



PRESIDENT'S CORNER:

A fresh approach for district councils

The Pacific Southwest District Council of JACL is planning a "new" sort of meeting scheduled this Sunday at Hollywood. It differs in that the major part of the quarterly session will be devoted to reports by members of various newly created committees.

The idea behind PSW's approach here is to try to secure greater membership participation in district council affairs as well as to try to create greater interest in JACL among its members.

Various district reports are to be supplemented by reports from national legal counsel Frank Chuman, national director Mas Satow, regional director Fred Takata, PC editor Harry Honda and this writer.

District Chairman Dave Yokozeki deserves a lot of credit for this fresh approach to strengthening the district council.

Heretofore, key people in district affairs were the chairman, secretary and treasurer. Other cabinet positions were more or less titular. The limited time of voluntary officers and the long traveling distances to attend meetings made the effective functioning of district officers as well as committee heads difficult if not impractical.

The same sort of time-and-place problem exists on the local chapter level to a lesser degree. On the national level, unfortunately, the problem becomes very acute inasmuch as national officers and national committee heads are scattered all over the country. A "committee by correspondence" has been proven by experience to be an impractical combination. Perhaps an interim nucleus located in the home town of a national chairman is the only workable answer.

At any rate, the problem of encouraging greater membership and officer participation and interest on the local, district and national levels remains a knotty one. This writer would be happy to hear from any reader able to offer concrete suggestions towards the solution of this problem.

— Dr. Roy Nishikawa.

FIRST EVACUEE CLAIM TO COURT OF CLAIMS FILED

WASHINGTON. — The Japanese Claims Section of the Justice Department has notified the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League and the Committee on Japanese American Evacuation Claims that it has approved 101 evacuation claims awards for the month of July and 19 more for the first week of August.

A total of \$545,221.87 was involved in the 120 claims.

At the same time, the first evacuation claim to be referred to the Court of Claims, under the special provisions of the JACL-COJAEAC sponsored amendment of last year was announced.

It is the claim of the Koda brothers, William and Edward, of Dos Palos, Calif., and represents in combination, since the brothers each filed separate claims, one of the largest claims filed, being for a sum in excess of two million dollars.

The largest award was for \$25,000 to a Los Angeles claimant, while the smallest was for \$30 for an East Lansing, Mich., claimant.

The only non-profit corporation listed among the awardees was the Young Men's Association of San Gabriel, Calif.

July-August awards were made to claimants in California, Oregon, Michigan, Illinois, Idaho, Colorado, Washington, D.C., Hawaii, New York, Washington State, and Utah.

The Koda brothers operate one of the largest rice farms in California.

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Matsudaira to cooperate in JACL campaign to depopularize 'Jap'

NEW YORK.—In complete agreement and understanding with JACL's aversion to the word "Jap", Dr. Koto Matsudaira, Japan's Ambassador to the United Nations, pledged his cooperation to the Japanese American Citizens League in its continuing campaign to eliminate the racial slur "Jap" from the written and spoken language of the United States.

At his invitation, a five-man delegation headed by Mike Masaoka, Washington JACL representative who recently wrote a letter to Japan's Ambassador to this country, Koichiro Asakai, protest-

ing Dr. Matsudaira's reply to a question regarding the use of the word "Jap" in a television interview in New York, met with the Japanese U.N. Mission head in his offices to hear an explanation of what took place during the interview.

Other members of the delegation included Aki Hayashi, national treasurer, William Sakaya, a chapter board chairman, Sam Ishikawa, New York representative, and Shosuke Sasaki, a naturalized citizen who five years ago was instrumental in securing approval of a resolution by the American

Newspaper Guild against the use of "Jap" by members of the Guild. **Impression Not Intended**

After apologizing for his unfortunate remarks, Dr. Matsudaira explained that he certainly did not intend to leave the impression that was left in that telecast.

As Japan's representative to the United Nations, whose charter bars discriminations based on race, he could not say or do anything that would deny or violate the purposes of the U.N. in the field of race and human relations. Moreover, as one who spent several years in the United States prior to World War II, he was familiar with the racist overtones and implications of this word, especially when used in its derogatory, contemptuous context by those who desired to foment tensions and hatreds towards persons of Japanese ancestry.

The U.N. Ambassador made it quite clear that he intended to qualify his seeming failure to object to the use of the word "Jap" by expressing his strong personal and official distaste for the use of word "Jap" by expressing his strong personal and official distaste for the use of such language which tends to "humiliate, discredit and degrade", but that the nature of the interview prevented him from doing so.

Was Not Prepared

He frankly conceded that he was not prepared for the kind of questions that were directed to him in

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JACL urges congressional action on Dirksen or comparable immigration bill

WASHINGTON.—As the Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization continues public hearings on proposed amendments to the Walter-McCarran Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952, the Japanese American Citizens League urged the subcommittee to report some liberalizing measure in time for congressional action this session prior to its adjournment.

Noting that amendments similar to those contained in a bill introduced by Sen. Everett McKinley Dirksen, (R., Ill.), were approved last year by the Senate on the last day of the second session of the 84th Congress, Mike Masaoka,

Washington JACL representative, wrote a letter urging Senator James O. Eastland, (D., Miss.), chairman of both the subcommittee and the parent Judiciary Committee, to report out the Dirksen bill.

Masaoka specified the Dirksen bill "as not only a moderate approach to amending the basic code but also one that has—as we understand it—real possibilities for enactment at this session of Congress, provided that it is favorably reported soon by your subcommittee and your parent Judiciary committee."

Of special interest to the JACL

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Future course of JACL subject at EDC-MDC meet

CHICAGO. — Attention will be focused on issues and problems which may affect the future course of the JACL at the forum to be held at the EDC-MDC convention here on Saturday, Aug. 31, from 3:30 to 5 p.m. In keeping with the theme of the convention, "New Perspectives", the forum will attempt to stimulate delegates to broaden their outlook and attitude toward the responsibility to its members, community and to the country.

Dr. Thomas T. Yatabe, Chicago dentist who served as the first National JACL President will review major accomplishments and contributions of the JACL during its first 25 years of history. Mike Masaoka, Washington JACL representative, will present current issues confronting the JACL.

Then Dr. Kermint Eby, professor of Social Sciences at the Univ. of Chicago who followed with keen interest the progress of the Nisei since wartime evacuation, will follow on the subject, "Alternatives to future JACL program."

During this forum the delegates as well as non-delegates will have an opportunity to raise questions or suggest answers to the issues brought up during the session.

At the conclusion of the forum, the delegates will go to various clinic workshops where the subjects will be discussed from the chapter standpoint. During this forum and workshop such subjects as JACL's position to the usages of the word "Jap" by the press, periodicals, motion pictures and public or government officials; JACL's statement on an interna-

tional incident as the "Girard" case, JACL's association with human relations and minority group organizations on many of the civil rights issues, and others are expected to be brought up.

Jr. JACL Forum

For the first time in the history of MDC and EDC JACL Councils, the younger Nisei and Sansei groups will have an opportunity to take part in a convention. A Junior JACL Forum has been planned for the EDC-MDC convention for Sunday afternoon, Sept. 1. Young people of other cities have been invited by Chicagoans to discuss problems which pertain to their particular group.

Richard Kaneko, Earl Nakane and Elaine Kanzaki form the nucleus of the local Junior JACL group which is expected to be formally organized as an aftermath of this convention. Lillian Kimura, Group Work Supervisor at Olivet Institute, is serving in an advisory capacity to the junior group.

In seeking the attitude of the Sansei toward various subjects, a questionnaire has been sent to Junior JACL groups and Sansei groups of the midwest and eastern coast. This questionnaire deals with such subjects as: school dating and marriage, education toward vocational employment and community and civic responsibilities. Among those chosen to discuss these problems include Richard Kaneko and Elaine Kanzaki on dating, Min Mochizuki and Tomi Takao of Cincinnati on employment and Mrs. Dorothy Kitow and Earl Nakane on responsibilities.

Several of the Eastern and Midwest district chapters are expected to bring their Sansei children to participate in this forum. The Detroit chapter, which has organized a Junior JACL group, is expected to send a large delegation.

On Saturday, Aug. 31, the Junior JACL will hold a weenie bake, swimming party and social dancing at the Promontory Point, 55th and Outer Drive from 5 p.m. to midnight. "Twilight Capers" has been selected as the theme of the evening. Under Amy Ishibashi's chairmanship the program for the evening will include a weenie bake, swimming, party games, social dancing, entertainment and a sing-along. A slight charge of 50 cents will be charged. The social is open to all Junior JACL members and their friends.

Convention Mixer

Selecting "Kickoff-New Perspectives" as their theme, the Convention Mixer will bring together the early-comers to the EDC-MDC JACL convention to be held at the Sheraton Hotel over the Labor Day weekend. It will be held in the Tally-Ho Room of the hotel on Friday, Aug. 30.

Chiye Tomihiro and her committee plan to carry out a sports theme, football in particular. Local high school cheer leaders, Jean Karuma and Miriam Odoi of Hyde Park High and Elizabeth Oda of Waller High will lead the group in various cheers. The Minneapolis chapter has been asked to send their group featuring the "Tankobushi" jitter-bug.

A surprise has been planned for the evening. Prizes are to be awarded for various activities during the evening. Joe Maruyama will serve as emcee. Everyone is invited to this mixer.

