpose of this effort is to build a museum at the foot of the Statue of Liberty to record the contributions and history of immigrant peoples and their children who have helped to build this nation. George Inagaki represents us on the National Committee for this project.

The campaign will be conducted in cooperation with the Japanese Chamber of Commerce of Northern California and the San Francisco Japanese American Association. We feel that the goal of \$5,000 can be easily achieved if that many people will contribute a dollar each to indicate a wide support and signify our cooperation with our fellow Americans in this worthy endeavor.

#### 30TH LIFER FOR 1000 CLUB

Our Parlier Chapter has come through again on its 1000 Club, has added two more to boost its total to 25, and Norman Miyakawa has converted his regular membership to Life Membership.

Our national membership is lagging, but we hope this is because chapters are holding on in order to send in reports complete. During the past two weeks we have had good initial reports from St. Louis, San Jose, Delano, and Cincinnati.

#### JACLERS PINCH HIT

Berkeley attorney Mas Yonemura will speak and lead the discussion on Japanese Americans at the Berkeley YWCA forum series on minorities. Dr. Yoshiye Togasaki will appear on a forum at the annual conference of the Northern California Mental Health Association next weekend at Asilomar on the interesting topic of "Segregation, Self, and Society". The theme of this year's gathering is "Majorities and Minorities—Living Together in a Democratic Society". We are always grateful for our good members who take time from their busy lives to represent JACL in speaking engagements and participation in such conferences.

## NEW \$21,000 BUILDING PLANNED TO REPLACE OLD POCATELLO HALL

POCATELLO.—A new JACL community building is being planned by the Pocatello chapter, it was announced this week by Novo Kato, chapter president.

At a preliminary committee meeting held at the home of George Shiozawa, Kato reported that the present building would not be worth remodeling to any extent, while a new building could be constructed for approximately \$21,000.

Indicative of the enthusiasm shown in this project, Ezra Hawkes, of the construction subcommittee, has suggested the committee tour Montana and see school and all-masonry type buildings, which the local chapter might adopt. Hawkes has had varied experience with various organizations in construction of buildings, it was pointed out.

Tentative plans call for a 40x70 ft. building with a full basement. The main hall with stage will be on the ground level and a kitchen,

dining hall and offices in the basement. If possible, there will be no supporting beams on the floor to provide unobstructed vision and space.

Five acres near Whitaker and Chubbuck Rds. is being considered by the committee as the site of the JACL hall.

On the general building committee are Novo Kato, chairman; Frank Tominaga, Sam Tominaga, Masa Tsukamoto, Ezra Hawkes, Hero Shiosaki, Kaz Endow, George Shiozawa, George Sato, Ronnie Yokota, Harry Watanabe, Bill Yamaguchi. Joanne Taniyama has volunteered to draw the building layout.

Subcommittee appointments include:

Bill Yamauchi, Ron Yokota, Harry Watanabe, Frank Tominaga, Hero Shiosaki, Bill Yoden, finances; George Shiozawa, Ezra Hawkes, Sam Tominaga, George Sato, Richard Suenaga, Joanne Taniyama, construction; Novo Kato, Kaz Endow, Masa Tsukamoto, Harvey Yamashita, Guy Yamashita, Archie Service, Paul Okamura, Larry Thatcher, real estate.

## Banner year predicted as Pocatello CL nears 200 members for all-time record

POCATELLO.—A banner year is in the making with over 170 members signed up for 1957 by the Pocatello chapter. Last-minute additions were expected last week to boost the total to 200 for a record high.

The actual drive is over, surpassing previous annual performances of 140 members, more or less, according to Novo Kato, chapter president.

Kazuo Endow and Frank Tominaga were cited for their cam-

paign in Blackfoot, largest area that was solicited.

The chapter has initiated a chapter bulletin, a hustling social board and is aided by JAC Lyns, the women's auxiliary.

Biggest dance of the year is due Mar. 16, the St. Patrick's dance at Castel Ballroom in Blackfoot. Jack Duff and his Music Makers will play, according to Kin Sato and Dorothy Carlson, social co-chairmen. Admission will be \$1.25 per member; \$1.50 for non-members.

The Feb. 16 carnival was reported to be another success, although final report was not ready, George Shiozawa and Bill Yoden, co-chairmen, indicated.

The capable assistance rendered by the Sansei, who are in their teens here, was noted at the carnival. It may be a Jr. JACL group may be organized by Pocatello.

## Hollywood to install Kawakami president

Paul K. Kawakami, Hollywood-born accountant who spent his intervening years since evacuation at Gila WRA Center and Minneapolis, will be installed as president of the Hollywood JACL this Sunday, Mar. 10, 5 p.m., at the Nikabob, 875 S. Western Ave.

National JACL President Dr. Roy Nishikawa will be guest speaker and installing officer.

He succeeds Danar Abe, who will continue in office as 3rd vice-president. Miwa Yanamoto, 2nd v.p.; will co-edit the chapter bulletin with Nancy Kuwata.

Other officers are Hide Izumo, 1st v.p.; Art Ito, treas.; Mitzi Tanaka, rec. sec.; Yoshi Yamada, cor. sec.; Clark Harada, Mike Suzuki, membs.-at-lrg.; and Noboru Ishitani, 1000 Club chmn.

Roast chicken will be served at \$3.15 per plate, it was added.

## Japan films shown at first Reno CL meeting

RENO.—Two films on Japan, one being narrated in Japanese for the benefit of many Issei who were present, were shown at the first general meeting of the Reno JACL at the First Methodist Church here Feb. 22.

Words of welcome were extended by Miss Ida Fukui, chapter president. Assisting in the planning and refreshments were Mmes. Fred Aoyama, George Oshima and Oscar Fujii.

Oscar Fujii, Reno JACLer, who has been cast as Sakini in Reno's Little Theater production of "Tea-house of the August Moon", is the first person of Japanese ancestry assigned to this role. It opened here Mar. 4.

The role of Lotus Blossom is being played by Japan-born Mrs. Helmi Horgan, who has lived in Japan for over 20 years and speaks the language fluently.



## '1000' CLUB NOTES

SAN FRANCISCO.—National JACL Headquarters reported a total of 91 new and renewing members in the 1000 Club for the month of February, showing a current total of 1,120 as compared with 1,127 for Jan. 31. The 1956 mark was 1,146.

Acknowledged during the Feb. 15-28 period were the following 39 members:

**NINTH YEAR**  
Richmond-El Cerrito — Dr. Yoshiye Togasaki.

**SIXTH YEAR**  
Denver — Toshi Ando.  
Philadelphia — William M. Marutan, Dr. H. Tom Tamaki.  
Cincinnati — Masaji Toki.

**FOURTH YEAR**  
Portland — John M. Hada.  
Philadelphia — Dr. Mitsuo Hirata, Mrs. Teru Nakano, Yosuke Nakano.  
San Francisco — Kenji Kasai.  
Denver — Dr. Tomio Kawano.  
Chicago — Kenji Nakane, Lincoln Shimidzu.

