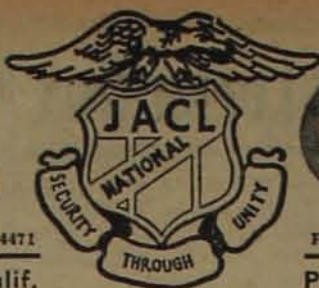


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PRESIDENT'S CORNER:

Slain of teenager jolts Southlanders

The recent fatal shooting of a teen-age Sansei boy, who was a bystander at a dance when teen-age gang war broke out, jolted the entire Southland community.

It raised a question in the minds of many parents: "What can be done to prevent this type of tragedy?" Further, it made all parents acutely aware that this could happen to their own children.

There is no denying that teen-age delinquency among the Sansei (although still limited) is greater proportionately than it has been for the Nisei.

In our own youth, Nisei gangs generally pursued healthier outlets for their excessive energies. There were occasional fist fights which settled matters quickly. Rarely were there any continuing feuds or mass pitched battles. We cannot recall that youth in those days carried knives, clubs, chains or guns in order to defend themselves. The Sansei also seem to lack what was strongly instilled into the Nisei: The principle that any act of delinquency reflected not only upon themselves and their families but upon the entire community as well. Perhaps this is the price we must pay for losing part of our heritage.

Perhaps these tragedies are the inevitable aftermath of today's post-war materialism with its emphasis on "massive retaliation for survival." In today's atomic and space age in which war could result in mass annihilation; the military, scientific and political leaders seem determined not to let the other guy (Russia) pull a fast one on us or get stronger than us. This may be necessary for survival, but this kind of thinking which permeates the press and the airwaves cannot help but influence the malleable minds of youth and contributes to their uncertainty and insecurity.

This will probably be called "corny" because of the age we live in, but the crying need of the day

Nishikawa, Satow to join in Arlington Fete

WASHINGTON. — A busy week-end featuring special Arlington Memorial Services has been planned for Dr. Roy Nishikawa of Los Angeles, national president, and Mas Satow of San Francisco, national director, when they are in the nation's capital, the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League announced.

Both Nishikawa and Satow are scheduled to fly in from the west coast Sat. morning, May 24. That afternoon, they will meet in the Washington JACL Office with Harry Takagi, national third vice president, Aki Hayashi of New York City, national treasurer, Charles Nagao of Seabrook, New

Jersey, Eastern District Council chairman, Mike and Tad Masaoka of the Washington Office, and Sam Ishikawa, New York Office representative, to consider national JACL problems and program.

At five o'clock that evening, the Washington, D.C. JACL chapter is sponsoring a dinner in honor of the national officers at Gusti's Italian Restaurant at 1837 M Street Northwest. Hisako Sakata, chapter vice president, is in charge of arrangements. Chapter members and friends of the national president and national director are invited to attend. Reservations must be made in advance with Miss Chisato Ohara, chapter secretary, whose tele-

phone number is EM 2-7116.

Following the dinner, Nishikawa and Satow will address chapter members regarding the national organization. Jack Hirose, chapter president, will preside at this monthly meeting to be held at the YWCA 3rd floor assembly room at 8 p. m.

Sun. morning, May 25, beginning at nine o'clock, national officers and staff members will attend the annual meeting of the Eastern District Council which will be held at the Burlington Hotel, 1120 Vermont Avenue Northwest. Charles Nagao, district council chairman, will preside over the meeting of EDC cabinet officers and chapter officers from New York, Philadel-

phia, Seabrook, and Washington.

According to the chairman, the morning session will be devoted to district council matters. Following lunch, the afternoon session will be given over to a discussion of national problems, with the national officers participating, with a view towards preparing the EDC chapters for the forthcoming 15th Biennial National JACL Convention to be held in Salt Lake city, Utah, this August.

Memorial Service

At five o'clock, special memorial services will be held at Arlington National Cemetery to commemorate the 15th anniversary of the activation of the 442nd Central Postal Directory in Camp Shelby, Mississippi, in the spring of 1943. Ira Shimazaki, chairman of the National JACL Arlington Committee, will be in charge of the special observance, which will be held at the traditional site—the graves of Privates Tanamachi and Nagato, both 442nd war heroes and the first Nisei to be interred at Arlington. Thereafter, individual floral tributes will be placed at the gravesites of the 20 Nisei war dead interred in the national cemetery.

That evening, the Washington chapter will be host to an informal reception honoring the national officers and the visiting delegates at the home of Mike and Etsu Masaoka, 5406 Uppingham Street, Somerset, Chevy Chase, in nearby Maryland. Mrs. Martha Tokamasu is chairman of the committee in charge.

All day Mon. May 26 and Tues. morning May 27 will be devoted to appointments with congressional and government officials. The Washington JACL Office is making the necessary appointments.

Nishikawa and Satow are slated to leave for Philadelphia on Tuesday afternoon.

ACTIVE JACLERS HAVE OPPORTUNITY TO RECEIVE SAPPHIRE-PIN FOR SERVICE

SAN FRANCISCO. — George J. Inagaki, National Recognitions Committee Chairman announced that the forthcoming 15th Biennial National JACL convention in Salt Lake City will present an opportunity for active JACLers to receive national recognition with the presentation of the Sapphire-studded pin. The presentations will be made at the official convention luncheon on Sat. noon, August 23, Inagaki stated.

The chapters should observe the following rules in making nominations for this award:

The primary requisite is ten consecutive years of active service and the recipient must be currently active in JACL. Since the award is a national award, the nominee's activities must have extended beyond the confines of his own local chapter, either at the District Council or National level. Where there is a District Council Recognitions Committee, the local chapter's recommendation should have their approval,

as well as the approval of the National Recognitions Committee.

A detailed account of the specific responsibilities and contributions made by the candidate during each year of his service record should be made in writing and addressed to the District Council Recognitions Committee with a copy to National JACL. Where there is no District Council Recognitions Committee, the letter should be forwarded to the national chairman, George Inagaki at 12427 Milton St., Los Angeles 66, Calif., or to National JACL Headquarters, 1759 Sutter St., San Francisco 15, Cal.

NISEI LASS IN RECITAL

LONG BEACH. — Several Sansei pupils of Miss Stella Marie Graves participated in the piano recital held on May 3 at the Long Beach YWCA.

Pupils participating were Philip Nishino, Mark Kobata, Joanne Kobayashi and Susan Iwamae.

Three Easy Lessons

ADVICE ON HOW TO WIN NISEI GIRLS AFFECTION TOLD

TOKYO. — "Do this and Nisei girls will like you" is the leading article of "Kaigai Iju (emigration)," a bi-monthly periodical for the young Japanese males aspiring to emigrate.

The serious-toned article warned the readers, "Japanese girls may like cavemen, but Nisei girls will not." Nisei are Japanese born outside of Japan.

The article went on: "In Japan, girls are modest. In America, boys must be modest. . . If you think of marrying a Nisei girl, be prepared not only to scrub floors and wash dishes, but also babysit in your married life.

"Always be ready to help women in America. And we must remind you that 'women' include both young and old.

"Nisei girls are particularly critical of Japanese male behaviors when drinking. Don't make a noise when you drink in a foreign land."

Sociology professor MDC confab keynote speaker

By M. TASHIMA

CLEVELAND. — The keynote address to open the workshop sessions of the JACL MDC Convention on Sat., May 31 will be delivered by Dr. Richard Schermerhorn, Associate Professor of Sociology at Western Reserve University. His address is expected to offer more than normal insight in the discussions of the workshop groups as Dr. Schermerhorn has personally been interested in the problems faced by the Japanese in Cleveland from the early days of relocation.

Henry Tanaka and his committee are organizing the discussion workshops and have selected five topics dealing with fundamental issues of concern to persons of Japanese ancestry, particularly in the Midwest area.

The topics chosen and the leaders for each workshop are:

- (1) Our Cultural Background: What is it? What does it mean to us? Led by William Oshima.
- (2) Community Integration: Its problems and our attitudes. Led by Mrs. Violette Takahashi.
- (3) Today's Young Adults: Their Aspirations and Concerns. Led by Mrs. Hazel Klinger.
- (4) Our Issei Parents: Their Current Hopes and Fears. Led by John Matsushima.
- (5) Our Chapter's Program: Its Leadership and Focus. Led by Abe Hagihara.

Convention Sports

A golf tournament has been announced by Bill Sadatoki and Sam Kanai to be held at Grantwood by the Fairway Golf Club on Sun., June 1. Many merchandise prizes will be offered to winners in addition to the trophies. Contestants other than the Fairway Golf mem-

bers are requested to submit 3 to 5 most recent scores to Mas Kimura, 1278 East 124 Street, Cleveland, so that handicaps may be established from these scores. Entry fee, not including green fees, will be \$1.50.

For tennis enthusiasts, Mitch Hashiguchi has arranged a tournament of doubles only as part of the MDC Convention booster activities for Sat., May 31, at East Cleveland's Pattison Courts. A fee of \$1.75 per player will cover the cost of entry and tournament tennis balls. Trophies will be presented the winning and runner-up teams. Team entries should be sent to Eva Hashiguchi, 12100 Ingomar Ave., Cleveland.

Friday, May 30 from 2 to 5 p.m. will be set aside for bridge players, according to Fred Ikeda, who also urges women to compete for top honors.