EDC-MDC convention charges reduced

CHICAGO.—The EDC-MDC Convention Board this week announced lower admission prices for various functions. Advance registrations of \$5 with balance payable upon arrival should be sent to the Chicago

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On hand to welcome delegates and boosters at the EDC-MDC joint convention at the Sheraton Hotel, Chicago, Aug. 30-Sept. 1, will be convention board members: (from left) Dr. Frank Sakamoto, Chicago JACL board chairman; Maudie Nakada, convention booklet editor; Kumeo Yoshinari, convention board chairman; Fumi Iwatsuki, registration chairman; and George Kita, budget-finance chairman.

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From the Frying Pan

by Bill Hosokawa

Denver, Colo.

AN EXPEDITION GETS UNDER WAY — This is the day we take off on our first vacation trip in a couple of years. We're headed for the southwest corner of the state, Colorado's last frontier and its most scenic area. Getting this family on the road is like getting a polar expedition under way. First there's the financing. Then the matter of logistics — clothing, Kleenex, water, snacks, comic books, etc., etc., etc.

Closing down the house, even for five short days, is a major operation, too. All the windows must be cranked shut and locked. The lawn must be mowed and clipped and watered thoroughly. Then neighbors must be asked to pick up the newspapers morning and evening, see that the mail doesn't become scattered, keep strangers and stray dogs shagged away. Milk has to be stopped.

Usually, by the time everything is packed and stowed, and all hands are aboard and accounted for, we're so harrassed we're just about ready to wish we'd never thought about going on a vacation. So this year we're taking it easy. The expedition is ready to get under way a day ahead of schedule. Thus it doesn't matter what time we take off this first day. No hurry, no sweat. We'll hit the road when we're ready and have no schedule to make. We'll stop when we reach a likely motel, provided they have a vacancy.

We can spend our first evening in leisure (or boredom, depending on the observer's age and inclinations), take our time about getting started next morning, and make a relatively short drive to our first destination which is Mesa Verde National Park. We'll let you know how this plan works out. It probably won't.

IT'S EASIER NOW — Actually, getting the family on the road is a lot easier now than it used to be. Take, for instance, the matter of pets. Last time we took off, we had to arrange for an equitable distribution among neighbors and friends of our domesticated wildlife. There was a parakeet, couple of turtles, guppies and goldfish. We had to arrange for their board and room, usually on a reciprocal basis with other families who had similar creatures needing care on their vacations.

One major problem along this line was overcome earlier this summer when Frosty, our itchy-footed Siberian Husky, was banished. Frosty's ancestors from time immemorial earned their dried fish by hauling sleds over miles and miles of arctic ice. Frosty never could get the idea that he was supposed to be a civilized, effete city dog. So, in violation of Denver's unyielding leash law, he took off over the fence every chance he got.

Big trouble was that he never learned to identify the dog catcher. The dog catcher picked up Frosty three times and each time it cost hard-earned money to bail him out of the pokey. This could have gone on all summer, or as long as the money held out. With considerable regret, we decided it was the better part of valor to ask the Dumb Friends' League to find Frosty a home where he could wander as he pleased without getting tossed into the clink.

PERSONAL REPORT — As long as this turned out to be a purely personal column, let's update you on the situation back at the ranch. Those pepper plants turned out to be the hot kind after all. Not sweet, but hot as the hinges of, and no way to use them. Four of the six eggplants are doing poorly. Tomatoes still showing up with their bottoms rotted out. But there are some huge green ones that look healthy and hopes are high they'll turn out okay. Cucumbers and squash doing fine. Maybe this crop year will be a success after all. If we don't get hail.

Immigration—

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 are the provisions in the Dirksen bill which would extend nonquota which would authorize the annual immigration status to the step-children born out of wedlock and to illegitimate and adopted children under certain conditions, admission of 2,500 adopted orphans and would admit certain excludable aliens, including those afflicted with tuberculosis, under safeguards, who are the spouses, parents, or children of United States citizens or permanent residents.

These provisions, according to Masaoka, are humane features which take into account the world situation as it exists today and is in keeping with the American tradition of uniting separated families.

Masaoka did urge, however, one amendment to the section which would terminate or cancel the quota deductions made by operation of the Displaced Persons Act and by the "shepherd" bills. He proposed that mortgagees against Japan's future quotas caused by the suspension of deportation cases in this country also be abolished. In fact, he suggested that all future mortgages against all future quotas be cancelled as of the enactment date of the legislation in order that all countries would be placed on the same basis as of that day insofar as quota deductions are concerned.

In addition to writing Senator Eastland, Masaoka contacted Republican Senators Arthur V. Watkins of Utah, ranking GOP member of the subcommittee, and Dirksen, a member of the Subcommittee, to urge that some action be taken immediately to liberalize the Walter-McCarran Act.

Recalling that it was Senator Dirksen who sponsored the remedial amendments to another immigration bill on the last day of the last session, Masaoka called on him to repeat his action again this year if the parliamentary situation prior to adjournment leaves no alternative.

Last year, although the Senate approved the Dirksen amendments it was blocked in the House because it went further than was acceptable at that time. This year Masaoka expressed the hope that House and Senate leadership could agree on certain needed amendments—such as those endorsed by JACL—and pass some measure before adjournment.

JAPAN AIR LINES PLAN
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TOKYO TOPICS

By Tamotsu Murayama

Report from England

SUTTON PARK, England. — The Golden Jubilee Boy Scout jamboree here is in full swing in the presence of some 35,000 scouts from 82 different countries. Attending this history-making jamboree are 22 scouts from Japan as well as other Scouts of Japanese ancestry from Brazil and the United States and elsewhere.

The 10 Brazilian Nisei scouts here do not understand Japanese but speak Portuguese. There are three Nisei in the Bolivian contingent and two from the United States: Allen A. Harano of Nebraska and Paul S. Koda of Wyoming. We've seen some Nisei in the Canadian group, too.

There may be others, but the jamboree grounds of 750 acres are too vast and it is impossible to meet the scouts from all parts of the world.

Opening Day

The Duke of Gloucester, president of the British Boy Scouts Association, opened the jamboree on Aug. 1 with remarks that each jamboree scout represented over 200 scouts in the world membership of some 7 million. "We have, indeed, cause to be grateful to Lord Baden-Powell for his gift of scouting to the world; and the best way in which we can express that gratitude is to take opportunity during the next 12 days to get to know and make friends with as many scouts from other lands as we can."

As a matter of fact, the Japan camp site is the most visited area on the entire jamboree grounds, eight miles northeast of Birmingham.

On Aug. 3, Queen Elizabeth visited the Japanese camp with her handsome husband Prince Phillips. They were inspecting various areas, riding about in an open jeep. This writer with Shiro Tani, youngest Japanese scout, welcomed Her Majesty at the camp headquarters. She is a beautiful lady, elegant and her charming personality was readily recognized.

Special Presentation

On Sunday, Aug. 4, the Boy Scouts of Japan presented the Golden Pheasant, highest Japanese scouting award, to Lady Baden-Powell, widow of the founder of the Boy Scout movement, and her son Lord Peter Baden-Powell.

"Even before starting scouting, my husband had a great love for Japan," she remarked on accepting the award. "He admired the beauty and spirit of your country. Scouting has taken a root in Japan. For the sake of world brotherhood and world peace, please carry on scouting."

There will be many more memorable events taking place here until Aug. 12, on which date Lady Baden-Powell will close the jamboree. All lights will be out as the scouts will stand in silence, join hands in prayer and await the day they meet again.

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VAGARIES

By Larry S. Tajiri

Van Heflin's Issei Friend

Denver

"His name was Sonoda," Van Heflin said, reflecting on a boyhood spent in Long Beach, Calif. "He was a peddler of vegetables. Each morning we would load up his little truck at the market, and then we would start out on a regular route through the Long Beach residential area. I worked for him every day during the summer, while I was at Long Beach Poly, and on Saturdays during the school year."

The years passed and Heflin left school to become a merchant seaman. But he managed to write Sonoda, the Issei vegetable peddler, from the many ports of the world. Later Heflin became an actor on the New York stage—"Philadelphia Story" was one of his biggest successes—but he kept in touch. "Sonoda had a great thirst for knowledge and I had taught him to write English," Heflin added, "so he was able to write back."

Then came the war and the evacuation and Sonoda, with all the other residents of Japanese ancestry in the Long Beach area, was sent to an assembly center and then to a relocation center. Heflin went off to war, serving overseas as a combat photographer for the field artillery.

"Last time I heard from Sonoda was three years ago, from Japan," Heflin declared. "He died shortly afterward. Mr. Sonoda was my first employer and his friendship meant much to me."

NISEI TEACHING BELAFONTE JAPANESE FOLKSONGS

Harry Belafonte may add a Japanese folk song or two to his repertoire one of these days. "Dorothy Maruki has been teaching me some," Belafonte said the other day in Denver.

Belafonte believes there's a universality in folk music, and his current show, "An Evening With Belafonte", includes songs from many lands, including Israel, Ireland and Mexico, as well as native American themes and caysos from the West Indies.

Belafonte, deeply serious about the position of the Negro and other non-white Americans in entertainment, has refused roles which have perpetuated racial stereotypes. Although he has made a tremendous success with "Island in the Sun", he has refused two follow-up roles, in Eugene O'Neill's "Emperor Jones" and George Gershwin's "Porgy and Bess". He believes that the male roles in both of these American classics are of the razor-wielding, crapshooting variety.

Incidentally, Phil Stein, producer of the Harry Belafonte show, is the husband of Miss Maruki, who started out as a dancer with the San Carlo Opera company after leaving a relocation center. Since then she has been in "South Pacific", and has been featured in several TV dramas, including "Studio One".

