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BY THE BOARD:

1000 Club 'whing-ding' in capable hands

Inexorably, time marches on! There now remains only nine more weeks until Convention! Recent progress reports of the Convention Board indicate there is another great Convention in store for all those who attend.

We received good news this past week with the report the genial gentleman of Salt Lake, Mas Horiuchi, has accepted the chairmanship of the Convention 1000 Club "Whing-Ding." With his past background and experience as the Deacon's assistant while National Headquarters was located in Salt Lake City, we can rest assured that he will set up the facilities for the "Whing-ding" in the best traditions of our past conventions. And with the pro "Tokuzo" lining up the skits and other entertainment, we can assure all those attending a hilarious, rib-fracturing time.

As our initial report on our recently announced drive to get our delinquent Thousanders back into the fold, we must doff our topper to George Mita, prexy, and Paul Saito, 1000 Club Chairman, of the Snake River Chapter as the first to come through. Through their joint efforts, they have already re-listed the support of four Thousanders whose memberships had expired, and I am sure that we can anticipate more to follow. Four renewals against the total picture would appear insignificant, but at least it is a start on a problem which has plagued us for some time. Most all of our Chapters have from one to several Thousanders who have failed to renew. If they were induced to re-enlist their support, all added together would provide a very sizeable increase in our active listing. In fact, we could surpass our established goal of 2,000 members in good standing.

The first two weeks of June brought in a total of 73 new and renewal memberships with West Los Angeles leading in this department with four new memberships and 17 renewals. Our thanks to Dr. Milton Inouye, chapter prexy, and Elmer Uchida, 1000 Club chairman, for their excellent support. The Chapter now has a total of 28 Thousanders. This fine performance reflects the amount of time and effort these two fellows are giving to the cause.

Just a reminder again of the honor roll listing in the Convention Program Booklet of all Thousanders in good standing. The cut-off date is July 31. All those whose memberships have expired or will expire between now and July 31 must get their renewals into National Headquarters prior to that date if they wish to be included in the listing.

We trust that the commendable performance of the Snake River and West Los Angeles chapters presages the measure of support we will receive from the rest of our chapters in the immediate weeks ahead. Next month we hope to be able to report we are well on our way.

—Kenji Tashiro,
1000 Club Chairman

SOCIAL CALENDAR OF JACL CONFAB LISTS 17 EVENTS

SALT LAKE CITY. — Two months hence, some 500 boosters and delegates will converge here to convene & frolic at the 15th Biennial national convention of the Japanese American Citizens League from Aug. 22 to 25.

Seventeen events are scheduled for the lighter side of the convention in addition to three full days of deliberation by JACL's national council that will attempt to formulate policies in line with the convention theme: "The Past is Prologue."

Margaret Itami, pretty Ontario, Ore., student representing Snake River Valley JACL, will reign as Miss National JACL, attended by Penny Mafune of Boise Valle JACL and Ruth Okawa of Salt Lake City JACL. They will be the official convention hostesses.

\$20 Package Deal

Meantime, pre-registrations at \$20 per person covering seven events at which admission will be required are being accepted by Mrs. Maurea Terashima, registration chairman, 38 S. 4th East, Salt Lake City 11, Utah. Delegates and

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Puzzle winner of \$5,000 'not happy'

NEW YORK. — Henry Kohara, who has frequently been winning \$50-\$100 prizes in newspaper contests, won \$5,000 this past week in the Herald-Tribune Galaxy Game contest and isn't sure whether to be happy or sad.

While it was his first prize in the four-figure class, the Portland-born Nisei missed the \$75,000 first prize by one point, 1125-1124. If he had won this, he'd be happy indeed. But by winning \$5,000, Henry who spends all his spare time on newspaper games explains that one of the requirements in many of these contests is that anyone who has won \$1,000 or more in any of these is ineligible to try again for five years.

"This means I'll have to retire for awhile," he said of a prospect which he doesn't relish for he'd rather tackle the puzzles than eat.

Kohara, who is a dental technician, has become so well known and so adept that it wouldn't be surprising if one of these days he becomes a creator instead of a solver of one of these games.

O.C. JAY MEMBERS WIN ANAHEIM STUDENT POSTS

ANAHEIM. — Three active Orange County JAYs walked off with highest honors in the recent Anaheim Union High School elections. Heading the list is Joe Nakamura, first Nisei to be elected student body president. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Seichi Nakamura, 8622 Orange Ave.

Margaret Kishiyama, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Yokie Kishiyama, 9822 Western Ave., won over her opponents to win girls league presidency. Varsity footballer Jim Shinta, son of Mr. and Mrs. Minoru Shinta, 7621 Orange Ave., was elected boys league president.

BOY OF MONTH HONORS WON BY SEATTLE SANSEI

SEATTLE. — Akihiko Mihara, Garfield High senior, was honored by the Capitol Hill Lions club as the boy of the month for May. The 17-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Minoru Mihara, 3057-19th Ave. South, is planning to major in architecture at the Univ. of Washington.

U.S.-JAPAN QUESTION JACL likely to assert stand on issues, straw vote find

CHICAGO. — If the recent experiences of the Chicago JACL and the overtime discussion at the Midwest District Council convention on JACL policy on U. S.-Japan relations can be typical, JACLers are inclined to depart from their conservative "hands-off" attitude and take a stand in favor of JACL's taking positions on important questions in inter-national relations.

This was the conviction this week of attorney Harold "Tokuzo" Gordon, national chairman of the JACL legal-legislative committee, who is preparing a comprehensive memorandum on the subject which is to be distributed to all JACL chapters by the second week of July.

The Midwest District Council, at its annual meeting in Cleveland, did not take any action on the question but merely gathered information for the purpose of passing it on to the chapters (rectifying what the Pacific Citizen learned last week).

Chapters to Review

Gordon revealed that National Headquarters will be requested to

reproduce the comprehensive report for an all-chapter distribution. Chapters will be asked to discuss the question of whether JACL policy should be retained or expanded on U.S.-Japan relations with a view towards instructing their delegates to the national convention meeting in Salt Lake City, Aug. 22-25.

Those chapters which have already taken a stand are to be asked to reconsider the question in the light of the memorandum and the tape recording of the MDC convention discussion, which is being made available to all chapters.

The complete tape recording of the MDC discussion is available through the Midwest JACL Office, 1200 N. Clark St., Chicago, at \$3.50, which is the cost of the tape.

Attitude Changes

Gordon reported that the delegates at the Cleveland MDC meeting at the outset of the discussion were apparently in favor of retaining the traditional "hands off" policy.

However, after a full and thorough discussion in which Mike Masaoka, Abe Hagiwara, Shig Wakamatsu, Mas Satow, Dr. Roy Nishikawa and Harold Gordon participated among others, and after the panel discussed specifically the types of questions JACL might be called upon to take stands on and the importance of keeping Japan free and in the Western orbit, an informal poll was taken.

Though unwilling to commit their chapters until the question was discussed among the membership, the delegates unanimously indicated that as individuals they felt JACL should begin to take stands on important questions in international relations.

Chicago Meetings

The Chicago JACL held three meetings on the subject-two well-attended committee meetings and a general chapter meeting. At the first committee meeting, the general attitude was "hands off", Gordon said. At the second meeting, the question was reviewed more thoroughly by pin-pointing specific areas in which JACL might be asked to regard the consensus then veered in favor of participation of international relations.

At the general meeting, the question was again thoroughly discussed by a panel composed of Abe Hagiwara, Noboru Honda, Shig Wakamatsu, Tom Oye and Harold Gordon. There were numerous questions from the floor. At the conclusion, an informal vote was taken with a 10-5 vote in favor of JACL's taking positions on major questions in the field of U.S.-Japan relations.

A number who did not participate in the voting indicated that they abstained because they felt JACL should not confine itself to "U.S.-Japan relations" but should take positions generally in "international relations". A second vote was then taken, resulting in a 17-4 vote in favor.

Perry Post leaders

Seiji Imamura of Gardena was installed this week as commander of Commodore Perry Post 525, American Legion, succeeding Frank Omatsu. Mrs. Yoshie Kasuyama was initiated as auxiliary president, succeeding Mrs. Ruth Fukui.



Darryl Sakada (second from right), 16-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Y. Sakada of Dayton, accepts Midwest District Council oratorical trophy from Dr. Roy Nishikawa, national JACL president, of Los Angeles (right). Congratulating the MDC representative in the National JACL Convention oratorical contest, Aug. 22 at Salt Lake City, are Mas Yamasaki, MDC contest chairman, and Mrs. Matilde Taguchi, Dayton chapter president. — Bob Fujita Photo.

Dayton Sansei to represent Midwest at national JACL convention oratoricals

CLEVELAND. —Representing the Midwest District Council in the national JACL oratorical contest to be held in conjunction with the 15th Biennial Convention at Salt Lake City, Aug. 22-25, will be Darryl M. Sakada of Dayton.

He competed in the district eliminations held here May 30 during the Midwest District's pre-convention rally hosted by the Cleveland chapter.

After the judges heard the prize-winning speech, they asked for a change in the rally banquet agenda to have the Sacramento-born Sansei repeat his stirring speech on "What JACL Means to Japanese American Youth" before all delegates. The applause accorded him indicated that the MDC felt he would be a worthy candidate in the national convention finals.

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sakada, he was born three days after Pearl Harbor, stayed at Tule Lake until 1946 when the family

Snake River JACL names Boys State delegate

ONTARIO, Ore. — Participating annually in the Oregon Boys State program by sponsoring an 11th grader to learn the processes of government through practical experience in a week-long session, the Snake River Valley JACL has named Ed Takahashi as its 1953 delegate.

In addition to high academic standing, Takahashi is vice-president of the 1953 senior class at Ontario High School. Boys State is being conducted this week at Corvallis.

moved to Dayton. His father, a 1000 Clubber and partner of Dorothy Lane Market, largest independent supermarket in Dayton, is the brother of the late Dr. Randy Sakada, 1950-52 national president. His mother is the former Kimiye Yamasaki of Florin.

Darryl, senior class president at Fairmount High School, is active in school sports, forensics and a junior leader in the YMCA. He lettered in cross-country.

