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Functions of national JACL president's office summarized

(This is the first of two installments of the "Report of the National JACL President" for the 15th Biennial convention. Because the national president, Dr. Roy Nishikawa, has been burdened with last-minute preparations for the convention and with little time to spare for his bi-weekly columns, we are happy to have his final report made available to PC readers. —Ed.)

BY DR. ROY NISHIKAWA

When requested to make this report, I first considered the listing of all the various affairs which I have attended in the performance of duties of the Office of National President. They run into the hundreds.

On second thought, it was decided that this would take too much space and that a true picture of the activities of the National JACL President would not be presented in this manner and that a preferable method of making the report would be to break down the functions of the president's office into various categories.

Chapter and District Council Visits: Most of the Eastern District chapters have been visited. Most of the Pacific Southwest chapters have also been visited. A few chapters in Central California, Northern California-Western Nevada, Intermountain and Midwest districts have also been visited—generally in conjunction with a regularly scheduled district meeting. Only the Pacific Northwest and Mountain-Plains areas were missed because of a conflict in schedules. However, these areas were visited during the previous biennium while serving as national treasurer.

Generally, these visits entail the duties of installing officers, guest speakers and/or reports from National JACL. Occasionally help is needed in reorganizing a chapter or co-operating on a special district or chapter project. For example, in Fresno some of us participated in an hour-long TV program sponsored by CCDC and Fresno State College.

Attendance at Other Affairs: These run the gamut from testifying before the Los Angeles City Council on behalf of FEPC to meeting with Vice President Nixon on the President's Committee on Government Contracts. These affairs cover such diverse tasks as appearances on race relations panels, meeting with Issei leaders, speaking to college students and to ministers, attending various testimonials, clinics and even funerals. Invitations are necessarily accepted on a selective basis. It would be simply impossible to accept them all.

National Committees: The National JACL President is an ex-officio member of all national committees. He naturally is the recipient of many inquiries on methods, functions, programs and policies relating to each committee. One of the more important tasks in this field is the working out of the National Budget with the National Treasurer and the National Director. Although he sits with a few committees, e.g. Pacific Citizen, Youth Program and COJAE, most of the work is done through correspondence, which is a rather cumbersome method of getting things done. As is well known to veteran JACLers, most of the actual recommendations of our National Committees are formed at the National Convention.

Administrative Problems: Since the National President is the head of the National JACL Board—the executive body of the National JACL—he works closely with all staff members and particularly with the National Director and with the Washington Representative. His relationships with the Board and Staff have been most cordial and every courtesy and cooperation has been extended to him.

Since the National President is responsible primarily to the National Council, which elects him, one of the most functions is to act as a "balancing wheel" between the administrative staff and the general membership and between local chapters and National JACL. This sometimes places a tremendous responsibility upon him—especially when controversial problems arise, such as that related to JACL's role in international relations.

I feel I would be remiss if I did not take this opportunity to praise the work of the National JACL staff. There are few groups who are more dedicated to their work than our JACL staff people. Extra hours and extra effort are almost routine in JACL work and truly, the staff has demonstrated that theirs is a labor of love and service. Our voluntary local, district and national leaders have also demonstrated this same spirit of sacrifice and devotion to duty.

Communications: This is one of the most onerous, time-consuming, yet most necessary tasks of all. Literally thousands of memos, letters and notes are received and sent from the president's office during his term. Phone calls and personal visits relieve part of this load. But realistically, there seems to be no relief from this problem. Without paper work, there is no communication. And communication is the life blood of the organization.

Communications generally fall into two categories: internal (within the organization) and external communications with other organizations, agencies, groups and individuals. Most of the communications have gone out of the president's office rather than through the Los Angeles regional office.

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4 more 'Biennium' candidates named; over 12 expected

Two women and two men—none of them Californians for a change—have been nominated for "Nisei of the Biennium", according to George Inagaki, national chairman of the JACL Recognitions Committee, bringing the total of nominees to 12.

Five finalists for "Nisei of the Biennium" will be announced at the 15th Biennial National JACL Convention recognition banquet, Aug. 25, at Salt Lake City's Hotel Utah. Awards will be made for distinguished achievement and for distinguished community service.

Nominations were received for Mrs. Lily Okura, active leader in the National Secretaries Ass'n, of Omaha; Mrs. Mary Kawakami, prominent hair stylist, of American Fork, Utah; Dr. Iwao M. Moriyama, chief of the mortality analysis section in the U.S. Public Health Service, of Washington, D.C.; and John Y. Yoshino, liaison officer, President's Committee on Government Contracts, of Washington, D.C.

Several other nominations are due, Inagaki added, and these will be revealed next week. Meantime,

he reminded that nominations for the "JACler of the Biennium" will close on Aug. 15.

Lily Okura

First woman to be nominated for "Nisei of the Biennium", Mrs. K. Patrick Okura of Omaha is coordinating secretary of the C. Louis Meyer Memorial, a part of the Nebraska Childrens Center, having been selected last December after working as secretary to the administrator of the University Hospital for 4½ years.

