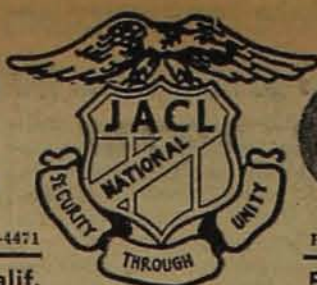


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## EDITORIAL:

### White Citizen's Council out West

Initial reaction to our story that White Citizen's Councils are being organized on the west coast might evoke complete surprise, a slight titter and thoughts of "it can't happen here." The adjoining report of a bigoted publication being printed in Southern California and making those fantastic charges regarding the public school desegregation decision could have you ask: "How incredible?"

If they have, the Pacific Citizen feels justified in making known the fact that the professional bigot is still in business. Scapegoats from among the minorities (Japanese Americans are still such) are easy to hit so as to peddle their wares. While JACL's recent years have been undramatic, the "watchdog" role it has assumed to protect the gains made cannot be abandoned.

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER:

### U.S.-Japan affairs issue for PSW CLers

We welcome Mike Masao's appearance this Sunday at the Pacific Southwest District Council meeting in Orange County and the opportunity to hear the Washington JACL representative's viewpoint on the important and controversial Japan - America affairs problem.

It is generally conceded that his views of this problem — stemming from his Washington background — are more liberal than those of the average JACLers. Hence, delegates may receive a new insight.

Unfortunately, the discussion of this issue has sometimes been so full of personal apprehension and fears that the true focus has tended to become obscure. The primary principles involved are these: Should JACL express concern and interest in certain Japan-American problems? If so, to what extent? Under what conditions? And under whose responsibility?

We do not believe that JACL can go "all out" in Japan-America affairs. On the other hand, we do not agree with those who want a completely

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## Congressman Moss addresses 300 at NC-WNDC confab

SACRAMENTO. — U.S. Congressman John E. Moss urged JACLers to make known their individual as well as group views and reasons on various matters to their representatives in Congress as part of the orderly process of democracy. He spoke before 300 delegates representing 23 chapters and 75 Jr. JACLers at the convention banquet of the Northern California-Western Nevada District Council here last Sunday.

Taking his cue from a late bulletin flashed Sunday that the Russians had launched its second satellite, Moss indicated that an investigation into the failure of this country to keep pace on the guided missile program would certainly be one of the top priorities in the next session of Congress.

He expressed his view that the security program of this country should be "based upon achievement rather than secrecy." The congressman was introduced by Henry Taketa, well-known Nisei attorney here.

### DC Cabinet Installed

Congressman Moss participated in the installing of the newly-elected district council officers conducted by Masao Satow, national JACL director, by reading the oath of office.

Installed were Akiji Yoshimura (Marysville), re-elected chairman; Buddy Iwata (Livingston-Merced), v.c.; George Kodama (Monterey), treas.; George Baba (Stockton), sec.; Kenji Fujii (Eden Township), 1000 Club. Newly elected to the district board were Jerry Enomoto (San Francisco), Marvin Ura-tsu (Contra Costa County), Peter Nakahara (Sequoia). Hold-over board members are Joe Matsunami (Sacramento), Roy Yoshida (Placer County) and Yasuo Abiko (San Francisco), ex-officio.

Contra Costa County JACL is the new designation for the Richmond-El Cerrito chapter.

### Sapphire Pin Winners

The JACL sapphire pin for long-time active Sacramento JACLer Ginji Mizutani was presented by Yasuo Abiko, NC-WNDC recognition chairman. The chapter presented a plaque and scroll to Kanji Nishijima in recognition of his helpfulness in the chapter program.

Toko Fujii, toastmaster, introduced Mayor Clarence Azevedo of Sacramento and Walter C. Kelly, chairman of the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors, both of whom warmly greeted the delegates.

### DC Scholarship

During the afternoon business session presided by chairman Akiji Yoshimura, the delegates voted to explore the establishment of a NC-WNDC annual scholarship, endorsed by majority vote the national convention travel pool, decided to follow up the group disability insurance program adopted several years ago and voiced encouragement of the idea to erect National Headquarters building in San Francisco.

Bill Matsumoto served as chairman for the convention, which began at the 1000 Club luau celebrating the 10th anniversary of the JACL 1000 Club. Kenji Tashiro, national 1000 Club chairman, was present as were George Inagaki, immediate past national JACL president, and Jack Noda, national

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## ANNOUNCEMENT

Publication date and volume number on last week's front page were not changed, when it should have been Vol. 45, No. 18—Nov. 1, 1957.—Editor.



Joe Nishioka, Idaho Falls JACL president, is general chairman of the forthcoming Intermountain District Council convention being held at Idaho Falls, Nov. 29-30. Special attention is being paid to the 10th Anniversary celebration of the founding of the national JACL 1000 Club, which was initiated at an IDC convention with Idaho Falls JACL as hosts. (Story on Page 4.)

## Laud appointment of JACL special rep. Mrs. Michener

JACL has an ambassadress of goodwill in Mrs. James Michener, nee Mari Sabusawa, of Bucks County, Pa., who is enroute to join her famous author-husband in Singapore via Hawaii and Guam.

Recently appointed as special JACL representative after the last joint EDC-MDC JACL convention, she carries this title wherever she goes hereafter. An ardent and loyal champion of the Nisei as well as JACL, Mrs. Michener was guest of honor of the Southern California JACL Office at an informal luncheon at the Kawafuku last week.

Saburo Kido, writing in his daily newspaper column, noted:

"We are happy that Mari has not changed a bit from those days we used to see her as Mari Sabusawa of Chicago and an active JACL leader. To us, she is still Mari."

"The Nisei could not find a better representative than Mari," Kido continued. "She is one of the few Nisei women who is articulate, charming and knows the subject of race relations. Being one of the active JACLers during the period when the major legislative program concerning the Japanese in this country was being settled, she is well acquainted with our problems."

She was secretary of the national JACL board during the 1948-50 biennium, the first woman to be elected to a national JACL post.

## Nisei architects design \$2-million medico-dental bldg. on Oakland hilltop

BERKELEY.—Plan for a four-story medico-dental building along modernistic lines designed by Harry Y. Nakahara and George Y. Nakahara, two partners, was announced by Dr. Wayne Rounseville, head of the corporation formed to construct a \$2,000,000 edifice on 40th St. east of Broadway here.

Utilizing an abandoned reservoir for two floors of basement auto parking, the building will be topped by a penthouse with a coffee shop and conference hall accommodating 350 persons.

Floors will be of the "waffle-type" so that interior walls can be moved to meet the needs of tenants, Dr. Rounseville said.

Exterior plans provide for curtain-wall design with panels of enameled steel alternated with

## RACIAL HATE GROUPS STEPPING UP ACTIVITIES IN WEST COAST CITIES

SAN FRANCISCO. — Race hate groups are stepping up their activities considerably on the west coast on the heels of the Little Rock outburst in an attempt to capitalize on the situation, according to Lester Bailey, field representative here for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Most active are the American Nationalist, the Christian Nationalist Crusade and the White Citizens' Councils, he said. Southern California is a "hot bed in which these groups appear to flourish and grind out their racist material."

The volume of anti-Semitic and anti-Negro literature being distributed at meetings and through the mails by these groups is "prodigious", according to the NAACP official.

One of the most widely circulated pieces is an alleged "FBI Report" on Negro crime statistics, "reprinted" by the Christian Nationalist Crusade. The American Nationalist puts out an "anti-mongrelization" handbill monthly, showing Negro men and white women, entitled "What Americans Should Know About the NAACP".

### White Citizens' Councils

White Citizens' Councils are reportedly establishing chapters in California with Redlands listed as "headquarters". Inglewood, Oakland and Hayward are return addresses for the American Nationalist, White Citizens' Councils and the Christian Nationalist Crusade.

"Free-lance bigots" operate out of Redwood City and Holy City, the NAACP official reported. One Redwood City resident had 100,000 segregation pamphlets distributed over adjacent cities by airplane, one newspaper reported.

Bailey said that his office has urged NAACP branches and other community groups to launch counter-measures to offset the hate organizations' play for public sup-

## SOUTHERN CANADA FARM REAPS FIRST RICE CROP

TORONTO.—Rice can be grown successfully in Ontario. The New Canadian received last Oct. 29 a few bundles of rice stalks bearing ripened grain from Teizo Nakashima of Comber, who has been experimenting with rice crops on his Southern Ontario farm. The grain was exhibited at the Toronto Japanese Garden Club's flower show.

## HARRY TAKAGI BEING TRANSFERRED TO D.C.

SEATTLE.—Harry Takagi, attorney for the Veterans Administration, and 3rd national JACL vice-president, is being transferred to the Washington, D.C., VA office.

port. The NAACP has utilized speakers-bureaus, lectures, radio and TV panels and letters to the editor.

A reprint copy of the American Nationalist was anonymously forwarded to Saburo Kido, wartime JACL national president, because his name was mentioned.

After reading the anti-Semitic tract, Kido commented the "contents are most amusing. They are not worth reprinting, excepting for the fact that readers may want to know what type of insidious literature is being distributed and what arguments are employed by the race-baiters".

Kido's name happened to be included among others who had signed the brief in the now famous public school desegregation case of 1954, signing for the Japanese American Citizens League.

### Racist Quotes

The American Nationalist, commenting on the historic decision, declared:

"It is significant to note that of the 10 organizations participating in the case, six were either Jewish or else represented in the proceedings by Jews. Furthermore, of the 15 individuals who signed the briefs, at least nine are Jewish—and the figure would undoubtedly run higher if the racial identity of the other six could be ascertained."

"Equally significant is the fact that six of the ten organizations involved are full time, professional propaganda agencies who collectively spend several million dollars annually in the promotion of integration and other racist activities."

In the copy received by Kido, attention was called by red-penciling the following passage: "Saburo Kido (Japanese), signed for the Japanese American Citizens League". The American Nationalist had identified Kido as "Japanese" in parentheses.

### Anti-Semitic Blasts

Kido also cited another passage, which may be taken as gospel truth only by a racist. It said "... the American public remains to this day totally ignorant of the fact that organized Jewry, and organized Jewry alone, financed, agitated for, and finally pushed through the disgraceful 'integration' degree which has driven the South into near rebellion."

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People was accused by the American Nationalist as "Jewish-controlled".

Another page of the racist publication, edited by Frank L. Britton, slapped the United States Supreme Court by pointing out that "... step by step, the Supreme Court has paved the way for compulsory mongrelization with almost scientific precision."

"Their first move (in 1948) was to outlaw 'restrictive covenants', thereby opening white residential neighborhoods to Negro penetration for the first time in American history. The next step was to force white restaurants, hotels and other places of public accommodation in the nation's capital to cater to Negro patrons irrespective of personal preference."

"This was followed by the infamous desegregation of our public schools, and by subsequent ruling against segregated golf courses, swimming pools, parks, beaches and other recreation spots. Expected soon is a ruling against state laws which prohibit interracial marriages."