**THIRD YEAR**  
Stockton — Harry S. Hayashino, Lou S. Tsunekawa, Henry T. Kusama, Joseph Omachi.  
East Los Angeles — Jim Higashi.  
Orange County — George Kanno.  
Ogden — Bill Nozaki.  
Richmond-El Cerrito — George Sugihara.

**SECOND YEAR**  
Detroit — Judge Theodore R. Bohn, George Matsuhira.  
Stockton — Art Hisaka.  
Twin Cities — Henry K. Makino.  
Philadelphia — Tomomi Murakami, Delano — Edward Nagatani.  
Berkeley — Tadashi Nakamura.  
Chicago — Fred Nomya.  
New York — Joseph T. Oyama.  
Southwest L.A. — Tom T. Shimazaki.  
Marysville — Thomas H. Teesdale.

**FIRST YEAR**  
New York — Shig Kariya.  
Detroit — John Furuta, Shig T. Kizuka.  
Delano — Bill T. Nakagawa.  
San Francisco — Shizuko Yoshimura.  
Cincinnati — James H. Hashimoto.  
Sacramento — Ed Hayashi.

## Appreciation night for parents staged by Mt. Olympus JACL

SALT LAKE CITY.—Mt. Olympus JACL reported another successful Parents Appreciation Night program, which was held Feb. 22 at the Meadowbrook Golf clubhouse with over 120 people in attendance.

Following a Washington birthday theme, red, white and blue streamers with small flags criss-crossed on a block of white foam decorated the hall. Silhouette portraits of Lincoln and Washington used in the decorations were done free hand by Bob Mukai.

Toastmaster for the evening was Jim Ushio, who welcomed parents and members. The pledge of allegiance was led by newly naturalized citizen K. Saibara, followed by a moment of silence honoring the deceased. An inspiring message was given by president George Tamura, followed by a response of appreciation from K. Kurumada.

After a most delicious fried chicken dinner, the program was turned over to master of ceremonies Yukus Inouye and his committee Tom Matsumori, Tomi Tamura, George Fujii, Ted Isaki, Mary Sugaya and Kaz Mori.

First on his program was a gular selection by an exchange student from Hokkaido, Shigeki Tsujiyama, followed by a classical rendition on a "Satsuma biwa" by T. Shimizu, dressed appropriately in his "montsuki kimono" and "hakama."

Fond memories were brought out with the projector showing of the pictures of many of the guests present, all in their younger days, many were the first pictures taken after their arrival in the United States.

Evening concluded with an entertaining rotating prize game of bingo in which the winners took home delicious home baked cakes.

Co-chairmen Jim Ushio and Kiyo Nishida were assisted by Aiko Nishida, Mutsu Nakamura, invitations; Ruby Tamura, Amey Harada, Tom Akimoto, Kay Harada, reception; Kiyo Matsumori, Momoko Ushio, Yuki Namba, Mary Inouye, Frances Akimoto, decorations.





VERY TRULY YOURS  
By Harry K. Honda

## Slogan-Conscious

Statistics seldom reveal the "human side" of the news. And I'm sure the allusion being made here isn't hobbling the internal welfare of JACL chapters seriously across the country. But the fact is that names and addresses of 11 chapter presidents were missing from the Pacific Citizen circulation files as of Dec. 31, 1956. . . . Some may have been fortunate (though unfortunate to the PC business office) to see a copy of their neighbor. Also, it may be their subscription expired sometime during December. A bright aspect to this picture is the added notation that 55 presidents were 1000 Club members, thus getting their PCs automatically.

By the end of this month, we should have a complete list of 1957 cabinet officers. It is hoped that new chapter presidents are receiving their copy of the PC by that time. . . . It may not be an indispensable element to the office of chapter presidency, but many have said it was the next thing to it. We've boosted chapter programs, personalities and public relations. . . . National JACL Director Mas Satow's every-other-week column from San Francisco keeps tab on important day-to-day activities as viewed at Headquarters. Dr. Roy Nishikawa has a valuable message in the President's Corner on our front pages every other week. In between, members of the National Board have their say. In other words, the PC is emphasizing its "house organ" capacities. You might say this was following the first of JACL's twin motto: "Security through Unity."

The other slogan: "For better Americans in a greater America" is followed in the PC coverage of news each week of significance and interest to Japanese Americans. . . . With interest in Washington activities at an all-time high in everyday life, since so much of what we do each day is somehow rooted in policies, legislation and decisions rendered at the nation's capital, Mike Masaoka's weekly newsletters provide an insight of what's to come. . . . Opinions of nationally-recognized Nisei writers in Bill Hosokawa and Larry Tajiri, both of the Denver Post staff, have been quoted often and delineate a particular domain in which persons concerned with Japanese American affairs find invaluable. . . . Other columnists writing exclusively for PC keep the same thought in mind. The bits of information they offer is meant to serve the idea "for better Americans in a greater America".

Would it not be logical then to serve JACL's twin slogans, those entrusted each year with administering the activities of a chapter and those who belong can enhance their understanding of JACL's aims and overall program by faithfully reading their organization's publication? . . . This is one week, the PC business office will not mind our readers from passing this copy to a neighbor JACL member if it can assure a new subscriber. . . . While cost-of-living has been steadily rising over the years, the subscription rate (\$3 a year to JACL members) has remained constant for more than five years, we are glad to point out. Whatever increases in production costs that have come, the PC has absorbed over these years in the firm belief that as many of our JACL members as well as those who are interested in persons of Japanese ancestry in America can continue to read this without added expense.

## STRICTLY PERSONAL

Sat Otagiri, who chaired Berkeley JACL's duplicate bridge tournaments last year, won in the open pairs with William Newcomb in the second annual Bay Area sectional contract bridge championship at the Claremont Hotel in January.—Berkeley JACL News.

Ruby Katsuda of Garden Grove was recently sworn into the WACs. But that's not all. She was one of five young Southern California women described as "ideal candidates" for the WACs. Such a designation is based on superior character references and high scores on armed forces tests.—Santana Wind.

Richard Takata, who is now a freshman at Roosevelt (Los Angeles) High School, was awarded the American Legion Police Post 381 medal as the outstanding A-9 boy graduate at Hollenbeck Jr. High School, where he served as student-body president. He is the younger brother of Fred, past East Los Angeles JACL president. . . . Mits Maeda, editor of the ELA Mimeo Memo, is attending Univ. of Southern California for his doctorate; has his B.A. in History from Houghton (N.Y.) College and master's degree in Sociology from the Univ. of Chicago.—ELA "Mimeo Memo".

**ADD JACL TOASTMASTER:** Kiyoshi Kagawa of the Venice-Culver JACL was commended for an outstanding job (his first time) as toastmaster at the recent joint West Los Angeles and Venice-Culver JACL installation dinner-dance.—Venice-Culver "Spotlight".