"If you are rusty, throw Goren and Blackwood out the window, and confuse everyone with a system of your own", is the advice which is making the rounds.

The Pine Room of the Statler Hotel is the locale of the bridge tournament and the fee is \$1.00 per player. There will be prizes for the two top teams.

Whing Ding

Skits, smorgasbord and dancing are promised to all 1000 Clubber and other delegates for the 1000 Club Whing Ding to be held on Friday evening, May 30. Bill Sadatoki states that the affair is open to everyone—"the more the merrier," with lots of food and laughter.

The Euclid Room of the Hotel Statler will be the locale for the "Moon-Bound" Ball scheduled for the evening of May 31, and an unforgettable evening is promised for all by the committee members.

Angelo Damals and his orchestra will provide the music for dancing. Contests for various dances will be held and entertain-

ment by a group of Hawaiians as well as the crowning of a Queen of the Ball will be part of the evening's program.

Committee members working for a successful "Moon-Bound" evening are: Emily Matsumoto, Roy and Diane Andow, Herb Fuke, Marian Sakuma, Linda Whitney, Tosh and Kaz Yamada, Mae Doi and Tak Yamagata.



Members of the MDC Convention Board are shown here discussing plans for the district council meeting to be held over the Memorial Day weekend. Standing (left to right) Masy Tashima, co-chmn.; Frank Shiba, conv. advisor; Joe Kadowaki, special arrangements; Henry Tanaka, co-chmn. Seated are William Sadatoki, co-chmn.; Gene Takahashi, gen. chmn.; Mary Sadatoki, sec.; and George Ono, MDC liaison officer. Co-treasurers Min Iwasaki and August Nakagawa were not present for the photo.

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From the Frying Pan

By Bill Hosokawa

Denver, Colo

RANDOM THOUGHTS — For some unclear reason, politicians seem to give the Nisei credit for more influence than their numbers would seem to warrant. Why? What percentage of Nisei voters actually do go to the polls? Is the percentage of Nisei who vote greater than that of other minorities? Or is the JACL, with its commendable program of promoting interest in civic matters, responsible for the interest that politicians take in this relatively infinitesimal minority?

Fascinating Reading: See if you can locate a copy of the April, 1958 "American Heritage" and read William Harlan Hale's "When Perry Unlocked the 'Gate of the Sun'." The article is about Matthew Calbraith Perry's mission that opened Japan to the western world. It is liberally illustrated with both American paintings and Japanese wood-block drawings, including one by the famous artist Hiroshige. Interesting item: The paintings show that in exchanging entertainment, the Japanese hosts paraded some of their enormous wrestlers for the amazement of the Americans. Perry himself punched the paunch of Koyanagi, the mightiest of all. In turn, the Americans put on a minstrel show, possibly the first time the Japanese saw men with black faces.

CORRECTION: The lad who made his numerals as University of Washington freshman crew coxswain was Taft Toribara, not Torihara as appeared in the column last week. Just wanted folks up in Seattle to know I hadn't forgotten. Bara, not hara. Which reminds me that Pappy Kimura, who had difficulty with English pronunciation, and was quite a movie fan withal, used to refer to Barbara Stanwick as Bara-bara Sandwich.

FIRST HARVEST — When we painted the radishes four weeks and two snowstorms ago, we planted them extra thick for a reason. Planted that way, they come up so close together that they have to be thinned out, and in the thinning we are able to get in some fine eating. Here's how: Take thinned radishes tops and all, wash thoroughly, place layer in shallow container, salt liberally. Add another layer, salt, and repeat until all radishes are used up.

Put flat dish over the stack of radishes and apply a weight. A milk bottle filled with water will do if you don't have anything better. If radishes are very young, as ours were, they'll be pickled sufficiently in as little as two hours. Or if you want the flavor a little stronger, keep under weight overnight. Slice, sprinkle with soy sauce, eat with hot rice. Nice.

Good thing about this kind of "minute tsukemono" is that it has no offensive odor while curing, and you're seldom bothered with left-overs to smell up the house later. Nisei housewives will testify this is a not unimportant consideration.

BROWN BROWNIES — Our Christie brought home her Brownie Scout Handbook the other day and I sneaked a look into it while she was busy at other matters. Among other things, I noticed the illustrations showed a Negro child happily at play with white Brownie Scouts which, of course, is as it should be.

Question: Do Brownie Scouts ignore the color line south of Mason and Dixon? If not, do the Girl Scouts of the U.S.A. have a different edition of the handbook for use in the Deep South? I'll have to ask somebody sometime.

PC Letter Box

Editor: — This is to express the thanks of the entire Trade Fair organization for your news coverage of this seventh International Trade Fair in Seattle.

We attribute our spectacular 7 percent rise in public attendance and nearly 50 gain in buyer attendance to the kind of cooperation you so generously gave us.

It was a pleasure meeting Mr. Elmer Ogawa and we hope the Pacific Citizen plans to cover subsequent Washington State Trade Fairs.

DAYIS H. MUTH
Seattle, Wash.

Editor: — On behalf of the 1958 Hi Co Conference committee I would like to thank you for the excellent publicity which the Pacific Citizen gave us for our recent conference.

We are very happy over the success of the two-day seminar and the large registration turnout we had. We certainly appreciate your cooperation in covering our activities.

CAROLE OISHI
Los Angeles

(The Pacific Citizen welcomes letters. All letters must be signed and addressed, though names may be withheld upon request or pen-names used instead. Briefer they are, the better. All are subject to condensation. We assume no responsibility for statements in letters.)

Bits & Bites

William Saroyan recently spent some time in Honolulu, part of his around the world itinerary. He succumbed to the lure of the island, according to George Choulian of the Honolulu Star-Bulletin and, like any other tourist, went for a trip around the island. He had a taste of sashimi and chopsticks and said "It takes good once you get it to your mouth."

Mijiko Taka, who rose to fame in her first movie "Sayonara", has been writing long letters to her friends back home. In a recent letter from Rome, Italy she said: "Here in Rome, shops open 9 till 1 p.m.; then close until 4:30 p.m. and the end of the day is 7 p.m. I'm such a sleepy head now it's like a relapse and I constantly oversleep. Therefore when the shops close for lunch it makes it inconvenient. How would you enjoy a 3½ hour lunch period? The meals Italians serve for lunch one would need all that time. . . ."

Ted Teruyuki Fujii passed the California Certified Public Accountant examination and was given a license last month.

Fujii is a graduate of Osaka Foreign Language College in Japan and the Univ. of Calif. at Los Angeles. He is the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Akira Fujii, owners of a grocery store at 3682 East Fourth Street.

CALENDAR

May 16 (Friday)
Hollywood — General meeting.
May 17 (Saturday)
Detroit — "Kei Ro Kai" American Legion Hall.
East Los Angeles — Emerald Ball, Park Manor, 9 p.m.
Cleveland — Pre-MDC Convention rally
May 18 (Sunday)
NC-WNDC — Spring Quarterly Session, Sonoma County JACL hosts.
May 19 (Monday)
West Los Angeles — Auxiliary Dinner Installation.
May 21 (Wednesday)
San Francisco — Ladies Auxiliary meeting, Booker T. Washington Center, 7:30 p.m.
May 24 (Saturday)
EDC — Cabinet and business meetings, Hotel Burlington, Washington, D.C.
D.C. — General meeting, Dr. Roy Nishikawa and Mas Satow, spkrs.
May 25 (Sunday)
EDC — Cabinet meeting, D.C. JACL hosts.
San Francisco — JACL Olympics, Kezar Stadium.
May 27 (Tuesday)
San Francisco — Political Rally.
May 29 (Thursday)
New York — Installation-dinner meeting, Empire Hotel, 53rd and Broadway, 6 p.m.

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Past Regional Director Expresses Appreciation

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More than that, it is a gratifying tribute to the JACL. Our humble thanks to the Hon. Edward E. Elliott, Assemblyman of the 40th Assembly District, for his generous gesture in introducing the resolution, and to the State Legislature for its unanimous adoption, by which act the JACL gained further recognition as an important entity in our community.

TATS KUSHIDA
Past Regional Director

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Vagaries

By Larry S. Tajiri

THE ISSEI STORY

Before it is too late—and the obituary notices run frequently of late—it is to be hoped that something is done to preserve the rich and vigorous heritage of the Issei.

It is 34 years since the law which was popularly known as the Japanese Exclusion Act of 1924 was passed and immigration of foreign-born Japanese into the United States ended. Japanese immigration, in fact, was closed for 28 years, until the Waiter-McCarran Act was passed in 1952.

The first Japanese came to the United States as students in the 19th century, but many liked the new world and stayed on. Later, periodic shortages of labor on the Pacific coast resulted in the recruiting of Japanese workers. These laborers came by the boatloads—to work in the mines, on railroads and in the fields. It was not until these workers decided to shuck their coolie labor status, to till their own farms and open their own small businesses that racial antagonism developed against them.

The vicissitudes of the Issei were many, but these were not timid men. It took an adventurous spirit to leave a home, a family and a way of life in those days and to cross the wide Pacific to an unknown destiny. Campaigns of prejudice were organized against the Issei. Politicians and the press inveighed against what became known to the hate-mongers as the Yellow Peril. But the Issei endured.