### Supreme Court Dictators

"Thus is the pattern revealed. Working hand-in-glove with the

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## From the Frying Pan

by Bill Hosokawa

Denver

**AN OPPORTUNITY** — This is an editorial. It is not the sort of thing that appears usually in this corner. It is being written because this column's conductor believes our country is at a perilous crossroads and the Nisei can help it choose the right course.

For a long time now we as a nation have lived in the happy belief — when we thought about it at all — that we were second to no nation in scientific and productive genius. We feared no one. We found assurance in Detroit's ability to fabricate millions of gleaming automobiles, in New York's skyscrapers, in wonder drugs, tranquilizers, central heating, flush toilets, nylon stockings, filter-tip cigarettes and two-way stretch.

We told ourselves we were a democracy, slow to anger, but watch out when we were aroused. We grumbled at Ike's leadership (or lack of it) and cracked jokes about John Foster Dulles' peregrinating diplomacy. Meanwhile, we made a fetish of material things. Our ideal was two cars in every garage, two television sets in every home, steaks broiling over charcoal on every patio. We dreamed about the lazy pushbutton, delightful labor-free future.

It was a lovely picture. It would have been fine except that we chose to ignore, for most part, a Red-tinged cloud on the eastern horizon.

It wasn't as if we had no warning. Our history since 1945, when Soviet Union was pictured as a friendly, benevolent sister republic, is scarred by one international provocation after another traceable back to the Kremlin. Remember them? Austria. The Berlin airlift. China. Greece. Korea. Indo-China. Suez. And now Syria. Nor have Communists been bashful about proclaiming their ultimate aim — the destruction of the capitalistic system by whatever means necessary. And even those of us who are up to our necks in taxes and mortgages have a stake in capitalism; at least Communism offers only infinitely worse.

A few weeks ago we were jolted out of complacency. A Red moon sailed in skies, soon to be followed by a second man-projected satellite. Suddenly we realized that we had, for the moment, lost our scientific superiority. There is no assurance that we will regain it soon. It is apparent to everyone but the politicians, who still talk as if everything were normal, that we as a nation are in mortal danger.

**AND THE NISEI?** — We as a nation have been put in the position of fighting not only to regain a superior position, but in reality fighting for our very existence as a free nation. This is a time for moral toughness, for willingness to work and sacrifice, for extra effort, and above all, faith. Fortunately these are qualities that the Nisei have in abundance. They proved it during the evacuation, an experience that might have embittered and shattered lesser men and women.

This is not to say that the Nisei must provide leadership for the nation. That is ridiculous. But in their own small way, in the modest corners the Nisei have found for their talents, they can become examples of strength, resilience and fortitude. The nation will need many such individuals if it is to be welded into a united country determined to preserve its way of life, and the Nisei can be depended on to rise and be counted among the stalwart patriots of factories and laboratories, of schoolroom and farm and business and whatever front needs Americans of courage.

We may have become soft, but we know what it is to be tough. We will need that toughness in the years to come if we are to remain free. And we Nisei not only have that toughness, but also the determination never to become slaves. We love our country too well to be otherwise.

## Severe repercussions feared by newsmen over present U.S. policy with Japan

NEW YORK.—America's relation to Japan, likened to that of a shogun to his people, might be in for some severe repercussions unless the United States corrects its present benevolent attitude.

C. L. Sulzberger, writing for the New York Times from Kamakura, the Japanese city 20 miles south of Tokyo where the Shogunate originated some eight centuries ago, warned that the debtor-creditor relationship, no matter how benevolent the latter might be, rarely is a basis for enduring friendship.

"We have introduced here an interesting replica of our democracy upon which the Emperor is superimposed as a symbol," he writes. "Our formula is devised for a rich, underpopulated land with enormous natural resources. This nation is small, overpopulated and has no resources at all."

The Americans are faced with the dilemma of teaching the Japanese a way of life which they could never attain on their present income standard and living space.

"To avoid increase in swollen population, 2,500 Japanese would have to emigrate each day. Where?" Sulzberger asks.

Long training in obedience, coupled with their adeptness at imitating, has enabled the Japanese to accept radical changes such as that of the past decade. But the same qualities can just as easily lead them along other sudden paths, he warns.

Today, freedom is merely a word to the Japanese mass, and will remain so as long as standards of living stay low. Even among the higher classes it is only an abstract ideology. The poverty-stricken masses were left entirely untouched by liberal ideas, he relates.

Underlying all this is Japan's reluctance to adopt western ideas more than superficially. It is essentially an Asian country, and looks to other Asian nations for its future.

Despite America's admonitions, Japan cannot ignore China for commercial purposes. America may explain that ties with China and possible beneficial results are only mirages.

"But even a mirage can induce thirst. Psychologically, man craves the forbidden," Sulzberger explains.



### TOKYO TOPICS

By Tamotsu Murayama

## Nisei Convention

TOKYO.—The first International Nisei Convention held Oct. 25-27 at the Imperial Hotel was one marked by a successful ending.

The most significant, as viewed by this writer, was the bringing together for the first time the many Nisei men and women hailing from the Mainland and Hawaii under one banner to think and work together for the general welfare of Nisei world.

There were encouraging as well as discouraging aspects that the convention brought to light. But, generally speaking, the Nisei on both sides of the Pacific are aware of each other's problems and aspirations.

A discouraging factor of the convention was the actual attendance of only 35 registered Nisei and Caucasians for the four-day conclave from Hawaii and the United States. The host committee here had been promised at least a 100 delegates. For such a grand Nisei convention as this turned out to be, the number of 35 registrations from abroad was terrible.

Still surprising was the fact that some stateside Nisei refused to register, although they demanded complete convention privileges. Others felt a convention of this type was not a good thing.

But the affair was a grand success, despite the unenthusiastic attitude of some stateside Nisei. All the delegates were serious and sincere in their deliberations.

### Masaoka's Efforts

This writer is most thankful to Mike Masaoka of Washington, D.C. for his efforts to invite Maxwell Rabb, special assistant to President Eisenhower, and Gen. Joseph Swing, commissioner of immigration and naturalization. Their attendance added meaning and glory to the convention.

Rabb, the keynote speaker of the Nisei conclave, impressed the delegates immensely. The Nisei have a mission of great consequence, he noted, "for you are in a large measure intricately interwoven in the destiny that links Japan and the United States."

"Upon you devolves a grave responsibility—that of making the Japanese and the Americans realize that both nations share a core of common interest—a fervent desire to live in a free, dynamic world where peace with justice and prosperity are the keynote—a cultural interchange that emphasizes the community of interest of these two great nations," he continued.

"It is clearly apparent that the 90 million people of Japan and the

167 million people of the United States, working in concert, present an industrial and intellectual potential that staggers the imagination and gives comfort and vigor to freedom-loving people everywhere."

### New Era Looms

Referring to the meeting in Washington last June of President Eisenhower and Prime Minister Kishi, Rabb said the two leaders were convinced relations between the two countries are entering "a new era firmly based on common interests and trust."

He said: "We dare not risk leaving new era achievements to 'wishful thinking'. Touching on specific approaches which can be adopted 'to give us a true and enduring renaissance of Japanese-American relations', he outlined the following steps:

(1) That the two nations let candor and frankness be the keynote in their relations.

(2) That emphasis be placed on historical ties of friendship that marked U.S.-Japan relations in prewar days.

(3) That the "susceptibility on the part of both peoples to accept untrue and distorted stereotypes of each other must be overcome". False depictions should not be permitted on either side of the ocean, he said.

(4) That a more determined effort be made in the field of U.S.-Japan trade. "For here is Nippon's most urgent problem and to live, she must trade," he declared.

(5) That through the youth of both nations the new era of common interests and trust "be projected far into tomorrow."

### Miracle of Japan

The secretary to the President's Cabinet added:

"The people of Japan have performed a miracle before our eyes—Japan has emerged in our contemporary world as the foremost industrial power in Asia and one of the leaders of the Free World."

"The United States views with pride its relationship of full and equal partnership with Japan."

Rabb also read the personal message of President Eisenhower to the convention: "Please give my personal greetings to all attending the first International Nisei Convention in Tokyo this week. As trading partners of great importance, it is clear that Japan and America have much to share with each other, socially, economically and culturally."

"On the basis of common interest and trust, our two countries add increasingly to the strength and

## Bits & Bites

Newcomers to the organization are probably surprised to learn (see front page story covering Saburo Kido's comment on the American Nationalist) that JACL files in Washington were seized by the Dies Un-American Activities Committee... Those were grim days—June, 1943, when the House committee wanted to rap the War Relocation Authority through JACL. Sensational publicity (especially the Hearst press through its Washington correspondent Ray Richards) preceded the House investigation of JACL, which was regarded by some of the Dies committeemen as an organization set up by the Central Japanese Association to control the vote of all American-born Japanese eligible to vote. "It was used as a political pressure group to defeat anti-Japanese fishing legislation." ... Some of the Hearst press clippings in our files are headlined as follows: "Bare Jap Plan to Sell Votes of 70,000 Internees in U.S." and "Bare Concealment of Jap Camp Activity". These stories were based on material allegedly contained in the Washington JACL Office files, and "confidential" memos from WRA. Despite the lurid headlines, the hearings which started after the JACL files were seized were called off in about two weeks when there was no evidence to substantiate the public charges of mass Nisei disloyalty. Mike Masaoka and Tooru Kanazawa (now editing the New York Hokubei Shimpo English section) were furloughed from military training to testify before the committee... WRA Director Dillon Myer, now visiting the Far East, rapped the committee soundly for its smear tactics and charged it had taken no steps to ascertain the truth of wild charges before making them public... The whole thing got started when rumors were being circulated on the West Coast that the Japanese would be returned. Congressional investigation was staged at the insistence of some Californians who were strongly opposed to the WRA resettlement program. As far as JACL was concerned, nothing subversive was found.

Newsman seldom see their names in their own paper. Takami Hibiya, associate editor of the North American Post, was column material for Frank Lynch's Seattle Scene in the Post-Intelligencer this past week. A Japanese language instructor for the Navy during World War II, he's holding classes weekly at 1414 Weller and among his pupils are ex-GIs married to Japanese women... In the Hokubei Mainichi of San Francisco was an item concerning Ryoichi Fujii, who formerly edited the Chicago Shimpo. Deportation proceedings instituted against him in 1953 because of Communist activities were dropped after the government found he had severed relations with the party in 1940 and that there was no evidence of the party in his editorials appearing in the Chicago Japanese newspaper.

On hand this week is the first of 1958 Japanese directories from various communities compiled by a JACL chapter. Tom Kadomoto, onetime chapter president, of Rt. 3 Box 65, Glendale, Ariz., has done a handsome job again with a directory of Arizona JACLers and Japanese American residents plus two pages of classified advertising. We trust other chapters will send us their 1958 directories for our files.