Mrs. Okura, who is currently Continued on Page 23

Tom Aoki of Oakland named NC-WNDC oratorical representative; delegates discuss JACL convention issues at Sequoia meeting

REDWOOD CITY. — Oakland's young orator, Tom Aoki, was named last Sunday to represent the No. Calif.-Western Nevada District Council in the forthcoming national JACL oratorical contest to be held in Salt Lake City, Aug. 23.

In addition to an all-expense trip to the 15th Biennial convention, the Oakland JACL representative received a beautiful district council trophy and a \$100 government bond. He is the 18-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Aoki, was valedictorian of his class at Oakland Technical High School and was admitted to the Univ. of California medical school.

Other winners were Emiko Yamamoto, 16, of Stockton, second, and Jean Ohata of Sacramento, third. They received \$50 and \$25 government bonds, respectively.

Some 200 delegates to the third quarterly meeting of the district council were impressed with the masterful delivery and stimulating ideas expressed by eight youthful contestants representing five chapters. Only after considerable deliberation were the judges able to come to a decision. Judges were:

Dr. Marie Carr, San Jose State speech dept.; Sylvia Cirone, San Jose State graduate student of speech; Akiji Yoshimura, NC-WNDC chmn.; Peter Nakahara, San Jose attorney; Joe Grant Masaoka, former N.C. reg. dir.

In addition to the winners, also participating were:

Yvonne Fujimoto, San Francisco; Sherrie Kaneda, Sequoia; Rodney Ka-

geyama, Marysville; Jack Kono, Oakland; and Evelyn Nakano, Oakland.

The oratorical contest was ably chaired by Yone Satoda of San Francisco, assisted by Kaye Uyeda, Aiko Yokomizo, Dr. Steve Nishi and Ko Ijichi.

Business Session

Chapter delegates discussed various National Convention agenda during the business session chaired by Akiji Yoshimura.

A motion was passed to recommend National JACL seek amendments to the Evacuation Claims Act (1) to enable alien internees now eligible for claims payment to file for claims, and (2) to respect claims which were not timely filed through no fault of the claimants involved.

It was agreed that the Pacific Citizen was invaluable for organizational information to the membership, but felt a wider distribution of the JACL's national weekly might be accomplished through

means other than a uniform raise in national membership dues to include the paper to every member. Elimination of PC chapter commissions on subscriptions was also recommended.

It expressed feelings that the National Board should meet regularly once a year and than an additional national budget item be included to take care of this.

No Decisions Made

Other questions were discussed during the meeting but no decisions were reached. They include the matter of whether to continue observance of Nisei Soldier Memorial Day, an outline of alternative proposals for space for National Headquarters, national convention travel pool and national JACL scholarship program.

William Matsumoto of Sacramento was nominated for national 1000 Club chairman, upon the submission of petition from three Continued on Page 4

MT. OLYMPUS CANDIDATE ACCORDED '58 MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

SAN FRANCISCO.—The announcement of Ronald Inouye as the recipient of the 1958 Pvt. Ben Frank Masaoka memorial scholarship was made this week from National JACL Headquarters, which administers this annual award in behalf of its donor, Mrs. Haruye Masaoka. The winner is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Yukus Inouye of American Fork, Utah.

The scholarship judges also designated supplemental National JACL scholarships to Deanna Honbo, candidate of the Delano chapter; Kenji Kawakami of San Luis Obispo; Michihara Sakata, East Los Angeles; and Helen Tadamaru, Chicago.

The judges who had the difficult task of selecting the winners from 23 top notch and outstanding Japanese American high school graduates were Mrs. Teiko Kuroiwa, chairman; Victor Abe, Fred Hoshiyama, Dr. Kazuo Togasaki, and Tak Yatabe.

Straight 'A' Student

The successful nominee of the Mt. Olympus JACL maintained a straight "A" record through four years at American Fork High School, served as president of the student body, has been an active officer in the Future Farmers of America program, is an outstanding speaker, and captained the varsity football and wrestling teams. He was named "representative boy" at his commencement,

is a member of the National Honor Society, and was a delegate to the Utah Boys State.

His forensic achievements include winning the Utah State FFA contest, third place in the Pacific regional FFA contest, and is a member of the state Class B champion team.

Livestock Showman

He is currently the vice-president of the Utah State FFA, and has also been the vice-president of the Central Utah FFA, president and secretary of his local FFA chapter. He received a Master Stockman Award at the North Salt Lake Jr. Fat Stock Show, and his entry won a grand champion title for baby beef at the Utah State junior livestock show.

In the field of athletics, he lettered two years in varsity football, wrestling, track and was a member of the junior varsity basketball team.

He also found time to be a senior patrol leader in the Boy Scouts as well as assistant scoutmaster, has been active in the Church of the Latter Day Saints as secretary of the Ward Teaching committee, president of the Teachers Quorum, and first councillor of the Deacons Quorum.

His plans are to attend Brigham Young University and prepare for electrical engineering.

Nisei named acting Honolulu postmaster

HONOLULU. — George T. Hara, veteran postal employee, has been named acting postmaster of the Honolulu Post Office.

He will take the place of Albert P. Lino, Honolulu postmaster, when the latter retires Aug. 31, 31.

Hara was notified of his appointment as acting postmaster by Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield.