Some years back the JACL had under consideration a program to collect a backlog of source material about the Issei, for the use of future historians who would want to record the story of this American immigrant group.

The primary source of this material is, of course, the living memory of the Issei themselves. It has been proposed to tape-record the recollections of Issei in order to build up a library of personal reminiscence which would add flesh and blood to history. There are songs and stories of mining camp and railroad crew which already are half-forgotten, just as the tall tales of the Cousin Jacks, the men from Cornwall who came to work in Colorado mines, are remembered these days only by the folklore societies.

The National JACL some years ago proposed to spend a reasonable amount of money for a writer to do the story of the Issei. The project has lain dormant these many years, however, mainly because the money for such a project is hard come by. But the program is one which can stand reviving, and might provide a subject for the agenda at August's National JACL biennial convention in Salt Lake City.

STORY SHOULD BE TOLD

Some of the individual stories of the Japanese immigrant have become a part of the Issei legend—of Onuki who started the trolleys in Phoenix, and Noguchi who was one of medicine's martyrs. There was Takamine who developed the synthetic of adrenalin, and Kuniyoshi who became one of the country's foremost painters. There is Hayakawa, the actor who made and spent a million dollars in Hollywood and who came back 30 years later and who has established himself as an important personality in entertainment.

But the great contribution of the Issei has been that of the group, rather than the individual. It is the part played in the development of a region, of the reclaiming of deserts and delta swamp to productive agriculture and of the use of specialized agricultural techniques to help enrich a nation. The Issei story should be remembered and retold.

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GUGGENHEIM AWARD TO NEW YORK JAPANESE

NEW YORK CITY. — Tetsuo Ochikubo of New York City was among 322 recipients awarded grants totaling \$1,412,000 by the John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation. The awards are presented to those who have shown the best capabilities for creative work in research and art.

The Guggenheim Fellowship was founded by the late Senator Simon Guggenheim of Colorado and his wife in 1925 in tribute to their son who died in 1922.

Ochikubo is an artist who is studying creative printmaking for which he is to receive his award.

Watsonville High students gain student body posts

WATSONVILLE. — Two students of Japanese ancestry were elected to student body offices last week at the Watsonville high school. Agnes Kadatani was elected girls' athletic manager and William Yahiro was elected publicity editor.

New York chapter holds election meeting; candidates for Board of Directors named

NEW YORK. — The annual election meeting of the New York JACL chapter was held last Friday night, at the auditorium of the Japan Society. The following were listed as candidates for members of the Board of Directors: Toshio Hirata, George Kyotow, Mas Makita, Takeo Nogaki and Oje Oyama.

George Kyotow presented a series of color-sound movies taken in Japan and demonstrated photography equipment following the business session.

A special treat has been planned for the evening with George Kyotow, presenting a series of color-sound movies taken in Japan, followed by a display and demonstration of photography equipment.

INSTALLATION DINNER

National Director Mas Satow will install the newly elected Board members at a ceremony following dinner at the Empire Hotel on Thurs. evening, May 29. The dinner is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. with an informal cocktail hour at 6 p.m.

The featured speaker of the evening will be Mike Masaoka who will speak on the Nisei Role in U.S. - Japan Relationships.

Dr. Roy M. Nishikawa, National JACL President, will also be present on his first visit to New York, and will discuss JACL national policies, while Mas Satow will give a brief report on behalf of the National Headquarters.

Reservations for the dinner should be made before Tues., May 27 with Mrs. Akira Hayashi, Mrs. Tomio Enochy or Tomie Mochizuki.

EDC MEETING

The four JACL chapters in the Eastern District Council will be represented when delegates from

Maryknoll Hospital fund holds 'kick-off' dinner

The "Kick-off" dinner, at \$15 a plate, for the opening of the fund drive to build the new \$1 million dollar Maryknoll Hospital and Nurses Home for the treatment of TB and all chest diseases was held at the Hotel Monica, at Santa Monica, in the Empire and Grand Ballroom on the night of Sunday, May 4th.

According to Sister Mary Mark, administrator, over half of the needed funds for the hospital have been donated by Patrick J. Frawley, Jr., but about \$350,000 more is needed to equip the new facility and to build a new nurses' residence.

Principal speaker at the event was Dr. J. Arthur Myers, chief of the TB medical staff at Laymanhurst School and Clinic in Minneapolis. Dr. Myers, who is a recognized authority on chest diseases flew to Santa Monica especially for this "kick-off" dinner.

HARUO ISHIMARU GAINS MILLION DOLLAR ROUND TABLE AWARD FOR SECOND TIME

SAN FRANCISCO. — Haruo Ishimaru, assistant manager for West Coast Life Insurance Company here, has qualified for the second consecutive year for both the Million Dollar Round Table and National All Star Honor Roll.

Announcement of the top insurance industry honor was made here this week by Harry J. Stewart, West Coast Life president.

Mr. Ishimaru, who joined the Company in September 1955, set a spectacular selling record by being the first agent in his first year with the firm to place more than a million dollars of insurance.

Twice he has earned the presidency of the Company's Leaders Club. Currently he leads the field force in competition for '58 president.

Special observances of the 15th anniversary of the activation of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team will be held at the Arlington National Cemetery at 5:00 p.m., Sunday, at the gravesites of the first Nisei soldier dead interred there.

A graduate of Yankton College, Mr. Ishimaru was an official of the JACL before joining the West Coast Life. He is a vice-president of the Japanese Chamber of Commerce, past vice-president of the Optimist Club and member of the board of the California Federation of Civic Unity, the San Mateo Cooperative Nursery School and the International Institute. He recently was elected president of the board of the JACL Cal-Neva Credit Union.

Mr. and Mrs. Ishimaru and their two children live in San Mateo.

The Million Dollar Round Table is a nationwide society of leading insurance men who during the year have written at least a million dollars of insurance meeting certain quality requirements. The Honor Roll published by Insurance Salesman magazine is a selection of the top underwriters in each of the country's major life insurance companies.

San Francisco CL tops 1000 mark for third straight year

SAN FRANCISCO. — For the third year, the San Francisco JACL chapter topped the 1,000 mark in its membership, with 1,030 members for 1958. The chapter leads the nation as of May 1, according to figures released by National JACL headquarters, with Berkeley, Long Beach, San Jose and Seattle following. Southwest L.A. JACL chapter fell behind this year with 281 members, as compared to 1,116 members in 1957.

The total national membership also is less than that of last year as the year reaches its mid mark. There were 16,809 members throughout the country in 1957; there are only 7,724 listed as of May 1.

Long Beach Gardeners to hold Picnic in June

LONG BEACH. — The Long Beach Gardeners Assoc. will hold its fifth annual picnic on Sun., June 22, at the Long Beach Recreation Park.

There will be games, entertainment and prize drawing. Several merchants and businessmen have pledged themselves to donate something to the picnic drawing.

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The National Director's Report

By Masao Satow

Delegates show concern in national affairs . . .

Delegates to the recent Pacific Southwest District Council meeting displayed a real concern in the national affairs of JACL and a sense of helping to shape the plans and policies of "our" organization. This is as it should be, for the local chapters and members are the National organization. Especially welcome were the views on various aspects of National Council items which will be before the National Convention. Chairman Dave Yokozeki did his usual sharp job in conducting the meeting. Kango Kunitsugu has assembled a good functioning District Legal-Legislative Committee with all hands sharing responsibilities.

San Luis Obispo led by Akio Hayashi and with the fine support of many hard working members did an exceptional job in making all the arrangements that go with hosting such a meeting. We were sorry a previous commitment caused us to miss out on digging for the huge Pismo clams which served as a real attraction for the delegates. We heartily subscribe to the credo of having fun along with getting our work done.

In the next few weeks we will have an opportunity to sound out viewpoints of other District Councils on various national matters. President Frank Oda of Sonoma County has been commuting every weekend from San Francisco to Sebastopol to complete arrangements for the second quarterly Northern California - Western Nevada meeting this weekend. We are rooting for the hard working Sonoma County gals to retain their third place spot in their division of the national WIBC bowling tournament now in progress here. The following weekend Washington DC hosts the Eastern District Council meeting, and the Midwest meets in Cleveland over the Memorial Day weekend. President Joe Kadowaki of Cleveland and meeting chairman Gene Takahashi has worked up this two-day meeting to a miniature convention.

National President to participate . . .

National President Dr. Roy Nishikawa will participate in both Eastern and Midwest meetings, meet with our Washington contacts, visit the Philadelphia chapter and speak at the New York chapter installation. This is our President's first trip to the east, but we have him booked pretty solid, so he will have to do his sightseeing of the Nation's capitol and Manhattan on the run. After this series of meetings with some of our key National Board and National Committee Chairmen, the National Council agenda should be ready for the chapters to orient their delegates.

Chairman George Abe of Central California has alerted us to a meeting of the CCDC the first part of June, and Mas Yano informs us that he has set the next Intermountain District Council meeting featuring the IDC oratorical contest runoff for June 8 in Salt Lake City.