A letter in the Japan Times recently pointed out that the Chinese in Japan find it disgraceful to hear the word, "Shina" for China. "We Chinese don't like the word 'Shina' just as Japanese don't like the word, 'Jap'." It was our pleasure that this unfriendly word no longer appeared in Japanese newspapers since the end of World War II. Acceptable alternatives are Chukajin or Chukoku-jin.

unity of the Free World.

"It is a pleasure to send best wishes to the American and Japanese. Continued on Page 8





## VAGARIES

By Larry S. Tajiri

### Singapore Bound

MARI (SABUSAWA) MICHENER is en route to the Orient to join her husband, James Michener who narrowly escaped with his life some weeks back when the C-47 he was riding plunged into the Pacific. All aboard were saved, thanks partly to the courage of a Japanese fisherman whose boat reached the crash scene, but Michener lost the manuscript of a book on which he had been working for more than a year. The book, "Hokusai", was to be published in Japan and Michener was en route to Tokyo with the manuscript when the plane ditched in the sea.

Mari, who was with her husband on the Hungarian frontier early this year while he worked on "The Bridge at Andau", a book about the Hungarian freedom fighters, has been in Bucks County while Michener was waiting out an opportunity to enter Red China with a selected group of U.S. writers to do articles and a possible book. Now it looks as if the gates to Red China will remain closed for a while to U.S. reporters, and Michener has made other plans.

Mari will leave San Francisco for Singapore, via Hawaii and Guam, to meet her husband in Malaya. Together they will go to Thailand, Hong Kong and possibly Formosa before settling down for some months in Japan where Michener must make up work on several articles, having lost all of his notes in the ocean.

Just before she left Pennsylvania last week, Mari went into New York to meet Miiko Taka at a champagne breakfast. Mari found Miiko, who plays the heroine in the movie version of Michener's "Sayonara", to be "charming". Mari and her husband, however, have yet to see "Sayonara". (She has seen it twice this past week, in Hollywood and in San Francisco.)

In Tokyo last week, Michener was interviewed regarding the fact that Director Joshua Logan and Writer Paul Osborn had changed the ending of the story. In Michener's book the American jet pilot, played by Marlon Brando, is sent away by his Japanese sweetheart. Logan had the climax switched so that the pilot marries the girl.

Michener, who said his contact with one of his stories ends the moment he sells it for adaption for the stage or screen—implying he's no dramatist in either medium—declared that the new ending had changed the sense of the story. "I would suspect that in changing the tragic quality of it, you come pretty close to the border line of advantages in leaving adaptations to others," he declared.

Another major change in "Sayonara" was the addition of a new character, the Kabuki actor, which Ricardo Montalban portrays. Logan's announced reason for the insertion of the key character was that he wanted a romance in the film which would involve a Japanese male and a Caucasian girl, in this instance, Patricia Owens. According to Logan, he had decided that Japanese males were getting short shrift in romantic fiction about Japan. Michener, incidentally, approved the change wholeheartedly, noting, however, that it was a singular instance in which he was consulted about a change in the script.

Michener reported that a producer is now interested in making a motion picture of "The Floating World", a rather specialized book which was written about Japanese prints. His "Hokusai", on which he is currently working again, making up for material lost in the sea, is an extension of his research which was culminated by "The Floating World".

MICHI (OKAMOTO) KOBI, the Sacramento girl who left a war relocation center to make a career on the stage and TV, will get her first important movie role shortly. She has been cast for the feminine lead in "Dateline Tokyo", which Nacirema will produce.

Miss Kobi, who toured last year as Lotus Blossom opposite Larry Parks in "Teahouse of the August Moon" and also played the role in a New York City Center production of the John Patrick comedy, also has been commended this past week for her portrayal of a Chinese girl in one of "The Californians" series of TV programs. She was cast opposite Aki Aleong, the actor who portrayed the Nisei veteran in 20th Century-Fox's "No Down Payment" and who also is a veteran of TV appearances. The story concerned prejudice against the Chinese in San Francisco a century ago and delivered a rather brave lesson for racial justice.

Michi Kobi's biggest role in New York was her lead in "Wedding in Japan", an off-Broadway production of some years back, which told the story of a romance of a Japanese girl and a Negro GI. Miss Kobi also played the part in summer stock opposite the late Canada Lee.

Speaking of Nacirema, that's the Nisei-financed independent company which has made two financially successful program pictures, "Hot Rod Girl" and "Sierra Stranger". The latter film was sold by Nacirema to Columbia for release. Nacirema's financing, at least for its initial films, was obtained from about a score of Southern California Nisei who anted up a total of some \$100,000. Dave Yokozeki, a Los Angeles attorney, represents the Nisei investors as executive producer on the film and hires the Hollywood professionals, both actors and technicians, who are used on the picture.

## NISEI NAMED ALTERNATE TO STATE COMMITTEE ON HOMES FOR AGED PERSONS

SACRAMENTO. — George Tsuruoka, member of the board at the Japanese Old Men's Rest Home, 1608 W. California Ave., Fresno, will serve as an alternate to the state advisory committee on Institutions for Aged Persons.

The new committee was formed at the request of State Director of Social Welfare George K. Wyman and the State Social Welfare Board, to give every owner and operator of homes for the aged an equal opportunity to advise the welfare board on requested changes or future regulations.

The committee, headed by Mrs. Louise Broderick of San Diego, is composed of 20 representatives and nine alternates.

## Sculptor Noguchi commissioned by U.S. for Brussels fair

NEW YORK. — Isamu Noguchi was among five United States citizens who have been commissioned to do sculptures for this country's pavilion in the Brussels Universal and International Exhibition which will open April 17 in the Belgian city.

Noguchi is to make a 10-foot sculpture described as "an intricate combination of various shaped pieces of highly polished steel."

The other four sculptors are Alexander Calder, Mary Callery, Jose de Rivera and Harry Bertoia. All of them were chosen on the basis of recommendations made by the United States Fine Arts Advisory Committee to the Fair.

## CLERS HONORS OKAYAMA MAYOR AT SAN JOSE FETE

SAN JOSE. — Mayor Hisashi Tabuchi of Okayama, Japan, sister city to San Jose, in the People-to-People program, was special guest of the San Jose JACL at its Oct. 26 supper-social at Onishi Hall.

The Okayama mayor and his wife were enroute to San Diego to attend the annual Pacific Conference of Mayors and Chamber of Commerce Presidents.

## Recording of 'Sayonara' movie music score seen

Nisei composer-conductor Tak Shindo, who functioned as musical technical adviser with Franz Waxman during the scoring of Warner Bros.' "Sayonara", was approached by Capitol Records to arrange an album from the 11 popular Japanese songs he transposed from the Japanese scale to occidental orchestration for the romantic film.

Included would be a swing version of "Tanko Bushi", a favorite with GIs in the Orient under the title of "The Coal Miner's Song", and "To Ryan Se", the Japanese equivalent of "London Bridge is Falling Down."

Both songs figure prominently in the "Sayonara" score. The James Michener story was produced by William Goetz and directed by Joshua Logan, Marlon Brando, Patricia Owens, Red Buttons, Miiko Taka and Ricardo Montalban star.

## STATEWIDE PARLEY OF ISSEI-NISEI GARDENERS PLANNED FOR SAN JOSE

SAN JOSE. — A statewide convention of Northern and Southern California Issei - Nisei gardeners has been planned for Nov. 16-17 at the Hotel Ste. Claire.

Three panel discussions will highlight the business sessions at the convention. Other features include displays by garden supply

firms and a banquet and social Saturday evening.

Prominent speakers have been secured to address the group in specialized fields. Garden care will be the first of the panel sessions with Burton Edwards, Charles Scull and Tim McCarthy as speakers. Their areas will include lawn and ornamental shrubs, pest control and safety in spray use and fertilizer.

Nisei attorneys will be speakers during the second panel session on benefits with Wayne Kanemoto of San Jose discussing income tax and Mas Yonemura of Oakland discussing social security. Group insurance and investments are other topics within this area and will be discussed according to the plan of the chapters.

The third panel area, which will be convened in Sunday's session, will be on wages and working conditions with Channing E. Jones, Jr., as speaker.

### Saturday Schedule

The conference will get underway at noon with registration at the convention headquarters, according to present plans. The opening ceremony will begin at 1 p.m.

Charles Tanda of Salinas will be emcee during this ceremony with Mas Hamamura, president of the host San Jose Gardeners' Assn., and Don Kikuchi of San Jose, president of the sponsoring N.C. group, to bring messages of greetings.

The first of the panel discussions will begin at 2:30 p.m. with the second to follow immediately after.

A period to view displays and a cocktail hour is planned from 5:30 p.m. The banquet and entertainment will follow and the social period will begin at 8:30.

### Sunday Schedule

Sunday's sessions open with a business meeting in which plans for the 1958 convention will be discussed. Also to be heard at this time will be a speaker from Los Angeles.

The final panel will be held from noon Sunday.

General arrangements for this state-wide meeting are being handled by Hamamura, Kikuchi and Fumio Higashihara.

Registration for the convention will be \$12 and will include the Saturday evening banquet and the closing Sunday luncheon.

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## VERY TRULY YOURS By Harry K. Honda

### First Chapter Report

As gentle a reminder one might shape, Mitsu Yasuda has turned in the Washington, D.C., chapter report for the year this past week. "Washington's Year-End" signals us to start burning the midnight oil and prepare the 1957 Holiday Issue. We have about four solid weeks left as this issue comes off the press. . . I don't know how many JACLers read chapter reports other than their own, but Mitsu's talent as a writer and editor of this year's D.C. News Note flourishes in the "Year-End" and it might be well to afford this article more than passing interest. . . Her chapter report is the first one received for the 1957 issue. But, what tickled us was her short note apologizing for being "days late". She confessed that she had forgotten, the Asian flu was making its rounds, a complete file of the D.C. News Notes was missing—to cite a few of the reasons for being late. Yet, hers is the first.

We trust by the time this week's PC reaches the chapter president, publicity chairman or the person being asked to write the report is passed the stage of looking at a blank piece of paper on the typewriter but has at least the first paragraph or so. . . In reading Miss Yasuda's report, you'd get the feeling the chamber of commerce had a hand in it. And the point is well taken. Each chapter ought to "brag" about its activities, the people in it and what makes it different from any other.

We're happy "Washington Year-End" is here early—not late. In the next couple of weeks, we trust other chapter reports will be crossing our desk. If the report covers the calendar up to November, it will be adequate. Let's not wait till the last minute, please. It'll be harder for all of us.



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

### NC-WNDC Convention

San Francisco

The Northern California-Western Nevada District Council had another one of its well-balanced, well-attended meetings last weekend hosted by the active Sacramento Chapter. All credit to Bill "Mr. Sacramento" Matsumoto for his superb work in chairing the convention and to the committee people who assisted. There was a splendid turnout of Junior JACLers from the five Junior JACL's in this area, plus young people from several other chapter areas, with several from the newly formed Tulare County Junior JACL who came along with National Board member Kenji Tashiro.