The MDC oratorical trophy was donated by Frank Sakada in memory of his brother Randy, to be retired by the chapter winning it three times in a row.

Oxnard ordinance outlaws lethal castor bean plant

OXNARD. — Because 21-month-old Susan Okada ate some castor beans last November and died, the decorative castor bean plants found growing around homes here have been outlawed by a city ordinance going into effect in July.

Emergency treatment saved two other children who ate the beans last week.

Capistrano Nisei earns Nat'l Guard commission

SAN DIEGO. — Shigeru Kinoshita of San Juan Capistrano was among 11 officer candidates from San Diego and Imperial counties to be commissioned as second lieutenants in the California National Guard last week. Maj. Gen. Earle M. Jones, state adjutant general, named the Nisei as the honor graduate of the class.

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From the Frying Pan

By Bill Hosokawa

ENVOY EXTRAORDINARY — Robert W. (Red) Fenwick, The Denver Post's minister plenipotentiary in charge of greeting visitors from Japan, dropped into the office the other day. He had been summoned to exchange pleasantries with Miss Fumiko Matsuda, whose business card identified her as editor of the Sunday Mainichi in Tokyo, and her U.S. state department escort, a competent young lady named Etsuko Onizuka from Stockton, California-aye.

As Fenwick entered the room, both ladies jumped up out of their chairs for the introductions. Fenwick, a gallant gentleman when it comes to the fair sex, was taken aback. In circles to which he is accustomed, it is the man who springs to attention when ladies enter the room, not vice versa. He quickly invited them to be seated. This they did with no little misgivings because, in spite of his cow country upbringing and habits, Fenwick has a certain distinguished appearance.

Then, with the ice properly broken, they had a nice little chat with Miss Onizuka fielding questions and answers from both sides in fine bilingual fashion. Both ladies, it was obvious, were quite pleased with the opportunity of meeting a real, live Western cowboy type. As for Fenwick, he no doubt was recalling a memorable day some three years ago when he was chosen to escort a pair of visiting Japan Air Lines hostesses around town. He never quite got over that experience.

ANALYSIS — Some time after the Misses Matsuda and Onizuka had gone on their way, Fenwick returned to the office with a serious look on his face. "I've been trying to figure out why Japanese people and I hit it off so well," he said. "I think I got it.

"They have the same kind of dignity and respect for others that ranch folks have. Of course our customs are different. Wyoming women don't stand up when men enter. Just the same, ranch women respect menfolk for what they are and what they do, and they show that respect in little ways. And men respect their women. I grew up on that sort of relationship.

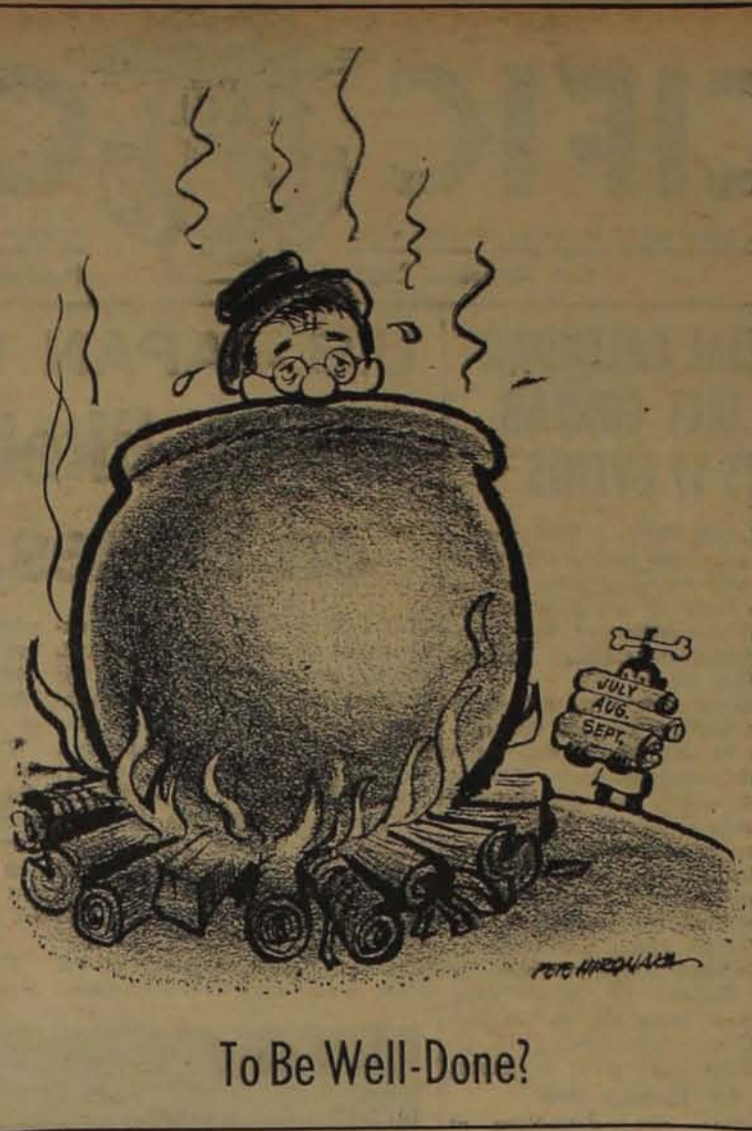
"Sure would like to go to Japan some day."

WHERE? — Speaking of the Denver Post and Japanese, we have an editorial writer who is very proud of two or three phrases he knows in the Japanese language. He makes it a point each morning of passing by the desk of a rewrite man who also knows a few phrases (like "Moshi-moshi, ano-ne, ah so-deska"), and saying "Ohio."

The rewrite man, feeling understandably superior because of his greater knowledge, tries to deflate the editorial writer by answering: "What city?"

KONBANWA — And on the same subject, the chief of the Associated Press bureau in Denver is one Richard K. O'Malley, erstwhile Pacific war correspondent and veteran of tours of reporting duty in Tokyo and Korea. O'Malley, who has a Nisei secretary by choice, was invited to speak to the English-speaking congregation at the Tri-State Buddhist Church.

He began his talk with "Mina-san, konban-wa (good evening, evryone,)" and went on to explain in Japanese that since his English was so poor, he'd like to speak in Japanese if no one minded. As it turned out, O'Malley's accent had a decided Moscow touch (he served in Russia and Frankfurt, too), and there were some broad smiles and snickers in the audience. At that point, he switched to English and provided a most illuminating lecture.



To Be Well-Done?



15th Biennial Underlines

BY RUPERT HACHIYA
Chairman, National JACL Convention Board

Salt Lake City With Mas Satow from National Headquarters in attendance, the members of the IDC and their friends were treated to some outstanding oratory June 8 at the Union Bldg. on the Univ. of Utah campus, where the district finals were held under the capable direction of Bob Mukai.

Dennis Okamoto of Ontario, Ore., gave a powerful and inspiring oration to win top honors. Claire Yamauchi of Pocatello, Idaho, Emiko Tokunaga of Salt Lake City and Jeanette Sato of Idaho Falls were also outstanding. Our congratulations and thanks to these fine young speakers—whom we hope will be our future JACL leaders.

If the district eliminations can produce such fine talent, the National Contest ought to be an outstanding event for the entire convention. According to our National Director, the Midwest contestant Darryl Sakada of Dayton, Ohio, is terrific.

A Dip in Great Salt Lake: Being Convention Chairman has some compensations! We drove the queens, Miss National JACL and Miss Salt Lake City to the Great Salt Lake for pictures and the publicity director ordered the composition be made more interesting by sandwiching the chairman between two beauties. When you see the photo, please be assured we were really floating in the water that keeps you bobbing like a cork. Margaret was in bright red and Ruth wore a stunning black Jantzen suit that really made a fetching picture. As I say, there are some very bright spots in this convention preparations.

Sue Kaneko, Convention Banquet Chairman, and committee member Elsie Koda also made the trip to the lake. They went out to dip the letters "JACL" made of special sheet metal into the briny waters. After being immersed for two weeks, salt crystallizes on the forms, making an unusual and glittering array of white salt crystals. This type of decoration motif can be done nowhere else in the world as there are but two dead

seas and no one has tried it with the other, as far as we know. These girls braved the sharp rocks of the beach in bare feet to "show you how it is done" — and so did the photographer, Bill Inouye. We certainly appreciate their cooperation and enthusiasm.

Trout Fishing Assured: Dropped in last Saturday at the Pagoda, operated by our good member Fudge Iwasaki, where Dr. M. Yoshitaka, President of Nippon Wildlife Association and his officers from Ogden were entertaining some of the State Fish and Game big-wigs. We were introduced to Harold Crane, the new Fish and Game Commissioner, and his wife. Herbert Smart, who is now one of the State Finance Commissioner, formerly secretary of the Utah State Wildlife Federation, was there with his wife and son. Don Andriano, a new supervisor for the state fish hatcheries promised us full cooperation for a good stock of trout the day of our fishing contest. Casey Bown, publicity director for the fish and game department was also present with his wife. Queen Margaret made a hit with all these people—which accounts for such a successful dinner.

As for the gourmets who want to experience a new thrill in eating, charcoal broilers will be available for cooking the Rainbows golden brown as you catch them.

Convention Staff: During Mas Satow's recent visit, we further discussed the Youth Program. He suggested a gathering, or a dinner for the youngsters on Saturday, Aug. 23, which would give them a chance to informally get acquainted and discuss their own problems. So—Emiko Tokunaga and Alice Sekino have been assigned to take over this part of the Youth program. Both Emiko and Alice are our community's pride, having been active in queen contests as well as being brilliant students.

James Nagata is our latest addition as the man in charge of transportation.

PC Letter Box

JAPAN-AMERICA AFFAIRS

Editor: — Proposed changes in JACL policy are certain to affect not only the future course of our organization but the welfare of the Japanese communities as well. JACL policy consideration, therefore, deserves better treatment than it has been accorded. It should not be smothered by a blanket of slogans, nor should opinion be stamped at this early date by bandwagon technique. If anything we need the light that only penetrating discussion can give.