George Togasaki, who was president of the Nippon Times till recently and currently chairman of the board of directors and trustees of International Christian University, addressed the New York JACL at its annual installation meeting at Suyeiro Restaurant. He was introduced by an old friend and JACL member, Roger Baldwin, chairman of the human rights commission of the American Civil Liberties Union.—New York JACL "Town Crier".

**UNCLE-NEPHEW CHAPTER PRESIDENTS:** Dan Sakahara (of St. Louis) is the uncle of Paul Sakahara (of Seattle).

A fine portrayal of Santa Claus at the Venice-Culver Christmas potluck was presented by Kiyoshi Kagawa, and the well-planned menu was ordered by Miyo Nishi. Frances Kitagawa was at the piano when Jack Wakamatsu, spaghetti chef, and special guest from Gardena, Mrs. Mitzi Yonemura, were coaxed to sing a duet.—Venice-Culver JACL "Spotlight".



New officers of the Cincinnati JACL are being sworn into office by Shig Wakamatsu of Chicago (right), 1st national JACL vice-president. They are (from left) Tom Fukunaga, Roy Aka, past president Mrs. Mutsu Takao who will be 1000 Club chairman for 1957, Marvin Yoshikawa, Tak Kariya, Ray Miciek and Jim Hashimoto, new president. Cabinet member Yoshio Shimizu was not present.

Seated are Mrs. and Mr. Kaye Watanabe, ex-board member; and Rayburn Cadwallader, Withrow High School principal, a guest. James Takeuchi was the toastmaster. Hy Sugawara and Kaye Watanabe co-chaired the dinner attended by 65 persons, including visitors from Dayton, at the Mainliner Restaurant. Mrs. Hoshi Sugawara and Mrs. Bernice Hashimoto were hostesses.

## Unusual chapter public relations technique by Cincinnati invites educators, school officials to annual installation

CINCINNATI.—Shig Wakamatsu, national 1st vice-president, of Chicago administered the oath of office to the newly-elected Cincinnati JACL board of directors Feb. 2 at Frisch's Mainliner Room. James Hashimoto, who served as chapter president in 1947, was installed in the same office.

Wendell Pierce, assistant school superintendent, emphasized the importance of parental responsibilities in providing the basis of education for children. He was the principal speaker of the evening.

Wakamatsu, in his message to the chapter, elaborated on the new dimension added to JACL organizations. "JACL must look at itself as an American organization, concerned with broader implications of being first-class Americans," he stated. "Nisei ought to throw off the cloak of reticence and participate more freely in community affairs."

A delegation from Dayton JACL was also present, including past president Dr. Ruby Hirose. Following dinner, JACL friends met at the home of the new president for an informal get together with Wakamatsu.

(Wakamatsu, upon his return to Chicago, felt the Cincinnati chapter is in good hands and noted that more JACLers are beginning to find more time to devote to the organization.)

The Cincinnati chapter has employed an unusual public relations technique at their annual installation gatherings. Invited guests are composed of people who are in the same field of endeavor, which are rotated from year to year. In 1956, people in veteran activities were invited; this year, the school people were featured with president of the Cincinnati PTA, a principal of a high school and several other school officials present in the audience.

Mrs. Mutsu Takao, immediate past president having completed her successful term as first woman chapter president here, has assumed another vitally important post as 1000 Club chairman.

## Stockton —

Continued from Page 2  
Marie de Carli and Mrs. George Baba, social; Ted Wakabayashi and Mas Ishihara, sgt.-at-arms, and Henry Kusama, 1000 Club.

Four residents who became American citizens during the past year were introduced at the dinner, held in the Hotel Clark. They are Mrs. Irene Kunimori, George S. Hageo, Eizaburo Abe, and Mrs. Masae Onizuka.

## 'Game Night' frolic opens '57 Sequoia CL calendar

REDWOOD CITY.—Sequoia JACLers are urged to mark Mar. 22 on their calendar when social chairman Dave Nakamura promises a night of fun for all and a chance to meet old friends and greet new ones at Okamura Hall on Woodside Rd.

At the February board meeting, the new officers outlined the 1957 social program to include an Issei potluck dinner, vocational guidance for graduates and a luau.

The chapter is jointly sponsoring a ski trip with the Sr. Tri-Villes at Yosemite on Mar. 30-31. Mary Kawakami is chairman.

Meantime, the membership drive is still underway. Membership chairman George Yuki (LYtel 3-6091) or Hero Tsukushi (DAvenport 3-9152) may be called.

## SAN DIEGO CHAPTER OPENS '57 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

SAN DIEGO.—The spring thaw signifies the coming of balmy weather and your JACL membership recruiter, it was noted by the San Diego JACL Newsletter last week.

The chapter dues here are \$3 per person, \$5 for couples; \$10, supporting membership; and \$25 for 1000 Club.

While no chapter goal for 1957 was announced, the chapter has annually topped the 200 mark.

## Dance instructions billed by two JACL chapters

RICHMOND.—"Learn to tango, samba, waltz, and fox trot!" chairman Jimmy Ishida declared in extending an open invitation to the Richmond-El Cerrito JACL get-together Mar. 16, 8 p.m., at the local Memorial Youth Center, 32nd and Macdonald Ave.

Well-known Nisei instructor Yoshio Ono will instruct the group in ballroom dancing. If the demand is sufficient, the lessons are to continue, Ishida added.

Committeemen assisting are Yo Wada, Violet Kimoto, Dr. Yoshiye Togasaki, Meriko Maida and Doris Kami.

GARDENA.—The second series of ballroom dance classes, sponsored by the Gardena Valley JACL, starts tonight at the local Japanese Community Center, 2000 Market St., with instruction from Gene Parker.

Ed Nakamura, vice-president, said the course is open to the public and will cost \$11. Class will be from 8-9:30 p.m.

## VENICE-CULVER PLANS BUFFET & SQUARE DANCING

CULVER CITY.—First social activity of the year for the Venice-Culver JACL will be a buffet dinner followed by square dancing at the VFW Hall, 10858 Culver Blvd., on Saturday, Mar. 16, 7 p.m.

The women members of the chapter, led by Mrs. Betty Yumori, are to be called to serve spaghetti, rolls and caesar salad. Lionel Hansen, who has called at previous chapter affairs, will lead the square dance.

Plans were made at the board meeting called by Steve Nakaji, chapter president, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Yumori.

## COUNTY HOME ADVISER TO ADDRESS MARYSVILLE

MARYSVILLE.—Guest speaker for the March meeting of the local JACL will be Wanda Gumprecht, Colusa County home adviser, according to chapter president George Nakao.

Miss Gumprecht was in Japan until recently as an exchange student.

At the last meeting, program and special events chairman Tom Teesdale presented films on professional football.

The date of May 5 was set for the Marysville community picnic, with George Yoshimoto and Terry Manji in charge. Other standing committee appointments include Bill Tsuji, 1000 Club; Mabel Komatsubara, hist.; Isao Tokunaga, athletic; George Okamoto, membership; and Dan Nishita, pub. rel.