Kenji's presence at the 1000 Club luau gave official national blessing to this celebration of the 1000 Club 10th anniversary, but we were also happy to have the first National 1000 Club Chairman and former National President George Inagaki show up unexpectedly and add his talent to the evening's hilarity. Highlighting the entertainment was the troupe of charming San Francisco girls, led by our own Daisy Uyeda, dancing two hula numbers. The gals who dressed in colorful mumus for this delightful treat were Doris Horiuchi, Elsie Uyeda, Georgia Tanaka, Bess Sonoda and Mary Hamamoto. Some of the more prominent JACLers joined in the "Hukilau" number, wearing hula skirts fashioned from the Sunday newspaper comic sections.

Akiji Yoshimura's fine leadership as Chairman of the District Council was recognized by his election for a second term with a strong group of Executive Board members to back him up. The Executive Board was honored to have Congressman John Moss administer the oath of office. The Congressman impressed everyone with his candid appraisal of the responsibilities of Congress in these times. We recall barging into his office in Sacramento several years ago to gain his support for our larger evacuation claims program. We had no appointment and it was only a few minutes before he had to enplane for Washington, but he was most gracious and gave his unqualified support without hesitation.

The Sacramento Junior JACL together with the Florin Juniors put on a fine fashion show. The Juniors with their enthusiasm, their leadership potentials, their searching questions and frank discussions, are going to be tremendous assets to our national program.

Our sincere thanks to Thousander Wesley Kato for specially opening up his beautiful, well-arranged Lanai restaurant to accommodate our convention.

**IDC AND MT.-PLAINS:** The Intermountain District Council Convention over the Thanksgiving weekend will take the limelight as officially celebrating the 1000 Club 10th anniversary. As an indication of the spirit with which the Idaho Falls Chapter is preparing for this, President Joe Nishioka has just sent in two 1000 Life Memberships from Thousanders Deto Harada and Frank Yamasaki.

The Mountain-Plains convention at Omaha will be highlighted by recognitions to four distinguished Americans who championed our cause when we were not very popular. When National JACL embarked upon a program of public relations during wartime, it was soon found that JACL itself needed some respected Americans to vouch for the organization's loyalty and purposes. Among those who responded were Mr. James L. Paxton, prominent Omaha businessman; Mr. James G. Patton of Denver, head of the strong National Farmers Union; and Dr. Robert Stearns, president of the University of Colorado. We will also honor Monsignor Nicholas H. Wegner who continues to carry on the wonderful work of the late Father Flanagan.

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One of the bright spots during the forthcoming Intermountain District Council convention being held Nov. 29-30 at Idaho Falls, Idaho will be the fashion show being headed by Ruth Morishita (left) and assisted by (from left to right) Martha Inouye, Sally Yamasaki, Yoshiko Ochi and Kochee Haga. — Fred Ochi Photo.

## GOV. SMYLIE OF IDAHO TO GREET 400 INTERMOUNTAIN CONFAB DELEGATES

By YOSHIKO OCHI

**IDAHO FALLS.**—Up to 400 delegates will converge on Idaho Falls Nov. 29-30 for the ninth biennial convention of the Intermountain District Council, one of eight regional groups which comprise the Japanese American Citizens League.

Official greetings will be extended to the convention by Gov. Robert E. Smylie of Idaho. The State House in Boise has notified convention chairman Joe Nishioka, host chapter president, that the Governor would attend to extend his personal best wishes.

"It is my personal conviction that the Japanese American Citizens League and its chapters all over the nation are doing much to create a greater America and to foster greater understanding and cooperation between all Americans," declared the Governor upon accepting the invitation from Idaho Falls JACL. "In this work all of us can take a greater part and pride."

### 1000 Club Blowout

The convention has drawn considerable attention among 1000 Club members who will meet here to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the loyal supporters, who at the time of the founding here a decade ago felt that if a thousand JACLers contributed \$25 a year to sustain national headquarters, much of the worries associated with the annual fund drives to pay administrative expenses of the organization would be alleviated.

The gala 1000 Club "Blowout" is planned for Friday night, Nov. 29, at Rogers Hotel, convention headquarters, with Charlie Hirai, local 1000 Club chairman in charge.

National 1000 Club Chairman

### HOLLYWOOD:

#### Need volunteers for Community Chest drive

An eleventh-hour appeal for volunteers to serve as Community Chest solicitors for this weekend was made by the Hollywood JACL, which is participating in the Los Angeles Area Chest drive as a community service.

Groups or individuals ready to give a few hours in support of the United Welfare appeal may call Namiko Suzuki (MA 6-3794) or Margie Shinno (NO 4-1534). Members already pushing door bells include: Danar Abe, Miki Fukushima, Hide and Kay Izumo, Paul Kawakami, Grace Kusumoto, Mildred Miyahara, Mike Suzuki, Midori Watanabe and Miwa Yamamoto.

### EAST LOS ANGELES:

#### Meeting at Tenrikyo

A general meeting of the East Los Angeles JACL has been announced by Roy Yamadera, chapter president, for Friday, Nov. 15, 7:30 p.m., at Tenrikyo Hall, E. 1st and Saratoga Sts.

Kenji Tashiro of the Tulare County JACL will make the trek to Idaho Falls from his Central California home to address conventioners.

A commitment has also been received from George Inagaki, first chairman of the Order of the Tie and Garter—the second name adopted by the fun-loving group. Past president Hito Okada, who originated the idea of the 1000 Club, is expected to attend from Salt Lake City.

### Dr. Nishikawa to Speak

Dr. Roy Nishikawa of Los Angeles will be the keynote speaker at the opening ceremonies of the IDC convention and IDC members the majority of whom have not yet met him, are eagerly awaiting his arrival.

The opening ceremonies are scheduled for Friday noon at a luncheon. Program chairman George Nukaya said the convention theme will be "Focus on the Future." An attractive program cover is being designed by Fred Ochi, local artist and longtime JACLer.

### Saturday Tea-Fashion

To honor women delegates to the convention, the Saturday afternoon tea promises to be a star-studded affair. Lovely Nisei models will show the latest in milady's fashions. Miss Carene Clarke of Pocatello, the current Miss Idaho to the Miss America pageantry, will present selections from her repertoire of semi-classical numbers which brought her a \$1,000 scholarship this past summer in the Miss America contest.

Idaho Falls JACLers who will model are Yuki Harada, Margaret Hasegawa, Martha Inouye, Aki Tokita and Karen Yamasaki.

Male delegates and boosters, who are not otherwise occupied with bowling or meetings to attend, are invited to the fashion tea, which will be held in the Emerald Room of Rogers Hotel.

### CHICAGO:

## JACL board, Jr. CL installations set

The new board officers of the Chicago JACL and cabinet officers of the Chicago Jr. JACL will be installed at the annual inaugural ball scheduled Nov. 23 at Del Prado Hotel, it was learned last week.

Dr. T. T. Yatabe, 1934-36 JACL president, will swear in the new officers. Shig Wakamatsu, national first vice-president, will install the Jr. JACL officers.

The election of board officers is scheduled tonight at McCormick YWCA. Maudie Nakada and her nominations committee will present a slate of candidates.

"This Is Your Life—Mike Masaoka" will also be shown for a second time here after the election meeting, it was added.



## '1000' CLUB NOTES

**SAN FRANCISCO.**—A total of 53 new and renewal memberships in the 1000 Club has been received at National Headquarters during the last half of October for a total of 95 for the month.

The current active membership now stands at 1,197—an all-time high. With several district council conventions on tap in the next several weeks, the figure should be upped considerably, Headquarters surmised.

Of special note were the 24 memberships and renewals received from Z. Kanegaye of Denver two weeks ago.

**ELEVENTH YEAR**  
CCDC — George S. Mochizuki (Madera)  
**NINTH YEAR**  
Salinas — Dr. Harry Y. Kita.  
**SIXTH YEAR**  
Orange County — Charles Ishii, Joe Ishii.  
Snake River — Shigeo Murakami.  
Fresno — Dr. George Suda.

**FIFTH YEAR**  
Selma — George Abe.  
San Benito — Kay K. Kamimoto.  
Placer County — George Makabe.  
Southwest L.A. — Viola Nakano.  
Fremont — Kazuo Shikano.  
Downtown L.A. — William K. Yamamoto.

**FOURTH YEAR**  
Venice-Culver — Eddie Imazu.  
Orange County — Kyutaro Ishii.  
Fresno — Jin Ishikawa, Dr. Kikuo H. Taira.  
Arizona — Tom Kadomoto.  
Denver — J. Zensuke Kanegaye.  
Portland — Dr. Toshiaki Kuge.

**THIRD YEAR**  
Santa Barbara — Harold Lee.  
Downtown L.A. — Noriyuki Nakatani.  
Berkeley — Dr. Henry M. Takahashi.

**SECOND YEAR**  
Chicago — Clifford B. Cox.  
Fresno — Dr. Akira Jitsumyo, Dr. Sumio Kubo, Setsugo G. Sakamoto.  
Denver — Harry G. Matoba.  
Portland — Dr. Roy Yamada.  
Santa Maria Valley — H.Y. Minami.

**FIRST YEAR**  
Fresno — George S. Takaoka.  
Denver — Mrs. Yone Doi, George T. Fukuma, Dr. F.E. Hayano, Kazuichi Hoshijima, Nakao Hoshijima, Masakuni Iguchi, Shikano Iritani, Ikuji Kumagai, Mrs. Hatsuoka Menda, Dr. K.K. Miyamoto, Kakuzo Mizouye, Minejiro Nakasugi, Teizo Nonaka, Mrs. Tatsuno Oka, H.M. Otsuki, Shigeru Ozawa, Moroku Suyehiro, Fusaichi Takamine, Ushashi Teshima, Mrs. Ichio Ueyeno, Tom Yamada, Rikizo F. Yamaguchi.  
San Francisco — Sadakazu Enomoto.

## NC-WNDC—

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2nd vice-president.

All convention activities were held at the Lanai restaurant.

The Jr. JACLers heard Mas Satow discuss the background of JACL purposes and the relationship of the Jr. JACLers to the national program. Exchanging ideas on local activities were Jr. JACLers from Sacramento, Reno, Placer County, Florin, Oakland, Sequoia and Tulare County chapters.

During the convention banquet, past presidents of the Sacramento chapter were honored and presented with the pearl-studded JACL president's pin. Most of them were present and are active in the chapter. The roster of Sacramento presidents is as follows:

1931-36 — Lt. Col. Walter T. Tsukamoto.  
1937 — Dr. Jiro Muramoto.  
1938 — Henry Taketa.  
1939 — Edward Kitazumi.  
1940 — Dr. George Takahashi.  
1941 — Dr. Goro Muramoto.  
1942-1946 — Inactive.  
1947 — Henry Taketa.  
1948 — Dr. Yoshizo Harada.  
1949 — Mitsuru Nishio.  
1950 — Miss Kiyo Sato.  
1951 — Bill Matsumoto.  
1952 — Ghiji Mizutani.  
1953 — George Tambara.  
1954 — Toko Fujii.  
1955 — Dean Itano.  
1956 — Percy Masaki.