The area and subject matter of the proposed change is complex and far-reaching. In the same edition of the PC in which Dr. Nishikawa's stand appeared and in the subsequent edition, Mike Masaoka has discussed President Eisenhower's proposal for reciprocal trade agreements. The nature of this proposal is controversial, containing as it does consideration of international political questions, development of economic spheres of influence and conditions of domestic industry as affecting our national economy. This proposal is only one facet of Japan-American affairs.

Other issues concerning Japan and our country suggest themselves from the news reports; e.g., dominion over Okinawa, fishing agreements, the posture of Japan's political parties as affecting future relations between the two nations, defense pacts, immigration, farm labor recruitment, etc. Can we say that we are prepared to intelligently decide on solutions to these matters?

Prepare Membership

The duty of our national leaders is clear, for fair consideration must be given to all of these problems if the membership is to be prepared for proposals of this nature at the National Convention. The PC and JACL bodies should be encouraged to invite nationally prominent persons of opposing persuasions to discuss these matters with us. Known proponents of such a change in JACL policy should be requested to not only delimit the scope of their proposals, but also to point out the precise questions involved therein.

There is another matter that is inextricably bound with the controversy now before us that, I believe, demands our attention. The explosive nature and the international effect of the questions involved suggest that close supervision and careful consideration of these matters by the National Board is mandatory. The biennial meeting of the National Board will not be sufficient under the changed circumstances.

It is also apparent and at the same time unfortunate that between the private lobbying activities and JACL duties of our Washington Representative there may arise a possible conflict of interest in this area. This, of course, would be dangerous because of the sensitivity of issues. Both of these questions give rise to others. Can we afford the cost of four or possibly more meetings of the National Board each year? Can we raise the funds necessary to maintain our Washington Office in a full-time basis and pay our representative the salary that his skill and experience commands?

Finally, does JACL possess, in the various areas of the nation, persons qualified in this field who are willing to serve on the National Board and devote the time that these serious question merit?

As an unbiased or uncommitted observer, I am not convinced that the proponents have presented a prima facie case sufficient to allow it to go the jury of our organization, the membership. Let us get on with the case, and by all means, give us the light!

WILBUR SATO,
Denver.

(Sato, currently studying law in Denver, is a past president of the East Los Angeles JACL and was active with the PSWDC as a vice-chairman.—Ed.)

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Vagaries

By Larry S. Tajiri

'The Time of the Dragons'

It will be many months yet before casting starts on it, but a projected Columbia production should be a bonanza for Hollywood's colony of performers of Japanese ancestry. The story, "The Time of the Dragons," is a German novel by Alice Ekert-Rotholz which was published this month in the United States by Viking. In it, at least three of the principal characters are Japanese, and the story spans 30 years in the lives of a group of Europeans and Asians in such places as Shanghai, Bangkok, Angkor and Tokyo.

The story revolves around a Norwegian diplomat in Shanghai, Knut Wergeland, and the love affairs of the three daughters he fathered by Chinese, French and Norwegian mothers respectively. But a character who enters the story early—the author places the time as the year (1925) after the United States passed the Japanese Exclusion Act—is Baron Akio Matsubara. He is the son of a Zaibatsu family and he is a leading figure in this novel of romance and melodrama.

Two others are Yuriko, Matsubara's girl assistant, who is deeply in love with him, and Dr. Yamato, a devoted Catholic "who lives and dies like a hero to his nation and his church." Starting with a dinner party in Shanghai, to which the young Baron Matsubara is a perplexing guest, the story's concluding years deal with the American occupation in Japan.

"I based my story on a true incident," Alice Ekert-Rotholz has written. "In the last year of World War II, a Scandinavian family became inexplicably involved with a case of industrial espionage between Bangkok and Saigon. The arrest of several members of that family by the Kempeitai (Japanese secret police) resulted in the haphazard arrests of various Europeans, Indians and Chinese civilians in occupied Southeast Asia. . . . When planning the novel, I also tried to show the tremendous changes in Asia over a period of 30 years: the prewar paradise of us Westerners, the Japanese occupation of Southeast Asia and the American occupation of postwar Japan. . . ."

According to Paul Lazarus, one of Columbia Pictures' vice-presidents, "The Time of the Dragon" will be one of the studio's most important pictures in the year to come. At present, production plans are awaiting the completion of a shooting script.

RESERVED SEAT POLICY DETERMINED

Early word is that Director John Huston's film about Townsend Harris, America's first pro-consul in Japan, is one of the year's most distinguished films. At the present time 20th Century Fox has determined on a reserved seat policy for "The Barbarian and the Geisha" at its initial openings in New York and the west coast.

The picture also makes a star of Eiko Ando, the ex-showgirl from Tokyo, who plays the lovely geisha, Okichi, who falls in love with the tall American, portrayed by John Wayne. "The Barbarian and the Geisha" will be a summer release, possibly in July in New York.

THEATER'S ATTITUDE TOWARD MINORITIES

The American stage is a long way ahead of its audiences in its triumph against racial prejudice. In an article for the May, 1958 issue of the Anti-Defamation League Bulletin, Richard Watts, drama critic of the New York Post, has written of his "considerable pride" regarding the theater's attitude toward racial minorities.

"It isn't just the complete absence of the old-fashioned stereotypes, either; the passing of the begorrah Irishman, the yassah-boss Negro, the gesticulating Jew and the baleful Oriental," he declares. "It lies in the more intelligent general attitude in writing and casting."

The advances in the treatment of minority group characters which Watts cites during the past season are mostly involved with the portrayal of a Negro character in Molly Kazan's "The Egghead," which, unfortunately, was a flop, and the playing by a Negro actor of "white" roles in "The Duchess of Malfi," "The Infernal Machine" and "Saint Joan," all revivals, not in the commercial theater of Broadway, but in the off-Broadway Phoenix.

There is such a thing, Watts notes, as hyper-sensitivity by members of minorities, and he cites "Teahouse of the August Moon" as a case in point. "I was told by several of my Oriental friends that the play seemed patronizing to them," Watt writes. "They felt that the comic character of the interpreter, Sakini, and some of the humorous observations of Okinawan life revealed an American attitude of superiority toward the East."

As Watts stresses, the joke in "Teahouse" was, of course, on the Americans who attempt to bring democracy to "ignorant Asians" and are, themselves, given a lesson in human relationships. The MGM picture from John Patrick's play has been one of the most popular in the past year in the Far East.

As for Nisei and Japanese actors, scores of them have appeared in "Teahouse of the August Moon" in the three touring professional companies, including the original New York company in which Mariko Niki was Lotus Blossom and Shizue Morya played Miss Higa-Jiga. Among the other Lotus Blossoms were Michi Kobi, Reiko Sato and Machiko Kyo (in the MGM film) and at least 20 other summer stock, community and college productions in the past two years have used many Japanese performers in their cast. John Hirohata, for example, was Sakini in the Phoenix, Ariz., Little Theater production.

YOUTH GROUP LEADERS, CHAPTERS PARTICIPATE IN SPECIAL SURVEY; FINDINGS SET FOR 15TH BIENNIAL CONFAB

A manual for JACL chapters interested in youth activities will be assembled from a national survey being made by the interim National JACL Committee on Youth, chaired by Mrs. Sue Joe of Long Beach-Harbor District JACL.

A four-page questionnaire, containing 33 questions, has been distributed to over 100 chapter and youth work leaders across the country. Recipients have been asked to reply by June 30 in time to assess the reports for presentation at the 15th Biennial convention at Salt Lake City, Aug. 22-25.

Divided into three sections, the questionnaire calls for general chapter information, activities and youth groups.

General Information

Among the 13 questions in Sec. I (General Chapter Information), the survey calls for an approximate count of Nisei youth in junior high school, high school and college age groups; the kinds of established programs for youth, such as Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, judo, language school, and the extent to which they are used.

It also asks whether the chapter supplements the programs offered by these other groups, whether the chapter sponsors activities expressly for Japanese American youth or encourage interracial ties in youth work and whether school officials, police courts and PTAs ask JACL chapter assistance on matters involving Nisei-Sansei youth.

Youth Activities

The 10 questions in Sec. II (Chapter Activities for Youth) appear to be the heart of the survey.

It asks for a listing of chapter-sponsored activities for the youth in recent years, the manner of its financing and how they were determined. The survey will bear out the extent of responsibility in staging the program, incentive awards, volunteer services and how apprentices are brought into the program.

Most interesting will be the chapter's selection of their most successful youth activity as asked in the last paragraph.

Ten more questions in Sec. III (Chapters with Organized Youth Groups) complete the survey.

It asks for names of groups sponsored by the chapter, its age

range and membership, reason for its organization and how it was accomplished. If the group has a constitution, it should be attached to the questionnaire upon return. Names of advisers are also asked.

And the survey further wants to know if there is any liaison between the youth group and chapter, whether the youth group members have assisted in the parent

chapter program, and if National JACL can be of assistance in any way.

"It is the hope of the interim committee that a definite program for youth can be suggested—especially to chapters interested in this phase but without know-how on how to start one," Dr. Roy Nishikawa, national president, declared in asking that questionnaires be completed by June 30.



Being crowned as Jr. JACL queen at the recent Midwest District Council convention at Cleveland by Dr. Roy Nishikawa is Rey Higashi of Westlake, Ohio. She reigned at the "Moon-Bound" ball which highlighted the social activities of the Memorial Day weekend. Special efforts to include the youth in chapter programs are the facts which the Interim National JACL Committee on Youth is attempting to compile for a report to be made at the next national convention. — Bob Fujita Photo.

Economic improvement seen by investment counselor

Many areas of economic improvement are foreseen by Y. Clifford Tanaka, western research representative for Shearson, Hammill & Co., in a statement released yesterday.

"If we are to be prudent investors, we will try to look for the brighter side when much of the news developments on earnings, dividends and business generally are disquieting," he said.

"Moreover," Tanaka believes, "this does not mean that caution should be thrown to the winds; as a matter of fact, the next year or two will require special

care in the selection of securities."

He cautioned, "The next several years will be punctuated with rough areas due to further unexpected unfavorable news on business and the stock market. Notwithstanding this, the stock market will have its share of star-performers."

"The current market rally will likely go down in history as a technical recovery if one places any importance on past market actions (1930, 1937 and 1946)," Tanaka added.

Tanaka is a Downtown Los Angeles 100 Clubber.