A 22-man board of district representatives was also announced as follows:

Min Harada, Tosh Yoshimura, Mosse Uchida, Anthony Tokuno, Roy Hatamiya, Sam Kurihara, George Matsumoto, Ben Fukui, Henry Marubashi, George Tanimoto, Tom Hatamiya, Yutaka Nakatani, Tom Kurihara, Bob Kodama, Bob Inouye, Tom Matsumoto, Frank Komatsubara, Harry Fukumitsu, Bill Tsuji, Ichiro Yoshimura, Arthur Oji and Roy Hatanaka.

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## THE NORTHWEST PICTURE

By Elmer Ogawa

## Weekend Campers

Seattle

THE WINTERS are never really severe around here, but in an area so thoroughly dedicated to interest in the outdoors, people suely can take on a "winter weary" mien and engage in a multitude of activities when the days become warmer.

Just looking up and down the block, we can see that one neighbor has taken his "new" year-old cruiser out of winter storage in the back yard; another has got the customary vegetable garden all spaded up; several spent a good part of the week-end bucking up their cars for attendance in the week-end highway caravans, and the kids are playing stick ball with a new vigor unhampered by winter clothing.

Fishermen and golfers never did stop when the days were shorter, although the Nisei community's Puget Sound Golf Club had to postpone a February tournament because of unanticipated snow conditions.

The clamming season is now officially open on the expansive ocean beaches and the scores of Nisei families and groups who go "gunning" for the succulent razor clam have already started their pilgrimages, 130 miles or more to the coastline.

ANOTHER ACTIVITY, boating, has every chance to become the number one participation sport in this water-wacky area. Let it here be known that one of every twenty inhabitants in this locality owns a boat. On a breakdown, official figures show there are more than 20,000 craft exceeding 16 feet in length registered in this area.

The aristocrats of the boating world are the boys and girls who man the majestic sailing craft, and an exhilarating sport it is, although we know of no Nisei who belongs in this category. There are several who do well in the small hydroplane competitions.

The great majority of boat owners are primarily interested in fishing but nevertheless contribute to the overall maritime picture. The outboard motor owners who rent boats are legion.

As boating ties in with fishing, so likewise does the week-end pastime of camping, and it is growing apace. Aside from the national forest areas and the county parks, the State of Washington has 49 parks of which 35 have accommodations for campers. Picnicking, sightseeing and overnight camping in 1948 accounted for 800,000 "user days." In 1956 the figure reached almost 6,000,000.

IT WOULD be a mistake not to emphasize what the big timber companies are doing for the camper. On top of the list are Weyerhaeuser and Crown-Zellerbach who collectively maintain some 20 parks, about evenly divided between Washington and Oregon.

In the old days the logging companies stripped the land bare and deserted it. Now private timberland becomes a farm for future use. Although "Keep Out" notices could be legally posted on such properties, the big timber companies are to be commended for providing such accommodations as picnic tables, restrooms, piped water and fireplaces for the public all for free.

Just for the sake of conjecture, were the timber companies to adopt the reverse policy, expensive policing of their properties would be necessary since there is such an overflow from the government parks, and campers MUST find a place to stop for the night. Strict policing would create some ill-will; but the existing policy is most excellent for public relations, and everything would be perfect if some segments of the camping public would learn to be considerate guests.

THIS LITTLE discourse concerns only the camping problems of localities seeking to escape urban living, with only a wage earner's budget at their command week after week. The more luxurious accommodations which are demanded by the tourist above the peasant class are available too. The Olympic Peninsula is widely known as the "last frontier", but just last week the papers report a motel sold for 250 grand. Fine wilderness hotel accommodations are available too. Just consult your travel agent who has all the books.

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# SAN DIEGO C.I. HOSTS FIRST GOLF TOURNAMENT AT TIJUANA MARCH 24

SAN DIEGO.—The Tijuana Country Club, south of the border, will be the site of the first annual San Diego Nisei golf tournament Mar. 24, it was announced by Bert Tanaka, president of the San Diego JACL, tourney sponsors. Tee-offs are scheduled from 9 to 11 a.m.

Entry deadline is Mar. 11. Green fees, trophy pool and dinner are included in the \$7.50 entry. Akira Takeshita will emcee the dinner.

## Norm Yabe sets two Skyline swim marks

LARAMIE, Wyo.—Norman Yabe of Denver University set two Skyline Conference swimming records in the 100 and 200-yard breaststroke events in the eastern division championships here last Saturday.

The Denver Sansei broke the 200-yard mark in 2m.33s., bettering the old mark by 6.9s. The 100-yard breaststroke is a new event with Yabe's 1m.08.5s., as the conference record.

Yabe swam one leg in the 400-yd. medley won by DU in 4m.31s.

Denver University won the title with 144 points, beating Wyoming, 135; and Colorado A&M, 57.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Yabe, active Mile-Hi JACLers, Norman graduated from East High School in 1955 and participated in many prep swimming activities.

## SONOMA COUNTY JACL BOWLING LEADERS NAMED

SANTA ROSA.—Empire Drug bowlers emerged as winners of the first half of the Sonoma County JACL Bowling League for the winter season. On the winning team were Johnny Arishita, Roger Tokunaga and Jack Otani. High game bowler for the first half was Paul Otani with a 268 while the high series is shared by Otani and Fred Yokoyama with 617.

## NICC dates set

DENVER.—The Nisei Intermountain Collegiate Conference is formulating plans for its 12th annual meeting on Apr. 26-27. Dave Nikaido is currently president of the organization, which was organized in 1946 to assist Nisei collegians in the Rocky Mountain area to coordinate their activities and become better acquainted.

## Sorority bridge-tea

Committeemen for the Chi Alpha Delta scholarship bridge tea, to be held Mar. 10, 2-5 p.m., at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, were named at the alumnae chapter luncheon as follows:

Mrs. Frances Kitagawa, scholarship; Mrs. Marjorie Shinno, duplicate tournament; Mrs. Sandie Okada, hostess; Mrs. Bonnie Sakamoto, prizes; Mrs. Mabel Ota, Frances Kitagawa, refreshments; Mrs. Toshi Miyamoto, tables; Mrs. Kazie Higa, tickets.

## Sagebrush, weeds shown in flower arrangement

POCATELLO.—The art of flower arranging was demonstrated for JAC Lyns, Pocatello JACL's auxiliary, at the home of Mrs. Seiji Endow in Blackfoot with Mmes. Midori Tsukamoto and Mae Endow assisting. The demonstration was given by Mrs. S. Ochiai of Blackfoot, who emphasized simplicity even in arrangement of drab sagebrush and weeds.

The JAC Lyns also planned a farewell party for Mrs. Leo Hosoda, who is moving to Idaho Falls. Mmes. Agnes Wada and Minnie Maruji was in charge of the Issei Appreciation Night for March.