"Dorothy has just completed five weeks as Liat in 'South Pacific' at the Paper Mill Playhouse in New Jersey," Stein said.

Dorothy may play the lead of an American girl of Chinese ancestry in a motion picture project which James Wong Howe, Oscar-winning cameraman, has under consideration for Columbia.

It came about this way. Howe saw the Steins in a restaurant one evening, and came to their table. "You're the girl for my picture," he told Dorothy. "I've been looking for a Chinese girl for the part." It wasn't till later he learned that Dorothy was of Japanese ancestry. "And I thought I could tell a Japanese from a Chinese," said Howe.

James Wong Howe, an ex-pug who became one of Hollywood's greatest artisans, once filmed a production about the Japanese martyrs of Nagasaki. The picture was financed by Japanese Catholics in California and was made near Monrovia.

SINGER PAT SUZUKI

Another magazine is interested in a special feature on Pat Suzuki, the husky-voiced girl who learned to sing while listening to records on a battered phonograph during the war years at the Granada relocation camp in Colorado.

These days Pat, who got her big break recently in Time magazine (July 22), is getting her first records ready for Vik, an RCA Victor subsidiary, and is being flooded with offers from night club impresarios in every part of the country.

Miss Suzuki, a little girl (4 feet, 11) with a big voice, will be showing up on national TV shortly. According to Time, audiences on the West Coast (she's been a fixture at Seattle's Colony Club) have compared Pat Suzuki to Jeri Southern, Billie Holiday, Judy Garland or Ethel Merman and "the truth is that she sounds occasional echoes of all of them. But she has a dead-sure sense of phrasing all her own and a warm-tinted, open voice which cast its own mellow glow over the familiar lyrics she handles."

Pat Suzuki is one of three girls of Japanese ancestry who have become night club headliners recently. One is Toshiko, the pianist who has been playing in Boston and Chicago clubs and has been on Garry Moore's morning TV shows, and the other is Arthur Godfrey's favorite, Miyoshi Umeki, who has been featured in Hollywood clubs. Miss Umeki also is featured as Red Buttons' girl friend in the forthcoming film, "Sayonara".

Both Toshiko and Miss Umeki already are represented on the record counters.

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Malsudaira —

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rapid-fire fashion by the interviewer and that he was surprised when asked such a question that had nothing to do with his responsibilities to the U.N.

To emphasize the sincerity of his feelings to persons of Japanese ancestry and others who had resented his seeming indifference to the "insulting slur", he pointed out that during stopovers in Honolulu and San Francisco, en route to New York, he had apologized publicly for his unintended remarks.

With members of the JACL delegation and Japan's Deputy Chief of Mission, Toshio Urabe, he discussed what might be done to not only repair the damage that may have resulted from his telecast but also the long-range program for eliminating the use of the word.

Following the 45-minute conference, members of the delegation expressed themselves as completely satisfied with the Ambassador's sincerity and his willingness to cooperate with the League's campaign. His attitude during the meeting too impressed the delegation that he understood and appreciated the seriousness which JACL attached to its protest and to its drive for public education on the subject, which involves human dignity and group acceptance.

(International News Service last Tuesday quoted a spokesman for the Japanese U.N. delegation who insisted that Malsudaira "didn't have time to finish his reply". He was suddenly asked about the word, "Jap", since he had accepted to appear on John Wingate's TV show to talk on the atomic problem.

"He made a comment, but didn't have time to finish his reply. He wanted to say that the use of the word is distasteful. He wanted to say that he was against the use of such terms, that it's his job as ambassador to fight against any and all discrimination. This is embodied in the U.N. charter. But he didn't get time to finish the sentence.")

Jet pilot killed in takeoff crash

CHICOTEAGUE, Va.—A recently commissioned ensign was killed in a crash at the naval air station here last Tuesday.

He is Ensign Frank Akio Ouchi, 21, jet pilot stationed at the Chicoteague NAS here. The ex-Fresno was killed when his jet fighter crashed during a takeoff during routine flight.

Ens. Ouchi was commissioned last March following 18 months training at various naval training centers.

He is survived by his parents Mr. and Mrs. Torazo Ouchi of Fresno, and a sister, Margaret Ouchi, one of the 1955 Nisei Week queen attendants and SWLA CLer.

'BEST SHOW EVER' FOR NISEI WEEK FESTIVAL

Both professional and amateur talent are billed in the Nisei Week talent show, Aug. 22-23, 7:30 p.m., at Koyasan Hall. Filmstar Bob Kinoshita, director of the show, promises it to be the "best ever".

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THOMAS C. YONEDA
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Chapter president hurt in explosion

DETROIT.—Yoshio Kasai, Detroit JACL president, suffered second and third degree burns about the face, neck and hands when gasoline accidentally ignited while he was at work, the Pacific Citizen was informed yesterday.

Fortunately due to his glasses, he escaped serious injury to his eyes. He is employed as shop foreman at the Fourth and Lafayette Service Station in Royal Oak.

TWIN CITIES:

Summer-fall slate in Minn. disclosed

The summer-fall seasons here will be marked by three Twin Cities UCL activities. First will be the Aug. 25 steak fry at Lake Harriet Park, starting at 1 p.m. Nob Hangai and Warren Kyono are co-chairmen. It was originally scheduled for Aug. 24.

Second will be the resuming of general meetings in the fall with showing of "This Is Your Life—Mike Masaoka" on Sept. 27. The meeting will also include reports of the EDC-MDC convention.

The chapter is also sponsoring its golf tournament this Sunday at the Gross golf course.

BUDDHIST CHURCH BEING BUILT BY VOLUNTEERS

ONTARIO, Ore.—Hoping to have their new church completed by Feb. 1 next year in time for the Northwest Young Buddhist convention, the new edifice is now two-thirds complete, according to George Iseri.

Work is halted at the present time, but should start again after the harvest period is over. The church is largely built by volunteers who have contributed over 4,000 hours of free labor, he added.

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POINTING SOUTHWESTWARD

By Fred Takata

Monterey Memories

Last Saturday afternoon we roared down the runway at International Airport aboard the Southwest Airway DC-3 (war-time nomenclature: C-57) and flew into the blue skies, leaving the brownish gray smog hovering over Los Angeles. We were on our way to Monterey to attend the NC-WNDC meeting, enjoying the beautiful California landscape and shores as we made our way north. (We are not "pointing southwestward" this week.)

After 90 minutes aloft, we landed in a paradise called Monterey, being met by Paul Ichijui, general chairman of the meeting; George Kodama and Daisy Uyeda, administrative assistant to Mas Satow at national headquarters. As we drove along the highway from the airport to town, they were busy pointing out the famous landmarks enroute, but I was too busy breathing in that delicious fresh air.

On arriving at the Park Crest Motel, we found that the San Francisco chapter had taken over most of the rooms. We were happy to have had this opportunity to meet so many San Franciscans. There were Joyce & Jerry Enomoto, Kaye and Daisy Uyeda making like the seals of Seal Rocks, swimming and sunning themselves at the motel pool. We met Chiz & Mas Satow as they pulled in a little later in the afternoon. It was our pleasure to meet Mas's better-half for the first time. Minutes later, a red Thunderbird loaded with golf gear breezed into the parking lot and we were introduced to Marshall Sumida and Sam Sato, two ardent Golden Gate golfers.

DINNER AT MONTEREY'S GINZA

This is where my predecessor Tats could revel in gourmandish delights. Later in the evening, we dined at the Ginza Restaurant, where we met owners Kay Nobusada and Ken Sato. Elegantly designed in Japanese decor within and without, we were asked to remove our shoes before entering its dining room. Another delight were the beautiful Japanese "war-brides" employed at the restaurant, adding charm and atmosphere. We also met Hana & Fred Aoyama, active 1000 Clubber from Reno, and their daughter Judy, who just returned from the 1957 Girls Nation held at Washington, D.C.

After dinner, we met many of the JACLers of Northern California at the Monterey Chapter dance at San Carlos Hotel. We really had a wonderful time, especially after being introduced to Lefty Miyayaga of Salinas, Kenji Fujii of Eden Township and Bill Matsumoto of Sacramento. Boy, what a trio!

Most unexpected was to see my old high school buddy of Denver days, Yoshio Satow, for the first time in 12 years or so. We're glad to see he's active in the Monterey chapter, as well as his wife, and was especially surprised to hear he was a father of two children.

We met Kenji Tashiro, our national 1000 Club chairman, and his charming bride Ethel there. Tak Tsujita of Sacramento was busy passing out leis to all the girls, to help advertise their NC-WNDC 1000 Club luau to be held on Nov. 2 at Sacramento. But he seemed a bit bashful about doing it in the Hawaiian fashion. After the dance, the party went on and on and on until... before you knew it, it was business session time on Sunday.

MORE NORTHERN CALIFORNIANS MET

After being registered at the Mark Thomas Inn, it was our pleasure to meet Akiji Yoshimura, NC-WNDC chairman, and Oyster Miyamoto, host chapter president. The business session went along very smoothly—and before I knew it, it was time to be introduced to the delegates and then make our pitch for the Pacific Citizen.

We explained that the current circulation was 5,526—about one-third going to non-members and the remaining two-thirds to JACLers and 1000ers. Statistically, the percentage of JACL membership reading their organization newspaper is very small. And to build that up, we are offering the special Introductory Offer of 25 issues for a dollar and for another \$2 (\$2.50 for non-members), a member would receive a year's subscription with an additional 25 weeks free (77 weeks altogether).