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The National Director's Report

By Masao Satow

ACCENT ON YOUTH

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Most of the District Councils will be represented in the National Oratorical at the Convention. Dennis Okamoto of Snake River and Darryl Sakada of Dayton have already given their respective Intermountain and Midwest Districts hopes of having a winner. Pacific Southwest will determine its representative at its pre-convention rally hosted by the Southwest Los Angeles Chapter on July 6. Central Cal holds its elimination on July 22, and at least five Chapters in Northern California will be rooting for their young people on August 3 when the Sequoia Chapter hosts the next NC-WN quarterly.

The oratorical finals are scheduled for the Saturday Convention luncheon on August 23. The oratorical will serve as an appropriate introduction for the discussion on JACL policy with respect to youth work in the National Council session immediately following. The basis of this discussion will be returns from the questionnaires recently sent out by Sue Joe, chairman of our National Committee for Work with Youth, and we will be assisted by the youth in attendance at the Convention.

Twenty outstanding high school graduates have been nominated by the chapters for the 1958 Pvt. Ben Frank Masaoka Memorial Scholarship. National JACL will again give supplementary scholarships to the one given so generously by Mrs. Haruye Masaoka for twelve years.

Winsome Judy Aoyama of Reno will be JACL's representative to the first west coast edition of the National Encampment for Citizenship convening at the UC International House in Berkeley June 22 - August 2.

NATIONAL BIENNIAL DRAWING NEAR

Chapters can be most helpful to the hard working Salt Lake City Convention Board by (1) getting in their ads for the Convention program booklet by the June 26 deadline, (2) sending in the \$20 package registration for their official and alternate delegates, and (3) continuing to hustle Fordnik tickets.

We are in the process of setting up the various National Committee meetings which convene on Friday afternoon, Aug. 22. These smaller meetings give delegates an opportunity to discuss our various national matters and make recommendations to the National Council, thereby participating actively in shaping up our policies and programs for the next biennium.

No one will want to miss the Issei Recognition Banquet on the first day of the Convention, although this is not included in the package registration, especially to hear George Inagaki express our tribute and feelings to the assembled Issei in Japanese. Our former National President's Nihongo was good enough during wartime to convince Okinawans not to commit suicide by jumping from the cliffs while being loaned by Army G-2 to Admiral Nimitz' staff. In passing, we should mention that another one of our National officers, NCWNDC Chairman Akiji Yoshimura recently demonstrated his G-2 training was not for naught as he addressed the Issei at the NC-WN banquet at Sonoma County. We also hasten to thank publicly Tom Yoshinaga of Kikkoman's San Francisco office for generously donating the shoyu used by the Sonoma County Chapter Women's Auxiliary in preparing the delicious chicken teriyaki for the same banquet.

As experienced delegates know, the Convention means a lot of work and long business sessions, but a social every evening will guarantee the lighter side. The 1000 Club Shindig is a must for all Convention goers. A special committee headed up by Tokuzo is busy drafting guaranteed side splitting talent. As at previous Conventions, there will be a special 1000 Club trophy for the 1000 Clubber shooting the lowest net in the Convention golf tournament. Once again, a reminder to Thousands that the 1000 Club listing in the Souvenir program booklet will contain names of those who are current as of July 31.

Dr. William Hiura of Chicago and James Watanabe of Snake River has just signed up as our 44th and 45th 1000 Club lifers, and qualifying for their ten year 1000 Club membership pin are Harold Shimizu of Guadalupe and Tom Hira-shima of Santa Barbara.

1959 NATIONAL JACL TENPIN TOURNAY

Now that So. Calif. Regional Director Fred Takata has reserved the Statler in Los Angeles for March 7 of next year as the locale for our National JACL Bowling Tournament Awards dinner-dance, this will date our 13th Annual Tournament for March 2-7 at the spanking new Holiday Bowl. Our congratulations to Mr. Richard Gano of Salt Lake City upon being named President of the American Bowling Congress. He was most helpful to us as we moved into official ABC competition in 1951. Friends of Chppy Umemoto of Salt Lake, popular member of our National JACL Advisory Board on Bowling, will be pleased to know he is recuperating nicely after a serious major operation.

MAGNA CUM LAUDE AND APPRECIATION

We salute East Los Angeles, St. Louis and Watsonville, for exceeding their memberships efforts of last year, and especially Dayton, Monterey, San Jose, Snake River, and Ventura County for hitting their all-time high memberships.

Grateful recipients of evacuation claims payments have been most generous to JACL these past few months to boost our National Endowment Fund to \$165,000.

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CHUMAN DECLINES PSW NOMINATION FOR JACL NATIONAL PRESIDENCY

LONG BEACH. — Declination of Frank Chuman for office of national JACL president, supported by the Pacific Southwest District Council for a second time, was made known this week in a letter received by Dr. David Miura, chapter president here and PSW-DC nominations chairman.

Chuman had declined at the May 4 PSWDC quarterly session, but was subsequently petitioned by a number of Long Beach members and others to reconsider.

On the PSW nominations slate are Kango Kunitzugu for third national vice-president and Miwa Yamamoto for secretary to the National Board.

"I appreciate very deeply the feelings of the members of your chapter," Chuman wrote, "in supporting my nomination for the office of national president of the JACL. Such expressions of support make it doubly hard for me to inform you that after the most careful considerations of many factors, I regretfully decline to have my name placed before the national nominations committee."

(June 21 is the closing date of nominations by district representatives, assuming that nominees have agreed and will serve if elected. Nominations should be addressed to Yasuo Abiko, chairman, national JACL nominations committee, JACL Headquarters, 1759 Sutter St., San Francisco 15, Calif.)

Chuman explained that he was an active member in a number of professional, church and civic organizations. "This year especially for me has been a year of many responsibilities, including the presidency of a major lawyers organization in Los Angeles," he added.

"Were I to consent at this time to the placing of my name before the National Council at our forthcoming National Convention in August, and if a majority of the members should elect me to this high office, it would add additional heavy responsibilities upon me," Chuman noted.

"I realize fully from my own close association with our present and past national presidents that

Santa Barbarans invite L.A. JACLers to picnic

SANTA BARBARA. — JACLers from the Los Angeles area have been invited by the Santa Barbara JACL to enjoy the chapter picnic on Sunday, June 29, starting from noon, at Goleta Beach. Food and games will be plentiful, assured chapter secretary Jean Mori.

Contra Costa JACL to fete county high school grads

RICHMOND. — "An Affair to Remember" is the theme of the high school graduation dance here tomorrow night from 8 at the Civic Center, it was revealed by Contra Costa JACL, sponsors. Both the Bermuda and Catalina Rooms have been reserved. The Richmond Scamps will be hosts. Chris Komatsu and Grace Hata, co-chairmen, announced the list of West Contra Costa county graduates (the East county list has not been received as yet) as follows:

Richmond High—Julia Morita and Ann Yasuko Ninomiya; El Cerrito High—Maya Hata, Beatrice Honda, Shunji Iki, Gloria Yukiko Matoba, Jean Noriko Muraoka, Satoru Nehira and Ronald Mitsuo Umemoto.

Jean N. Muraoka of El Cerrito High, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kaoru Muroka, was honored with the \$150 U.C. Alumni and \$100 El Cerrito PTA scholarships. She served as yearbook editor, active in the Speech Club, Los Habla-dores, honor society and UNESCO chapter. She is also youth fellowship president at the Free Methodist Church here.

S.F. Auxiliary outing

SAN FRANCISCO. — A steak dinner will be featured at the San Francisco JACL Auxiliary outing scheduled for Sunday, July 13, at Morton's Warm Spring in Sonoma County. Sumi Honnami and Kathy Reyes are co-chairing.

their devotion to the JACL organization has been almost a full time endeavor. If I were elected, I would demand of myself no less devotion and conscientiousness to meet the many problems of our great organization.

"Since I do not know whether I can fully devote such time to the needs of our organization, I feel duty bound to inform you now my decision so that you may consider other members equally if not better qualified for the position of national president," Chuman suggested.

Chuman, who was given similar support at the 1952 convention and declined in favor of George Inagaki, is presently national JACL legal counsel.

VALEDICTORIAN AWARDED FOWLER JACL SCHOLARSHIP

FOWLER. — Shigeru Tokubo, who was valedictorian of the 1958 class at Fowler High School, accepted the Fowler JACL scholarship during commencement exercises here last week. Past president Howard Renge made the presentation in the absence of chapter president Mikio Uchiyama.

Glenn Nakaguchi was honored with the \$250 Fowler Lions scholarship. Other Nisei graduates were:

Eiji Arasuna, Hitomi Arasuna, Jane Horii, Alden Kamikawa, Majorie Miyasaki, Jane Nakagawa, Tad Nakamura and George Sakamoto.

Kamikawa was senior class president. Tokubo starred in the San Joaquin Valley track championships by winning the class Cee 120-yd. low hurdles in 13.9s. The Rev. John Nagayama of the Fowler Free Methodist Church presented the benediction at the commencement.

Governor candidate speaks to graduates

CALDWELL, Idaho. — A gubernatorial candidate who once played baseball with the Boise Valley Asahi team, John Glasby, was guest speaker at the Boise Valley JACL graduates dinner-dance at the IOOF Hall here on June 7. He spoke on "American Heritage".

A record turnout was present to honor 14 elementary, 10 secondary and three college graduates as follows:

College—Kil Koga, Makoto Harada, Dennis Okita; High School—Kris Inouye, Joyce Itano, Ann Yoshida, Beverly Watanabe, Ayako Yamamoto, Bob Terada, Penny Mafune, Maxine Mafune, Gary Yamamoto and Sun Yeung Cho.

Welcome addresses were made by Ed Dimmerman, mayor of Caldwell, and James Yamada, chapter president. Masa Nishihara was emcee. Kris Inouye of Homedale responded for the guests. The Rev. Harold Nye made the invocation and benediction.

Young Sansei talent entertained. They were Iris Ogawa, accordion and vocal solo, and Agnes Nishitani, piano.