Another project was the sending of one box of clothing to Korean children.

## HAIRDRESSER COMMITTEE TO BE HEADED BY NISEI

DENVER.—George Ohashi will be installed as president of the Colorado Hair Fashion Committee at the Broadmoor Hotel in Colorado Springs Mar. 31. Election took place at the recent state Hairdressers Cosmetologists Association convention held at Pueblo.

# \$1-million bowling facility under Nisei management to open in L.A.

Little less than 20 years ago, Nisei began serious bowling in Southern California with a four-man nine-team league at Studio Academy on S. Vermont Ave. near Washington. Today, there are some 25 leagues in the So. Calif. Nisei Bowling Association with a membership past 1,000 bowlers.

Against this backdrop of enthusiastic bowlers, four of them banded to form the Nisei Bowling Corp., which this week unwrapped their plans for a \$1,000,000 bowling facility near Rodeo Rd. on Crenshaw in southwest Los Angeles.

It'll include everything from a nursery to automatic pinsetters for 36 alleys, the biggest inside the city proper. To be called Holiday Bowl, the blueprints show a coffee shop for 40, a bar, six table billiard room, locker rooms, electric

scorecasters, electric doors inside the 210x175 ft. sleek-looking house. Paul Uyemura, vice-president of the newly formed Nisei Bowling Corp., revealed ground breaking ceremonies are due in 60 days with completion of building scheduled by September. Inside fixtures and alleys will be ready for an Oct. 1 opening, he added.

Other members of the corporation are Hanko Okuda, pres.; Harley Kusumoto, sec.; and Harry Oshiro, treas. George Ito of Mack Hamaguchi Realty acted as agent in signing the 30-year lease of the building and property. Landscaping and architecture has been drawn by Tom Kowalski and will be generally Oriental in motif.

The house, south of Boy's Market, will have a parking lot accommodating 175 cars.

## Figure-skater loses in world meet, but wins hearts of U.S. audience

COLORADO SPRINGS.—While Carol Heiss, pert U.S. figure skater, successfully defended her world championship at the Broadmoor Ice Palace here last week, the hearts of audiences were won by little Yuko Araki of Japan.

The 12-year-old Japanese girl showed, according to some observers, the best of the free-skating display in interpreting music. The smallest performer on the ice, she was doll-like in her pink outfit.

George Franco, executive sports editor of the Denver Post, commented in his column last Sunday that "Yuko isn't the world's best skater—yet. But it was obvious even to a 'rookie' figure skating observer like that she has the po-

tential some day to join Sonja Henie, Tenley Albright, Barbara Ann Scott and Carol Heiss as a champion."

He revealed that T. O. and Marion Johnston, Broadmoor publicists, want to temporarily "adopt" the girl to give her the benefits of American training. She would be getting her instructions from the Broadmoor pro Edi Scholdan, producer of many American stars, at Cheyenne Mountain School.

Little Yuko is returning to compete in the Japanese national championships, in the meantime, and wait for necessary red tape for her return here to be cleared.

## Placer JACL quits Placer-Nevada semi-pro baseball league, may join Nisei loop

SACRAMENTO.—The Placer JACL baseball has dropped out of the Placer-Nevada league this year, according to a report in the Sacramento Bee.

The report said that the league is presently seeking two clubs to

replace the JACL team and the Colfax nine.

The report raises speculation among Nisei baseball fans that the Placer club may join the Northern California Nisei Baseball League this year.

Placer had shown interest in the loop when it was being organized early in 1956. The JACL club, however, remained with the Placer-Nevada league that summer. It had been in that league for the past several years.

Plans are again being made for the resumption of the N.C. NBL this summer. A general meeting of the league for interested clubs will be held this month, it was announced.

## Protos win NC title

SAN FRANCISCO.—The San Francisco Protos soundly defeated the San Jose Zebras, 69-62, last Sunday to win the No. Calif. NAU AA basketball title and won the right to represent the North in the North-South Nisei series to be played here.

## Marysville JACL calls baseball tryouts for youth

MARYSVILLE.—The local JACL will sponsor a baseball team this season for teen-age boys, it was announced by Isao Tokunaga, chapter athletic director. New uniforms are to be obtained through donations, he added. First practice sessions were to open last Sunday at Marysville High School diamond.

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## LOS ANGELES NEWSLETTER

By Henry Mori

## PSWers at Disneyland

WHAT IS the difference between the alligator and the crocodile? The question has nothing to do with the coming fifth biennial convention of the Pacific Southwest District Council slated at Disneyland Hotel, May 18 and 19, but for the con-clavers who will enjoy an afternoon of sightseeing Sunday they may try to look for an answer at the Alligator Farm in Buena Park.

Much of the groundwork for the convention is being made by co-chairmen Roy Yamadera and Fred Takata of East Los Angeles which is hosting the two-day events.

David Yokozeki, PSWDC chairman, said registration gets underway Saturday at the Elks Lodge Hall, 423 N. Los Angeles St. in Anaheim, two short miles from Disneyland Hotel.

One of the pet projects of the host chapter is their annual Emerald Ball—the third this year—which to date "hasn't done so well, financially," Yamadera announced that Mike Merez and his 14-piece orchestra will be on hand to provide music this time at the Elk's on Saturday night. John Watanabe is chairman. A convention banquet, with a speaker yet to be named, will precede the shindig, according to Ritsuko Kawakami, chairman.

And when the 18-chapter members complete their meetings of business and pleasure on Sunday, Mas Kakiba of "Operation Hawaii" will take care of one couple with a trip to the islands on board an American President Lines luxury ship in first-class fashion.

On the very serious side will be the election and installation of biennial district officers at the convention banquet Sunday following a morning business session.

**THE REV.** John Misao Yamazaki, general missionary at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, retired Sunday after serving his church nearly 45 years.

During the testimonial banquet held in honor of the 72-year old naturalized Issei minister, Frank Chuman, senior warden, presented a handsome scroll to the Christian leader who, in 1913, became the first vicar of the little Japanese mission of St. Mary's in Los Angeles.

The Yamazakis have been in the United States more than 50 years and have four grown offsprings, one of them being the Rev. John H. M. Yamazaki, present vicar at St. Mary's.

**EIJI TANABE**, head of the Far East Travel Service, has joined Katsuma Mukaeda, Downtown L.A. chapter vice-president, and Frank Kurihara, active member of the Japanese American Democratic Assembly, in a hearty support to retain Mayor Norris Poulson for another four years in office.

It is the first local move by a Nisei group to actively participate in the April primary elections.

Tanabe, a Democrat who predicted the presidential victory of Harry S. Truman in 1948, has not been able to explain why he switched to the Republican party since 1952. But he seems certain about Poulson's importance as a mayor.

Poulson, a Republican, defeated incumbent Mayor Fletcher Bowron in 1953. The latter is now a superior court judge. Poulson, who once last year announced he would bow out this July, is more than likely to serve another four years.