Many of the chapters that we sent cards to have yet to reply as to the number of PC Introductory Offer envelopes they can help circulate. But out of the 1,000 envelopes that I took to the Monterey meeting, I was short and have been asked to send them more on return. It is with enthusiasm such as this that we hope to push our circulation over the 7,000 mark—which means a lot to us.

INSPIRING BANQUET SPEAKER

Their third quarterly meeting came to a close with a wonderful spread of prime ribs and all the trimmings. Banquet speaker was the Rev. Karel V. Vit, instructor at the nearby Army Language School. He spoke of his experiences in Czechoslovakia under the tyranny of the Communist regime and conveyed the message that we as Americans should do everything in our power to preserve the liberties that we enjoy today.

After Rev. Vit's inspiring talk, the golf tournament trophies were presented by Aki Sugimoto, meet chairman.

On our flight back to Los Angeles and over moonlit Monterey Bay, we thought of the wonderful two days and vowed to return again someday to this paradise.

An aside to the San Francisco Chapter: Do you still have that TV show, "I Love Lucy"?

Hollywood to host third PSWDC quarterly session this Sunday; various national, district council reports highlight meeting

Ten reports from various national and district council officers are featured for the third quarterly session of the Pacific Southwest District Council meeting this Sunday at the Shonien with Hollywood JACL acting as hosts for the day.

The major report will be presented by Frank Chuman, national legal counsel, on the feasibility of a writ of Coram Nobis on the evacuation and curfew cases.

(The principle of "coram nobis" concerns an early common law remedy in which the court recon-

siders itself or a petitioner asks for a reconsideration of a case because of an injustice done for sake of securing fundamental justice.)

Other reports to be rendered by national board and staff are those from Dr. Roy Nishikawa, national president; Mas Satow, national director; Fred Takata, PSW regional director; and Harry Honda, Pacific Citizen editor.

Within the district council, reports will be made on legal-legislative by Kango Kunitsugu and Wil-

bur Sato; constitution, Miwa Yamamoto; new chapters and JACL youth movements, Roy Iketani; chapter clinic, Mas Narita; and chapter quotas, Ken Dyo.

The meeting will open at 1 p.m. and close with dinner. Dinner reservations will be taken at the meeting, it was announced by Paul Kawakami, host chapter president.

Since the Nisei Week Coronation Ball is being held that evening, the dinner is being timed so that those desiring to attend will have ample time.

Over 200 attend NC-WNDC quarterly hosted by Monterey CLers, hear Czech American tell experiences behind Iron Curtain

BY HARRY HONDA

MONTEREY.—For a smog-ridden derelict like this Angeleno, there is no better cure than a sunny day at Monterey and at the Mark Thomas Inn where Monterey Peninsula JACL hosted a successful NC-WNDC quarterly session last Sunday.

The cordiality and hospitality that bloomed the moment "Oyster" Miyamoto, chapter president, met this writer at the airport wasn't to fade in the hustle-bustle that ensued. His committee from sidekick George Kodama, event chairman Paul Ichijui, toastmaster Kay Nobusada on down exercised to the same degree this charm and warmth for the 200 people who attended the two-day affair.

Highlight of the session was the address by the Rev. Karel V. Vit, who teaches Czech at the Army Language School at the Presidio of Monterey. An escapee from behind the Iron Curtain, his humorous anecdotes didn't extinguish the message that Americans—be they white, black, red or yellow—should cherish their heritage and freedom.

"Americans should be aware of their freedom and its privileges," he declared, "and why they are free in order to defend our way of life."

False Sense of Security

The best of A- and H-bombs does not guarantee the liberty of a country, he pointed out. The Rev. Vit recalled the false sense of security which France sustained with its so-called impregnable Maginot Line and forgetting that other Allied powers assisted France in vanquishing the enemy in both World Wars I and II. The French people had forgotten the ideals and purpose of life, he added.

In explaining the source of trouble in the world today, the former Prague clergyman said there were two camps—one in which purely man-made law was supreme and the other in which law was derived from a source higher than man. He predicted a materialistic society based upon laws denying a source higher than man would eventually lose.

Recalling how the freedom-loving Czechs vowed in 1945 that they would never be subjugated to totalitarian rule, the Rev. Vit told how his nation was duped by the propaganda of the "people's democracy" and voted in a Communist regime in 1946 and finally succumbing to the Red coup in 1948.

The subsequent years destroyed the personal trust Czechs had for each other. A deep-rooted fear of the uniform was imbedded into its people. The hate of the Nazi regime and its uniform was compounded by the Red regime and its regalia.

Day at Traffic Court

His personal fear complex for uniforms has finally dissipated since living in the United States. His belief in American liberty came, strange as it may seem, when he was confronted by a uniformed policeman for having parked overtime in downtown Newark, N.J., to buy a suit of clothes. When told to see the judge, the treatment he was accorded in court and a smiling clerk accepting his fine regained for him the composure as befits the dignity of a

human being, he told the packed banquet hall at the Inn.

So long as Americans retain their individuality and avoid the tyranny of mass conformism, be aware of their heritage and freedom, they can set examples to the rest of the world, he concluded.

Committeemen Introduced

Also introduced were Paul Teikawa, Far Eastern Languages director at the Army Language School, and his wife.

County Supervisor Tom Hudson of Monterey extended greetings as did Miyamoto and Ichijui introduced other members of his committee at the dinner. They were Mush Higashi and Jim Uyeda, dance; Viola Uyeda, Ishio Enokida, registration; Jimmie Tabata, banquet (prime ribs was the main entree); Aki Sugimoto, golf; and Yoshio Satow, boat ride.

Colors were presented by a de-

tail from the chapter-sponsored Boy Scout troop 27. Kay Nobusada, genial 1000er who was kidded for winning the special 1000 Club golf trophy, was toastmaster.

Over a 100 couples attended the chapter dance at San Carlos Hotel Saturday night.

Akiji Yoshimura, NC - WNDC chairman, presided during the business session with reports being made by Tak Tsujita on the Sacramento NC-WNDC meeting Nov. 2-3; John Enomoto on the Cal-Neva Credit Union; Yas Abiko, DC recognitions; George Baba, French Camp chapter quota; Mas Satow, national report; Fred Takata and Harry Honda, Pacific Citizen; and Kenji Tashiro, 1000 Club.

A new district council constitution was also adopted.

An informal women's auxiliary luncheon was held at Ginza Restaurant.

NEW YORK:

CONSUL-GENERAL IN FULL SUPPORT OF JACL FIGHT TO RID WORD 'JAP'

Consul General Mitsuo Tanaka of New York gave his fullest support to the Japanese American Citizens League campaign to eliminate the use of the word "Jap", according to William Sakayama, New York JACL Chapter president.

The Japanese Consul General stationed in New York told the representatives of the JACL, "I will give you my fullest cooperation, and will instruct my staff on this matter."

The Consul General agreed with the JACL representatives that no Japanese whether born in the United States or in Japan likes the word "Jap" and that it was a racial slur which does not promote goodwill or understanding between nations or races.

Sakayama was accompanied by Sam Ishikawa, New York JACL representative, in his visit to the Consulate General.

Consul General was told by the JACL delegation that the recent condoning of the use of "Jap" by Ambassador Koto Matsudaira to the United Nation over the TV program "Night Beat" gave sanction to the free use of the word, and made the long campaign by racial and religious organizations against the use of words such as "Jap", "Kike", "Chink", etc., look ridiculous and foolish in eyes

of the public.

During the forty minute conference with Consul General Tanaka, Ishikawa reviewed the long history behind the usage of the word "Jap", and its use as a derogatory term to humiliate persons of Japanese ancestry. He also described that active campaign carried out by the JACL through its 85 chapters in 36 states to eliminate the use of this derogatory word.

The New York JACL Chapter plans to reactivate its Committee to Eliminate the Use of "Jap" in the near future.

ORANGE COUNTY:

Dr. Sammy Lee to address OC JAYs

Dr. Sammy Lee of Olympic diving fame, now a practicing ear-nose-throat specialist in Santa Ana, will be the principle speaker at the third annual installation banquet of the Orange County Japanese American Youths on Sept. 6, 6:30 p.m., at the Royal Hawaiian Restaurant in Anaheim.

Described as one of the finest athletes America has ever produced, he won gold medals for the U.S. in the 1948-52 Olympic Games. In 1953, sportswriters honored him with the Sullivan trophy, highest award to which any athlete in this country can aspire. President Eisenhower sent him as his personal goodwill sports ambassador on a State Dept.-sponsored tour of the Far East.

While serving in the Army Medical Corps, Maj. Lee was attached to the 121st Evacuation Hospital in Korea and called upon to treat on President Syngman Rhee. This was a professional honor he enjoyed doubly, since he happens to be an American of Korean descent.

Banquet chairman Dave Tamura, pointing out only 200 places being available, urged those wishing to attend to secure tickets (\$2.75 per plate) as early as possible from the PSW regional office in Los Angeles, or from Tom Matsumoto (KI 3-473) and Tom Obata (KE 8-2582). Public is invited.

WASHINGTON, D.C.:

Games chairman losing sleep to devise picnic stunts

Games, good eating and languid lolling are the order for the day at the Washington, D.C., JACL chapter-sponsored community picnic this Sunday at Homewood Recreation Center in Kensington, Md.

Toshio Hoshida and Edwin Izumi are co-chairmen. Ann Izumi was said to be staying up nights devising good games.

SAN JOSE JACL PLANS FAMILY GET-TOGETHER

SAN JOSE.—The eighth annual San Jose JACL family get-together will be held tonight at Adobe Creek Lodge in Los Altos, it was announced by Hank Hamasaki, chairman. Featured will be top sirloin, games and dancing.