Mmes. Mas Yamashita and Warren Tamura were dinner-dance co-chairmen, assisted by:

George Koyama, tickets; Mrs. Yutaka Tamura, Mrs. Bill Nishioka, menu; Mrs. Ben Uda, favors, program; Seiho Ishihara, posters; Mrs. Harry Hamada, Mrs. Y. Ikuta, flowers; Mrs. Hogen Watanabe, corsages; Elaine Matsumoto, dance dec.; Mrs. George Nishitani, dance refr.; and Lois Itano, inv.

WEST L.A. CHAPTER CARNIVAL JUNE 28-29 TO BE BEST IN YEARS

Over 17 booths manned by local area organizations will boost the West Los Angeles JACL carnival at the Japanese Gakuen grounds, 2110 Corinth Ave., as the biggest in recent years, according to general chairman Aki Ohno. It will be held on June 28-29.

Support from other JACL chapters, including Long Beach, Gardena, Santa Barbara, Pasadena, Venice-Culver and Southwest L.A., has also been assured, reported prize committee chairman Yo Tsurada.

Serving on the committees are: George Sakamoto, Pat Morishita, George Akiyama, Hobi Fujita, Fumi Tsurada, Jim Kitsuze, Richard Jeniye, Dr. Kiyoshi Sonoda, Dave Akashi, Nobuo Ikutani and Elmer Uchida.



'1000' CLUB NOTES

SAN FRANCISCO. — The first half of June shows 73 new and renewal memberships in the 1000 Club, National Headquarters acknowledged this week. They are as follows:

LIFE MEMBERSHIP
Chicago — Dr. William T. Hiura, Snake River — James M. Watanabe.

ELEVENTH YEAR
East Los Angeles — Ken Utsumiya.

TENTH YEAR
Santa Barbara — Tom Hira-shima, Santa Maria Valley — Harold V. Shimizu.

NINTH YEAR
Snake River — Roy Hashitani, San Diego — Joseph Owashi.

EIGHTH YEAR
Sanger — Robert K. Kanagawa, Gardena Valley — Tats Kushiida.

SEVENTH YEAR
Snake River — Mun Iseri, San Jose — Dr. Tokio Ishikawa, New York — Samuel Ishikawa.

SIXTH YEAR
Snake River — Abe Saito, Venice-Culver — Mary E. Wakamatsu, Pocastello — William Yamauchi.

FIFTH YEAR
Contra Costa — Tosh Adachi, Tamaki Ninomiya, Delano — Sam Azuma, Downtown L.A. — Soichi Fukui, West Los Angeles — Ichiro Kamiya, Mid-Columbia — Harold Y. Okimoto, Snake River — Mas Yano.

FOURTH YEAR
Stockton — Ray Komure, Southwest L.A. — John Y. Nishimura, Marysville — Arthur N. Oii, Orange County — Bill Okuda, Downtown L.A. — George K. Sayano, Dr. Y. Yoshimura, Cleveland — George Suzuki, Contra Costa — Marvin Uratsu.

THIRD YEAR
West Los Angeles — David Akashi, Robert K. Goka, Robert S. Iwamoto, Sho Komai, Joe H. Minato, Fred C. Nakano, Hiroshi Naramura, Ben M. Nishimoto, Jim M. Nishimoto, Larry T. Nitta, Akira Ohno, George A. Okamoto, Richard S. Okinaga, Snake River — George Hashitani, Frank Uriu, Sam Wakasugi, Santa Barbara — Mike Hide, Ventura County — Willis Hirata, Dr. Tom Taketa, Stockton — Art Hisaka, Downtown L.A. — Dr. Shunji K. Ikuta, Chicago — Gladys Ishida, Delano — Joe Katano, Mt.-PDC — Mrs. Eureka S. Shiroma (Eau Gallie, Fla.), Orange County — John M. Tadokoro, Ben T. Takenaga.

SECOND YEAR
Chicago — Jake K. Higashitani, New York — Robert I. Homma, West Los Angeles — Riechi Ishioka, Mits Nishizawa, Joe Ueda, Snake River — Joe Komoto, Cleveland — Richard F. Kurihara, Ventura County — Akira Kurihara, Downtown L.A. — Shigeo Mayekawa.

FIRST YEAR
Delano — Masaru Takaki, Oakland — Kitao H. Kitajima, Salt Lake City — Mr. Seiko M. Kasai, New York — Henry T. Suzuki, West Los Angeles — Dr. Milton Inouye, Richard Jeniye, Dr. Iwao G. Kawakami, Kuichiro Nishi.

PSWDC oratorical run-off scheduled

Young Nisei and Sansei in the Southland are being urged by PSWDC chapters to compete in the national JACL oratorical contest on the theme: "What JACL Means to the Japanese American Youth".

District finals will be part of the pre-convention rally to be held at the Los Angeles Police Academy, July 6, with Southwest L.A. JACL as the host chapter.

Serving on the PSWDC Oratorical Contest committee are Frances Ishii (Long Beach), Peggy Tanaka (East L.A.), Mas Asakawa (San Diego) and William Marumoto (Orange County).

Chapters were reminded to submit names of their entrant to the JACL Regional Office by Wednesday, June 25.

The district oratorical champion will compete in the national finals in Salt Lake City in August.

Family affair picnic for East L.A. planned

A family picnic for East Los Angeles JACLers will be held this Sunday at Belvedere Park, starting at noon. Sam Furuta is in charge, assisted by:

Akira Hasegawa, Fred Mittler, Ritsuko Kawakami, George Watanabe, George Nomi, Roy Yamadera, Fumi Ishihara and Mas Hayashi. The womenfolk are preparing light refreshments, but those attending are expected to bring their own lunch. Races and games for both adults and youngsters are scheduled. Transportation is being offered by Mas Hayashi (DU 3-2405) and Sam Furuta (AN 2-8580).

VERY TRULY YOURS:

'Not enough JACL
chapter news in PC'

Since the subject has come to our attention again, we are the first to agree with those who point out: "... not enough JACL chapter news in PC." It's hard to believe that what we have at the present time represents all the chapter news we have been receiving from conscientious officers. With over 80 chapters in the organization, the pages devoted to chapter activities would be overflowing each week if each chapter informed us at least once a month—but they haven't.

An effective publicity chairman goes one step further, providing stories of members within the chapter, newspaper clippings and news leads. Even more gratifying are the correspondents who continue to send in news even though their term of office with the chapter has expired.

But if "not enough chapter news" means the articles are not long enough to suit the individual taste of the readers, there can be no unanimity of opinion.

Because only one-third of the JACL membership subscribes to the PC, we have long followed the norm that chapter news must first have general readership interest as to its length. Its informative value to those concerned is secondary. If and when PC with Membership comes can the two norms be near the same level.

As the official publication of the organization, PC serves its entire membership. News of significance to all takes primary consideration. News of significance to a few follows. But as a publication with nation-wide readership, PC continues to chronicle the progress of Japanese Americans wherever he might be. These two objectives sometimes compete for space in our limited surroundings. What has made PC unique among Nisei vernaculars (there are 13 in the U.S.) are our contributing columnists. We personally would not mind a few more, representing those areas still uncovered.

One parting word: if you feel there is not enough chapter news in PC, tell us by sending in such news. And remember—we have a Monday deadline as we go to press late Wednesday.

— Harry K. Honda.

Venice-Culver Clers
to help community center
school carnival

VENICE. — Among the several organizations assisting the Venice community center carnival this weekend, June 21-22, are the Venice-Culver JACL and the Jolines, chapter-sponsored girls' club, according to Pete Furuya, chapter president.

Meantime, the chapter announced a community picnic is being planned in July. A beginners' dance class is also in the offing.

Sonoma County CL
push summer feles

SEBASTOPOL. — There are no summer doldrums for Sonoma County JACLers, who spared no effort to host the NC-WNDC quarterly meeting last month and honor the area's pioneer Issei.

The chapter honors local area graduates with a swimming party tonight at Ives Memorial Pool, followed by a weiner roast. Local area YBA groups, friends and members have been invited, chapter president Frank Oda announced. In charge are:

Pat Shimizu, Beth Yamaoka, co-chairman; Greg Hamamoto, purchase; Jim Yokoyama, pool.

The 11th annual Sonoma County community picnic will be held July 6 at Doran Park, Bodega Bay. Preliminary planning is being arranged by Kan Ono, Greg Hamamoto and Riyuo Uyeda, co-chairmen. The women's auxiliary will assist the chapter by handling the games for all ages at the picnic. Others assisting are:

Anne Ohki, George Hamamoto, tickets; Tak Kameoka, sound; Greg Hamamoto, purchase; Ken Ono, gen. arr.

At the invitation of the Sebastopol veterans, Frank Oda and his wife represented the chapter at the dedication of the Veterans Memorial Building here last Friday.

French Camp JACL
honors local graduates

FRENCH CAMP. — Eight local graduates were honored Sunday by the French Camp JACL at its annual graduation outing at Micke Grove, Tosh Hotta, chairman, reported. They were:

Masao Hotta, U. of Cal.; Agnes Hotta Ken Yagi, high school; Mineko Asano, Judy Hirata, Joan Takashiro, Gary Yamada, Nancy Fujiki, grammar school. Serving on the outing committee were:

Lydia Ota, inv.; Bob Ota, George Komure, John Fujiki, refr.

Flower arrangement class
to begin in Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA. — A four-lesson series in flower arrangement will be taught by Mrs. Yayoe Yokota, who comes from Japan, on the fourth Tuesday from June to September at the Mid-City YWCA, 2027 Chestnut St., the Philadelphia JACL announced last week.

The first class commences June 24, 8 p.m., with attendance to be limited in number.

'Vacation Daze' theme of
San Francisco Aux'y dance

SAN FRANCISCO. — "Vacation Daze" is an appropriate theme for the San Francisco JACL Auxiliary dance being sponsored tomorrow night at Booker T. Washington Community Center, Sutter and Presidio, from 9:30 p. m.

Bess Sonoda, chairman, is being assisted by:

Sumako Fukumori, tickets; Lucy Adachi, hostesses; Ryo Ichikawa, refr.; Emi Yokogawa, music.

SAN FERNANDO VALLEY
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MDC pre-convention rally highlights U.S.-Japan affairs
issue, discussion aids nat'l board to assess feelings

BY MASY TASHIMA

CLEVELAND. — Spotlight of the recent Midwest District Council convention, which met here over the Memorial Day weekend, fell on the international relations question. (See front page story).