## CHICAGO CORNER

By Smoky H. Sakurada

## Brief Case Burglar

Chicago

**TENSION AMONG** both northside and southside Chicago residents has been eased with the apprehension of an admitted narcotic addict, who was arrested last week for burglary and assault with intent to rob. Known as the "Brief Case Burglar" because he carried his tools in a brief case, Morris Washington, 25, explained to police that he broke into Japanese homes because they generally keep cash.

His mistake was breaking into the Nagaishi residence at 10 a.m., when Satoru, 19-year-old junior college student, was home since he had no early class that day.

After robbing an upstairs apartment, the bandit broke into the Nagaishi home, threatened Satoru with a gun and took a piggy bank containing \$3.78. As the burglar fled through the back, Satoru rushed after him, grabbing a butcher knife in the kitchen. Washington tried to start his car, parked in the rear of the building, but Satoru broke the door glass and slashed him in the face and chest. The car shot out of the alley with Satoru in pursuit.

On the street, the Nisei spotted a policeman on a three-wheeler, yelling for him to chase the burglar. In the meantime, Washington ran his car against a tree, where police arrested him and found a pistol, narcotic equipment and the piggy bank.

Washington was arrested in 1952 after burglarizing more than 80 Japanese American homes on the southside. Only recently he was paroled from Statesville. In recent weeks, he renewed his prey into Japanese American homes on the northside. The Nagaishis live at 1473 Rascher.

## WASHINGTON NEWSLETTER: by Mike Masaoka

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years, and should poor health or death remove them from the Senate, if their state is governed by a Republican, you can bet that the Senate will pass over into GOP hands. Thus, in many instances, only a heartbeat keeps the Republicans from controlling the Senate.

But whether a Republican Senate will be more cooperative with their Republican President than the current reluctant Democratic one is not so certain.

## French Camp CL holds installation

**FRENCH CAMP.**—Lawrence Nakano was installed president of the French Camp JACL Feb. 23 at the chapter's installation banquet at Alustiza's here.

Also sworn in by George Komure were:

Tosh Hotta, 1st v.p.; George Shimasaki, 2nd v.p.; Bob Takahashi, rec. sec.; Harry Ota, cor. sec.; Ben Watanabe, treas.; Hiro Shinmoto, hist.; John Fujiki, del.; Mats Murata, alt. del.; Komure, 1000 Club, and George Ogino, pub.

Dr. Alonzo Baker, professor of political science at the College of the Pacific, was main speaker and gave an informative talk on post-war Japan and its progress.

The installation and program was preceded by a pledge to the flag led by Fumio Nishida and the presentation of the past president's pin by Michi Shinmoto to Komure.

Harry Ota was toastmaster.

## SAN DIEGO CREDIT UNION DECLARES 2½% DIVIDEND

**SAN DIEGO.**—Members of the San Diego JACL Federal Credit Union voted a 2½ per cent dividend at their annual meeting held at the Lafayette Hotel on Jan. 26. Samuel Rafter, Federal examiner, addressed the gathering.

Hi Nakamura, chairman of the board, will be assisted by Moto Asakawa, v.c.; Art Kaihatsu, Paul Hoshi, Mas Hironaka, Ed Urata, George Muto, Shig Yamashita, George Muto, George Kodama and Hedi Takeshita.

## Hospital discrimination conference set for D.C.

**WASHINGTON.**—Ways and means of achieving racial integration in hospitals will be explored at a national conference here Mar. 8-9. The meeting has been designated the Imhotep National Conference on Hospital Integration.

Imhotep, who lived about 3000 B.C., is the earliest historical figure of importance in medicine. His name was chosen "as a reminder that a dark skin was associated with distinction in medicine before that of any color", it was noted.

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## DEATHS

HAMASAKI, Sahel, 73: San Mateo—wife Kayono, four daughters Mmes Noriko Higashi, Sayo Ezaki, Mitsuko Koga, Satsuki Murata.  
HIRAMATSU, George H., 54: Salt Lake City, Jan. 16 — mother Sada, two grandchildren.  
IHEI, ZUE, Kumatsuchi, 71: Dinuba, Jan. 21 — wife Tsunayo, sonso Takashi, Kiyozo, and three grandchildren.  
IWAMOTO, Mrs. Sei, 56: West Jordan, Utah, Jan. 19 — husband Masakichi, son Takeo, daughters Mmes Roy Tomomatsu, Ike Ogata (Salt Lake City), Kay Nakamura, five grandchildren.  
KAMIKUBO, Issaku, Delhi, Calif., Jan. 15.  
KANDA, Mitsugu, 68: Alameda, Jan. 19 — wife Misayo, son Hiroshi, daughters May, Kiyoye, Mrs. Chizu Uchida.  
KIMURA, Dell, 31: Seattle, Dec. 22 — wife, sons Wayne, Gary and daughter

Colleen.  
KONNO, Sumiko: Livingston, Jan. 23 — husband F.T.  
KURAMOTO, Mrs. Sono, 67: Oakland, Feb. 8.  
MATSUO, Keinojo, 55: Salt Lake City, Jan. 28.  
MUKAI, Seizaburo, 72: Seattle, Dec. 15 — wife Sawayo, sons Henry M., Frank H. and George H. (both New York), daughters Mmes Lily Y. Takatsuka, Shizuko Toma (San Francisco), Mariko Ando (Denver).  
OKAZAKI, Fumio: San Francisco, Jan. 14 — wife Asano, son Koichi (Japan), daughters Sachiko, Chiyeko, Mrs. Mariko Fertig (Los Angeles), Mrs. Emiko Katada (Chicago), and Mrs. Yuriko Takeda.  
TAGASHIRA, Fujiyo, 53: Compton, Jan. 6 — husband Yujiro, son Sho, daughters Ayako, Mrs. Yoshiko Fukuda.



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## WASHINGTON NEWSLETTER

By Mike Masaoka

## GOP Senate Control

Washington

As the civil rights bills, and other generally regarded as "liberal" legislation, slowly make their way through committee procedures, there is much talk among so-called "liberal" Democrats and "modern" Republicans of the many conservative Democrats who are chairmen of powerful Senate committees. But little has been said of the conservative Republicans who will take over these same committee chairmanships should GOP regain control of the Senate.

This could happen very well on April 2 if Thad Hutcheson of Houston is elected United States Senator from Texas. He would succeed Democrat William Blakeley, who is serving under an interim appointment to fill the vacancy created when Sen. Price Daniel resigned to become Governor of his State.

Since Hutcheson is an Eisenhower Republican, the Senate vote on reorganization would be 48 to 48, with both parties equally divided as was the case when President Eisenhower first won election in 1952. Then as he did in the 83rd Congress, Vice President Nixon would cast his vote with the Republicans and thus present them with the opportunity to once again control the Senate.