Hara's new assignment now makes him a strong possibility for appointment as Honolulu postmaster.

Hara now is field services officer for the Department in the Territory. He joined the postal service in February, 1924, and rose from a part-time clerk to his present post. He has also been assistant postal cashier, postal cashier and senior assistant superintendent of mails.

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From the Frying Pan

By Bill Hosokawa

Denver, Colo.

FRISCO AND HOLLY—Joe Frisco is the name I am giving to a friend of mine who lives in San Francisco. He is of Chinese origin. He has a fine family, growing rapidly toward adulthood. Joe makes a pretty fair living. He has an apartment outside of Chinatown, but not too far. He doesn't have much to do with Chinatown affairs, and he doesn't particularly enjoy visiting it. On the other hand he feels a sense of security knowing that Chinatown is close by. He can't explain it, he only knows it.

Joe speaks Chinese fluently. He gets along well with the elders because he is familiar with the little courtesies that they hold in high esteem. It distresses him that his children speak no Chinese, are ignorant of the traditions and customs of the old country. He fears that perhaps they are becoming "too American," and he explains it by saying they're adopting all that is objectionable in the American culture.

Most of the friends that Joe Frisco's children run around with are Caucasians. This bothers Joe a little. Not that the kids aren't all right. They're good kids. It's just that Joe feels his children ought to know more youngsters of Chinese descent. One of these days the children are going to marry, Joe says, and they ought to marry their own kind.

Joe's not prejudiced against Caucasians. He argues that intermarriage may be all right, but he just doesn't like the idea of his kids marrying out of their race. When you try to pin down his objection, he says that many of the Chinese-Caucasian marriages he's known have turned out badly, and he feels that in almost every instance the Chinese has married below his or her level.

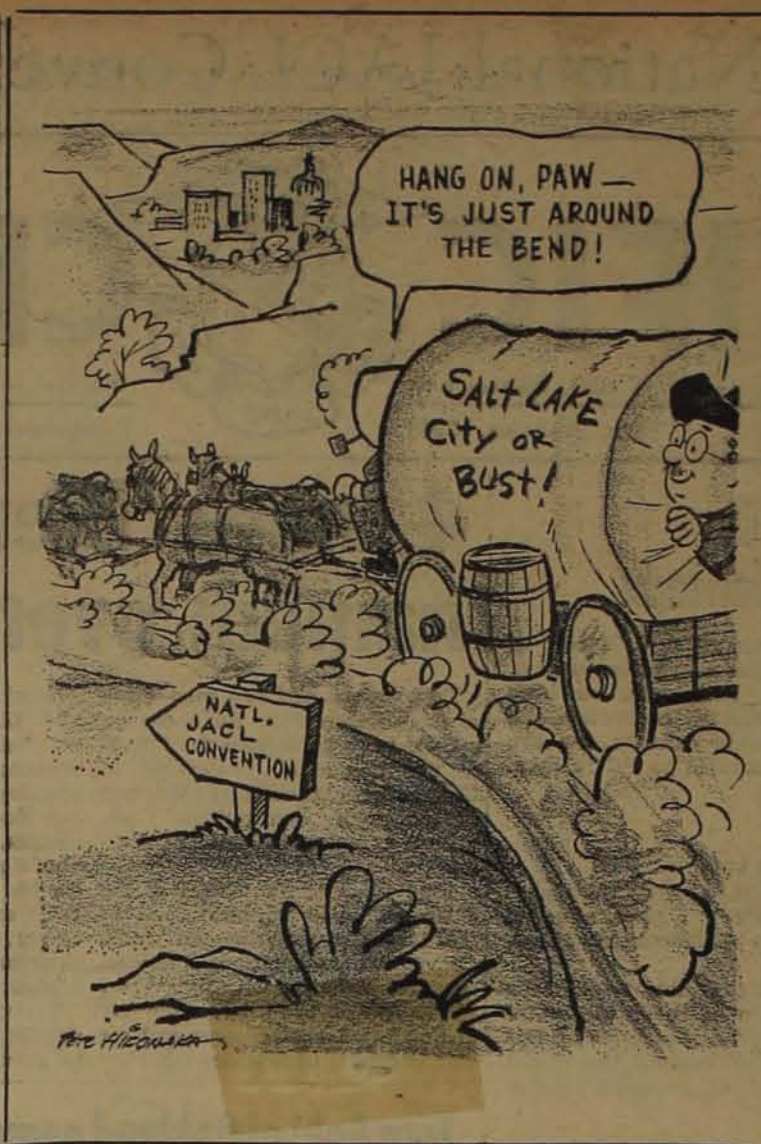
ANOTHER VIEW—Holly is the name I will give another friend of Chinese parentage. He lives in a Los Angeles suburb miles from any other Chinese-American family. He's a salesman and virtually all of his clients are Caucasians. He has a growing family, too, but he's not at all concerned by the things that worry Frisco Joe.

"Shucks," he says, "my daughter dates Caucasian boys for school and church socials. My son visits Caucasian girls at their homes and he's never been made to feel unwelcome. One of these days my kids will be ready for marriage. They'll marry partners of their choice and chances are they'll be Caucasians because they don't know any Chinese girls and boys very well. They just haven't had the opportunity, and that doesn't bother me very much."