With JACL policy on international relations up for clarification at the forthcoming national convention, discussion at the business session attended by delegates from eight member chapters of the district council, was lively. It also provided an opportunity for national board officers attending to evaluate this meeting as a sounding board for discussions likely to brew at the Salt Lake City convention.

Washington JACL representative Mike Masaoka presented a first hand view of the implications which might be encountered in involving JACL in U.S.-Japan affairs, especially when JACL is often asked its opinions on various matters that arise in fast-moving Washington.

The thoroughness of this discussion carried the business session almost two hours beyond the allotted time. A tape recording of the proceedings is being available through the Midwest JACL office.

Opening Assembly

The convention was officially underway when Gene Takahashi, general chairman, called the assembly at the Statler Hotel here to order on Memorial Day. James M. Lister, mayor's representative and director of urban renewal and housing, and Joe Kadowaki, Cleveland chapter board chairman, heartily welcomed the delegates.

Eden Township party

HAYWARD. — Local area graduates will be guests of the Eden Township JACL party tonight at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Naruo, 1501 - 158th Ave., San Leandro. Keith Yagi is chairman. June graduates to be honored include:

Jack Fujii, Marian Hatakeda, Dean Hironaka, Betty Miyaki, William Nakashima, Butch Nomura and David Sakai

The timeliness of the convention theme, "Ready for Countdown!", became more and more apparent as throughout the convention the significance of JACL's current situation in relation to its past and future was emphasized by convention speakers and officials, including national president Dr. Roy Nishikawa, MDC chairman Kumeo Yoshinari, national director Mas Satow, and Washington representative Masaoka.

Recounting the unparalleled struggle for restoration of citizenship rights for the Nisei, Masaoka brought the full impact of Memorial Day into the convention by focussing attention to the two Unknown Servicemen who were laid to final rest at Arlington Cemetery might very well be Americans of Japanese ancestry.

Serious Tone Noted

In spite of the hilarity of the convention whing-ding and other booster activities, the MDC rally was a serious convention.

The concern of Japanese American cultural background, of integration into the community-at-large, of the young adults, of the Issei aged and of chapter program was separately discussed at the convention workshops.

Workshop chairman Henry Tanaka's attempt to limit the size of each workshop was abandoned when it became apparent that each had greater numbers of interested delegates. A secretary was present in each workshop to record the discussion, which will be assembled and distributed to the Midwest District Council chapters.

Goodwill Ambassadors

Convention luncheon guests who filled the Halle Bros. Department Store auditorium the following day hailed the presentation of the Sho-jo-ji Dancers, who were introduced by Kadowaki as "our little goodwill ambassadors".

The six kimono-clad dancers, led by Mrs. Dolly Semonco and Peggy Tanji, entertained the luncheon guests, but have been widely hailed as Cleveland JACL's show-

piece in community-wide public relations. The troupe has performed before nearly 10,000 people in various church groups, civic organizations and conventions during their two brief years of existence.

The Sho-jo-ji Dancers publicly appeared last on Dorothy Fuldheim's popular One O'Clock television show here on May 23. In the troupe are:

Marlene Kawai, Maxine Ogino, Jeanne Murakami, Christine Hirahara, Chiyo Takayama and Sandr Taji.

The luncheon program was complemented with a "do it yourself" fashion show, ably narrated by Mrs. Amy Ono. Linda Whitney presented a ballet dance which she created and called "Mikado".

Approximately 300 danced till 2 a.m. at the convention dance that evening. A group of Hawaiian performers from Cleveland and Detroit entertained. Pretty Rey Hishashi of Westlake, Ohio, was picked as Jr. JACL queen of the "Moon-Bound" ball.

SNAKE RIVER HOLDS 13TH
ANNUAL GRADUATES' FETE

ONTARIO, Ore. — The 13th annual Snake River JACL graduation banquet last week featured an inspiring address by Dr. R. Curtis Westfall of the College of Idaho, who spoke on "Educating for Life".

George Mita, chapter president, welcomed the graduates. Joe Saite was toastmaster, with the Rev. Jun Fujimori giving the invocation. Annabel Arai of Nyssa responded for the graduates.

Entertaining after the Chinese dinner were the Coronados with Mexican folksongs and Carolyn Takahashi, a piano solo. Movies on "Japan" were shown, followed by dancing to Skeets Peebles orchestra at the Legion Hall.

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SELMA. — Active JACLER George Okazaki was recently elected secretary of the Selma Lions for the 1958-59 term.

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Pat Suzuki's final appearance at Seattle's Colony Club several Sundays ago served as an occasion for her first in a sack dress. —Ogawa Photo.



THE Northwest PICTURE

By Elmer Ogawa

FOR OLD-TIMERS ONLY

Seattle

You're an old-timer around this community if you remember when—

The JACL held its first dance at the top of the Smith Tower.

Nearly all picnics were held at Jefferson Park, scarcely more than couple miles from downtown.

Some local news stories lead off with a "CNP" which meant Coast Nisei Press.

There were two locally owned Japanese banks in our Nipponmachi.

Nisei were ushered to the balcony in some Seattle movie houses.

A controversy developed when two Nisei girls applied for nurses training. Eventually, one was admitted to a Tacoma hospital and the other made Seattle General after a series of "summit talks."

There were five Japanese photo studios on Jackson and Main streets. (Today there is one.)

High school students rode on a 2½ cent car token.

A young cherubpuss in the U.W. school of journalism was starting a new column, "Salmagundi" and in griping about the candy butcher on the train keeping him awake, said that he didn't like sandwiches—he liked sushi—and that feller could just take his Whiz Bangs, apples, bananas, and sandwiches—and give the sandwiches to Lindy. Which just about dates these pointless recollections which spring from we know not where—probably just been reading too many graduation notices.

PAT SUZUKI'S FINAL APPEARANCE HERE

The nostalgia was heavy in the air at Pat Suzuki's final appearance in the Colony before leaving for Vegas. The management set up rows of chairs on the dance floor, so that the overflow could at least get in on the last couple shows. And in characteristic fashion, Pat was knocking herself out. For about the umpteenth encore, Pat sang "Fine and Dandy" the number with which she first introduced herself to Colony listeners.

Now that it's all over, a lot of reminiscences are swapped whenever two or more "Colonizers" get together. One concerns the time she sang the national anthem at the ball park opening day, and had even the sportswriters using their best superlatives.

When the arrangements were made, the brewery-baseball moguls brought up the matter of what would be an adequate payment. Pat came back with: "For singing the National Anthem, I gotta get paid yet?"

A group of Colony habitués are organizing a "Seattle Night" at the Flamingo where Pat is appearing in Las Vegas. The plan includes the chartering of plane or planes—the fare, an even hundred bucks for the round trip. This modest fare, of course does not include hotels, wining, dining, and donations to the croupiers.

P.-I. columnist Emmett Watson in his "This, our City" column writes thusly, in a recent issue: "A New York disk jockey, interviewing singer Pat Suzuki on his late hour show, kept insisting she MUST have done some warbling as a child. 'Surely,' he persisted, 'You don't expect my listeners to believe you never sang before a crowd when you were young.' Pat's patience gave out. 'You're right,' she said, 'I once sang at a county fair in California. On a Sunday.' 'Yes?' asked the eager jock, and what did you sing?' Replied the Nisei-born Pat: 'I was singing, 'I Am An American.' Then blam! The war broke out.'"

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Reedley JACL rallies in 9th to beat Fowler 18-9

FOWLER. — Blowing up an 8-0 lead, Fowler JACL handed Reedley JACL an 18-9 victory after committing seven errors in a CCDC League game last Sunday at Ehlers Field here. Score was tied 9-9 at the end of the eighth and Reedley cinched it with 9 more runs on top of the ninth.

Fowler pitcher George Tanaka held Reedley scoreless for the first four, when signs of deterioration started to appear. Reedley replaced their starting pitcher, Ken Nishida with first stringer Yamagata, whose fast ball kept the Fowler bats quiet for four innings save for two hits, both by Jim Hashimoto. Sam Tsutsui paced Reedley with 3 hits out of 4 trips.

SONOMA COUNTY JACL BOWLERS HOLD DINNER

SANTA ROSA. — With 75 members and guests present, the Sonoma County JACL Bowling League awards dinner held June 7 was deemed successful. Mits Tsujihara was elected president of the bowling group, replacing Kan Ono who had to resign because of business pressure.

Trophy winners were:

Team: Diamond Market (Greg Hamamoto, Henry Jueng, Frank Sunada, Mits Tsujihara), Empire Egg (Jim Yokoyama, Carl Epping, Marlin Shimizu, Shiz Tsujihara); High Series: Mits Tsujihara 613; High Game: Jack Otani 254; Most Improved: Jim Miyano; Women's High Game: Isabella Ellis 203.

Johnny Hirooka, past bowling league leader, emceed. Special guests beside team sponsors were:

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Stegeman, Santa Rosa Bowling League pres.; Mr. and Mrs. Yo Ono, Allene Hamamoto, Frank Oda.

Sansei picked for special summer study at Hughes

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Southwest L.A. bare softball loop plans

A softball league for boys, 12-14, was announced by the Southwest L.A. JACL, sponsors, with Tak Ushiyama named as commissioner. Roy Iketani and Mack Hamaguchi were instrumental in getting the league started.

Employing a nine-inch ball, play is expected to commence after school closes this week. Teams interested in playing should call Sam Hirasawa (RE 2-9035), Hamaguchi (RE 3-9111) or Iketani (RE 4-1157, AX 2-1189).

As many 14-year-old as a team wants may be included on the roster but only five of them will be allowed on the field at a time. A 14-year-old may not be the pitcher. Upon reaching their 15th birthday, they are ineligible.

Teams will play under the Optimist junior baseball rules, with the Southwest L.A. JACL League designed to take up where the

current Optimist League ends. Games will be attended by chapter representatives and admit volunteers and played on weekday evenings, although some may be shifted to Saturday afternoons.