A good and lively group of East Los Angeles JACLers responded to President Roy Yamadera's call to a China-meshi meeting followed by a most interesting and informative tour of the new Los Angeles Police building. We were impressed with the quiet determination of the San Fernando group to make the chapter a going concern (in spite of a number of handicaps) under the leadership of Kay Nakagiri, a fellow Milwaukeean during the war years. Optometrist Dr. Milton Inouye heads a strong and solid cabinet group in West Los Angeles keenly sensitive to JACL's place in this community. Southwest JACL President Sam Hirasawa does a good job in relegating responsibilities and is fortunate in having conscientious cabinet members who accept them and do a good job in carrying them out. Sam's concern is to draw in more of the members who are now on the periphery of chapter activities. The Hollywood Chapter meeting at President Hideo Izumi's home reported a high percentage of returns on a membership campaign by mail. Cabinet members were enthusiastic about the team the chapter is sponsoring in the Little League coached by Joe Suski and Babe Nomura, two fellows who have helped to make Nisei athletic history. We were amazed at the growth of Oxnard which serves as the center for the Ventura County Chapter. President John Takasugi informs us that there are more Nisei faces in this area than prewar with new one continually showing up.

Highest memberships in history . . .

During our absence from Headquarters, Berkeley, Sanger, Sonoma County, Long Beach, and Milwaukee, checked in memberships which places these chapters with seven others who have pushed membership to the highest in the history of their respective chapters. We have also had substantial reports from Southwest L.A., Chicago, Placer County, Reedley, Livingston-Merced, and Eden Township.

Our 42nd 1000 Club Life member is Chiyo Tayama of Southwest L.A., wife of Fred who is one of the original Life members who started this movement. Also, we add Joe Kobata of Gardena, Bob Nakadoi - Omaha, and George Aratani - Downtown L.A., to the twenty who have continued their 1000 Club support for ten years.

Looks like our present stay at home is only a punctuation before we set out for the east and midwest.

Our dependable and efficient Headquarters Administrative Assistant, Daisy Uveda, with a helping hand from our better half, Chiz, make it possible to leave Hq. on these trips fully confident that everything will be well taken care of with only a few matters on our desk awaiting our return.

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SEABROOK: Warlime mecca for Japanese still going strong today

PHILADELPHIA. — A hungry man went looking for a good meal a few weeks ago and he made an unbelievable discovery, according to Frank Toughill in the Philadelphia Sunday Bulletin of April 20. He found food, and he came upon a community of 900 persons whom the rest of America had tried to disinherit 17 years ago.

When he bought a newspaper in Bridgeton, the hungry man read a story about the Japanese American Citizens League having its annual chow mein dinner at the Seabrook Community Hall, and the story said, proceeds would go to community projects. Interested in food and curious to know more about the community projects that the JACL could be supporting, he went to the Seabrook Community Hall, four miles north of Bridgeton, which is part of the 19,000 acres of Seabrook Farms.

Toughill continues on with the history of the community from 1943 when Charles F. Seabrook, now chairman of the board, offered jobs to the Japanese Ameri-

cans. Approximately 2,500 persons who were released from the relocation centers came to work for Seabrook. Today, many of them live in Bridgeton, Millville, Vineland and other surrounding communities were a majority own their own home and are in administrative or supervisory positions at the farms.

Dick Kunishima, who hails from Whittier, Calif., is an assistant manager in the housing director's office. Mrs. Ellen Nakamura, who is a college graduate in journalism, is cashier and also publicity director for the eastern district of the JACL. She explained that it was the seventh annual benefit dinner, and last year's profits of \$1,200 were donated to Bridgeton Hospital.

This year's proceeds were expected to be about the same with \$900 going to Elmer Hospital and the remaining \$300 to buy 25 Japanese cherry trees for the grounds of Bridgeton Hospital and Bridgeton High School.

Kunishima stated, "We do this out of gratitude to the people of

this community who made it possible for our group to find homes and the comforts of America among them".

The hungry man found that everyone of the children in the community has gone to high school and graduated. Three-quarters of them go on to college. He learned that Akira Sasaki, son of Mrs. Fujio Sasaki, is one of Bridgeton High's star basketball player and president of the student council. Pauline Nagao, a senior, is president of the high school's honor society.

He received a copy of the Japanese American Creed, adopted by the JACL during the war, from Vernon Ichisaka. Ichisaka is a graduate of the Univ. of California and now heads the soil laboratory for Seabrook enterprises. He was the first president of the Seabrook chapter of JACL.

Throughout the dinner, boys and girls danced in Japanese costumes. Members of the community stopped to talk to the hungry man. He had a seaweed soup - it was explained that the iodine of the seaweed was credited with the comparative absence of goiter among the Japanese. There was a mixed green salad and the chow mein was Japanese style, with the noodles being the soft white one rather than the crisp brown Chinese noodles.

The hungry man was no longer hungry but he had found much to write about in the Sunday Bulletin.

Watsonville Veterans of Foreign Wars stage annual installation of officers a

WATSONVILLE. — About 225 members and guests attended the joint installation of officers of the Rose-Robrecht-Weeks Post 1716, Veterans of Foreign Wars and Auxiliary, and the Watsonville Nisei VFW Memorial Post 9446 and Auxiliary, held in Veterans Memorial Hall on April 25.

Post officers were installed by Alva Fleming, State Commander of Sacramento, who was assisted by members of the San Jose Nisei VFW Memorial Post 9970 and Monterey Peninsula VFW Post 1629.

Nisei officers seated were: Tom Kawano, commander; Tomio Tsuda, sr. v.p.; Sam Sugidono, jr. v.p.; Bill Mine, quartermaster; James Yoshida, chaplain; Dr. K. Takeuchi, surgeon; Louis Hayashida, post advocate; James Yoshimaru, 1-year trustee; Tats Tomimaga, 2-year trustee; Shig Hirano, 3-year trustee.

Tak Higuchi, adjutant; Tats Tomimaga, officer of day; Jiro Sugidono, legislative officer; George Tanimasa, patriotic instructor; Kaz Jofuku, hist.; Dr. C. Fujimoto, ser. officer; Fred Kurosaki, asst. adj.; Shoichi Kobara, asst. quartermaster; Henry Hayashida and Yoshio Fujita, color guards; and George Ura and Tomio Tsuda, color bearers.

The Auxiliary officers were installed by Lola E. Connor, past state president of the Rose-Robrecht-Weeks Auxiliary, assisted by Elsie Mangan and Mae Higuchi as installing conductresses. An escort team of 12 members in out pastel formals came from Hollis-

ter and Gilroy. Nisei auxiliary officers installed were:

Mye Hayashida, pres.; Miyo Kawano, sr. v.p.; Fumi Sugidono, jr. v.p.; Jane Fujimoto, treas.; Lily Sakata, sec.; Kay Yoshida, chaplain; Mollie Shimura, conductress; Grace Fujita, guard; Helen Tomimaga, Betty Yagi, Frances Tsuda and Lorraine Soda, color bearers; Kay Hirano, hist.; Mae Higuchi, patriotic instructor; Yuki Hayashida, musician; Helen Kobara, flag-bearer; Grace Havashi, banner bearer; and Sayo Mine, trustee.

The past president's pin was presented to Mrs. Hayashida by Mrs. Kawano, and the past commander's pin was presented to Mr. Hayashida by Mr. Fleming.

Mrs. Higuchi and Mrs. Sells were general co-chairmen, assisted by Sayo Mine, Mrs. Snyder, Mrs. Hayashi, Mrs. Myers, Mrs. Sugidono, Mrs. Holbrook and Mrs. Hayashida.

Chicago CL sponsored scholarship now open

CHICAGO. — Applications for the first Chicago Junior JACL scholarship to be awarded to a deserving high school graduate residing in the Chicago area are being accepted at the Chicago JACL office, 1200 No. Clark St., Chicago 10. The selection of the school standing, leadership qualities and evidence of past performance.

Applications must be submitted by June 6 and forms may be obtained at the Chicago JACL office or through any of the executives of the Junior JACL.

The award will be made at the "New Horizon II" graduation dance to be held on June 21, sponsored by the Junior JACL. This is the first scholarship to be awarded by the junior group.

Three Japanese Americans Pass Pharmacy Exams

SAN FRANCISCO. — Three Japanese Americans were among applicants granted registration at a meeting of the Calif. State Board of Pharmacy here.

Haruo Ikebuchi of San Francisco, Emiko Amabe of Seattle, Wash. and Masami Kenneth Doi of Los Angeles were the three pharmacists who received their state license.

Lodi area parents show active interest in PTA work

LODI. — Adding to the long list of Nisei parents who are active in PTA activities are several who were elected to the Live Oak Parent Teachers Association for the 1958-59 term.

Installed as treasurer was Mrs. Monty Urakami, while Mrs. Otto Okasake was appointed membership committee chairman, Mrs. Pat Morihata and Mrs. Bill Breland co-chairman of the membership committee, and Mrs. Fred Kaida, magazine committee.

Canada Evacuation during war now under question

TORONTO, Ont. — The evacuation of Japanese from the British Columbia coast during the war is receiving attention with the current move toward including a Bill of Rights for Canadians within the constitutional jurisdiction of the Dominion Government.

Both the federal government and the provincial legislatures have been guilty of what are held to be flagrant invasions of individual freedom, it was stated.