Holly concedes that his children may run into prejudice, but he's not losing any sleep because of this possibility. "The kids will have to cross that bridge when they come to it," he reasons. "Meanwhile, they're growing up as well-adjusted, happy normal children, and that's the best preparation for any kind of personal problem."

Holly's outlook is that this is a big country where racial minorities are quickly absorbed. He's aware of his Chinese ancestry but he's not ashamed of it. Nor does he make it a point to be proud of it. He's just another fellow making a living and rearing a family.

SANSEI PROBLEM—These, then, are two opposing views held by two Chinese Americans of my acquaintance. And Nisei parents, who may be a bit uneasy about the social future of their Sansei offspring, can take heart in learning that their own problems and uncertainties are by no means unique. The so-called "Sansei problem," a social one rather than economic, is going to have to be solved the way all human problems are—individually.



15th Biennial Underlines

BY RUPERT HACHIYA

Chairman, National JACL Convention Board

Salt Lake City Shigeki Ushio: Convention Banquet Chmn. Sue Kaneko has been happy to announce that our good neighbor from Mt. Olympus, Shigeki Ushio, has accepted the job of Master of Ceremonies. Shigeki is well known in JACL circles as being a charter member and president of both Salt Lake and Mt. Olympus chapters, and 1946-47 Chairman of the IDC. He has served many years with the National Credit Union and was Chairman of the Tenth Biennial National Convention ten years ago when Mt. Olympus and Salt Lake City co-sponsored the convention.

Burning Midnight Oil: Sale of midnight oil took a decided jump in the past two weeks as the Souvenir Booklet editorial staff under Jeanne Konishi worked long hours day and night to prepare pages for the printer. Assistant editor Mas Horiuchi may be a bit prejudiced, but he emphasized this week that the 15th Biennial booklet will be "second to none", and was highly impressed with the quality and originality of ideas. Staff artists Paul Hasegawa (without whom this booklet would have been impossible to finish), Miki Kobayashi and Kaizo Shiotani are deserving of the most high praises, according to Jeanne. Next comes her husband Jim, who did much of the tedious pasting job with the assistance of Mas Horiuchi. The typing and proof reading jobs were done by Toshi Odow, Blanche Shiosaki, Grace Kasai, Grace Tasaka, and Patty Kishimoto. If all goes well according to schedule, the 100 page booklet will be "put to bed" this week and copies will be going out to the advertisers as soon as they come off the presses. The booklet has been outstanding in every respect, from the ads, art work, to the spirit of each committee member pitching in for an excellent job well done. My appreciation to each member of this group.

Saturday Evening Post: We were especially happy to come across the Saturday Evening Post story on Congressman D.S. Saund in its Aug. 2nd edition. This article comes at an opportune time as far as community publicity and public relations goes with many of our "hakujin" friends telling us they read the story and would like to hear him at our convention. Described as "one of the most colorful personalities in the 85th Congress whose very presence in Washington is a practical demonstration of the workability of American dream" by author Milton MacKaye, he is no doubt the most appropriate figure we could possibly present at our 15th Biennial.

Mayor Glade: Former Mayor Earl J. Glade of our city has been added to our program as he consented to deliver the Luncheon invocation. He has been a long time friend and honorary member of the chapter. He is now with the very important job at Salt Lake Municipal Airport as finance director, and as one of the most eloquent speakers of our time. Earl J. Glade is constantly in demand all over the country.

Welcome Mats: Among the welcome mats being readied for conventioners. Bill Inouye, who is one of our photographers, has made a large "welcome" poster in his window, with the full size colored portrait of our Queen Margaret surrounded with the Intermountain beauties that vied for the title last May. The poster should certainly be a welcome sight for the delegates, but the community will get a good three weeks preview.

Queen Margaret also stands in her regal robe and crown in colors at the Terashima Studio. And speaking of Margaret, she is doing a good job of "plugging" the convention in Seattle. It seems more than relatives turned out to welcome the petite "Miss National JACL". Her mother Mary wrote to inform us of her very successful Dance Recital, which was a sell-out affair in Ontario, prior to her departure for the Northwest. With her new found fame as Convention Queen, her

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PC Letter Box

MORE CHOW MEIN

Editor: ... We thought there should be some added background to the Seabrook JACL story (see Aug. 1 PC), which appeared in the Bulletin.

The chow mein dinner has been used by our community for several years as a fund raising project. For three years, it supported the Children's Day Camp program. Last year it helped to complete our fund raising for a \$2,000 memorial gift to Bridgeton Hospital. This memorial gift will serve as the reception room for eye, ear and throat clinics of the new hospital wing which was dedicated this summer.

This year's chow mein dinner proceeds include a donation to Elmer Hospital in Elmer, N.J., where some of our residents enter, and the Cherry Tree project this fall to help beautify Bridgeton city park. Dick Kunishima was chairman and Ellen Ayako Nakamura handled the publicity.

The local newspapers and radio station WSNJ of Bridgeton give our project extensive publicity. The Philadelphia Evening Bulletin reporter was interested in the news release. After attending the dinner, he decided to expand the story and this was used in the Sunday Bulletin, which according to him has about 4 million readers. The Bulletin claims it is the largest evening paper in the country.