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VERY TRULY YOURS:

Inspiration in
JACL's twin mottos

A perennial pitch that balks JACLers at all levels is found in: "what are JACL's objectives?" It's a question that has been tossed since the League was first organized over 25 years ago. Before a prospect joins, he asks it. As a member he asks the chapter officers. As a chapter officer, he continues to ask the same of their national officers. And where are the answers? There're in JACL's twin mottos: Security Through Unity — Better Americans in a Greater America.

These twin ideas activate projects that lie in these spheres of thought. At different levels of organization, we find various goals, some more apparent than others. What has given strength to JACL over the past quarter century is its individuality as expressed by pros & cons from the general membership and by democratic processes distilled through chapter and district action as national aims.

Rather than asking a question, the positive manner would be found in "what can I do for JACL in the light of principles enunciated in the twin mottos."

The Rev. Karel Vit, the Czech-American instructor at the Army Language School addressing last Sunday's NC-WNDC meeting at charming Monterey, stressed it ably in his talk about his experiences behind the Iron Curtain, where he fell victim to harrowing fear complexes imposed by a totalitarian regime. "We have got to be aware of the privileges of freedom and the American way of life, the value of heritage." So that tyranny would not fall on us, "let us think as individuals and not as masses, be anti-regime, be anti-totalitarian, and be examples for the rest of the world."

JACLers are individual enough to think for themselves and work together for a common cause, rather than take the easy way out by asking questions and not acting.

This, I know, takes more thought and initiative, but the end result will have more lasting satisfaction since a contribution was made.

— Harry K. Honda.



Mrs. Sachi Izumi, fashion show chairman of the EDC-MDC convention Aug. 30-Sept. 1 in Chicago, discusses the show with committee members. They are (left to right) Jean Kimura, Mrs. Izumi, Chiye Tomihiro, Lillian Kimura, Grace Murakami and Mitzi Shio.

EDC-MDC—

Continued from Front Page
JACL, 1200 N. Clark St., Chicago 10, with checks made payable to JACL EDC-MDC Convention.

The revised schedule of single-event admissions is as follows:

Friday, Aug. 30—8 p.m. Mixer, \$1.50.

Saturday, Aug. 31—Noon luncheon, \$4.50; 2 p.m. Fashion Show, \$2; 6:30 p.m. 1000 Club Whing Ding \$6 (not included in Package Deal).

Sunday, Sept. 1—6 p.m. Banquet,

\$6; 10 p.m. Ball, \$3.

The package deal of \$15.50 includes the \$2 registration fee and the above-listed events except the 1000 Club Whing Ding.

Following events are open to the public without charge:

Saturday, Aug. 31—3 p.m. Convention Forum.

Sunday, Sept. 1—1 p.m. Jr. JACL Forum; 3 p.m. Leadership Clinic.

The decision to lower the charges, explained convention board chairman Kumeo Yoshinari, was made possible by subsidization of the budget by solicitations from

'FASHIONS IN PERSPECTIVE' ADDS
GLAMOR TO EDC-MDC CONVENTION

CHICAGO.—From all indications, "Fashions in Perspective", to be staged on Aug. 31 in the Hotel Sheraton grand ballroom in conjunction with the second joint EDC-MDC convention here will be a colorful and exciting event. That some 30 local designers, dress-makers and models will participate is already assured. Judy Takao of Cincinnati, lone out-of-town participant, will model her own creations.

The program will feature Miss Reiko Kutsuki, national known designer with Mr. Gee of New York, displaying a charming collection of casual and holiday wear. Accompanying her on this trip will be Mrs. Gee, who will do the commentaries for Miss Kutsuki's creations.

An unusual fashion touch will be the innovation of the latest in eye-glass frames, which will be modeled along with matching frocks. The local designs will be narrated by Eileen Townsend, while organist Priscilla Holbrook will provide the background music

donors who are known as Convention Boosters. The previously-mentioned package deal was \$16.20 and those who have prepaid will be given a rebate upon checking at the Sheraton Hotel, convention headquarters.

Convention officials are hopeful for a turnout of 250 Chicagoans and at least 150 out-of-towners.

Sachi Izumi and her fashion show committee have been working diligently in the assurance of a most enjoyable and memorable fashion parade. Her committee members include Tomi Domoto, Pat Amino, Thelma Hagio, Jean Kimura, Lillian Kimura, Grace Murakami, Sumi Shimizu, Mitzi Shio, Chiye Tomihiro and Junior JACL girls.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Normally on the third week of the month, the 1000 Club column is found on this page, but because of the more than average amount of advertising and copy from our Washington JACL office, Dr. Tom Tamaki's guest column will be published next week.—Editor.

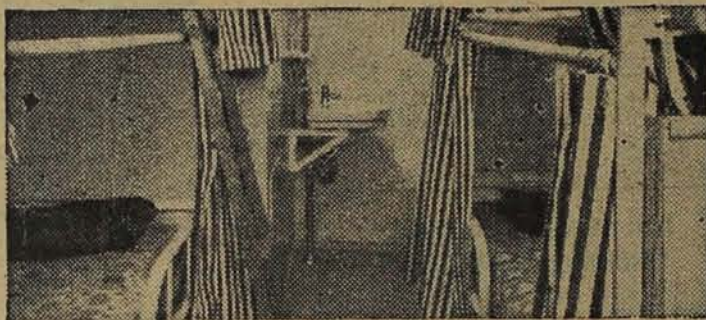
SONOMA COUNTY:

To show off Japanese
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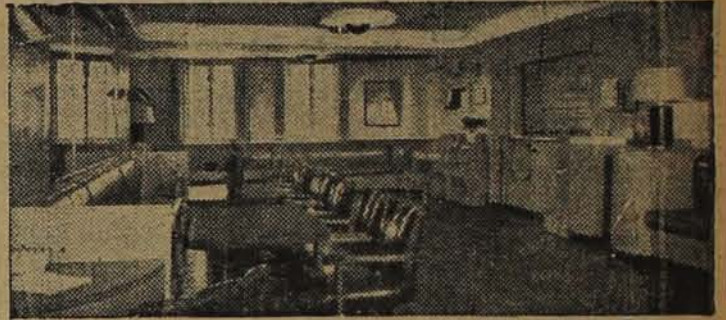
The Sonoma County JACL women's auxiliary demonstrate their skill of Japanese culinary arts tomorrow with a sukiyaki dinner at the Sebastopol Memorial Hall. The 6:30 p.m. fare will be followed by a social, it was announced by Margaret Murakami, Auxiliary president.

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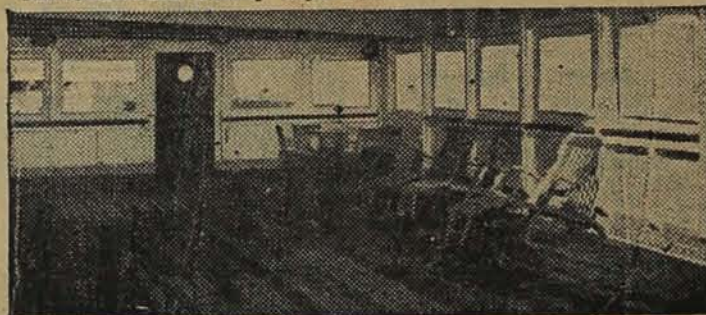
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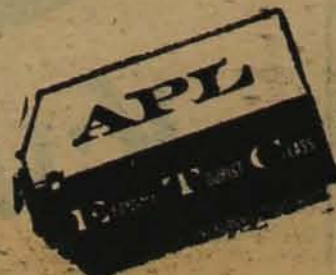
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THE NORTHWEST PICTURE By Elmer Ogawa

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In this mountainous, heavily wooded Northwest area, tales of lost hikers, mountain climbers, fishermen, hunters, and even berry and mushroom (matsutake) pickers, and their fight for survival are quite frequent. In most cases these events result in a happy ending, thanks to the valiant efforts of the mountain rescue teams, rangers, and volunteer groups. The Army sometimes helps, as it did in the case of boy scout Richard Mizuhata lost for six days on Mt. Rainier last August, and many times Coast Guard and Navy helicopters assist in a difficult rescue.

Lt. Robert M. Hayashida, a former paratrooper, is the most recent principal, beating his way out of the wooded hills alone after a twelve-day ordeal for survival.



LT. ROBERT HAYASHIDA
Back From Ordeal In Wilds

The lieutenant, on temporary summer duty at the Yakima training center, took a short leave to get in some fishing in the Lake Cle Elum area some 70 miles northwest of Yakima and about 20 miles east of Snoqualmie Pass. He camped on the south shore of the lake, and it was about noon of the 25th of July while searching out some good fishing spots, became aware that he had lost his bearings. Later that day, a fall resulted in a painful sprain of the left knee. He made himself comfortable as possible and parked on the spot for two nights as any old time trapper would do under the same circumstances. When the rations he was carrying gave out, well there were huckleberries.

Fishing had not been any too good with the brand new tackle so it was discarded when Hayashida set out with the gimpy leg to make his way back. On the

fourth day, the .22 rifle and the army issue pistol, calibre .45, got to be too heavy, so they were buried. Then followed seemingly endless days of limping over the rugged terrain and living off the forest's meagre fare. At times upon reaching a high ridge, he'd spot Lake Kachess which is almost ten miles to the west of Cle Elum Lake, and strike out for it only to get lost in the valleys.