The Toronto Star editorialized: "Recent history has shown that a Bill of Rights is needed to protect Canadians of all races, creeds and political persuasions against arbitrary actions by government. The wartime expulsion of Japanese Canadians from the west coast, persecution of religious minorities in Quebec and Alberta, suspension of the right of habeas corpus during the 1946 spy case—these are outstanding illustrations."

Harvey Hickey wrote in the Globe and Mail, "After Japan entered the Second World War in 1941, the federal government, yielding to agitation in British Columbia, moved all persons of Japanese birth or extraction from that province to the east. Their property in British Columbia was sold, often at ridiculous bargain prices. This was all done by order-in-council."

"There is a suppression of human rights in Toronto and what we like to smugly call British Canada..." stated Rev. W. P. Jenkins of the First Unitarian Church. "There is discrimination against Jews and Catholics in our community. . . One needs only to look at our treatment of the Japanese Canadians during the Second World War to recognize the need for a Bill of Rights."

Maryland Nisei Youth in L.A. for radio conference

Dan Komai of Silver Spring, Maryland has been in Los Angeles for the past week attending the annual National Radio and Television Broadcasters' Convention at the Statler. He is one of the delegates from Lohness and Culver, engineering consultants of Washington, D.C.

Komai plans to stay in Los Angeles for two weeks. His wife, Shiz, and their two children, Don and Laura accompanied the delegate.

VERY TRULY YOURS: Seeing spring across U.S.A.

CHICAGO. — A leisurely motor trip eastward from Los Angeles on Highway 66 this time of the year (when tourists are hibernating waiting for the end of May or June) has offered the tonic I have not had in five years — the elixir that makes you forget the cares of the day . . . By the time this reaches print, I shall have returned in a kind of a mood that is new for me: the sense of facing deadlines again after missing them for three weeks . . . To be brief about this, I have never seen the USA so green: from the deserts of Mojave and Arizona-New Mexico across the Texas-Oklahoma panhandle to the rolling prairies of Missouri - Illinois. There were two side-trips: one to the Cookson hills of Oklahoma to view the white dogwood blossoms and tiny red-buds in profuse array; another to the Lake of the Ozarks to see one of the many caves there. But Mother Nature, no matter where, wore its green in sultry shades and humble hues.

The highways and turnpikes, unlike the freeways of Southern California, were a treat with a minimum of traffic. Gasoline was surprisingly cheaper than L.A. in St. Louis. And people at the stops were all hospitable . . . Weather was fine across the Southwest desert, overcast through Oklahoma and Missouri, but raining miserably in Illinois (we beat out a tornado by several hours) . . . The first Sunday here was brisk and biting with a chilly 40 degrees. I'd take the 42 in Albuquerque over the 43 in Chicago anytime.

This is our first time at the Midwest JACL Office. Its gracious office secretary, Mrs. Ester Hagiwara, tells us a group uses the facilities practically each night of the week, which means the JACL dollar to maintain the office goes a long way . . . Midwest JACLers in recent years have realized the continuing need of this office, although at one point some thought it could be closed. If JACL is to retain its national tone, regional offices such as this one seem very vital.

— Harry K. Honda.

New York state regents awards won by four Nisei

NEW YORK. — Four students of Japanese ancestry were among the 1958 winners of State Regents scholarships, according to an announcement by the New York State Education Department recently.

There were two classifications, with 5,111 winners of the regular Regents college scholarships and 1000 winners of the Regents engineering and science scholarships. The regular scholarships pay \$250 to \$700 a year for four years and the engineering and science scholarship pays \$300 to \$850 a year for four years.

Byron M. and Bryan T. Sugahara, twin sons of Mr. and Mrs. Kay Sugahara, 157 Coligni Ave., New Rochelle, won scholarships in both categories. They will have to relinquish one of them.

Golden Gate VFW

SAN FRANCISCO. — Paul Kanazawa was elected commander of the Golden Gate Nisei Memorial Post 9879, VFW, succeeding Hank Shiono.

Sonoma to honor Issei during NC-WNDC meeting slated May 18 in Sebastopol

SEBASTOPOL. — The Sonoma County JACL Chapter will honor its local Issei and at the same time host the Northern California Western Nevada District Council Meeting on Sunday, May 18, it was announced by chapter president Frank Oda.

With the Issei survey nearly completed the tabulation to date revealed that the oldest living Issei in this area is 87 years of age. The first Issei to come to the United States and now living in this area arrived in 1898. There are 2 Issei who settled in Sonoma County in 1901. The oldest living couple are Mr. and Mrs. Suekichi Matsuda of Petaluma who celebrated their golden wedding anniversary several years ago. Tak Kameoka in charge of the survey further revealed that there are 8 Issei over 80 years of age; 21 over 70 years; 31 over 60 years of age and 14 in the 50 to 60 years age group.

To clarify any misunderstanding Oda has again urged all Issei to respond to the survey in order that no one will be overlooked. All Issei will be honored regardless of whether they are JACL members or not, it was stated.

Special recognition will be given by the chapter to certain Issei at the banquet it was revealed.

Akiji Yoshimura, N.C.-W.N. District Council chairman will deliver the main address at dinner in Japanese for the benefit of the Issei in attendance.

Following a short dinner program entertainment will be presented by the Chidori Band from San Jose under the direction of Ed Matsuura of that city.

Meanwhile, plans for the dinner are being pushed vigorously under the chairmanship of Florence Kawaka of the Women's Auxiliary. Assisting Mrs. Kawaka are Mesdames: Kaz Tsujihara of Petaluma; George Okamoto and George Tsurumoto of Sebastopol. Mrs. Sam Miyano, Auxiliary president, stated the committee is planning a dinner menu which will meet with the approval of everyone in attendance.

Harry Otani, Henry Shimizu and Jim Miyano will preside over the barbecue pits as chefs early Sunday.



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CEREBRAL PALSY NO RESPECTOR OF RACE, COLOR OR CREED

Cerebral palsy is a cruel and persistent crippler that can strike any family at any time, regardless of economic status, race or environment. According to the United Cerebral Palsy Assoc., every 53 minutes a child is born with cerebral palsy, caused by damage to brain cells which transmit "orders" to muscles.

Take the case of pretty little Clarice Hirata, daughter of Mr. birth, Clarice has spent her short life, 7 years so far, trying to learn what other children do automatically, such as walking, talking, playing. And luckily for Clarice and other children with similar handicaps, there are special

and Mrs. Richard Hirata, 11344 Missouri Ave., West Los Angeles. Afflicted with cerebral palsy since schools for them, provided by United Cerebral Palsy Assoc.

Every weekday Clarice attends UCP's Development Center at 3239 Venice Blvd., West Los Angeles where she receives special training for her particular handicaps, therapy to strengthen her muscles, and has the advantages of understanding, wise teachers to help her. They quickly recognized the natural "leadership" ability in

Clarice and encouraged this trait. Her outstanding personality, combined with a love of other children and a happy disposition make Clarice a particularly fine pupil.

To the Hirata family's credit, also, is the amount of time spent by Clarice's parents working in the Development Center's Parents Group, along with mothers and fathers of other handicapped children. Mrs. Hirata regularly volunteers her time in assisting the highly trained professional staff.

The Development Center on Venice Blvd. is one of four maintained throughout the county by United Cerebral Palsy Assoc. for children 3 to 16 years old who are ineligible for public school classes due to physical handicaps.

In addition, UCPA supports six pre-school nurseries, an industrial production training workshop, as well as counseling services, pre-vocational and occupational therapy, and research. All of these services are provided through funds raised this month during United Cerebral Palsy's Golden Deed Crusade.



Clarice Hirata, 7, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hirata, 11344 Missouri Avenue, West Los Angeles, is one of the children who receive special therapy and training at the United Cerebral Palsy Development Center, 3239 Venice Boulevard.—Antler Photo

UCLA student body post won by Bob Takeuchi

Bob Takeuchi has been selected to serve as upper division representative at UCLA and will represent all junior and senior men students on the student legislative council.

Takeuchi was student body president at Dorsey High School several years ago and is presently a member of Pi Lambda Phi fraternity. Last summer he was among a group of Westwood students who participated in the world famous "Project India" program.

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THE Northwest PICTURE

By Elmer Ogawa

HYDROPLANE FEVER HITS NORTHWEST

Some of us people up here in the Northwest are just not worth a doggone when the hydroplane season comes around. The addiction to the sport is like a hypodermic in the arm. Brother, you're hooked!

First impulse on this beautiful Sunday just past, was to take the train to the Lake Chelan Apple Cup event. It is a fine well organized excursion that allows one to leave Seattle in the morning and get back at night; chance for fun at bargain rates; no traffic worries or anything.

But no, better to stay close by the old attic workshop, and get the PCcolumn in a little early for a change.

It's so easy to lose sight of the very worthy objective, however, when a neighbor says to come on over, share a couple of brews and watch the races on TV. The dozen or so cameras put on the scene by two stations, some of them with powerful telephoto lenses, take us to any part of the course, into the midst of the flying roostertails, to the mechanics in the pits, and into the middle of a picnic party on the lake shore. The elimination heats, climaxed by the main event final, go on all afternoon for a period of six hours. The screening is almost continuous. The biggest pause in the broadcast is just before the final race, and no one can leave by that time.