### FOWLER:

#### Colored slides of Europe tour to be featured

Frances Gil, who has toured Europe after graduating from Fowler High and Fresno State College, will be guest speaker and show her color slides of Europe at the Fowler JACL dinner meeting, Nov. 15, 7 p.m., at Bruce's Lodge. Mikio Uchiyama will be dinner chairman.

The chapter also awarded several trophies and ribbons at the Fresno District Fair in the vegetable display and plums division—a total of nine first places, five seconds and 11 thirds.



PRESIDENT'S CORNER:

From Front Page  
"hands-off" attitude.

We believe that there is a "middle ground" in which JACL can and should function. We live in a dynamic world. We do not live in a vacuum.

JACL could conceivably be neglecting Nisei welfare should she try to deny her heritage, be blind to changing conditions and be drawn into a shell of isolationism. On the other hand, a real danger and many complex problems could arise if JACL became involved in every facet of Japan-America affairs.

The whole problem must be regarded in its proper perspective. JACL has many problems in public relations, in legal and legislative matters, in civil rights, in youth programs, in community services, etc. To suggest that JACL is going to abandon this on-going program in order to jump into international relations or to suggest that JACL will become a lobbyist for Japanese business interests is sheer nonsense. To blow up the Japan-America affairs problem unduly is to exaggerate its importance. Inflationary and emotional expressions may lead to divisions within the national organization and may lead to doubts and suspicions which are not conducive to harmony and unity within our national organization.

We urge all PSWDC delegates to approach this problem with an open mind, with complete objectivity and always with the welfare of the national JACL in mind. This will promote increased understanding and a spirit of cooperation so necessary for a solution.

Our current national JACL policy simply states that JACL should not participate in international relations "except where the welfare of persons of Japanese ancestry in the United States is involved . . ." It is the interpretation of this last clause which needs clarification and amplification. We are very confident that the National JACL Council, the final authority, will be able to solve this problem.

Because of his extensive Washington background, we believe Mike Masaoka's viewpoints will contribute much to the understanding and appreciation of various Japan-America problems and their impact upon the Nisei. — Dr. Roy Nishikawa



One of the rare expressions by a chapter membership in retaining its cabinet intact for another year is noted in Salt Lake JACL as it 1957 board was renominated and returned to office unanimously. Administering the oath of office is past national JACL president Hito Okada (left) to Ichiro Doi, pres.; Sam Watanabe, 1st v.p.; Shige Kane-

gae, 2nd v.p.; Midori Watanuki, rec. sec.; Tomoko Yano, cor. sec.; Grace Kasai, treas.; and Grace Iida, hist. The ceremonies were held at an installation dance Nov. 2 at the Police Club. Joining the gay affair were the new cabinet officers of neighboring Mt. Olympus JACL headed by president Lou Nakagawa. — Terashima Photo.



THOUSAND CLUB NOTES

By Kenji Tashiro

'Spud Squeezins'

BY SUD MORISHITA

Idaho Falls  
After reading this Column written by the other District Council Thousand Club chairmen I feel as out of place as Deacon Satow would look laboring in a potato field; but here goes my "spud farmer" language and all.

I'm sure all of you Thousanders are aware of this year being our Tenth Anniversary of the Thousand Club. Since the Thousand Club was born here in Idaho Falls exactly ten years ago, we have planned an anniversary party with the Intermountain District Council Convention during the Thanksgiving weekend. The local 1000 Clubbers have already sponsored a dance to assure us of funds to be used specifically for this purpose.

Before I go into further details of the Anniversary celebration, I'm sure all JACLers will join me in taking our hats off to men with ingenuity like Hito Okada who originated the idea of the Thousand Club and to our past National Chairmen George Inagaki, Shig Wakamatsu, Tokuzo Gordon and also to Kenji Tashiro, our present National Chairman, for mak-

ing the Thousand club what it is today. They have kept together thousands of unselfish Thousanders who have helped make the JACL that much stronger.

Now back to our "Decade of Devoted Dollars" celebration: On Friday, Nov. 29, 6:30 p.m., our Thousand Club dinner will be featured. With guests like our National President Dr. Roy Nishikawa, our bossman Kenji Tashiro and possibly George Inagaki, it will be very worth-while. We are also informed that our old friend Mike Masaoka will be here back to his Intermountain stomping grounds and with fellows like our first District 1000 Club Chairman Joe Saito, George Sugai, George Iseri, Kay Inouye, Kay Terashima, Henry Kasai, Ken Uchida, Jim and Shake Ushio, Bill Yamauchi, Ike Kawamura, Fuji Hikida along with our local gang things should be anything but boring. A mixer will follow immediately at the White Elephant Supper Club, with a 1000 "blow-out" tentatively planned at JACL Hall later in the evening with floorshows and all that goes with it. Charlie Hirai, our Chapter 1000 Club Chairman, is in charge with the local Thousanders assisting.

If you survive Friday's activities, Saturday's convention program should be very interesting. The Governor of Idaho Robert E. Smylie has already accepted the invitation. As for the bowlers, the Intermountain JACL Bowling Tournament will be in its second day. Incidentally, a good 1000 Clubber Kay Tokita is chairman of that event.

A Fashion Show for the ladies will be held in the afternoon and adding color to this event will be Miss Idaho, who has definitely agreed to appear, so you men-folks might take heed. Chairman for this event is Ruth Morishita. In the evening will be the Convention Banquet followed by the traditional Sayonara Ball.

I would like to see a lot of new members outside of the Intermountain District attend, especially the District 1000 Club Chairman, to help celebrate the tenth anniversary of the Thousand Club. Everyone is very welcome and we will assure you of a good time.

As for the "Spud Squeezins" we have our "Master Mashers" Eke Inouye, Boss Elg, Joe Nishioka and their Cronies replenishing the supply and to make sure it'll be good they're going to give it an extra couple hours of aging.

We hope to see a lot of you at the birthplace of the Thousand Club, Idaho Falls, Idaho, on Nov. 29th and 30th.



Sud Morishita, 1000 Club Life member and current IDC 1000 Club chairman, is making his debut as a contributor to the Pacific Citizen in pinch-hitting for Kenji Tashiro, regular conductor of the monthly 1000 Club Notes. Sud was chapter president at the time the 1000 Club was first organized in Idaho Falls ten years ago, served as chapter 1000 Club chairman for six years and now vice-president of the chapter. A farmer by occupation, he is married and has four sons. He is also a charter member of the Idaho Falls chapter, having helped to organize it in 1940.

EDEN TOWNSHIP:

New Junior group organized in N.C.

A Junior JACL group has been organized under auspices of the Eden Township JACL this past month under the leadership of chapter vice-president Dr. Steven Neishi. Membership is open to high school seniors and college teenagers.

The group is planning a social mixer as its first meeting next month to acquaint prospective members with the program.

Assisting Dr. Neishi organize the new Junior unit were Tom Hatakeda, Tok Hironaka and Dr. Frank Saito.

The Jr. JACL here also selected Marilyn Domoto, Butch Hara, Richard Kuramoto and Keith Yagi as delegates to the NC-WNDC Jr. JACL convention in Sacramento this past weekend.

DETROIT:

To sell Japan goods at I.I. Old World Market

The Detroit JACL will participate in the annual International Institute Old World Market again to be held at the Institute Nov. 21-24. "Windows to the World" is the theme of the 27th annual fundraising event headed by Mrs. Warren B. Cooksey, serving her third term as general chairman.

Architect Wally Kagawa, an active CLer on the decorations committee, has designed new collapsible booths of metal for the event. The chapter is featuring merchandise from Japan. Mrs. Kay Nakahara and Charles Yata are co-chairing the booth to be manned by volunteers during the four-day affair.

Yohitomi wins S.F. JACL golf tournament

SAN FRANCISCO.—Tommy Yohitomi shot a 91-16-75 for a single stroke victory over Yone Satoda and Harlan Hayakawa who netted 76s in the first San Francisco JACL golf tournament at Sonoma Oct. 26.

Satoda was low gross with 83. Roy Miyamoto took Bee flight award with 98-24-74 while Mrs. Ruby Hirashima won the women's flight with 101-25-76.

Wet greens broke up many a good game.

SACRAMENTO:

Talent revue date postponed to Nov. 23

The annual "Your Stars of Tomorrow" revue, sponsored by the Sacramento JACL, has been postponed to Saturday, Nov. 23, it was announced last week.

It was originally scheduled for Nov. 16 in the YBA hall.

TULARE COUNTY:

CHAPTERS START ELECTING CLERS FOR '58 CABINET

James E. Matsumura, 301 W. Tulare, Dinuba, was re-elected president of the Tulare County JACL at the last general meeting. He is also serving as 1957-58 president of the Tulare County JACL Bowling League, which is hosting the bowling tournament Dec. 7 in conjunction with the Central California District Council convention.

(Others elected to serve on his cabinet are found in the special "1958 JACL Officer" column elsewhere in this week's issue. This procedure will ensue for other chapters reporting election of officers in coming months.—Editor.)

Matsumura and his cabinet will be installed at mass swearing-in ceremonies to be conducted at the CCDC convention Dec. 8 in Fresno.

The chapter-sponsored talent show, postponed because of a local flu epidemic, will be held this Saturday, Nov. 9, 7:30 p.m. at Lindsay Memorial Bldg. The added time has enabled the committee to line up several more acts. A color movie on Japan is also planned.

(Now that chapters are starting to elect their 1958 cabinet officers, the Pacific Citizen would be happy to publish close-up pictures of the chapter president as well as installation rites. We shall also appreciate a human-interest feature on the chapter president as soon as possible.—Editor.)

PLACER COUNTY:

Lou Nakagawa elected

Loomis businessman George Hirakawa was elected 1958 president of the Placer County JACL at a general meeting held Oct. 19 at Loomis Veterans Hall.

He and his cabinet members are to be installed at the annual JACL goodwill banquet scheduled at Auburn next Tuesday.

MT. OLYMPUS:

George Hirakawa named

Installation of 1958 officers of the Mt. Olympus JACL is scheduled tonight at Stans Town House in Salt Lake City. Lou Nakagawa was elected new chapter president during a brief business meeting preceding the Hallowe'en party handled by the married members of the chapter at the Mexican Ranch Ward hall.

A genuine "spook alley" and weird costumes from some unknown planet greeted those who attended. The decorating committee spent many hours preparing the livid Hallowe'en atmosphere with pumpkins, cornstalks and balloons.

1958 JACL Officers

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The Bailey Gatzert school of Seattle is considered a model of harmonious integration. Its PTA board of two Negroes, two Caucasians, two Japanese and one Chinese, which pretty accurately represents a cross section of the student population, recently sent a letter with pictures to President Eisenhower proudly proclaiming the school's long time enviable record. Seated (left to right) are Mrs. Charles Toldon, 2nd v.p.; Mrs. Toy Gong, sec.; Mrs. Edward Williams, civil defense chmn.; and standing are Mrs. George Shigaki, pres.; Mrs. Louis Hamill, 1st v.p.; Mrs. Yukio Kuniyuki, treas.; and Donald Bask, 3rd v.p. —Ogawa Photo.