This story was released by the AP news service the next day. It was also sent to the foreign countries. The reporter informed Ellen Nakamura, who was handling the publicity, that Seabrook JACL has played an important role in promoting goodwill in our international relations. He considered this was even more significant than the good impression we conveyed to the readers of Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware areas.

As you may have noticed, the story has a few minor misinterpretations; such as, "bonds put up for the group", which was not the case. This is possible as he interviewed a number of people attending the dinner. He also forgot to mention the JACL chapter president, Josie Ikeda, whom he also interviewed, but who was too busy supervising the waitresses and receptionist staff to spend much time with him. Aside from that—we feel fortunate to have a large daily newspaper in another state devote so much column space to our project. Maybe we can sell a few more chow mein tickets next year.

VERNON ICHISAKA
Seabrook JACL

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

Editor: Would the status of a PC subscriber change from "non-member" to "member" when that person becomes a naturalized citizen of the U.S.A.?

H. IYEKI

Brooklyn N.Y.

(This reader, who renewed his PC subscription at the \$3.50 non-member rate for a year, has our best wishes upon his naturalization and hopes he joins the New York JACL soon so as to qualify for the \$3 "member" rate when his current subscription expires. —Ed.)

DON'T BE HOODWINKED

Editor: "Flattery will get you nowhere," sighed the farmer's daughter as she snuggled up closer to the wolf in the gray flannel suit.

At the forthcoming National JACL Convention, all delegates and boosters would do well to recall Tulane Professor Sitz's classic parody on conferences:

"1.—Profess not to have the answer. This lets you out of having any.

"2.—Say that we must not move too rapidly. This avoids the necessity of getting started.

"3.—Say that the problem can't be separated from all other problems have been solved.

"4.—For every proposal set up
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Vagaries

By Larry S. Tajiri

One GI-Japanese Romance Too Many

Dick Powell believes the movies have had just one GI-Japanese romance too many, not that he's against them, of course. Powell is the producer and director of "The Hunters," a good action drama of American jet aces in the Korean war, and he was in Denver last week for the world premiere of the picture at the Air Force Academy.

"In the James Salter novel (Harper's, 1956) from which the picture was adapted, the love story concerns an American pilot and a Japanese girl," Powell said. "They've already done that bit recently, so I had Wendell Mayes change the girl into a blonde. Just so it would have a foreign touch we made her a Norwegian."

May Britt, who made quite an impact as the unfaithful wife of the German officer in "The Young Lions," plays the Norwegian girl married to an American pilot, Lee Phillips, who falls in love with another American, Robert Mitchum. In the Salter novel, the Mitchum character, Major Cleve Saville, enjoys a romantic interlude with a girl named Eiko Miyata.

There are a number of Nisei in extra roles and bit parts in "The Hunters," which was filmed in Hollywood and in Arizona. The picture, incidentally, has some of the greatest air shots ever made and Powell contributes a crisp job of direction.

The only Oriental performers getting featured billing are Victor Sen Yung and Candace Lee, both of whom have played Nisei roles in films and TV. Sen Yung was the Nisei traitor in John Huston's pre-World War II film, "Across the Pacific," which involved Sen Yung's cinematic plot to blow up the Panama Canal. In "The Hunters," he is a North Korean friendly to the Americans and young Miss Lee is his daughter.

'BRIDGE TO THE SUN' BY MGM

Though Powell may believe the Japanese-American romantic theme is overdone, other Hollywood producers do not. It's official this week that Gwen Terasaki's true story of her marriage to a Japanese diplomat, "Bridge to the Sun," will be produced for Metro by Julius Blaustein. The picture about the Tennessee girl and the young Japanese is definitely on Blaustein's 1959-59 calendar but the starting date may hinge on the producer's ability to cast his two top roles.

One decision for Blaustein will be whether or not to use an actor of Japanese or Oriental ancestry to portray Terry Terasaki who, as a Japanese embassy official in Washington, D.C., in the fall of 1941, did his best to avoid war between his country and the United States. The story takes the Terasakis from Washington to comfortable internment at White Sulphur Springs and then to Japan aboard the Gripsholm. The picture will be Hollywood's first to attempt to recreate a story inside Japan during World War II.

It's understood that Yul Brynner is Mrs. Terasaki's personal choice for an actor to portray her husband. Brynner, who claims part-Oriental ancestry and birth in the Japanese-held island of Saghalien, has just completed a picture in central Europe for MGM called "The Journey." His co-star in this picture about the Hungarian uprising, Deborah Kerr, might be a good choice for Mrs. Terasaki. Brynner, however, has definite plans for the next year, including the filming of a \$6 million costume drama in Italy.

Meanwhile, the comics are using Oriental themes. Jerry Lewis is currently making "Geisha Boy" at Paramount with Nobu McCarthy as his leading lady. He portrays a GI entertainer in Japan. Shooting will start next spring on Danny Daye's next comedy which will be called "Knock on Silk," a sequel to "Knock on Wood" of several years ago. The picture will be filmed by Melvin Frank and Norman Panama partly in Hawaii and Japan and local players will be used. The producers are leaving shortly for Tokyo to set up preliminary arrangements.