In the meantime, Hayashida's car was found where he had left it, and after the tent and camping gear were found, scores of searchers were put out to scour the area. The radio announced that foul play was suspected, but did not mention that he was observed casually putting out \$80 for tackle and ammunition in the area at the start of the trip.

In the woods, Hayashida maintained his westward course by observing the sun whenever possible, and on the 12th day, August 6, came upon a logging road which led him to Highway 10 where a truckdriver transported him to a telephone where he could notify the CO and the family (Yuriko and two kids) in Minneapolis. The lieutenant's brother, Lawrence had come out from Minneapolis to join in the search.

Hayashida, who has been in the army since 1945, originally hails from Hawaii. A former paratrooper, he now commands an infantry combat company of the 22nd Infantry stationed at Fort Lewis which is on assignment to the training center near Yakima. After a check up at Fort Lewis' Madigan hospital, he returned to Yakima the next day, none the worse.

Two years ago in midwinter, an army air force man had an experience in the same general area. While riding a small air force plane to meet his Japanese war bride wife and two kids who were due to arrive the next day in Seattle, Sgt. John H. Horan was ordered to bail out when something went wrong with the plane. The pilot eventually landed the plane O.K. but Sgt. Horan was lost to the world. The family received the news upon debarkation at Seattle, and followed advice to proceed to the Sergeant's home in Maynard, Mass., where the in-laws awaited them. Four days after bailing out, Sgt. Horan hobbled out onto Highway 10 some miles east of Snoqualmie Pass on improvised snowshoes made up of refrigerator shelves which he had found in an unoccupied mountain cabin. Without the "snowshoes" Sgt. Horan would never have made it. Several frozen toes required amputation, but anyhow it's a case where another GI outwitted the same wilderness to gain a happy family reunion.

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Add golf tournament to international meet in Tokyo

Delegates planning to attend the first international Nisei businessmen's convention in Tokyo during the last weekend of October will be able to enjoy the final day, Oct. 27, on either the famous Kawana or Hakone golf course, it was revealed this week by Taul Watanabe, co-chairman of the convention, of Gardena.

Charles Kurashita, golf chairman, this week cabled the state-side convention office that the tournament will be played according to PGA rules. Trophies are being donated by various Japanese industrial and commercial firms. Certified club handicaps will be required of contestants, it was added.

HAWAIIAN BOXER WINS IN SEATTLE TOURNAMENT

SEATTLE. — Heiji Shimabukuro, 1st, of Hawaii was among champions recently crowned in the international boxing tournament here. Paul Fujii, second Nisei member of the Hawaii team, lost in the semis but was voted the "most courageous" boxer of the tourney.

VANCOUVER, B.C. — Margaret Iwasaki broke her own national Canadian jr. women's 110-yd. free-style record by two-tenths of a second at the Empire Pool here July 27 with a time of 1:07.6.

Funakoshi joins firm as new financial consultant

Fred S. Funakoshi, formerly with Morgan and Co., has moved his office to Walston and Co., members of the New York Stock Exchange, it was announced by William S. Wells, partner of the firm.

Funakoshi's position with Walston will be that of financial consultant dealing with stocks, bonds and commodities. He is a 1000 Club member and cabinet officer of the Downtown L.A. JACL and with the Japanese American Optimist Club.

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San Francisco JACL captures NC-WNDC golf title; Sanda fires 77 for low gross

MONTEREY. — San Francisco wrested the NC-WNDC golf team championship from San Jose, which has two legs on the perpetual trophy, over a well-conditioned Del Monte course last Sunday with a net total of 217 turned in by Yone Satoda, Marshall Sumida and Fred Obayashi.

Their scores were Satoda, 83-5-71; Sumida, 81-10-71; and Obayashi, 84-13-71. Other team scores were Eden Township, Watsonville, Monterey, 223 each; San Jose, 225; and Salinas, 236.

Low gross honors were taken by two Montereyans Mike Sanda, who shot a 77, and Jim Uyeda, 78, in a playoff with George Ura of Watsonville who had the same score.

Key Hori of Monterey, with 82-17-65, was the low net champion; followed by Sab Fujita (SJ) 81-12-69; Kay Nobusada (M) 91-22-69; Bob Okamura (ET) 80-10-70; and George Ura (W) 78-7-71.

Nobusada, who had joined the 1000 Club the night before, claimed the special 1000 Club trophy donated by 1000er Kaz Oka.

Fred Obayashi of San Francisco won the hole-in-one contest on the 17th.

The course is behind the Mark Thomas Inn, site of the NC-WNDC quarterly session.

URADOMO ROLLS 300 GAME WARMING UP FOR LEAGUE

Yuki Uradomo, considered as one of the top Nisei men bowlers in Southern California, rolled his first perfect game of 300 while warming up for his Thursday league play last week at Arlington Bowl. Every sock hit the 3-4 pocket.

ELA fishing derby

The East L.A. JACL fishing derby will be held on the boat Emerald, leaving Joe Martin's San Pedro landing this Sunday. Forty passengers can be accommodated. Reservations (\$8) are being accepted by Fred Kubota, 106 N. San Pedro St.; and Sam Furuta (AN 2-8580).



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By Henry Mori

Nisei Week

The 17th annual Nisei Week Festival raises its curtain tomorrow for a nine-day run with the Pioneer Night stage show and Issei Recognition program, wrapped up in one, at the Koyasan Betsuin.

What with the format about the same every year, the August celebration in Li'l Tokio has become more a tourist attraction.

Hawaii again brings to town its queen, the result of an annual Miss "Ohina" competition sponsored by the Miles Laboratory of California. She is 18-year-old Elaine Higuchi who is accompanied by her sister, Betty. We mention this since the Nisei Week board will have her as a guest during the week's program.

Bill Marumoto, one of the leaders from Orange County who formed the O.C. Jays (Japanese American Youths) organization supported by the JACL chapter there, has consented to lend his jinriksha he brought back from Japan last year to be added to the ondo parade. No one has picked anyone to pull the vehicle. Marumoto, 1956-57 student body president at Whittier College, plans to enroll at Oregon State in the fall. He was given the riksha as a souvenir when he made the trip with U.S. Boy Scouts.

KELP TAngLER LANDS 190-POUNDER

Roy Yamadera, bigwig of the East Los Angeles JACL chapter, this week reported a big catch made by one of the members of the Nisei Kelp Tangers off Anacapa Island near Oxnard recently.

Yamadera takes care of public relations for the organization whose spear-fishing skindivers sport all year round off various Southern California waters for a catch.

The latest haul was made by diminutive Mas Sadahiro who tips the scale at 110. His feat was a black sea bass which weighed 191 pounds. Sadahiro speared it at a depth of some 18 feet. He and three other fellows fought the fish for nearly two hours before dragging it ashore.

Officers of the Tangers are Sam Ichikawa, president; Ken Kimura, vice-president; Hideo Nakagawa, secretary; and Ken Torabayashi, treasurer.

PRE-PEARL HARBOR INCIDENT RECALLED

The term "Jap" by any other name would sound just as insulting to us, even if we gave the one uttering it the benefit of the doubt on his supposed ignorance.

But on that dark Christmas eve after Pearl Harbor when that question was forced upon us we could have been a "dead duck" if we had answered in the affirmative.

We were distributing some Yuletide packages that night, riding somewhat uncomfortably on San Fernando road. Those were the days when an icy stare from the next car was a hard thing to live down.

So when we got sideswiped as we passed one of the dark intersections we thought, "well, we've had it. Now, what?" Sure enough one bullish old man about 55 came to our car to investigate. When he found out we were Oriental he growled in anger: "Are you a Chinese or a Jap!" When he had his balled fist cocked our way we naturally turned pale with fright. "What chance will we have at the police station . . . ?"

We thought quickly and came up with the only and logical answer: "I'm an American." Well that really pleased him and he melted almost in shame. "Guess it was my fault," he mumbled, looking over our torn fender. It was!

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having to resort to the filibuster.

Civil rights advocates may have been so certain of a filibuster that they may have devoted too much of their energy and thinking to ways and means of breaking it—round the clock sessions, teams of senators to demand strict adherence to the rules, cots in the halls, etc.—instead of "keeping their eyes on the ball" as it was being kicked around by the Southerners, who are past masters at parliamentary maneuvers.

Finally, and this added to the two other considerations, may be the real clincher. The South simply called in the "chits" that they had given to so many senators from the North, Midwest, Rocky Mountains, and the Pacific Northwest over the years and forced these senators, though reluctantly, to pay up on their accounts.

Because of their seniority that has given them so many chairmanships not only of the major committees but also of the key subcommittees, and because for many years they have represented the balance of power needed for any particular "controversial" legislation — economic matters, agricultural items, labor, public power, etc. — many senators may have had "debts" to repay which were called into account in the recent debate on civil rights.

This may be an oversimplified analysis of what happened in the Senate to cause the upset on civil rights that took place there, but it makes interesting speculations as to what actually did happen.

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Vital Statistics

BIRTHS

FRESNO

KAWAGUCHI, Tom — boy, July 1.
KUBOTA, Thomas Y. — girl, July 11.
KUNISHIGE, Thomas — boy, June 3.
NAGATA, Mac N. — girl, May 24.
NAKATA, Harry M. — girl, July 17.
OSUMI, Kengo — boy, June 6, Parlier.
YAMAMOTO, George — girl, July 1, Reedley.