This would mean that Sen. William F. Knowland, generally regarded as a Taft Republican, would become Majority Leader. Since the young Californian is said to have presidential ambitions, he might well use his new status to emphasize the difference between himself and the present Administration and to gain the mantle as "Mr. Republican" long held by the late Ohio Senator, and thereby be in a better position to contest with the Vice President, who appears to be gaining the favor of the "modern" Republicans, the 1960 White House nomination.

Such conservative Republicans as Styles Bridges (N.H.) would become chairman of the Appropriations Committee, Homer E. Capehart (Ind.) of the Banking and Currency Committee, Edward Martin (Pa.) of the Finance Committee, Joseph R. McCarthy (Wis.) of the Government Operations Committee, George W. Malone (Nev.) of the Interior and Insular Affairs Committee, John W. Bricker (Ohio) of the Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee, Francis Case (S.D.) of the Public Works Committee, and Carl T. Curtis (Neb.) of the Rules and Administration Committee.

They would replace Carl Hayden (Ariz.) on the Appropriations Committee, J. W. Fulbright (Ark.) on the Banking and Currency Committee, Harry F. Byrd (Va.) on the Finance Committee, John L. McClellan (Ark.) on the Government Operations Committee, James E. Murray (Mont.) on the Interior and Insular Affairs Committee, Warren G. Magnuson (Wash.) on the Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee, Dennis Chavez (N.M.) on the Public Works Committee, and Thomas C. Hennings, Jr. (Mo.) on the Rules and Administration Committee.

Other chairmanships that would pass over to the GOP are Agriculture and Forestry—Republican George D. Aiken (Vt.) for Democrat Allen J. Ellender (La.); Armed Services—Levett Saltonstall (Mass.) for Richard B. Russell (Ga.); District of Columbia—J. Glenn Beall (Md.) for Matthew M. Neely (W. Va.); Foreign Relations—Alexander Wiley (Wis.) for Theodore F. Green (R.I.); Judiciary—William Langer (N.D.) for James O. Eastland (Miss.); Labor and Public Welfare—H. Alexander Smith (N.J.) for Lister Hill (Ala.); and Post Office and Civil Service—Frank Carlson (Kan.) for Olin D. Johnston (S.C.).

Generally speaking, the breakdown would be eight "conservative" Republican chairmen as against seven "modern" Republican chairmen.

As far as JACL concerns are involved, civil rights and immigration matters might be more sympathetically viewed by North Dakota's independent Republican Langer than by Dixiecrat Eastland of Mississippi. On the other hand, Hawaii statehood would appear to have more support from Democrat Murray of Montana than from Nevada Republican Malone, who has been one of the more outspoken opponents of statehood.

Returning to the Texas elections, Hutcheson is the main GOP candidate with the backing of Eisenhower running against 21 Democrats and another Republican. Under the laws that will apparently govern the election, the candidate that gains the most votes, and not necessarily the majority of all ballots cast, will be the next senator. Though Texas is normally Democratic, it has gone for Eisenhower in both 1952 and 1956 and the Republicans hope that the Democrats will split their votes between so many candidates that their standard bearer will emerge as the winner.

The main division in Democratic ranks, according to political observers, is over Ralph W. Yarborough, who almost nozzed out Senator Daniel for the governorship last November. Generally considered a "liberal" as far as Texas politics are concerned, his chief opponent appears to be Rep. Martin Dies, the darling of the conservative forces and presently Representative-At-Large in the Congress.

Texas Democrats, in an effort to make certain that a Democrat would gain the Senate seat and thereby keep the Democrats in control of the Senate, attempted to have their Legislature enact a bill that would provide for a run-off between the two candidates receiving the most votes, if no one received a majority of all votes cast. Though the Texas House approved the bill, the Senate last week killed it. The Yarborough forces opposed the bill, while the Dies group favored it. The "liberals" believe that their man has the best chance to win in a single-shot, winner-take-all election.

Though the Texas elections have focussed attention on the possibility that the Republicans might recapture Senate control, this is by no means their only possibility.

Most of the Democratic chairmen are men well up in their

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## Helicopter saves pair at sea, Nisei in vain attempt to rescue teenager

SAN FRANCISCO.—A Coast Guard helicopter, hovering close over the churning waters off treacherous Devil's Slide on the San Mateo County coast, plucked a 17-year-old boy and his would-be rescuer to safety last Sunday, while hundreds of spectators watched from atop the slide, International News Service reported.

Saved from the waters some 300 yards offshore was Nick Hunsperger, 17, who had been washed off a rock at the foot of the slide by a giant wave, and Kiyoshi Tanamachi, 30, a San Francisco man, who leaped into the surf to the lad's rescue but quickly found himself in trouble.

Tanamachi, a soil expert for an Oakland engineer, is a board member of the San Francisco JACL. On the way to the hospital, he stopped breathing and was revived by a resuscitator.

It all started with a Saturday night camping-out trip by five teenagers, including young Hunsperger, who lives in Daly City and attends Jefferson high school.

The boys spent the night in an abandoned World War II gun bunker near Devil's Slide, and all went well until they decided to ex-

plore the slide the next day—and Nick got too close to the angry sea at the foot of the cliff.

His companions, not as good swimmers as he, shouted for help and Tanamachi, a member of a fishing party, attempted to cast the struggling boy his fishing line. When that failed, Tanamachi dove into the water.

A motorist driving past on Highway One at the top of the slide meantime saw the predicament of the swimmers and called the Sheriff's office, which summoned the Coast Guard at San Francisco International Airport.

The helicopter, piloted by Lt. Henry Pfeiffer of San Bruno, with mechanics Leland Wilkey and Charles Anderson aboard, churned down over the scene to rescue the exhausted swimmers within minutes.

## LIVINGSTON FARMERS ELECT ASS'N OFFICERS

LIVINGSTON.—Fred Kishi will be installed as president of the Livingston Farmers Association Mar. 9 at a Modesto dinner, according to Buddy T. Iwata, association manager. Louis Petri, president of the United Vintners, will be guest speaker.

## Masaoka renamed to executive committee for return of confiscated war property

WASHINGTON.—Mike Masaoka, Washington representative of the Japanese American Citizens League, was reelected to the executive committee of the Committee for the Return of Confiscated German and Japanese Property at its annual meeting recently concluded here.

The committee is a citizen's group of distinguished Americans throughout the United States "urging in the public interest, the complete restitution of United States wartime seizures of private property. The advocated return would demonstrate a renewed respect for private property on the part of the United States government and would help re-establish a precedent much needed today for the protection of American property overseas."

Among the members of this bipartisan committee are Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, retired Federal Judge Learned Hand, Harry J. Enk, president of the Federation of American Citizens of German Descent in the United States, Har-

vard Professor William Earnest Hocking, Gordon Hunt Michler, chairman of the United States-German Chamber of Commerce, retired Federal Judge Clifton Matthews, and Clarence Pickett, honorary secretary of the American Friends Service Committee.

Nisei members, in addition to Masaoka, are Yasuo William Abiko of San Francisco, English Editor of the Nichi Bei Times, and George J. Inagaki of Los Angeles, past national JACL president.