So after the thrills, and the disappointments of seeing a favorite conk out, we were glad to see Norm Evans (who once stood before our camera as an amateur boxer) take the big prize with the Seattle-owned Miss Bardahl. After bidding a fond farewell to the gracious hosts, we were in no mood to resume the typewriter work, so settled down for the evening to read a whodunnit.

A GROWING SPORT

The sport of roostertailing the unlimited around a three mile course has undergone quite a few changes since the "upstart" the late Stan Sayres with his Slo-Mos cracked the field wide open in '49 or '50. The game is no longer controlled by the stuffy little Eastern clique which demanded some vague sort of boating pedigree from all concerned, including the drivers.

About half the boats in the Lake Chelan season opener were brand new, so great is the influx of newcomers to the sport. There is Miss Burien, from the little suburban community of Seattle; Miss Spokane, and Miss Pay 'n Save from the Seattle drug chain of that name; Coral Reef, Miss Bardahl, and the new Miss Thriftway of the stable of two boats from the supermarket chain. And let's not forget Sudden Sunnee, which believe it or not, is built, owned and driven by Bob Gilliam, a sergeant at Fort Lewis.

What we're getting at, is that anyone who can qualify in the time trials can get into big time hydroplane racing these days. So why not the J.A.C.L.?

WE'VE GOT NISEI PILOTS, TOO

Sure, we've got the drivers. Can think of two in this State, Sid Sato of Carnation, and Jim Yamauchi of Pasco. We hear tell of an experienced driver in Utah, and without a doubt there are some in California.

Jim Yamauchi, who has been driving his 166 cu. in. in-board "Chopsticks" for five years is in the same kind of events from which so many of these big league drivers just graduated. A lot of them even step down to the limited events on an idle weekend. Even Bill Muncey, the champion of them all gets out his 266 cu. in. "Thrifty Miss" just to race with the boys. Other unlimited drivers whose names are familiar in the local circles of the smaller craft are Chuck Hickling, Al Benson, and Norm Evans who won first place at Chelan's Apple Cup.

The Citizens' League could get a million dollars worth of publicity with a hydroplane, "Miss JACL." Or how's "Go for Broke" for a name? So people may say that your writer's "tetched" by this hydroplane fever.

As this is only in the pipe dream stage, can't be very definite or informative on the costs, but here's a couple of clues on the operation problems.

IT DOESN'T TAKE A HEAP OF DOUGH

When Stan Sayres brought the Gold Cup to Seattle, and was running his "Slo-Mo IV" and "Slo-Mo V" on the circuit, Seattle citizens gave a hand in trying to ease the financial burden. Volunteers were running around getting \$1 contributions to "Make the Slo-Mos Go." Think we remember correctly in saying that the late Mr. Sayres reported his bill to be \$50,000 to \$60,000 the season.

To get back to Norm Evans. When we made his picture about 4 years ago, as an amateur boxer (he participates in other sports too, and is a resort owner on Lake Chelan), he told us how he was one of the group of 15 guys who had put in \$1,000 apiece, formed "Roostertails, Inc." and had purchased the gold cup winner Slo-Mo V, and were going to run it henceforth as "Miss Seattle." Always a dangerous contender, Miss Seattle, had supercharger trouble and was eliminated on points, last week.

It may all be a zaney notion. Some may agree that it has possibilities; that JACLers and friends would get a great charge out of promoting the thing, and such a hydro would be a great symbol of the League's close bond of unity.

Detroit CL to honor Issei at program

DETROIT. — On Sat., May 17, the Detroit JACL Chapter will present its first "Kei-Ro-Kai." The special program honoring Issei over sixty-five years of age will be held at the American Legion Hall in downtown Detroit.

Consul General Akira Sono from the Japanese Consulate in Chicago will be present to greet the Issei guests of honor. He will be accompanied by his family.

The theme of the evening will be diner and entertainment in the traditional Japanese style. Chairman, Dick Kadoshima is planning a variety of Japanese dances, plays and songs. Of special interest will be a shibai (play) written and acted by Detroit JACLers.

Chapter Pres. Charles Yata expressed hope that the Kei-Ro-Kai will mark the beginning of a series of annual tributes to the Issei. It is estimated that there are over 75 Issei residing in the Detroit area who are over sixty-five years of age.

Assisting in the entertainment arrangements are: Harry Kadoguchi, Eddie Shiroma, and Mrs. Ichiko Horiuchi. Al Hatate is the General Arrangements Chairman and the Food Committee Chairman is Mrs. June Otsuji.

under fire by council

Shonien announces more

ARCADIA. — An old administration building used during the war as a detention barrack for persons of Japanese ancestry led to fireworks at a recent Board of Education meeting here.

Edward L. Butterworth, board president, opposed the spending of any money on the building, claiming it was a waste of taxpayers' money to paint a dilapidated building that was inadequate anyway.

Board member Earl Ricker favored the paint job to "make an eyesore appear better". Failure of a bond issue in Feb. defeated the possibility of constructing a new administration building for some time.

By the Board:

seems to be a return to the old-fashioned yet eternal virtues: Courtesy, kindness and faith; respect, love and concern for others; a sense of proportion; security attained through personal inner strength rather than through arms or possessions; in short, an emphasis on spiritual values rather than on material values.

These needs apply to adults as well as to teen-agers. Perhaps more so to the adults.

If all of the energy, money and brains spent on war and in preparation for war would be spent on the promotion of these eternal values, we would soon have a "paradise on earth."

"Impractical!" shout the scoffers and cynics. Yet is this not what the majority of all peoples want? Why cannot this obviously sensible solution come about? Because with the continuing

SANTA ANA CHAPTER ON MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

SANTA ANA. — Tad Munemitsu, membership drive chairman of the Orange Co. JACL, announced that a concerted 2-month drive has begun with a goal of 350 members. If this goal is reached, Orange Co. will smash all existing records and help to meet the National JACL quota.

The chairman announced that the following persons will assist him in the drive:

Tok Yamada, Janet Fukuda and Harry Matsukane for La Habra, Brea, Yorba Linda, Fullerton, Placentia and Attwood; George Ogata, Ken Doi, George Takanishi and Bill Asawa for Buena Park, Cypress, Stanton and West Anaheim and El Modena; Dr. Bill Yamamoto, Fred Mizusawa, Jack Matsuda, Sumi Nerio, George Ichien and Tad Munemitsu for Garden Grove, Westminster, Barber City; Frank Nagamatsu, George Kanno, Mits Masuda, Charles Ishii and Roy Kobayashi for Santa Ana, Huntington Beach, Fountain Valley and Wintersburg; Sam Tanaka and Ken Uyesugi for Costa Mesa, Laguna Beach, San Juan Capistrano and San Clemente.

Shonien announces more donations for child care

The Shonien Child Welfare Center announced that donations received by the agency totaled \$630.00 during the month of April including four special gifts.

Mrs. Chiyo Fujioka and family presented a gift of \$300.00 in memory of Shiro Fujioka. Mrs. Chie Fukui and family presented a gift of \$200.00 in memory of Hitoshi Fukui who was an agency board member for many years. Mrs. Yone Narumi and family presented a gift of \$50.00 in memory of Jutaro Narumi.

Mr. and Mrs. Katsuichi Kazahaya presented the agency with a gift of \$25.00 in commemoration of their Golden Wedding Anniversary.

Brown for Gov. group name Yonemura as member

BERKELEY. — A Brown for Governor campaign committee has been formed here and Mas Yonemura was on the partial list of members released this week by Lyle E. Cook, vice-chairman of the Alameda county campaign committee for the Democratic party candidate.

PUYALLUP CL HEAR CITY OFFICIAL AT MEETING

PUYALLUP. — The monthly meeting of the Puyallup Valley JACL was held on Thurs., May 1 at the Buddhist Church with George Smith, Administrative Asst. to the City Manager and Chairman of the Urban Renewal Program as speaker of the evening.

A dinner-dance to honor the graduates will be held on June 7 with the joint sponsorship of the JACL chapter, the Methodist Church, YBA and Nikejinkai. Plans are still in the formative stage and time and place will be announced later.

Pacific Northwest Meet

Hood River, Oregon was the locale of the meeting of the Pacific Northwest District Council on April 20. Delegates were Tom Takemura, Ernie Uno and Dr. John Kanda.

Although there will be no meetings of the Puyallup Valley JACL this summer, a picnic will be held on Aug. 20.

Evacuation Claim

The Tacoma Chapter evacuation claim payment came through with \$171.00. Former chapter members will decide what should be done with the claim payment.

Maui girl win grant to mainland university

HONOLULU. — Frances Hamasaki, a librarian at Maui High School has won the Friends of the Library of Hawaii's scholarship award for 1958. A graduate of the Univ. of Hawaii, she will do post-graduate work at Western Reserve Univ. in Ohio this fall.

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Los Angeles NEWSLETTER

By Henry Mori

JACL AIDS IN CURLING DELINQUENCY

The JACL was well represented last week during a meeting of Li'l Tokyo leaders with county officers on the pressing problem of juvenile delinquency among younger Nisei and Sansei in the community.

It was the first of several meetings planned to make the residents conscious of the increasing number of teenage troublemakers.

The adverse situation was well described by Orey Y. Shrogin, director of the County Probation Dept., metropolitan area, who said he has seen the pattern of delinquency grow since last year. "Individually, the Nisei and Sansei are still not out of hands as lawbreakers. But, collectively, they constitute a definite menace, especially when they group as gangs out for a fight," he said.