STOCKTON

DAIJOGO, Kasuto — boy, June 20, Acampo.
FUJIMORI, John K. — boy, Apr. 5.
MIZUTANI, Lee M. — girl, May 21.
MOROZUMI, Dr. John T. — boy, June 15.
NAKABAYASHI, Shigeichi — boy, June 14, Lodi.
OKAMOTO, Jun — girl, June 16.
OTA, Touchi — boy, Apr. 28.
TOKUNAGA, Frank H. — boy, May 20.
WAKAI, Charles S. — boy, May 24.

SAN FRANCISCO

ASATO, Eikichi — girl, July 12.
HAMAMOTO, Tosh — boy, May 19.
INOUE, Bennie H. — boy, May 30.
IWATA, Robert — girl, July 1.
KEGA, Dodd T. — girl, May 29.
KITAGAKI, Paul K. — girl, June 16.
MATSUOKA, Toshikazu — boy, May 25.
MORI, Kazumi K. — girl, June 11.
MORISHIGE, Noboru — girl, June 28.
SATO, Harry T. — boy, July 5.
SUMIDA, Yoshihide — boy, July 11.
SUNADA, Richard Y. — girl, June 25.
YAMAUCHI, William S. — boy, June 29.

OAKLAND

HAYASHI, Warren — boy, July 6.
MORITOMO, John M. — boy, June 10, Hayward.
NAKAHARA, Tom — girl, July 6.

EL CERRITO

HIRANO, Hiroyuki — boy, June 15.

SACRAMENTO

ABE, Ben — boy, July 17.
AOKI, Jun — girl, July 11, Woodland.
INOUE, John — boy, June 16.
KAGIMOTO, Kenneth — girl, May 29.
KOYAMA, Tsutomu — boy, June 21.
MAKISHIMA, Harold — girl, June 27.
MASUMOTO, Hideo — boy, June 23.
MATSUDA, Hideo — girl, June 27.
MUKAI, Frank — girl, May 28.
NISHIMURA, Hideo — boy, July 2, West Sacramento.

OMOTO, Kazuharu — boy, July 9, Walnut Grove.

SETO, Haruo — boy, May 28.
SUNADA, Niro — boy, July 12.

TAKAKI, Shigeru — boy, June 1, Rio Vista.

TAMBARA, George — boy, June 18.
TESHIMA, James — boy, June 2.

YONAMINE, Shinsel — boy, June 13.

PLACER COUNTY

HORIUCHI, Iwao — girl, July 14, Newcastle.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

SEKO-MORISHIMA — Roy Y., 28;

Joan T., 20, both Seattle.

SUZUKI-UCHIDA — Tokuzo, Berkeley;

Joan, San Francisco.

TAKAGI — MINATO — George, Mt.

View; Sumiko, San Jose.

TAKAHASHI-IKEDA — Henry T., 39,

Anaheim; May K., 32 Buena Park.

TANIGAWA-NAKA — Alfred and Mi-

tsuko, both San Francisco.

TOMITA-NAKATA — Kenji, Berkeley;

Mary, Alameda.

TOKUNAGA-YOSHIKAWA — Roger

and Irene, both Yuba City.

UCHIDA-YAMAICHI — George S. and

Hinako, both San Jose.

URA-OKADA — Frank T., 27, Palo Al-

to; Mae, 21, Richmond.

YAMAGUCHI — TOKUNAGA — Elji,

Berkeley; Keiko, Hawaii.

YAMAMOTO-HIDEKAWA — George

and Mary, both San Francisco.

YAMAGUCHI-HART — David Aiji and

Margaret L., both San Jose.

YAMAUCHI-TSURUDA — Carl and

Lillian M., both Sacramento.

YASUHARA-NISHIMOTO — Franklin

Y. and Rose Michiye, both San Jose.

YEYVA-MIYASHIRO — Tony and

Helen, both San Francisco.

Nisei pass Calif. state board dentistry exams

SAN FRANCISCO. — Twelve Nisei dentists and a dental hygienist passed their state dental board examinations and have been granted licenses to practice in the state.

Among the successful candidates listed by the California State Board of Dental examiners were: Kenneth Sadao Masumoto, Reedley; George Kuniyoshi, Le Grand; George Kazuo Ichiru, Dorothy Utako Shimizu, Osamu Chiono, Thomas Teruaki Takeda, Ben Tamaki, and Ross Eisei Yamahata, all of Los Angeles; Robert Masaru Asatani, Robert William Aho, Loma Linda; and Yukio Nakama, Hawaii.

ENDOWMENT FUND PASSES \$100,000

Contributions to the JACL Endowment Fund from 60 grateful recipients of evacuation claims totaling \$3,151.54 were acknowledged Aug. 2 by Dr. Roy Nishikawa, national JACL president.

These donations boosted the Endowment Fund over the \$100,000 mark. Each individual contribution is being acknowledged by letter from National Headquarters.

(The list of contributors will be published next week.—Ed.)

Re-elect Lily Okura to NSA nat'l post

ST. LOUIS.—Mrs. K. Patrick Okura of Omaha, secretary to the National JACL Board, was re-elected northwestern district vice-president of the National Secretaries Association at its annual convention here July 20. She was also named first vice-president of the NSA board of directors.

Mrs. Okura has been a member of the Ak-Sar-Ben Chapter since 1949, holding elective posts of treasurer, vice-president and president; appointed national chairman of the rules & by-laws committee in 1954 and was a finalist in the Secretary of the Year contest in 1955 at the NSA national convention in Chattanooga.

The Omaha CLer, the former Lily Arikawa, was featured in the May 1955 Charm Magazine in the "Women at Work" page. She is employed as administrative secretary at the Univ. of Nebraska Hospital, and secretary to Duane E. Johnson, hospital administrator, and Dr. Charles E. Richards, ass't superintendent.

TV columnist glad he urged anti-Nisei films be junked

SAN FRANCISCO. — Three comments applauding San Francisco News TV columnist Guy Wright, who recently asked that anti-Nisei movies be junked, were added to his column of July 27.

Masao W. Satow—Thanks for your forthright remark—a real boost to our campaign to prevent the showing on TV of old films reflecting on our loyalty. You will be interested to know Sen. Warren G. Magnuson of Washington has taken a personal interest in this effort, as has Congressman Arthur Younger of San Mateo County. Your column has been forwarded to the Pacific Citizen, our organization's national paper (see PC, July 26), so our members and friends can applaud your sympathetic point of view, which reflects again the consistently fine attitude of the News with respect to minority groups.

Mabel Ellsworth—Although I do not have a TV set, I frequently read your column and wish to commend you for your attitude on old wartime movies that "impugn the loyalty of Americans of Japanese ancestry."

Ruth Lee Harrington — Congratulations on your stand against the anti-Japanese films. I'd like to second your motion to junk 'em.

To these comments, Wright said: "I said it and I'm glad."

KOSAKURA CHAIRMAN OF BCA SCHOLARSHIP BOARD

SAN FRANCISCO.—Albert S. Kosakura was named chairman of the Buddhist Churches of America scholarship board, which will administer two types of grants each year. Candidates may apply in time for the fall semester. Nisei collegians who intend to become ministers in the BCA are eligible for \$200-300 grants per year. Ministers who desire to further their linguistic and research studies in American colleges are eligible for grants of \$200-\$1,000 per year.

IDAHO SANSEI COMPETES IN 4-H STATE FAIR

CALDWELL, Idaho.—Jackie Doi, 10, daughter of the George Doi, competed in the 4-H state fair cookie demonstrations Aug. 5-8 after winning the Canyon County eliminations, the Boise Valley JACL reported.

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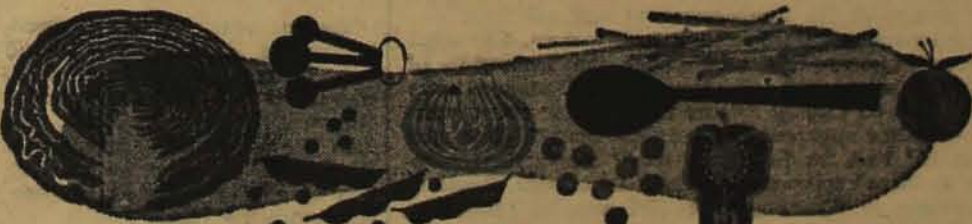


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WASHINGTON NEWSLETTER

By Mike Masaoka

Civil Rights Question

Washington

Seven weeks ago, the House approved 286 to 126 a moderate though meaningful civil rights bill. As this is written, the maneuvering over this same legislation has shifted back to the House, following Senate passage last Wednesday (August 7), by a 72 to 18 margin, of an amended version that removed most of the "teeth" from the original House-passed bill. The "teeth" referred to are (1) the elimination of injunctive authority to enforce existing civil rights, such as integration of public schools, facilities, and transportation, other than voting, and (2) the inclusion of jury trial guarantees for criminal contempt cases involving all federal cases.

The political maneuvering in the House, no less than it was in the Senate, is based upon speculative estimates of present and future reactions among the more than one-tenth of our population which is directly involved in the remaining "voting rights" provisions of this bill.

SENATE QUESTIONS—Though the "battle" has shifted to the House again, two major questions continue to haunt civil rights advocates in the Senate. The first is whether enactment of some "civil rights" legislation this session will foreclose future efforts to increase its scope, and the second relates to what caused the almost complete collapse of the "civil rights" forces in the Senate during the six weeks of debate.

FUTURE FOR CIVIL RIGHTS—Though recognizing that the emasculated bill had little resemblance to the House-approved measure, and that it was more of a token than even a gesture, many senators who believe in civil rights for all our citizens voted for final passage on the theory that this probably is the only bill that can be passed at this session, that it represents some progress in the field, and that its only the beginning of some real civil rights legislation.