THE NORTHWEST PICTURE  
By Elmer Ogawa

## Bailey Gatzert School

Seattle

THE CITY OF SEATTLE never had a school which could be called "segregated" as a matter of intentional policy, but there was one that put up such an appearance purely on geographical happenstance.

Such was the old Main Street School which stood right in the middle of Japanese Town at the corner of Sixth. The four classroom frame building stood in the middle of a small size playground which in 1916-17 was all but obliterated by the addition of portables and a kindergarten building.

"What was the percentage of Oriental kids?" We asked three old timers. Got answers of 97, 99, and 100 per cent; the last estimate coming from a 1915 graduate who allowed that perhaps there were couple of exceptions in kindergarten which he didn't know about. Anyhow, the estimates indicate accuracy, and we must point out that they include the youngsters from the heart of Chinatown just two or three blocks away.

On a rainy morning in December, 1921, the overcrowded Mainstreeters formed ranks in front of the school and marched the 9 or 10 blocks to the new brick 24-room schoolhouse at 12th Avenue and Weller. It was named The Bailey Gatzert, after the Jewish pioneer who became one of Seattle's early mayors in the late '70s.

IT WAS AT the new school that the "integration" started with a 10 per cent influx from the new areas served. The figure increased slightly until the time of evacuation when it was shown, some 800 were Japanese. Of these, some 75 returned, the difference largely representing the number which would have graduated.

Today the student body of 1,050 including sixth graders and under, in 24 classrooms and five portables, is almost equally divided between Negroes, Orientals, and the group which includes Caucasian, Filipino and Indian.

Several times during recent years, Bailey Gatzert has been pointed out as a superlative of the cooperative melting pot.

More recently, in contrast to the news from Little Rock, the Seattle Times put the spotlight on a cross section of the student body with a picture featuring a Negro youngster who the year previous has attended a segregated school in Little Rock. To the Times reporter, the small fry said that he liked the new school pretty good, mostly because there were "lots more books."

When the Bailey Gatzert PTA decided to unfold its story in a letter to President Eisenhower, the Post-Intelligencer went along with the idea in picture and story, including full text of the letter which said, in part:

"We have been pulled together as parents, by a common bond which is the education and welfare of our children . . . We have learned by being allowed to experience this feeling . . .

"The America of tomorrow is the responsibility of today's youth. Therefore, we should prepare them for the future with love, understanding of high moral values and the best education possible."

AS A RESULT, Letters to the Editors have started coming in. One former Bailey Gatzert teacher had this to say:

"The Bailey Gatzert School has been rather close to my heart as I substituted there when most of the children were of Oriental descent.

"In 1956 I was sent there for a short time, but long enough to understand the great work being accomplished. When I entered the school I instinctively felt that a grand system was employed. I knew this was the case when I met Principal T. (Tiny) Allasina—couldn't help seeing how sincerely at heart he had the welfare and education of each individual child.

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## SEATTLE PREPPING FOR 12TH ANNUAL NAT'L JACL BOWLING TOURNEY

SEATTLE.—The 12th annual National JACL Bowling Tournament is rapidly taking shape with the selection of committeemen, according to Fred Takagi of Main Bowl, who is general chairman.

Jointly sponsored by the Seattle JACL and Seattle Nisei Bowling League, the week-long affair will be held from Mar. 3-10, it was announced.

A pre-tourney mixer is scheduled for Mar. 3, followed by five days of bowling and winding up with the awards dinner-dance on Mar. 8. Assisting Takagi are:

Frank Yokoyama, men's chmn.; Yoyo Konishi, women's chmn.; Hiro Sasaki, Miye Ishikawa, sec.; Tom Namba, Fumi Yamasaki, treas.; Tom Namba, rules; Shig Watanabe, aud.; Kelly Yamada, Hiro Sasaki, Joe Hamaoka, booklet; Ute Hirano, Mickey Oyama, pub.; Tom Namba, Lois Yut, mixer; Lois Yut, reception; Frank Nakagawa, transp.; Kenny Oyama, Kimi Tanaka, hotel; Tom Iwata, Min Yamaguchi, Kazie Yokoyama, awards dinner-dance; Lois Yut, scorekeeper; Tak Shibuya, tabulations.

## 90 teams vie in Sanjo bowling invitationals

SAN JOSE.—Representing 64 men's and 26 women's teams from Fresno to Sacramento, 450 Nisei bowlers will converge at the Sherman Oaks Bowl here this weekend for the annual San Jose Nisei Bowling Association invitational handicap tournament, it was announced by chairman Bill Takeda.

Top Nisei bowlers of Northern California will be on hand to lead their teams in efforts to dethrone Towne Flower Shop of San Jose, which blasted a fat 3142 to win last year. In the women's division, Ken Ying Low of San Jose was a surprise team champion with 2766 last year.

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**COSTLY FOUL:** Chiyo Tashima, one of the two feminine Nisei bowlers vying for a spot on the Southern California team which will go to the nationals at Minneapolis in January, failed to make the top four when she fouled on her first ball in the 7th frame of her final game of qualifying. She finished 10 pins behind Gwen Hydukes. Judy Seki, the other Nisei, finished in third to qualify. Miss Seki grabbed third on the strength of her sensational 300 game.

Dick Takaki, starting guard on the University of Stanford's freshman football team, was one of the few bright spots for the Indian fros as they were being scalped by the USC frosh 28 to 6 last week in Los Angeles. Takaki, a prep star at Palo Alto high, tips the scale at a neat 180 pounds and has tremendous speed for a lineman.

**ALL-STATE SPARKLER:** Probably the brightest Nisei prep footballer roaming the gridiron this year is Ed Kawano of Powell, Wyoming high school. Already holder of a new scoring record, Kawano still has the state playoff games in which to fatten his new record of 25 touchdowns and 23 PATs. It is reported that Kawano is one of the most sought after prepsters from the Rocky Mountain region. The 10s sprinter stand 5-10 and weighs 175 pounds.

Wally Yonamine, Nisei baseballer from Honolulu, was picked as the "most valuable player" in the Central league of Japan's two-league professional baseball. Yonamine was deemed as the player who pulled the Tokyo Giants into first place in their league, giving them a berth in the Japanese World Series. The Giants lost the all-Japan title to the Nishitetsu Lions.

**USES HEAD:** Mitch Yamamoto, center for College of the Pacific football team, who was credited with his first score of his career in a game against Cincinnati Univ., didn't score after all. After the game, Mitc hadmited that he merely chased the ball out of the end zone after it bounced off the helmet of a teammate. He did not block the kick as first was reported.

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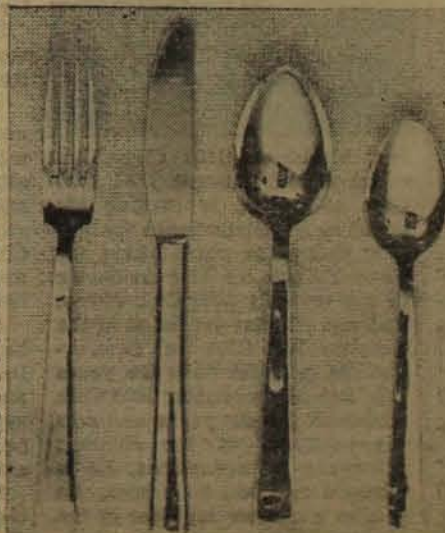
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## LOS ANGELES NEWSLETTER

By Henry Mori

## Freeway Prospects

IF THE STATE Division of Highways ever decides to change its Pomona Freeway route to the south side of Pomona Blvd. in East Los Angeles, our Mori Mansion is cooked. But as of now, the proposed freeway goes on the north side of that road, though still cutting through many homes bought by persons of Japanese ancestry just after the war.

Several hundred residents of minority groups will be affected although the proposed project won't actually take until some two years hence. But the way the state is expanding its highway program, it is almost futile to outguess where the next path for a freeway would be cut.

Some of the new homes in the Bella Vista area where Japanese American families have bought will go down.

One of the most vigorous protests comes from civic officials of Monterey Park with its residential area hitherto quite restrictive to the Orientals. Now, as homeowners there are affected by the freeway zoom, they cater to anyone, regardless of the prospective buyers' racial origin.

City officials there want the freeway, as one could understand, built farther south so as to cross the Montebello municipal golf course. The state comments, however, that this alternative would oust more families since it would need to break through a multiple-dwelling area. They also must contend with a cemetery nearby which is along the south side of Third St.

IT MAY BE NOTED here that it was 1000 Clubber Ty Saito who operates a real estate office which pioneered the acceptance of families of Japanese ancestry in the Bella Vista tract homes when evacuees returned to the west coast after the war. Of course, only a portion of Bella Vista will be gone even after the project is started probably within the next five years.

What with the state population increasing each month one wonders how crowded we would be 10 years from today.

The irony of the proposed Pomona freeway is that it hopes to alleviate traffic on adjacent freeways—the Santa Ana and San Bernardino. Very soon our fair city will be meshed with highways, leaving very few spots for home building.

**SPEAKING ON THE** topic of traffic, we renewed our driver's license this week. The new legislation permits one to operate a car for five years, instead of four, before another visit to the Dept. of Motor Vehicles is necessary.

That, too, of course, depends on how good driver you were without any brush with the law.

There is something very solemn and ceremonial about going after an operator's permit, even if it's a renewal. We've yet to see anyone jovial inside a room where the examinations are being taken by motorists.

There we were, scanning through the set of true and false statements, most of them quite tricky.

You feel as if a heavy load had been removed after obtaining your driving permit again. Then you get back behind the wheel and go merrily on your way as if the street belonged to you.

## THE NORTHWEST PICTURE: by Elmer Ogawa

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He is a strict disciplinarian, but his discipline is so tempered with love and kindness that he gets love and respect from the pupils in return. I love to see their little faces light up when he came into the room.

"I was sent there one day to take a room in which there were children of six different nationalities. The colored children predominated in number. These were followed by Japanese, Chinese, several of Philippine descent, Caucasians and Indians. There was no disciplinary question.

"Seattle should be very proud of the Bailey Gatzert School at a time like the present, when so much is being said about the problem of integration.

"In the years to come the children who have been privileged to attend the Bailey Gatzert, where they are treated with love and kindness, regardless of race or creed, will know and understand what they owe to the man at the helm, Principal Allasina, and those faithful teachers who are working with him."

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

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gan at Boys Town, and who has been of tremendous help to our national program through his contacts and influence. We are glad that National Vice-President Shig Wakamatsu of Chicago will be in attendance to make these presentations.

**S.F. WOMEN ACTIVE:** We were privileged to ogle what the ladies will be wearing this fall as displayed on the trim models at the annual Fashion Show of the San Francisco Chapter Women's Auxiliary. The gals put on a terrific show every year which should be a must for Nisei husbands.