Among the JACLers were Dr. Roy M. Nishikawa, national president; Fred Takata, So. Calif. regional director; and Roy Yamadera, East Los Angeles JACL president.

Yamadera, who has been working closely with the Los Angeles JACL Coordinating Council in setting up youth activities, declared all the chapters are now aware of the need for healthy programs to keep the "boys off the streets," regardless of where they live.

Morris J. Schwartz and Mrs. Sarah Kaliner, field consultants for the County Community Service Dept., took a very sympathetic view, saying that since the record of Japanese American delinquency has been negligible to date, an effective adult leadership can stem whatever trouble we may be headed for.

However, irate parents have been clamoring for some definite action ever since their rude awakening last month when they read about the wanton and wasteful killing of a Sansei honor student, an innocent bystander at a dance, by another Sansei youth with a .45 calibre pistol.

One JACLer lamented that in many cases, parents of the teenage thugs do not know what is happening to their children. He said it may be a good idea for the group to set up a committee and take the matter up to the family involved, however embarrassing it may be to the concerned. Mrs. Kaliner did not blame all the trouble on the boys. She declared that in her consultation she has come across incidents in which outbreaks were caused by social mixups.

We hope something will come out of these meetings. Otherwise, Shrogin's prediction isn't going to be too comforting to all of us with growing children. That's what Mike Suzuki, of Hollywood JACL chapter, said in closing comment.

HARRY K. SHIGETA DECIDES TO RETIRE

A nationally known Issei photographer who decided early in life to take advantage of great opportunities in America and especially back east has returned to the west coast to retire.

Harry K. Shigeta, 70-year old naturalized citizen from Nagano prefecture, is one of the country's top photographers. In his 35 years of hard work he has built an enviable reputation as lecturer, too. He is fluent in both Japanese and English. Shigeta, with photographic honors from this country and from Japan too numerous to mention, wants to get a nice beachside home and live quietly the rest of his days with his wife, Nobuko. That is, if people ever leave him alone.

Shigeta is a man of great foresight. He came to this country in the early 1900s and took up studies in painting. He was enrolled at a St. Paul art school but later shifted his interest to photography. For sometime he operated a small studio in Li'l Tokyo and did some assignments in Hollywood.

But realizing that discrimination against persons of Japanese ancestry would hamper his progress he and his wife decided to go to New York. The couple never made it to New York; Shigeta found employment as a retouch man in Chicago. There he stayed. Today, he is head of Shigeta-Wright Studios which does tremendous business in commercial photography.



15th Biennial Underlines

BY RUPERT HACHIYA

Chairman, National JACL Convention Board

Salt Lake City

Dinner site dilemma solved . . .

Deciding the locale to hold the Recognition Dinner and Sayonara Ball had presented a real problem. Using Hotel Utah's Lafayette Ballroom and Jr. Ballroom combination meant that our dinner attendants would be separated in two rooms. The same situation held true at the next best hotel. Taking the dinner-dance to University of Utah's new Union Building would have been ideal, but too much time consuming with the distance to cover. Hotel Utah's new Motel Auditorium was the answer, but the food had to be catered from the hotel a block away, which threatened to rocket the dinner price excessively for the package deal. So we went to bat and finally managed to wrangle the negotiation to the point of satisfaction, and can now safely report the Recognition dinner and Sayonara Ball will be held at the new Motel Utah auditorium . . . this is just a sample of the kind of dilemma we face.

Chicago Community Center in fund drive

CHICAGO. — The Kenwood-Ellis Community Center, 4608 Greenwood Ave., is in the midst of its spring finance drive. Goal of the drive is \$10,000.

Funds to be raised will support the nursery school, group work and recreation and other services of the neighborhood center.

Mrs. Elena Gould Schoor and the Rev. George Nishimoto are heading the drive as co-chairmen. The center, established in 1949, is a participating agency of the Community Fund.

Tojo ashes stolen from crematory

TOKYO. — The ashes of Japan's top seven war criminals have been secretly obtained and will be enshrined in a monument late this year, it was learned last week.

The ashes were taken secretly in December 1948 from a crematorium which defended the wartime leaders in the Tokyo War Crimes Tribunal. Itsuro Hayashi, one of the lawyers, stated. Hayashi said the lawyers are planning to build a monument to the executed war criminals late this year on Chita peninsula in Aichi prefecture.

He stated that the lawyers decided to announce their well-kept secret because all living Japanese A-Class criminals sentenced to prison terms have been freed.

He added that the ashes were imp-olyee at the crematory inform them of their hiding place, which was kept secret by occupation authorities for fear that if the place was made known it would become national shrines. The ashes were then secretly placed in a Buddhist hall at Atami, south of Tokyo, which was built by one of the executed criminals.

The seven A-Class war criminals were executed in Tokyo's Sugamo Prison in December, 1948. They were former generals of the Army. Hideki Tojo, Seiichiro Itagaki, Kenji Doihara, Heitaro Kimura, Ikira Muto, Iwane Mutsu, and former Prime Minister Koki Hirota.

Winner announced

CHICAGO. — Winners in the state's first scholarship program were announced last week and the Chicago-area list included the names of six Nisei and Sansei students.

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May Ishii, Nancy Takamatsu and Grace Sakurai who will be hostesses for the East Los Angeles JACL sponsored Emerald Ball on May 17 are shown here with Sister Mary Esther and two Korean war orphans being cared for at the Maryknoll Sanatorium. Proceeds from the Ball will go to the Sanatorium.

Atty. Chuman urge School bond support

Frank F. Chuman, Nisei attorney and civic leader, recently urged all-out support of Propositions D, E, and F.

"Funds made available by the School Bond issue will be used for the construction of critically-needed schools and classrooms," Chuman said. "Without adequate classroom facilities for our youth, every parent and taxpayer would suffer. For school construction contributes to the economic well-being of the entire community through creation of jobs and stimulation of business and industrial activity."

"Equally important is the fact that good education is linked with the protection of basic freedoms and equality of opportunity. Good schools are the best investment a community can make in its future."

"Propositions D, E, and F would provide for the construction of 2,534 classrooms in Los Angeles. In the past ten years, the school enrollment of Los Angeles has almost doubled, resulting in an acute shortage of classrooms and basic educational facilities."

"Passage of the three School Bond measures is vital to the continued growth and prosperity of this community. I strongly urge their support," Chuman declared.



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Washington NEWSLETTER

BY MIKE MASAOKA

NEXT THURSDAY, MAY 22, will witness some 40 million Japanese going to the polls in an election that is expected to retain the pro-United States Liberal-Democrats of Prime Minister Kishi in power.

The big question is not so much which party is going to win but the margin by which the present Government party will remain in control of the dominant House of Representatives.

When the Diet (Parliament) dissolved late last month, the Liberal-Democrats controlled 291 seats to the Socialists 158, in the 467 member House of Representatives. The Communists controlled two seats.

This will really be the first national election in which the two party system in postwar Japan will prevail, for the left and right wings of the Socialist Party merged in October 1955, with the Liberals and the Democrats merging fifteen days later.

In the last general elections of February 1955, the former Conservative-Democratic Party headed by former Premier Hatoyama emerged victorious. Since that time, Prime Minister Ishibashi gained control of the party in power and, in turn, relinquished control, because of illness, to the present Prime Minister Kishi. Thus, this will really be a test of the popularity of the Kishi Government.

ACCORDING TO ALL REPORTS, foreign policy will be the major issue in the campaign. As a matter of fact, Kishi opened his campaign with the blunt charge that the opposition Socialists were extremely revolutionary in their policies and "communist-tainted".

At issue is the question of cooperation with the United States. The Socialists claim that the Liberal-Democrats would make Japan a virtual colony of this country, that trade and other policies and practices have made Japan too dependent on the United States for survival in a dangerous world politically and economically. The Liberal-Democrats answer that Japan's basic foreign policy, which will result in the stabilization of Asia, must be cooperation with the United States and the free world.

The Socialists are demanding the recognition of Red China and the conclusion of a peace treaty with the Soviet Union. The Liberal-Democrats reply that while expanded trade with the communist mainland is desirable, recognition is impossible under present circumstances, and that a peace treaty is out of the question as long as Russia refuses to return seized territories and prisoners dating back to World War II.

The two parties are agreed, however, on two principal objectives—the return of administrative responsibility over Okinawa and the Bonins to Japan and the end of nuclear testing.

On the two major domestic issues, there is a great gap. The Socialists want more liberal laws and the Liberal-Democrats stricter control over labor unions. The Liberal-Democrats propose revision of the Constitution to legalize rearmament and the restoration of some of the Emperor's prewar status, while the Socialists oppose both revisions on the grounds that it would restore prewar militarism and nationalism.

AMERICANS GENERALLY, and Japanese Americans—particularly, will have much at stake in the forthcoming Japanese elections, whether they know it or not. As the President and his Administration leaders have stressed recently, a Japan willing and able to cooperate with the United States and the free world is essential to the peace and security of the Pacific. Continued acceptance of Japanese Americans as welcome associates in the democratic dream is dependent to a large degree on Japan's continued friendly relations with the United States.