An independent producer, Steve Parker, has just signed a contract to make a joint U.S.-Japanese movie in Tokyo. The picture is obviously inspired by the Richard Sorge case—one of the most successful instances of espionage in the long history of spying. According to Parker, Robert Mitchum has agreed to play the Communist spy who infiltrates into Japan under the guise of a Nazi agent.

Parker has a releasing deal with United Artists for the color film which is tentatively titled "Fourth Bureau." Except for Mitchum, all actors will be recruited in Japan for the story which has been written by Alan Lee and Adam William.

The deal, incidentally, marks a 30-month effort for Parker to line up a Japanese-American production. Most of the producer's frustrations were occasioned in Hollywood where he found studio officials deaf to the possibilities of a joint venture.

JACL NOTE: Twentieth Century Fox officials might be amenable to a special preview of "The Barbarian and the Geisha," starring John Wayne and Eiko Ando, at the JACL national convention in Salt Lake City if the picture is ready for showing by then. It's scheduled for October release.

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Women vie 1st time for 'Biennium'

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secretary to the National JACL Board, has been extremely active in the National Secretaries Ass'n. (International) since she first joined the Ak-Sar-Ben chapter in 1949. Among the 19,000 national membership, she is the only active Nisei.

During the past biennium, Lily served two terms as NSA Northwest District vice-president, which involved extensive travel throughout the three regions (1—Washington, Oregon; 2—Utah, Wyoming, Idaho, Colorado; 3—Nebraska, Iowa, Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota) visiting chapters, speaking at regional and division meetings and chapter workshops.

Concurrently, she held the posts of third international vice-president in 1956, and first international vice-president in 1957. Prior to these top NSA offices, she served on various national committees, was Ak-Sar-Ben chapter president in 1953, was a finalist in the 1955 Secretary of the Year contest and was featured the same year in Charm magazine's "Women at Work" section.

In JACL, she has held all chapter level offices, served as central regional vice-chairman in the Mountain-Plains District Council and was delegate to four national conventions. Lily is also affiliated with the American Red Cross, Urban League, Red Feather, Heart Association, Fairview Presbyterian Church (Skipper in the Mariners, national Presbyterian organization), YWCA (on the 1958-60 Omaha board of directors), Univ. of Nebraska College of Medicine Credit Union (board of directors), Nebraska Welfare Association, National Conference of Christian and Jews (received 1949 Achievements Award) and Civil Defense.

A popular speaker, she has appeared before church groups of all denominations, business sororities, chamber of commerce groups and TV.

Dr. Iwao M. Moriyama

A candidate for the Distinguished Achievement Award, Dr. Iwao Moriyama occupies one of the highest government positions of responsibility by a Nisei as chief of the mortality analysis section of the National Office of Vital

Pat Suzuki's role in 'Wizard of Oz' hit with audience

KANSAS CITY. — Pat Suzuki's opening rendition of "Over the Rainbow" in the Starlight Theater production of "Wizard of Oz" this past weekend made the opening night audience of 6,000 wonder how such a big voice comes from such a little girl.

The audience on opening night responded frequently to her songs as well as the antics of the Scarecrow, the Tin Woodman and the Cowardly Lion.

The opening was the first stage performance of the California-born Nisei. As the Kansas farm girl, Dorothy, Miss Suzuki skipped through the performance gleefully. She even digressed to do some of her disc album numbers: "From This Moment On" and "Hi Lili, Hi Lo" among them.

War Years Recalled

A Kansas City Star reporter later in the week noted that "a little Japanese American girl with a long, black pony tail, wide eyes and bright smile rapidly as becoming a successful entertainer in a nation only 12 years ago obsessed with hatred of anything and everything Japanese."

... the fact that (Miss Suzuki) is starring for a week here in the role of a Kansas farm girl represents an encouraging phenomenon in American thought and taste. It would have been unheard of a decade ago."

In telling her story, the memories of evacuation, of living behind "barbed wires" and of her dream to go to Europe only making it as far as New York were recalled.

Statistics of the U.S. Public Health Service.

In the short span of less than seven years, he has attended seven international conferences and since the beginning of his 11-year career, he has had published 42 articles dealing with some aspect of his research and work.

Last year, the San Francisco-born Nisei aided in the discussions of the Inter-American Seminar on Classification of Diseases in Caracas. This past year, he was invited by his Alma Mater to give a series of lectures on vital statistics as a visiting professor by the U.C. School of Public Health.

Following his graduation from U.C. in 1931, he made several trips to the Orient on the Dollar Steamship Lines to study ship ventilation and sanitation. At that time, he also made a trip in the company of Dr. Charles G. Hyde, professor of sanitary engineering at U.C., who aroused his interest in the field of study which was to make his profession. After completing these studies, he entered the Yale School of Public Health to begin his specialization in the area of vital statistics and received his Ph.D. degree in 1937. He was called to become field secretary for the Committee on the Hygiene of Housing by the American Public Health Association. It was this work with APHA that led to the offer of a position with the Public Health Service in Washington, D.C., in 1940.