**MEMBERSHIP CARDS:** Our 1958 membership cards are ready for distribution to the chapters. However, except for those chapters which specifically request them early, we will be sending them out the first of the year to the new officers. An increasing number of chapters are going for an early membership drive to give their new cabinets a running start and an encouraging sendoff.

**SPECIAL JACL REPRESENTATIVE:** Mari Michener was in town on her way to Singapore to join her famous author husband, long enough to invite some of her friends to a special exhibitors' preview of "Sayonara", and take some of us on a simulated tour of the fascinating places she has been and recounting the interesting experiences she has had in her own expressive way. Mari has just accepted our National Board appointment as Special JACL Representative to spread goodwill for Americans of Japanese ancestry generally and for JACL specifically.

## Audition for speaking parts in new play set

Audition for 21 speaking roles, 12 of them specifically for Japanese, in Richard Kayne's "Something like a Flower Is Growing," a play centered on the evacuation of Japanese from the west coast, was announced for Koyasan Hall, Nov. 12-13-14, 8-11 p.m., by Tim Sullivan, director.

The call is for seven men, three being between ages of 40-45, four between 20-25; and five women, four over 40 and one between 18-21.

## TWO NISEI ON FRESNO STAGE FOR 'TIME LIMIT'

FRESNO.—"Time Limit", probably the most compelling play to date on the subject of brainwashing of war prisoners, opened Oct. 25 in the Roosevelt High School auditorium with two Nisei in its cast of players.

The drama, presented by the Fresno Community Theater, had Mike Iwatsubo and Yoshio Fujiwara among supporting players.

The play was described by Melvin Mencher, critic for the Fresno Bee, as "good theater, and the first night audience was as taut as a violin string as the story unfolded."

## Turkeyburgers on grill for Chicago festival

CHICAGO.—"Make mine a turkeyburger, too!" That oft-repeated order is coming up at the Asoka Society Harvest Festival Nov. 15-16 at 1151 W. Leland Ave. Supporting this new dish being prepared by Kim Wong will be a farmer's delight of candied sweet potatoes, corn on the cob, cranberry cluster, home-baked pies and refreshments peculiar to a harvest atmosphere.

A Japanese cultural display is being developed by Art Hayashi, Richard Fukuyama, Robert Kikuchi and Kim Wong. The public is invited with complimentary tickets for door prizes being distributed by various groups of the Chicago Buddhist Church.

## Young Colorado Nisei killed by hunter's gun

PLATTEVILLE, Colo. — Richard Yasuda, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Yasuda, old timers of Weld County, was killed accidentally while duck hunting three miles west of his home here on Oct. 26.

He was with two companions when a gun held by John Ulrich was fired accidentally, killing the Nisei instantly.

## 442nd Association elects

NEW YORK.—A native New Yorker, Gene Herbert, was introduced as president of the 442nd Veterans Association during its seventh annual reunion here Oct. 25-27. Installation ceremonies are scheduled tonight at the 442nd Clubhouse, 28 E. 39th St.

## LINCOLN SHIMIDZU NAMED MIDWEST GOLF PREXY

CHICAGO. — Civic leader and sportsman Lincoln Shimidzu was elected president of the Midwest Golf Association, largest of the 11 golf clubs of the Japanese community here. He succeeded Dr. Roy Teshima.

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## BIRTHS

SACRAMENTO  
FUKUMOTO, Jack Y. — boy, July 9, Dixon.  
FURUKAWA, George — girl, Sept. 9, Florin.  
HIRONAKA, Kuni — girl, July 14.  
KUNISAKI, Fred — boy, July 14.  
KUBO, Richard — girl, Sept. 22, West Sacramento.  
KURASAKA, Kay — boy, July 29.  
KUSHIDA, Aki — boy, July 18.  
MURATA, John — girl, Sept. 12.  
NISHIMI, Ralph — girl, Sept. 13.  
OTANI, John — girl, July 15.  
SAKAI, Howard — girl, July 30, Clarksburg.  
SAKAMOTO, George — boy, July 16.  
TANAKA, Taketaro — girl, July 20.  
UMEDA, Joe — girl, Sept. 18.  
UYECHI, Minoru — girl, Sept. 10.  
WATANABE, Minoru — boy, July 28.  
YABUKI, Kazuo — boy, July 25.  
YAMAMOTO, Richard — girl, July 25.

## ENGAGEMENTS

MATSUDA-TAKIKAWA — Yo, Visalia to Yosh, Selma.  
MIYAMA-NAKAMURA — Adeline, San Francisco, to Lt. Frank M., El Cerrito.  
MIYAMA-TSUGITA — Betty to Ronald, both San Francisco.  
NAKAGAWA-IWASAKI — Midori to Larry, both Reedley.  
TAKAHASHI-KIUCHI — Kyoto, Honolulu, to George, San Francisco.  
TOKUBO-JINKAWA — Kimiko, Gardena to Jinx, Fresno.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES

ANDO-MINATO — Minoru, Campbell, Norma K., San Jose.  
BOTTICELLI-WATANABE — Max, Monterey; Alice, San Francisco.  
HASHIMOTO-YOKOYAMA — Satoshi, Berkeley; Haruko, San Jose.  
HATANO — ICHIKAWA — Masayuki, Daly City; Violet, San Francisco.  
HAYASHI-SASAKI — Shizuo and Michiko, both San Francisco.  
IKEDA-OKADA — Henry H. and Mitsuko, both Berkeley.  
ISHIDA-TOYOJI — Jack K., 22; Sana-ya, 19, both Seattle.  
INOUE — MATSUMOTO — Mitsuru, Oakland; Annie K., Berkeley.  
IWAMIYA-FUJIOKA — Hiroshi and Kinuye, both Lodi.  
KENNELL-SATO — Charles B., Oakland; Mitsuko, Hayward.  
MATSUHARA-TAKAHASHI — Dick I., 37; Tomoko, 27, both Seattle.  
NAKAJI-OKASHIMA — Harold M., San Jose; Grace, Saratoga.  
NAKAYAMA-KUSUMOTO — Tommy and Kazuko, both Berkeley.

## Winners of Sonoma County key tourney announced

PETALUMA.—ABC Emblems of San Francisco won the \$110 prize money and team event trophy in the recent third annual Sonoma County JACL handicap bowling tournament, it was announced by John Hirooka of the sponsoring chapter.

ABC Emblems won by 3030-77 pins better than second place Stanford Cleaners of Palo Alto. Other tournament champions were: Singles—Jack Otani (Santa Rosa) 644; doubles—Terry Sentachi-Yosh Amino (S.F.) 1174-78-1252; all-events—Fred Horio (San Jose) 1863.

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YAMAMOTO-HIRATSUKA — Howard, Sacramento; Dorothy H., Stockton.  
YAMAMOTO-SAITO — Toshio and Lily T., both Sacramento.

## DEATHS

ARAI, Hannah, 73; Los Angeles, Sept. 20 — (h) Kumata, (s) William Sasaki, (d) Yonoko Nobe, Toyoko Arima, Yukiko Matsui, Umeko Ishida, (sister) Suzuki Arimoto.  
SAKAMOTO, Kichiji, 59; Lodi, Sept. 4.

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## WASHINGTON NEWSLETTER

By Mike Masaoka

## Civil Rights

Washington, D.C.

MORE THAN TWO months ago, Congress enacted the so-called Civil Rights Act of 1957 which provided, among other things, for the appointments of a six-man bipartisan Civil Rights Commission and an Assistant Attorney General to head up a new civil rights division within the Department of Justice.

Last week, the President at his press conference was asked questions regarding the naming of commission members as stories were circulated that the Administration had asked Adlai Stevenson, titular head of the Democratic Party, and former Governor Allan Shivers of Texas, an Eisenhower Democrat in 1952, among others, to serve.

While the President declined to comment on specific names, he did say that he and his advisers have been working for weeks to try to find men of national reputation in whom the country would have confidence to serve as members of the recently authorized Commission. He implied that such men were hard to find.

He expressed the opinion that the Commission, which is empowered to look into all aspects of civil rights violations in this country, including school integration, would be able to render a valuable service.

The President pointed out that many men whom he would like to have on the Commission might be deterred from accepting either because they are already engaged in important public service or because they have private businesses which would keep them from giving as much time as the Commission work might demand.

The Commission personnel, the President indicated, should include representatives of all types of thinking. He emphasized that it was important to obtain the true thinking of the mass of Southerners and also of the mass of persons who believe in the observance of the law as decreed by the United States Supreme Court.

WHILE WE ARE in wholehearted agreement with the President that men with "national reputations" should be named to the Commission, we seriously question the wisdom of appointing any with preconceived notions that "civil rights" are "dangerous un-American" ideals, that there must be continued separation of the races in schools and other places of public accommodations, that the Supreme Court so erred in this particular decision relating to public school integration that every effort should be made to circumvent or forestall its implementation.

Should such biased men be appointed for the sake of "representative thinking" or providing "a spectrum of American opinion", as the President himself put it at his press conference, we fear that the operations of the Commission will be seriously frustrated, as the members argue among themselves as to what should be investigated and what should be recommended.

We also believe that those appointed to this Commission should have no political axes to grind, either for themselves as individuals or for their respective parties.

Most Southern politicians, we suggest, will refuse appointment to this Commission because of their belief that most non-white voters in the Deep South are opposed to public school integration and equal rights and opportunities for both races. Should any accept appointment, they might well use their positions to neutralize or frustrate the work of the Commission.

By the same token, politicians from other areas of the nation where the Negro vote can be significant should not be named, for they might well attempt to convert the Commission into a weapon for political advantage, rather than the kind of honest, sincere investigations that are needed if this Commission is to fulfill its mission.

And, most certainly, the "professional" civil righter, if that term can be used, should also be bypassed in considering appointments to the Commission.