The current trend in this country toward nationalism and economic isolationism which has caused the President to more strongly than ever before urge enactment by the Congress of his mutual aid and reciprocal trade agreements programs, will have repercussions in the Japanese elections.

The demand of the protectionists for restrictions against Japanese imports on which much of the Japanese economy depends for dollar earnings, will play into the hands of the Socialists for expanded trade with Red China among the middle and smaller businessmen.

Any loss in the margin of control by the pro-America Government Party to either or both the Socialists and the Communists will be considered as a partial repudiation of the Kishi leadership that has insisted upon close cooperation with this country and to the degree of that loss may cause the new Kishi Government to steer a more independent course.

Because the Liberal-Democrats had almost a two-thirds majority in the last Diet and because they have the better organization and more finances, they are not expected to lose enough seats to have their control threatened by the Socialists. But any substantial loss will encourage the Socialists to adopt obstructionist tactics in the next Diet and to anticipate actual control in the near future as the people reveal increasing opposition to a pro-United States policy.

AN UNKNOWN BUT VITAL FACTOR in the forthcoming elections will be the influence of those Japanese nationals who have recently emigrated to this country and who have written home to their families and friends about the United States, as well as letters from Issei and Nisei who have recently visited Japan and have re-established or established contacts there.

The more than 40,000 Japanese aliens, mostly wives of citizens and family relatives of citizens, admitted for permanent residence since the passage of the Walter-McCarran Act in 1952, will be the most important single bloc. But also persuasive should be letters from "refugees", from temporary farm workers, and from students, temporary visitors, and businessmen now in this country.

Thus, for the first time in Japanese-United States history, letters from America may have a profound effect on a Japanese election since most of those who might write letters to Japan are from the poorer agricultural and heavier industrial areas where the Socialists and the Communists enjoy greatest popularity.

Seki-Tashima duo grabs 8th in nat'l keg meet

Marion Ladewig and Laverne Carter, two feminine bowling stars from the Midwest won the national women's doubles championship which was contested over the South Bay Center lanes in Redondo Beach over the past weekend.

The Nisei pair of Judy Seki and Chiyo Tashima, without question the two finest from the Nisei ranks, finished in eighth place with a total pin count of 6043

for the 32-game match.

The eighth place finish was worth \$225 to the Seki-Tashima combination.

Winners Ladewig and Carter shattered 6380 pins for the winning total.

Top prize in the tourney was \$750.

Many other Nisei combinations rolled in the tourney but failed to finish in the money which was figured down to 25th place.

PACIFIC CITIZEN Sports

Nisei Bandmen Invited to Brussels Fair with group

BERKELEY. — The U.S. State Dept. has invited the Univ. of Calif. marching band from Berkeley to represent the United States at the Brussels World's Fair this June, it was announced.

Included among the bandmen are three Nisei students: Kaz Mikami, Ronald Nikaido and Phil Ishizu.

The state department invitation does not include any financial aid so the band members have been busy with fund-raising activities since the bid was received six weeks ago. An appeal for financial assistance was made by the three Nisei bandmen last week, especially from Issei and Nisei alumni of U.C. Donations may be sent to the Cal Band at the U.C. campus.

The band will act as goodwill ambassadors and will further the cause of cultural exchange.

Japanese Thoroughbred to race at Hollywood Park

It was announced from Hollywood Park that the top Japanese thoroughbred, Hakuchikara, will be shipped to America and entered in at least three races at the Inglewood track.

John Maluvius, racing secretary, said he received a cable from owner Hiroshi Nishi of Tokyo, together with the nomination fee for the \$162,100 Hollywood Gold Cup on Sat., July 12.

It is expected that Nishi will nominate Hakuchikara for the \$50,000-added American handicap on July 4 and the \$100,000-added Sunset handicap on July 22.

Nisei Cadet Major leads S.F. High drill team

SAN FRANCISCO. — A drill team from Lowell high school ROTC unit, headed by Cadet Major Sanford T. Saiki, won the 91st Infantry Division's annual award at a ceremony at the Civic auditorium recently.

The award was given as the highlight of the 12th annual spring drill competition of the 91st Division of the army.

The award was presented by Brig. Gen. Stuart D. Menist, commanding officer of the 91st Division league and accepted by Cadet Major Saiki.

MONTEREY. — Master Sgt. Bucky Iavallo of Ford Ord Station Hospital was announced as scoutmaster of Monterey Peninsula JACL-sponsored Boy Scout Troop 47, succeeding Mike Sanda.

SAN JOSE HIGH YOUTH WIN SPORTS WRITING

SAN JOSE. — Don Kawashima of San Jose high school was one of nine students winning awards last week at the annual Junior Journalism luncheon sponsored by the San Francisco Press and Union League club.

He was given a third place \$25 award in the sports writing division.

Ace Mori featured in national bowling magazine

POCATELLO. — Ace Mori of Pocatello, winner of the men's single title in the 12th Annual JACL National Championship held in Seattle last March is featured in an article in "Bowling" magazine.

Mori is considered the hottest bowler in town and he is eyeing the first 200 season's average. He is a director of the Pocatello Bowling Association and active in community affairs.

Japanese tennis players vie for Seattle prep title

SEATTLE. — Tennis players of Japanese ancestry will be playing on Seattle high school teams again this year.

One of three returning three-year lettermen on the Cleveland team is Jerry Akita.

At Garfield, Jim Suguro is returning for more action and for West Seattle, there is Dick Hirota, also a returning letter winner.

Central Cal sports fan wins big league ducats in contest

SANGER. — Eddie Nishimura is two major league baseball tickets richer, thanks to a win in the Rough Rider contest conducted locally through Max's Men's Store. Nishimura of 1816 N. Newmark, received free transportation and expense money in addition to the ducats.

Brighton girl attends girls state conference in Denver

BRIGHTON, Colo. — Ruby Sasa was recently chosen to attend the Girls State. The other two chosen are Sylvia Baslee and Connie Fisher. All three girls, juniors at Brighton high school, were chosen on the basis of leadership, character, scholarship and cooperativeness.

Girls State will be held on the campus of Colorado Woman's College in Denver from June 11 to 17. The girls are being sponsored by the American Legion auxiliary, with assistance from the Brighton Lions Club, Brighton Woman's Club and the Business and Professional Women's Club.

Athletes reminded of Nisei Olympics set for May 25

SAN FRANCISCO. — The San Francisco JACL Track Meet Committee, has announced that the Sixth Annual San Francisco JACL Nisei Olympics will be held at Kezar Stadium on May 25.

All contestants must sign the official entry blanks, John K. Yasumoto, Chairman of the Track Meet Committee, announced, and minors must have the consent of the guardian or parent. Each entry should be accompanied with an entry fee of \$1.50.

Class B and C weigh in will be from 9 to 10 a.m. at the Kezar Stadium in Golden Gate Park and heats will be run immediately after the weigh in.

It was announced that the discuss event will be held outside the stadium, at the west side, from 11 to 12 noon.

Yasumoto requested that event records of the individuals entering the Olympics be sent to him so that the records may be considered in arranging the heats. They may be sent to Yasumoto at 1759 Sutter St., San Francisco 15.

Due to late requests from many chapters for entry blanks, the deadline for entries has been extended to May 19, it was announced by John Yasumoto, Olympic committee chairman.

"We welcome all these last minute rushes and I'm confident that we'll have everything ready by the time the Olympics come around," Yasumoto stated.

Angelus Tennis Club sends out call for net entires

A call for entries was made by the Angelus Tennis Club for their ninth annual Open Southern California Japanese Tennis tournament which will begin on Sunday, June 8.

The matches will be played at the Solano Canyon or Elysian Park courts.

Registration may be called in or written to Margaret Keimi at 133 S. Vermont Ave., Dunkirk 4-8624.

Deadline for entries is Sunday, May 25.

Events will be Men's Aye and Bee singles, Men's Aye and Bee doubles, Women's Bee singles, Women's doubles, Aye and Bee mixed doubles.

Entry fees are \$2 for singles, \$4 for men's and women's doubles, and \$4 for mixed doubles.

FASHION SHOW PART OF BOWLING TOURNAMENT

SAN FRANCISCO. — A fashion show of Western-style clothes designed by Tokyo designers were presented at a luncheon last Monday of the annual Woman's International Bowling Congress convention held at the Veterans Memorial building.

A committee of Nisei headed by Mrs. Grace Yonezu, second vice-president of the San Francisco Women's Bowling Assn., made arrangements for this luncheon program.

In conjunction with the annual WIBC tournament held last week, a two-day convention of women bowlers was held on Monday and Tuesday.

Serving on the committee for the luncheon program with Mrs. Yonezu were: Mrs. Chris Nagata, Mrs. Chiz Satow, Mrs. Amey Aizawa and Norma Sugiyama.

Nisei girl runnerup in Chicago Daily News contest

CHICAGO. — Runner up in the Daily News Spelling Bee for the Chicago Public Schools championship was a 13-year-old Nisei, Janet Turuda, of the Trumbull School. Janet misspelled the word "gratuitously" in the 22nd round of the word-battle which was telecast by WTTW, in Chicago.

Janet, who placed second, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Turuda, 1459 Winona. She received a Zenith Royal "300" all-transistor pocket portable radio and a two-volume set of the Britannica World Language dictionary.