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Los Angeles NEWSLETTER

By Henry Mori

STATE ASSEMBLYMAN ELLIOTT

Assemblyman Edward E. Elliott of the 40th District will be honored at a testimonial dinner to be held at the San Kwo Low, July 17, 7:30 p.m. Among the more than 100 sponsors, of which several JACLers have been named, for the dinner will be Congressman Chet Holifield, Councilman Edward R. Roybal and Supervisor John Anson Ford, who will act as honorary co-chairman to pay tribute to the Democratic legislator who was first elected in 1947.

According to the lopsided results of the June primary, Elliott appears to be a shoe-in to retain his office after the November election. He is seeking his sixth term.

Anthony A. Ponce, one of the co-chairmen for the dinner, said the "occasion will help honor a public servant who has compiled an enviable record of devotion to the liberal ideals and to his constituents."

Several years ago, the JACL honored Elliott for his legislative efforts in behalf of persons of Japanese ancestry and other minority groups.

The roster appears like a "homecoming" for many of the Nisei who are expected to attend the fete.

The committee said the San Kwo Low was picked to add an international flavor to the testimonial.

GOVERNMENT DAY' ON NISEI WEEK CALENDAR

The 18th Nisei Week Festival has added a new wrinkle to its well-set pattern of familiar programs for the week's celebration. It has been tagged as "The Government Day" ceremony to be conducted in the Mayor's Office.

And since Aug. 2, the opening day of the Festival, falls on a Saturday, the committee of Li'l Tokio bigwigs and probably the queen candidates will trek to the City Hall the day before.

What with the Oriental things going in a big way all over the country, the City Hall this year may be filled with samisen music and gala Ondo dancers doing their routine for a brief moment, while Government Day is being observed.

Meantime, back at the ranch, the various JACL chapters are contributing their share in the Aug. 2-10 festivities by sponsoring dances to pick their favorite candidates to vie in the Nisei Week Festival queen race.

Last year, Mitzi Miya of San Pedro, was sponsored by the Long Beach-Harbor District JACL and won the coveted title.

One such program to select a winner gets underway tonight at the Zenda Ballroom when members of the Southwest L.A. JACL holds a Queentime Ball.



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By Wendy Watanabe

MEETING AMBASSADOR ASAKAI

CHICAGO. — This past week, our fair city was indeed honored to have Mr. Koichiro Asakai, Japanese Ambassador to the United States of America, and his lovely wife here to launch the rebirth of the Japan-America Society of Chicago. His rigorous two and a half-day schedule included giving the keynote address at a luncheon at the Art Institute, placing a wreath at a monument to the Japanese dead at the Montrose cemetery, dinner and reception at the North Park Hotel hosted by the Chicago Japanese American Council, and finally a luncheon in his honor given by Consul General Akira Sono at the Drake Hotel before his return to Washington Thursday.

It was a great pleasure and honor to meet his Excellency who, aside from being an eloquent speaker, a highly polished and distinguished envoy to the U.S., not to mention the fact that he is an extremely good looking man who radiates friendliness, we discovered he was quite a "regular Joe" (if you'll excuse the expression). Not having the faculties of being able to speak the Japanese language (other than to say "Watashi wa Nihongo hanashimasen"), your reporter polled other JACLers in attendance at the banquet, and learned that Ambassador Asakai spoke on the need for cooperation between Japan and the United States with respect to trade between the two countries.

Takashi Komatsu, president of the Japan-America Society of Tokyo, who gave a few words of greetings and deftly summarized the history of the Society, was also a star and guest of honor along with his wife at the dinner.

GETTING READY FOR 9-DAY CARNIVAL

The Chicago JACL — proud of their reputation for going "all the way" in its activities — are scurrying hither and thither in preparation for the largest carnival they've ever sponsored. Carnival Chairmen Joe Sagami and Mike Hori have announced a nine-day run on their outdoor carnival on the northside of Chicago at Addison and Reta starting June 20 through June 28. Amidst the merry-go-round calliope music, carnival-goers can obtain delicious chicken teriyaki broiled to perfection, and for you die-hards, there'll be plenty of hot dogs to munch on while enjoying a ferris wheel ride.

Here's a grand salaam (pun intended) to Joe and Mike who are presently busy lining up manpower for this fabulous undertaking. So come one, come all for the time of your life. We can't think of a more fun-way in which to support your chapter!

JR. JACL SCHOLARSHIP RECOGNITION

Our rising young stars, the Chicago Junior JACLers, along with its young-in-heart parent chapter, have set aside Saturday, June 21, to recognize and honor a group of outstanding high

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Vital Statistics

ENGAGEMENTS

INOUE-KITAYAMA — Agnes, Portland, to Kaoru, Seattle.
KAWANO - YASUMOTO — Suzuno, Kingsburg, to Takeo, Del Rey.
NATTO-FUKUDA — Yasuko to George T. both San Francisco.
NAKAMURA-DOI — Lily to Richard both Fresno.
NISHIKI-MORI — Jane, Palo Alto, to Kazuo, San Leandro.

DEATHS

KADO, Masako: Sacramento, Mar. 4.
KAMATANI, Soichi, 73: Watsonville, Mar. 17.
KANNO, Hatsukichi, 91: San Mateo, Mar. 10.
KATO, Kametaro: Chicago, Feb. 28.
KATSURA, Masano, 63: Parlier, Apr. 3.
KAWAGUCHI, Ben, 58: Fresno, Mar. 2.
KOJIMA, Mrs. Connie, 25: Denver, Mar. 9.
KOJIMA, Mrs. Uta, 64: Salt Lake City, May 18.
MATSUMORI, Kichibei, 76: Salt Lake City, Mar. 15.
MIYAMOTO, Shizu, 62: Reedley, Feb. 28.
MIZUTANI, Jitaro, 59: Kingsburg, May 23.
NAGAI, Rikichi, 74: Seattle, Apr. 11.
NOMURA, Teruyoshi, 46: San Jose, Apr. 3.
OCHIAI, Mrs. Fusa: Fowler, Mar. 4.
OKUDA, Kiku, 76: Salt Lake City, Mar. 12.
SHINAGAWA, Minokichi, 81: Hanford, Mar. 3.
TAHARA, Yokichi, 75: Portland, Mar. 30.
TAKEMORI, Frank S., 59: Sandy, Utah, Mar. 21.
TANIYAMA, Bunri, 75: Pocatello, May 16.
TONOMURA, Hatsuye: San Francisco, Mar. 3.
TSUJIMOTO, Harukichi, 89: Loomis, Apr. 14.
TSUZAKI, Matsuo, 47: Lodi, Apr. 13.
WAKAZURU, Otzuchi, 75: Ontario, Ore., Apr. 18.
YAMADA, Nobuichiro, 73: Portland, Mar. 1.
YAMATO, Teinosuke, 79: Ontario, Ore., Mar. 30.

IDAHO DE MOLAYS PICK FIRST SANSEI OFFICER

CALDWELL, Idaho. — Elected state junior councilor of the Order of DeMolay was Mike Nishitani, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Nishitani of this city, at the state conclave in Lewiston last week. He is the first person of Japanese ancestry to be elected to a statewide position.

A freshman at the College of Idaho, young Nishitani was master councilor of the local DeMolay chapter, president of the Boise Valley Jr. JACL, and has been elected Orien fraternity secretary for next term.

SEATTLE VET AUXILIARY PLANS SCHOLARSHIP

SEATTLE. — The Seattle NVC Auxiliary last week announced a scholarship to be given a deserving Nisei high school graduate or Nisei already enrolled at the Univ. of Washington. A year's tuition is being provided. Selection will be made by the university.

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MARYKNOLL GIRLS READY FOR DRUM-BUGLE MEET

A high-stepping girls' drum and bugle corps from Maryknoll School will "hit the line" at the American Legion state convention competition in Sacramento's Hughes Stadium on June 28.

Organized 3½ years ago by Sister Xavier Marie, who once formed and inspired a Negro boys basketball team in New York, the Nisei-Sansei group is composed of 40 buglers and 18 percussionists, which has accumulated an impressive collection of trophies in Southland appearances.

With an added color guard of nine girls, the Maryknoll young ladies ranging from 11 to 16 years of age comprise the largest junior corps to take the field since World War II, according to competition officials. They are sponsored by the American Legion Post 46 of Culver City.

Salinas Nisei granted Hughes Aircraft fellowship

SALINAS. — John Osugi, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kumataro Osugi, 11 California St., has received a Hughes Aircraft Co. master of science fellowship, enabling him to continue his education at the Univ. of Southern California and working part-time at Hughes.

A 1958 USC graduate, he is a member of the Phi Epsilon Nu and president of the Independent Men's Council.

Parlier Auxiliary holds final meeting of season

PARLIER. — Mrs. A. Federico of Fresno, owner of the Fresno Beauty College and cosmetologist, spoke May 20 before members of the Parlier JACL Auxiliary. It was the last regular meeting for the season until Oct. 21, when the group resumes its calendar. Mrs. Shizu Kimoto and her group were in charge.

New Selma JACLers guests of barbecue feast tonight

SELMA. — New members will be guests at the Selma JACL barbecue to be held tomorrow night at Blakeley's in Fresno with chapter president Dale Okazaki and its women auxiliary chairman Mrs. Jean Abe serving on the preparations committee. Others are:

Takami Misaki, Takashi Tanimoto, Kenny Yamamoto and George Baba.

JAPANESE ILLUSTRATOR TO ADDRESS CHI-SHIN

Akira Ikuno will address the Chi-Shin (Nisei cultural group) on Japanese illustrations, "sashie", tonight at 7:30 at the Japanese Cultural Center, 1218 S. Menlo Ave.

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Washington NEWSLETTER

BY MIKE MASAOKA

On Being a Congressional Page

WASHINGTON, D.C.
NEWSLETTER NOTE: At our request, Carl Omaye, of Jacksonville, Florida, has written of his experiences as the first person of Japanese ancestry ever to serve as a page boy in the Congress of the United States. Appointed by Congressman Charles E. Bennett (Democrat), he served during the month of May. The son of Mr. and Mrs. H.I. Omaye, he is the president-elect of the Englewood Student Council, vice president of the same student governing body, and president of the Hi-Y and National Honor Society of Englewood High School. Recently, he was featured on a Voice of America broadcast to Japan. He was also a guest at the recent meeting of the Eastern District Council meeting of the Japanese American Citizens League. From all reports, he performed his duties as a page boy creditably.