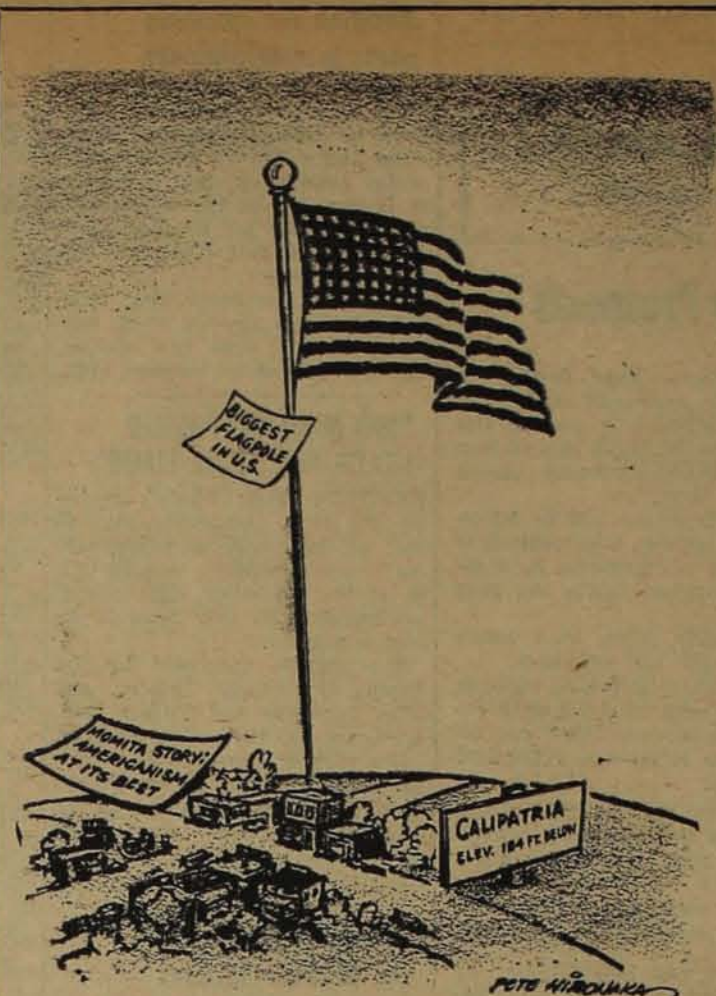
BUT, MEN WITH "national reputations" who believe in civil rights for all Americans regardless of their race, color, creed, or previous condition of servitude, should be appointed to this Commission.

They should be men who are aware and familiar with the problems of integration and equality everywhere in the nation—for the South is not the only corner of this land where racial bigotry and discrimination are practiced. They should be men who are not afraid to seek out alleged abuses and to speak out when they are found. They should be men who are big enough to understand the need not only in this country but also in the free world for a better society in which all men may live in peace and dignity with each other.

THE CIVIL RIGHTS Commission, as well as the Assistant Attorney General in charge of the to-be-created Civil Rights Division in the Justice Department, was intended to make more meaningful to all Americans the civil rights to which they, as Americans, are entitled by the Constitution and subsequent laws of the Congress and court decisions.

Viewed in this light, members of the Commission should be passionately dedicated to this ideal of equality and brotherhood and determined to use the full prestige and authority of the federal government to expose activities and practices which violate civil rights guarantees. They should recommend such congressional and administrative actions as are needed to implement existing statutes and court decrees and also to further extend the civil rights of all, to the end that every American may enjoy all the rights, privileges and immunities of citizenship without regard to racial and religious considerations.

The President we believe, should appoint advocates of civil rights to the Civil Rights Commission, for this Commission should be an expression of the national will to enlarge the area of civil rights for all Americans, rather than another debating society with a distinguished panel.



## Fitting Tribute

## Purpose of amici briefs filed by 14 organizations to aid NAACP accomplished

(JACL News Service)

WASHINGTON.—Last week the United States Supreme Court refused to accept an amici curiae brief submitted by 14 organizations including the Japanese American Citizens League, in the so-called NAACP v. Alabama case, according to the Washington JACL office.

The amici curiae brief argued that the Alabama law requiring public disclosure of membership lists was unconstitutional and would destroy the constitutional rights of anonymity which applies to all organizations.

The attorneys for the NAACP consented to the filing of this friend of the court brief, but counsel for the state of Alabama refused. The Supreme Court was then asked by motion, for permission to file the brief.

## No Reasons Given

Although the Supreme Court did not give any reasons for its rejection of the motion, it was speculated that, since the Court has been criticized by states' righters and segregationists as being under the domination of minority and civil rights groups, it did not want to give further credence or recognition to such charges.

In any event, as pointed out by the Washington JACL office, the purpose of filing the brief was accomplished since the Justices had to read the arguments of the 14 organizations in order to decide not to consent to the motion to formally file the brief.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People has a case pending before the high tribunal asking reversal of a contempt finding and a \$100,000 fine imposed by Alabama Circuit Judge Walter B. Jones in Montgomery last year when the NAACP failed to produce records relating to its members and its finances.

Frank Chuman, Los Angeles, National JACL legal counsel, and Harold Gordon, Chicago, chairman of the National JACL Legislative-Legal Committee, signed the friend of the court motion and brief for JACL, a brief which was also signed by attorneys for the American Jewish Congress, American Baptist Convention, American Civil Liberties Union, American

Friends Service Committee, Americans Jewish Committee, American Veterans Committee, Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, Board of Home Missions of the Congregational and Christian Churches, Council for Christian Social Action of the United Churches of Christ, Jewish Labor Committee, National Community Relations Advisory Council, United Synagogue of America, and Workers Defense League.

In the meantime, the Washington JACL office noted that the Little Rock, Arkansas, City Council has just ordered the arrest of all officers of the NAACP in that community because that organization had failed to file its report on certain confidential records as required by a new city ordinance.

## Many repeat support for Cheer campaign

Many friends of Christmas Cheer in past years are continuing their "gift of giving", the Cheer chairman Hiro Omura said this past week as \$418 was acknowledged.

Dr. and Mrs. L. S. G. Miller, retired minister formerly of Los Angeles, sent his contribution of \$10 all the way from Winchester, Va., continuing his support of the project he gave during his years here.

Contributions to Christmas Cheer are being accepted at the JACL Office, 258 E. 1st St., Los Angeles, until Dec. 15. Recent donors include:

\$25 — Hiroshima Fujinkai.  
\$20 — Japanese Casualty Insurance Association, Dr. W.S. O'Hira, Nanka Okayamaken Club.  
\$15 — Chuman and McKibbin, Takai Realty.  
\$10 — Dr. Kohel Niiya, Anson Fujioaka, Dr. Y. Yoshimura, Harry M. Fujita, Saburo Sato, Yuzo Susagano, The Orient, Inc., Tom T. Ito, Ted Katayama, Mrs. Kinu Nakaoka, W.H. Church, Dr. and Mrs. L.S.G. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Hirohata.  
\$7 — Dr. F.H. Iwamizu.  
\$5 — S. Ohara (Nagamoto Co.), Jun-ichi Yoshitomi, Mabel Lee, George Inagaki, Joe Ikeda, Minoru Ota, Naoki Nitta, Enayo F. Hanazawa, N. Tsujimoto, H. Tachibana, Ken Utsunomiya, Tatsuo Yata, Yoneyo Taniguchi, Dr. Shokichi Kato, Kichiro Saito, Tenrikyo Junior Church of America, M. Naruse, Saburo Kido, Wm. K. Yamamoto, Judge John F. Aiso, Dr. George Y. Nagamoto, Will T. and Alice S. Kodama, Sataro Taketa, K. Saneto, Kiyoshi Sanuki, Ryohel Iwamoto, K. Yanai, Japanese Baptist Church Fujinkai, Mr. and Mrs. Tets Tada.  
\$3 — Ben Hanoka, Kozo Mitani.  
\$2 — Mr. Hirano, Shoji Nagumo, Masutaro M. Nakamura, T. Shintaku, Rose's Beauty Salon, T. Fujita, Tatsumi Matsura.  
\$1 — Albert D. Bonus, Anonymous.

CHEER FUND RECAPITULATION  
Previously Reported ..... \$ 28.96  
Total This Report ..... \$418.00  
CURRENT TOTAL ..... \$446.96

## \$55,000 VESTED FUNDS RETURNED TO NEW YORKERS

NEW YORK.—The old Japanese Association of New York, Inc., and the present Japanese American Association of New York, Inc., 125 W. 72nd St., has agreed upon a merger.

Assets of the old group, including some \$55,000 recently released by the Alien Property Custodian of the Dept. of Justice, will be consolidated with the current group with the provision that the principal remain intact and accruing interest used to carry out the work of the present association.

Litigation to recover the vested funds was started by Thomas T. Hayashi, attorney, on Nov. 25, 1949, who had pointed out that association was "purely local in nature, and its members were long time permanent residents of the U.S. and that properties of the Association were used mainly for welfare purposes."

The government had long held the Association "acted for or on behalf of Japan and therefore a 'national' of a designated enemy country."

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panese businessmen coming together for this purpose, and to express my confidence in the success of their joint endeavors. Their meeting is a fine example of those promising People-to-People gatherings, which help to secure the foundations of peace."

## Nisei Leaders

One of the encouraging post-convention prospects is a formation of the Nisei Association of Japan to promote the Nisei movement in Japan, although there were rumors that some Nisei sought selfish gain through the convention.

Among the Nisei leaders realized by the convention are ex-baseball pro Kiyo Nogami, ice cream cone manufacturer; Dave Yamada, Davenport Laundry president; August Narumi, Rafu Co. president; Kaiser Tanaka, Aloha Club president; Kenneth Shimbo, Kokusai Kogyo Co. president; Charles Yoshii, Japan-America Cultural Ass'n director; Jimmy Kochi, Jiyu Press president; Richard Uyehara, Nikko Securities; attorney Arthur Moorl, and Bruce Kawashima, former Berkeley resident.

There is also vigorous talk circulating here to build a Nisei Center in Tokyo.

The original suggestion for the convention came from Wesley Oyama, whose wife worked so hard for the success of the conference.

## CALENDAR

Nov. 9 (Saturday)  
Tulare County—Jr. JACL meeting.  
Nov. 10 (Sunday)  
PSWDC—Fall quarterly meeting, Orange County JACL hosts, Kono's.  
Nov. 12 (Tuesday)  
Seattle — Election meeting, 1414 Weller St.  
Placer County — Goodwill dinner, Auburn Fairgrounds; State Sen. Johnson, spkr.  
Nov. 15 (Friday)  
Fowler—Dinner meeting, Brucos Lodge, 7 p.m.; Frances Gil, spkr.  
French Camp — Annual fall bazaar, French Camp Hall.  
East Los Angeles — General meeting.  
Nov. 16 (Saturday)  
San Francisco—Auxiliary benefit dance, Booker T. Washington Center, 9 p.m.  
Nov. 17 (Sunday)  
Richmond—El Cerrito — Fishing derby, Antioch; weigh-in 5-6 p.m. at Bob's Bait Box.  
Monterey—Thanksgiving potluck.  
Nov. 22 (Friday)  
San Francisco — Nominations meeting Park-Resido Y.  
Nov. 23 (Saturday)  
D.C. — Election Results dinner, Fairfax Hotel.  
Chicago — Inaugural party.  
East Los Angeles — Christmas Cheer dance, YWCA Hall — USC Campus, 8 p.m.  
Nov. 24 (Sunday)  
Berkeley — Fishing derby.  
Nov. 28 (Thursday)  
Gilroy — Thanksgiving Day dance.  
Nov. 29-30  
IDC — Biennial convention & 10th Anniversary 1000 Club celebration, Rogers Hotel; Dr. Roy Nishikawa, keynote spkr.  
Mt.-PDC — District convention, Omaha-JACL hosts; Sheraton-Fontenelle Hotel.  
Dec. 7 (Saturday)  
CCDC — District bowling tournament, Visalia Bowl.  
Dec. 8 (Sunday)  
CCDC — District convention, Hacienda Motel, Fresno.  
Dec. 13-14  
PNWDC — District convention, Seattle JACL hosts.