Chairman of the executive committee is Frederick J. Libby, executive secretary of the National Council for the Prevention of War. Vice chairman is Dr. Charles S. Collier, Professor of Constitutional and International Law of George Washington Univ. Treasurer is Dr. John A. Scherzer, former chief, European Desk, National Lutheran Council. Executive secretary is James Finucane. Besides Masaoka the other member of the executive committee is Conrad J. Linke, member, Executive Council of the Steuben Society of America.

## 'Lincoln Yamamoto' letter serves as reminder for continuing need of JACL

PASADENA.—A stirring challenge was issued by Dr. Roy Nishikawa, national JACL president, in an address at the Pasadena JACL installation dinner-dance Feb. 23 at Carpenter's Santa Anita.

Dr. Nishikawa urged Nisei not to quit because of past accomplishments but to continue to advance toward greater progress.

"Some have said JACL should be done away with, now that our major issues have been won," the optometrist declared. "But, I say, do we do away with the fire department as soon as the fire is out?"

Recalling that the venomous "Lincoln Yamamoto" letter was postmarked from Pasadena and published by Newsweek magazine last year, Dr. Nishikawa regarded it as a single instance of direct concern to local JACLers where the chapter was instrumental in baring the anonymity of the letter.

## HARRY OSAKI SHOW AT USC ART GALLERY

The Univ. of Southern California is presenting art pieces of gold, silver and enamel by Harry A. Osaki of Pasadena at the Fisher Art Gallery, 829 Exposition Blvd., until Mar. 25. Doors are open from 12:30-5 p.m. daily except Saturday and Sunday. Osaki was designer and creator of the JACL silver chalice presented to President Eisenhower at the last national convention.

paign for "yes" on Prop. 13 to writer. The recent statewide campaign eliminate the alien land law from the statutes and the current project to inform TV stations of anti-Nisei films point to the need of a strong Citizens League to insure the integrity of Nisei Americans.

Aki Kawai was master of ceremonies. Tats Kushida, regional director, installed Harris Ozawa and his cabinet. Mrs. Mary Ito was banquet chairman. Past national president George Inagaki was also an honored guest. Also attending was a large group of East Los Angeles JACLers.

## Publisher dies

HONOLULU.—Yasutaro Soga, 84, editor-publisher emeritus of the bilingual Hawaii Times, died Mar. 3 following a heart attack. He came to Hawaii in 1896. In 1919, he introduced the English section to the Nippu Jiji (now known as the Hawaii Times), said to be the first of its kind in a Japanese newspaper anywhere in the world. His son Shigeo is now editor-publisher of the Hawaii Times.

## ROY MAYEDA TO HEAD BRIGHTON AG INSTITUTE

DENVER.—Roy Mayeda, past Mile-Hi JACL president, will chair the 1958 Brighton Agricultural Institute, succeeding Seiji Horiuchi. Over 2,000 farmers and ranchers attended the 1957 Institute held last month.

## Denver clergyman retires; defended rights of evacuees

DENVER.—Mr. and Mrs. Yutaka Terasaki, representing the Mile Hi JACL and Nisei community, were among 300 paying tribute to the Very Rev. Paul Roberts of St. John's Episcopal Cathedral on Feb. 28 at the 26th annual dinner of the Cosmopolitan Club.

Dean Roberts, outstanding Denver clergyman, is retiring after 35 years of service at St. John's. During the war years, he was fearless and outspoken in his defense of Nisei and of evacuees seeking refuge in Colorado.

He headed the first Commission on Human Relations under Mayor Quigg Newton, and fought for recognition of equal rights for minorities in Denver. He was also first president and founder of the Denver Unity Council, which during the crucial war years for Colorado evacuees was in the forefront in the defense of Nisei rights.

Dr. Clarence F. Holmes, prominent Negro leader and also a member of the Mile-Hi JACL, presided at the testimonial banquet. Also attending were Elvin Caldwell, City Council president; Mrs. John R. Fiore of UNESCO; and Jack E. Boyd, Denver Public Schools.

## Ore. congresswoman backs civil rights legislation

WASHINGTON.—Calling upon Congress to "eradicate civil wrongs", Rep. Edith Green (D., Ore.) in a prepared statement filed last week with the House Judiciary Subcommittee hearing proposals for civil rights legislation, pointed out enactment of a "sound program to insure the full enjoyment by all Americans of their constitutional guarantees without discrimination... would be proof positive to all Americans to the world that America does keep faith and is concerned with the protection of fundamental human rights and freedoms."

## Detroit teen group pushes '57 program

DETROIT.—A newly-organized teen-age group sponsored by the Detroit JACL has been in business since November, starting with election of officers, holiday parties and a Valentine social.

The teen group elected Jan Ishii as president; Edgar Oshika, v.p.; Rumiko Sakow, rec. sec.; Jane Itami, cor. sec.; and Jay Satoh, treas.

Among the successful events in the past three months were the New Year's Eve party, ice-skating party in January, and the Valentine social at the home of the Harry Matsumotos. Roy Kaneko and Mrs. Pearl Matsumoto are group advisers.

## CALENDAR

Mar. 9 (Saturday)  
San Francisco — 8 wk. dance starts, Park - Presidio YMCA, 360 - 18th Ave., 8:30 p.m.  
Santa Barbara — Installation banquet, Kerry's Restaurant; Elmer Shirrell, spkr.  
Mar. 10 (Sunday)  
Hollywood — Installation banquet; Nikabob, 9th & Western, 5 p.m.  
Mar. 11 (Monday)  
Sequoia — Board meeting; Dave Nakamura res., 1333 Virginia Ave., Redwood City.  
Mar. 16 (Saturday)  
Richmond — El Cerrito — Welcome social Richmond Memorial Youth Center.  
Alameda — Benefit movie, Buddhist Hall.  
Venice — Culver — Buffet-Square Dance; VFW Hall, 10858 Culver, 7 p.m.  
Pocatello — St. Patrick's Day Dance; Castel Ballroom, Blackfoot, 9 p.m.  
Mar. 17 (Sunday)  
Detroit — Potluck supper, International Institute.  
Mar. 22 (Friday)  
Sequoia — Game Night; Okamura Hall, Redwood City.  
Mar. 23 (Saturday)  
Mile-Hi — Spring Carnival, Tri-State Buddhist Church, 4 p.m.-12m.  
Mar. 24 (Sunday)  
San Diego — 1st annual Nisei Golf Tournament; Tijuana (B.C.) Country Club, 9 a.m. tee-off. (Entry deadline Mar. 11).  
Mar. 29 (Friday)  
Twin Cities — General meeting, J.A. Center, 7:30 p.m.; Arle Haeblerle, spkr.  
Mar. 30-31  
Sequoia — Ski trip at Yosemite Nat'l Park with Sr. Tri-Villes.  
April 3 (Wednesday)  
CCDC — Spring Quarterly meeting, (Tent.)