BY CARL OMAYE

This is a very pleasant task I have—that of recalling my experiences as a page in the House of Representatives. I was appointed by Representative Bennett for the month of May. Some congressmen appoint pages for a longer period, but my congressman appoints a boy every month from the different high schools in Jacksonville to let more boys have this opportunity.

There are 80 pages who serve both Houses and the Supreme Court. Fifty of these serve in the House and are divided into Democratic and Republican pages. There are "telephone" pages and "bench" pages. The "telephone" pages handle the telephones in the cloakroom behind the chamber. They must always know what is happening on the floor. I was a Democratic "bench" page, which means I served only Democratic congressmen and worked on the "bench". I will explain the latter further.

Because my appointment was only for a month, I studied on my own. The other pages attended the Capitol Page School in the Library of Congress which began at 6:30 a.m. and ended at 9:45 a.m.

MY DUTIES BEGAN at 9:00 a.m. every morning. At this time, we "month" pages filed "Congressional Records" which fit into the seats of the chamber. These "Records" contain the proceedings, verbatim, of the preceding day in both chambers. After this was completed, we began taking deliveries consisting of packages and letters from one congressman's office or from one committee to another. This involved many miles of walking every day. I did well, getting only one blister. These deliveries took me to the House Office Buildings, to the Senate Office Building, and to various offices in the Capitol.

The House of Representatives usually convenes at noon. While the congressmen are on the floor, they may push a button which is located on each seat and signal the page bench in the rear of the chamber. One of us would answer his call and do what was requested. We always had to know what business was being carried on to facilitate our being able to fulfill his request.

Taking deliveries and waiting on the congressmen were the main duties and these were carried on until 3:00 p.m. or adjournment. Some days I worked as late as 7:00 p.m. We took shifts eating lunch because the House would be in session. I always ate in the snack bar in the cloakroom. Many congressmen also frequented the room to eat, talk, or even nap.

THE WHOLE MONTH was so exciting that I cannot possibly relate all of what happened. In the course of a day, I would meet men and women who are constantly in the news. Seeing our government work first-hand made a deep impression on me. Just the experience of living away from home and drawing pay made the month worthwhile. Then, of course, there are all the sights of Washington which I saw. To climax my month in the Capital, I had an interview for a Voice of America broadcast to Japan. I cannot conclude without expressing my appreciation to the Washington Office of the JACL for their hospitality toward me.

Being a page was an enriching, unforgettable experience for which I will ever be thankful. It has instilled in me a greater appreciation for democracy and a thanks-unto God for being an American.

WINDY WENDY: by Wendy Watanabe

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school graduates — all nominees for the Junior JACL and the Pvt. Ben Frank Masaoka Memorial scholarship awards — at a Scholarship Banquet preceding the annual Graduation Dance at the Sheridan-Plaza Hotel. Because only two will be selected from the fifteen nominees, the committee thought it only fitting to pay tribute to all of these graduates at the banquet — at which time each will receive a copy of our beloved Japanese American Creed. The winner of the Jr. JACL scholarship and Chicago's candidate for the Pvt. Ben Masaoka scholarship will be announced, however, at the dance. All of us in Chicago are extremely proud (needless to say) to note how significant it was that there were so many honor students among the Japanese Americans of this city — making it a difficult task in selecting the winners.

And to the Jr. JACL, who conceived the idea of a scholarship (and worked diligently throughout the year to raise the funds), we take a back seat and tip our hats to you.



Margaret Itami, Miss National JACL of 1958, calls on Utah Governor George Clyde at his executive office in the State Capitol. They are getting a feel of the 15th Biennial JACL Convention, to be held in Salt Lake City Aug. 22-25, by reviewing the souvenir booklet of the 1956 convention. —Terashima Photo.

Utah governor cite contribution of Japanese American in welcome message

SALT LAKE CITY. — Performing her first official duty as National JACL Convention queen, Miss Margaret Itami extended the official welcome of the convention to Utah Governor George D. Clyde this past week.

Governor Clyde, in whose state the 15th Biennial national convention is being held here Aug. 22-25, then handed her his official welcome letter to JACL delegates, which recalled the part played by persons of Japanese ancestry in helping to build this nation.

"I deem it a real pleasure to the 15th Biennial Convention of the Japanese American Citizens League," the Governor's letter began.

"American citizens of Japanese ancestry have made many important contributions to the development and growth of this nation. Your qualities of thrift and industry have brought success to many enterprises carried out un-

der difficult circumstances, and stand as a shining example to the rest of this great nation. Patriotism and devotion to principles have been proved under the most trying of conditions.

"I wish you all the most pleasant stay in Utah, a successful convention, and continued success in all your worthwhile endeavors."

PASSPORT GIVEN TO STRANDEE PREVIOUSLY DENIED BY STATE DEPT

SAN FRANCISCO. — Nisei strandeers in Japan who have been denied U.S. passports to return to this country because of service in the Japanese Army during World War II are now being issued passports in Japan, according to attorney Joseph Morozumi. William Takata, a client of Morozumi living in Shizuoka, has received a notice from the U. S. consulate in Yokohama, informing he is now considered a U.S. citizen by the State Department.

This reclassification is the aftermath of the Mar. 31 decision of the U.S. Supreme Court in the Nishikawa case, which held the government and not the Nisei had to prove wartime army service was voluntary "by clear, convincing and unequivocal evidence".

Tacoma community honors local area graduates

TACOMA. — Eight high school seniors and one college graduate were honored guests June 6 at a smorgasbord dinner-dance attended by over 100 persons. Kaz Yamane was chairman of the community-wide sponsored event. Ernest Uno was emcee.

Judge Billy Richmond of the Pierce County superior court addressed the graduates, who were favored with gifts from Puyallup Valley JACL president Dr. John Kanda. Graduates were:

Mrs. Elsie Taniguchi, U. of Wash.; June Shirozu, Ellen Shigeno, Jeanette Fukuda, Dolores Sugimoto, Sidney Kasuga, Masao Osada, all of Stadium High, Tacoma; Satoshi Shimizu, Beverly Yamamoto, Fife High; Tamio Yanagawa, Puyallup High.

Affair was sponsored by the Tacoma YBA, Japanese Methodists and a local Issei-Nisei businessmen's group. The Rev. Alpha Takagi of the Methodist Church gave the invocation, the Rev. Sadamaro Ouchi of the Buddhist Church made the benediction.

VET REUNION BB-Q SET FOR POLICE ACADEMY

The Nisei Veterans Reunion barbecue, July 29, will be held at the Los Angeles Police Academy with Perry Post Auxiliary in charge of program. A pre-feast feature will be the softball game between a team of Islanders and Mainlanders. Entertainment and dancing to Tak Shindo's combo will wind up the day.

90 EVACUEES UP FOR CLAIMS PAY DURING MAY

WASHINGTON. — Ninety evacuees were awarded \$654,721 in awards during the month of May, the Japanese Claims Section of the Department of Justice informed the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League and the Committee on Japanese American Evacuation Claims.

The largest claim, for \$70,000, was awarded to a claimant in Los Angeles, while the smallest, for \$40, was awarded to a claimant in Seattle. Other large awards were in amounts of \$50,000; \$21,000; \$19,000; \$18,000; \$14,800; several for more than \$13,000; and nine for more than \$10,000 each.

Awardees are residents of Oregon, Illinois, California, Washington, Colorado, Minnesota, Arizona, New York, Idaho, Utah, and the District of Columbia and Japan.

Non-profit organizations receiving awards included the Arizona Buddhist Church of Glendale, California Flower Market, Inc., of San Francisco, San Pedro Vegetable Growers Cooperative Association, and the Seattle Chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League.

Selma JACL awards first scholarship

SELMA. — Ronald Shimizu, son of Mr. and Mrs. Johnson Shimizu of Del Rey, was awarded Selma JACL's first annual scholarship during commencement exercises at Selma High School last week. Chapter president Dale Okazaki made the presentation.

Shimizu, who finished his high school days by serving as student body president, is a four-year honor student and was active in track and baseball.

On the chapter's scholarship committee were Nancy Matsunaga and Alan Masumoto.

ORANGE COUNTY JUDO MEET-CARNIVAL SET JUNE 28

ANAHEIM. — The Orange County Inter-Club Council, of which Orange County JACL is a member, presents its fourth annual judo tournament-carnival June 28 at Buena Park's park on Knott Ave. Competition starts after lunch with the carnival slated in the evening.

CALENDAR

June 21 (Saturday)
Selma — Barbecue, Blakeley's in Fresno.
San Francisco — Auxiliary dance, Book-er T. Washington Center, 9:30 p.m.
Gilroy — Graduates Outing, Gilroy Hot Springs.
Long Beach — Graduates dance, Contra Costa — Graduates dance Richmond Civic Center Plaza, 8 p.m.
June 21-22
Venice-Culver — Community Center carnival.
June 22 (Sunday)
East Los Angeles — Chapter picnic, Belvedere Park.
Twin Cities — Community picnic, Weber Park, 11 a.m.
June 24 (Tuesday)
Philadelphia — Flower Arrangement class, Mid-City YWCA, 2027 Chestnut St., 8 p.m.
June 27 (Friday)
West Los Angeles — Benefit carnival, Corinth Ave. Japanese School.
June 28 (Saturday)
Berkeley — Graduates dance, Liva Oak Park Recreation Hall.
June 28 - 29
West Los Angeles — JACL carnival.
June 29 (Sunday)
Santa Barbara — JACL Picnic, Goleta Beach, 12 n.
Long Beach — Community talent show
Cleveland — Community picnic, Weigand's Lake.
July 3 (Thursday)
Watsonville — Benefit movies, Buddhist Hall.
July 4 (Friday)
St. Louis — Picnic.
July 5 (Saturday)
Watsonville — Holiday dance, Veterans Memorial Hall, 9 p.m.
July 6 (Sunday)
PSWDC — Pre-convention rally, Southwest L.A. JACL hosts; L.A. Police Academy, 10 a.m.
Sonoma County — Community picnic, Doran Park, Bodega Bay.
July 12 (Saturday)
Philadelphia — Chapter picnic, Friend's Central School.
July 13 (Sunday)
Hollywood — Beach party

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