Regarded by his colleagues as "one of its most esteemed members", Dr. Moriyama is entrusted with the responsibility of developing the official data on mortality for the government, which appear in the USPHS publications. He also initiates and directs research studies dealing with various socio-medical factors related to mortality, participates in national and international efforts towards developing a uniform statistical standards.

He has also served as consultant to the United Nations statistical office, attended international conferences in Cairo, Egypt; Tokyo; Geneva, Switzerland, and Paris.

Despite his heavy official and professional schedule, he has also been active in civic and community affairs. In 1955, he was vice-president of the Hollin Hills (Va.) Community Association and still holds that office. He is also active with the Cub Scouts.

John Y. Yoshino

Nominated for the Distinguished Community Leadership award, John Y. Yoshino has the distinction of being the first Nisei to be appointed as a staff member of a Presidential committee. He is liaison officer of the President's Committee on Government Contracts, which is concerned with elimination of discriminatory hiring practices by private employers holding government contracts.

Because the committee takes special cognizance of minority problems, his participation is regarded as a unique opportunity of public service in the fullest and widest sense of the term. Yoshino's nationwide basis of work to further the welfare of minority groups has thus enabled him to work for objectives with which other Nisei have been long concerned.

Before coming to Washington, D.C., he was associated with the American Friends Service Committee in Chicago since March, 1954, as director of the job opportunities program. It was a Quaker project of meeting and encouraging top management of business and industry to employ people on the basis of qualification rather than on the basis of race, creed or color. His efforts resulted in opening of many jobs heretofore closed to minorities.

He was also employment manager for a steel tube manufacturer, had been engaged in industrial relations in Chicago and was in social service work with Cook County and the State of Illinois.

Following his services in military intelligence during World War II, he was graduated with an A.B. degree in labor relations from Chicago's Roosevelt Univer-

sity, and received his master's degree in social and industrial relations from Loyola University in Chicago.

Yoshino's connections with JACL dates back 25 years, when he first joined the Alameda Chapter in 1933. Following his resettlement in Chicago, he supported that chapter for 10 years and has been a faithful member since coming to Washington two years ago.

Latest honor accorded him attests to his interest in working with groups seeking to cement better relationships. He was elected first chairman of the Washington, D.C., Area Conference on Intergroup Relations—composed of professionals on the staff of public and private agencies organized for interchange of information on interracial and interreligious matters.

Mrs. Mary Kawakami

Cosmetologist by profession, Mary Kawakami of American Fork, Utah, has been nominated for the Distinguished Achievement award for her many successes in the field of hair styling.

The Ft. Lupton-born Nisei was public relations chairman of the Utah Hair Fashion Council and is now style director for HFC's three western states of Utah, Idaho and Nevada.

Her talent has been sought and demonstrated widely. She attended the NACA convention in New Orleans last month and has been invited this month to appear at the New York platform demonstrations with the foremost stylists of the country. She was a features stylist at the 1956 convention in Dallas. More recently, she has been invited by the Hawaiian beauticians to teach them her intricate styles. She is also a licensed instructor, having done post graduate work in Los Angeles, Pasadena and Chicago.

In hair styling competition, she has won over 14 trophies, including firsts in the San Francisco International Show and the Los Angeles Coiffure Guild contests in 1956. She is also a member of the Official Hair Fashion Council of America, an honorary organization of hair stylists.

Her teaching ability was not limited to hair styles, however. She taught citizenship classes to the Issei for the Alpine School District. Twenty-two Issei were naturalized. She also has aided patients at the Provo Mental Hospital. She is a member of the Church of the Latter Day Saints.

ERROR CORRECTED IN CREDIT UNION REPORT

SALT LAKE CITY. — Error in the National JACL Credit Union financial report for Jan. 1-June 30, 1958, was inadvertently made and is corrected as follows:

In the Balance Sheet section under Assets, the second item, "Furn. & Fix.—\$1,132.81" should have read "Investment Securities—\$1,132.81" and there was an omission for the correct amount for "Furn. & Fixtures—\$4,906.25."

PEARL BUCK TO ADOPT JAPANESE ORPHAN GIRL

NEW YORK. — Four American-Japanese orphans arrived here from Tokyo and were met July 18 by Pearl Buck, noted authoress, who will adopt one of them.

Miss Buck, who already has adopted seven orphans from various countries, said her German orphan daughter, Henrietta, 11, "wanted a sister so I decided to get her one."

At the same time, Miss Buck urged that American laws be changed to make adoption easier.

Denver Optimists

DENVER. — The Uptown Denver Optimists with a predominant Nisei membership held its organizational meeting recently. On the board are William Kuroki, John Kajiwaru, Terrie Takamine, Leo Murakami, Sam Kumagai, Bill Hosokawa, John Sakayama, and Sus Matsumoto. Ted Whittingham is president.



POINTING Southwestward

By Fred Takato

Last week the Nisei Vets concluded their 1958 Reunion with a capacity Sayonara dinner at the Alexandria Hotel here in Los Angeles. A special dining room on the second floor had to be opened up to accommodate the overflow crowd that continued to come in.

We were quite fortunate in receiving a table in front of the rostrum together with Henry Mori, Ted Kojima (Pan American Airways), and Yoichi Nakase (DTLA Chapter, Optimist, American Legion, VFW, etc., etc.). Yoichi, who has been running himself ragged this past week, was wondering why he didn't have too much time to himself, wonder why?