In retrospect, some of these senators are now wondering if in fact enactment this session of the present "watered-down" bill will foreclose any further activity in this field for many years to come, perhaps a decade or more. They recall that when the Taft-Hartley Labor Relations and the Walter-McCarran Immigration and Nationality bills were passed some ten and five years ago, respectively, they had fond hopes of quick "clarifying" and "liberalizing" amendments. They learned that they were unable to secure any real consideration of any substantive changes, first on the grounds that there wasn't enough experience to justify any amendments, and later on the grounds that the public had now accepted the statutes as so basic that no substantial changes whatsoever would be tolerated.

They now fear that the senators and congressmen from the Deep South, who remain opposed to any civil rights legislation as a matter of principle and who so successfully maneuvered the current bill in both Houses, will insist for many years that the 1957-approved bill be allowed to operate long enough to determine whether it can work or not. After that "stall", they will have to overcome "proof" that the public has accepted the operations of the statute so well that there should not be any further "tampering" by amendments "when the people are satisfied".

Summed up, this fear is whether acceptance of a "weak" bill now means no further civil rights legislation for many more years to come.

WHAT HAPPENED?—The companion question is what happened in the Senate which allowed such an overwhelming victory for those who opposed the House-approved version, especially when the Knowland-Douglas coalition was able to have the bill placed directly on the Senate Calendar without reference to its Judiciary Committee by a 45-to-39 vote and to have the bill made the "pending business" of the Senate by a whopping 71 to 18 vote.

There will be, and have been, many explanations. But those that appeal to this observer will be mentioned here.

First, following the initial victories of the civil rights bloc, the initiative was seized by the southern bloc and never regained by the Knowland-Douglas coalition. While the civil rights advocates may have been congratulating themselves on their early gains, Senator Richard B. Russell, Georgia Democrat who long has been the unofficial spokesman for the South, grabbed the "ball" by bitterly and dramatically denouncing the so-called enforcement provisions of Title III (federal injunctive authority to enforce integration in schools, places of public entertainment, transportation, etc.) as "punitive" measures against the former Confederate States which would bring about a repeat of the abuses of the Reconstruction Period following the Civil War. He raised the cry about the use of troops and the building of concentration camps so successfully that the "tide of battle" began to turn.

Civil rights advocates were aware of this Title III, but because the concentrated and publicized attack in the House had been on the issue of "jury trials" they may have been caught unprepared to counter-attack. And the battle for Title II, the real "heart" of the House-approved bill, was lost.

With the momentum gained in their first victory, they went on to a second victory—this time under the leadership of Majority Floor Leader Lyndon Johnson, Texas Democrat, who has become known on Capitol Hill as the "master compromiser," when a one-time apparent "civil rights" margin dissipated into a substantial rout for the "jury trial" amendment sponsored jointly by three supposedly "liberal" Democrats, Senators Joseph O'Mahoney of Wyoming, Estes Kefauver of Tennessee, and Frank Church of Idaho.

Second, a change in tactics by the Southern opponents. Traditionally, the South has prevented all civil rights legislation for three quarters of a century by the expedient of using or threatening a filibuster which would prevent the consideration of "more important" legislation. This last time, while continuing to mention the possibilities of a filibuster of certain amendments were not accepted, they changed their attack to that on specific provisions of the bill—Title III and the right of "jury trials"—so successfully that they achieved what they wanted without

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Unwelcomed Greeter

Navy's first Nisei chaplain reports to Bainbridge, Md., naval training center

WASHINGTON.—Peter Ota, the Navy's first Nisei chaplain, recently reported for duty at the U.S. Naval Training Center at Bainbridge, Md., the Pentagon information office advised the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League.

The son of Rev. and Mrs. Tosuke Ota of Salt Lake City, Chaplain Ota comes from the Presbyterian of Utah. He attended Westminster college in the Mormon capital and it was during his sophomore year that he decided to enter the ministry.

Upon completion of his college work, he went to the Union Theological seminary in New York. About his middle year he says that he began to feel a responsibility to serve his nation. Out of this concern came his decision to apply for a chaplain's commission.

At a recent interview, Chaplain Ota revealed that his experience in the Navy has come up to all expectations. He finds the counseling opportunities a most fruitful field for his ministry.

He hopes some day to go to Japan for duty. He believes that such duty would make him a useful instrument in resolving some of the difficulties that arise among U.S. personnel who are serving in the Far East.

According to the Washington JACL office, the Rev. Masao Yamada of Hawaii was the first Nisei chaplain in the armed forces, followed by the Rev. Hiro Higuchi, also of Hawaii, and the Rev. Geo. Aki of Chicago. All three served with the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, first as battalion chaplains and later as regimental chaplains.

Chaplain Yamada was awarded the Legion of Merit, the Purple Heart with Oak Leaf Cluster, and the Presidential Distinguished Unit Citation.

Chaplain Higuchi was awarded the Legion of Merit and the Presidential Distinguished Unit Citation.

Fear Asiatic flu outbreak come winter across nation

SEATTLE.—Spurred by a recent forecast that a nation-wide epidemic of Asiatic influenza this winter is in the making, medical forces across the country are joined in an all-out battle to thwart it.

Pictured in the Seattle Post-Intelligencer this past week was bacteriologist Thomas Migaki of the Washington State Dept. of Health injecting virus into a fertile chicken egg. The virus was from a patient suspected of having Asiatic flu. The egg is then incubated for two days, during which the virus grows, and then specimens will be taken from the egg and studied through a microscope.

Prime symptoms of Asiatic flu are fever, headache and general body ache.

Nisei appointed by Oregon governor to commission

ONTARIO, Ore.—Dr. Roy J. Kon-do, Brighton (Colo.)-born dentist but educated in the Oregon schools, was appointed last week by Gov. Robert D. Holmes to the Malheur County public welfare commission to fill a vacancy caused by a recent resignation.

A member of the Snake River Valley JACL, he opened practice here in 1949 after service in the Army dental corps. He is a graduate of Univ. of Oregon and Univ. of Kansas City dental school.

C.L. URGES CIVIL RIGHTS BILL BE OK'D THIS YEAR

WASHINGTON.—Calling upon the Congress to complete action on some minimum civil rights bill before adjourning for the year, the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League urged the Rules Committee, to which the Senate-amended version was referred Tuesday afternoon, to authorize the House to consider this legislation early next week.

"After waiting for more than 80 years for some civil rights legislation, even if it is restricted to the protection of voting rights of all of our citizens in all parts of our land, it would be a tragedy if this session adjourns without taking final action approving some forward step to make citizenship more meaningful for all Americans," the Washington JACL office stated. It asked that political and partisan considerations be put aside and the human dignity of all Americans be advanced.

Two objections—one to disagree with the Senate amendments and to send the bill to Conference, and the other to accept the Senate version with an amendment limiting jury trials to voting rights violations—both requiring unanimous consent were voiced last Tuesday afternoon, sending the bill automatically to the Rules Committee which will decide which course to recommend and the procedures governing debate.

Political Leaders Divided

Leading Republicans are said to favor sending the bill to Conference in the hope that House and Senate conferees would be able to work out a "better" bill embracing more of the original House-approved bill which involved other civil rights than those relating to voting.

Leading Democrats, claiming that a Conference would deadlock and no decision could be reached for months if ever, backed the move to accept all the Senate amendments except the one extending jury trials to all federal criminal contempt cases.

Noting that parliamentarians say that there could be a 17-day delay before the House could take up this bill if all of the delaying procedures available to the Rules Committee were used, the Washington JACL Office, without expressing itself in favor of either sending the bill to Conference or mnaedtieoa tnoican lmfloor ment on jury trial, declared that the principal problem now is to secure Rules Committee clearance for floor debate.

With congressional leaders trying for adjournment by the end of next week, or the month, there is little time to waste if some civil rights bill is to be enacted this year. The hurdle may well be the chairman of the Rules Committee himself, Democrat Representative Howard Smith of Virginia, an outspoken foe of all civil rights legislation.

CALENDAR

Aug. 17 (Saturday)
Sonoma County — Auxiliary sukiyaki dinner, Sebastopol Memorial Hall, 8:30 p.m.

Aug. 18 (Sunday)
PSWDC — Summer Quarterly, Hollywood JACL hosts.
East Los Angeles — Fishing derby, Joe Martin's Landing (22nd St.), San Pedro, aboard Emerald.
D.C. — JACL Picnic, Homewood Rec. Ctr., Kensington, Md.
Philadelphia — Chapter outing.

Aug. 20 (Tuesday)
Pasadena — Cabinet meeting, Joe Kuramoto's.

Aug. 25 (Sunday)
UCL — Steak fry, Lake Harriet Park, 1-6 p.m.
Monterey Peninsula — JACL Barbecue, Big Sur State Park.
Portland - Gresham - Troutdale — Dinner honoring ex-Gov. Sprague, Salem.

Aug. 30 (Friday)
Chicago — EDC-MDC Mixer, Sheraton Hotel, 8 p.m.

Aug. 31 (Saturday)
Orange County — JAY's picnic, Irvine Park.

Aug. 31-Sept. 1
Long Beach — Community carnival, Harbor Community Center.
EDC-MDC — Joint convention, Sheraton Hotel, Chicago.

Sept. 6 (Friday)
Orange County — JAY's installation banquet, Royal Hawaiian, Anaheim.

Sept. 13 (Friday)
Chicago — Meeting: "Our Vanishing Japanese Heritage."
Philadelphia — Board meeting, Dr. Koriwa's home.