The speaker for the evening was Dore Schary, producer of "Go For Broke!" and "Bad Day at Black Rock". Schary encouraged all Americans regardless of their race, color or creed to contribute whatever culture that they may have inherited from their parents and the country of their origin, so that we can become better Americans in a more enriched country. Schary also praised Mike Masaoka and the outstanding work that he is doing for the people, comparing him to Ralph Bunche, now Under Secretary of the United Nations.

Thousand Clubber Marvin Segal acted as MC for the evening and entertained with some of his humorous jokes, as well as doing a fine job as MC. Many of the JACLers present were reminded of the 1954 National Convention, when Dory Schary gave a similar speech to the many delegates that attended the convention here.

The charming Michi Kobi presented a plaque and scroll on behalf of the Veterans Reunion to Schary. Dan Aoki, assistant to the Hawaiian delegate to Congress, read a resolution for statehood for Hawaii, and it was unanimously seconded by the Vets. Copies of the resolution are being sent to President Eisenhower, and to various offices in Washington, D.C.

We were very happy to have renewed acquaintances with Hershey Miyamura, Congressional Medal of Honor winner, who was given a standing ovation by the Vets. We certainly want to extend our congratulations to Soichi Fukui, Paul Bannai, and their committees for putting on such a successful reunion. We know that the reunion scheduled to be held in Hawaii, in 1961, will be just as successful, so may we wish the Hawaiian delegation an "Aloha" and "Sayonara," until we meet again.

2ND ACT: NISEI WEEK FESTIVAL

With the curtain falling on the first act, "Veterans Reunion," the second act opened with the "Coronation Ball," kicking off Nisei Week festivities. The coronation ball was sponsored by the VFW, and held at the plush Beverly Hilton Hotel. The boys who have been working all week on the Reunion had one more chore to take care of, and boy, what a chore! Close to 2,500 people jammed into the Beverly Hilton for the Ball, and we understand it was the largest crowd that was ever handled by the management. The main ballroom was filled to capacity, and a combo was set up on the patio terrace to take care of the tremendous crowd.

We were fortunate in being able to sit at a reserved table with Dr. Roy and Alice Nishikawa, Kats Kunitsugu, George Shibata, Michi Kobi and Sho Doiuchi, who also was responsible for the Vet's Sayonara Dinner on the previous night. This was our first experience attending a Coronation Ball, and I have never seen so many "Nihonjins" in one place at one time. We met many friends whom we hadn't seen in many years. It was like a reunion in itself.

The Southwest L.A. Chapter was busy selling the souvenir Nisei Week booklet to help raise funds for their youth program. Members of the Hi-Co group are also assisting the chapter in selling the booklet, so may we suggest that if you haven't as yet bought yours, you purchase yours from either of these two groups. The booklet this year is the finest we've seen in years.

This year the Queen candidate race was quite large with nine contestants contending for the coveted crown, and this year our Queen will be beautiful Jean Yasui from San Fernando. She is 21 years of age, 5 ft.-3½ in. tall, 104 lbs., and measures 32-21-33 and is actually a native of Maui, Hawaii. The other charming contestants were Margaret Nakai (SWLA), Shirley Mizufuka (Harbor Area), Mary Murai (Orange County), Miki Tsuboi (ELA), Lily Kamiya (Gardena), Helene Yabuta (WLA), June Shintani (Hollywood), and Janet Okamoto (DTLA).

The curtain will come down on the Nisei Week Festival this weekend with an ondo parade and carnival. Thousands of people are expected to jam into "Li'l Tokio," and our Regional Office will be right in the middle of it all!

3RD ACT: JACL CONVENTION TIME

Of course this brings us up to the third act and the grand finale, when we pack our bags and climb aboard Western Airlines, and away we go to Salt Lake City, for our 15th Biennial National Convention.

With so many things happening in L.A., we took time-out to lunch with Pan American Airways officials at the invitation of Ted Kojima, who introduced us to their new district sales manager, Howard Willard. Willard, who was transferred from New York, spoke of the new Boeing (jet) 707 Clipper and Douglas DC-8 service which should go into effect across the Pacific within the next two years. We were also introduced to Mrs. Doris Kumada, former stewardess, now with the Japanese Dept., and to Shinichi Onodera of Tokyo, who handles group movements in Japan. We'd like to express our thanks to Pan Am for their continued support to JACL and the Pacific Citizen.

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INSPIRING PROGRAM ARRANGED FOR CONVENTION'S SATURDAY LUNCHEON

SALT LAKE CITY. — A full and inspiring program featuring the presentation of special National JACL awards, and highlighted by the finals of the National JACL Oratorical Contest, has been arranged for the Convention Luncheon by Mrs. Frances Takeno, chairman for the event. The luncheon will be held Saturday noon, Aug. 23, in the Lafayette Room of the Hotel Utah with Henry Kasai as toastmaster.

Mrs. Burton W. Musser of Salt Lake City and Arthur Gaeth, now of Denver, two wartime National JACL Sponsors from Utah, will be honored with National JACL Scrolls of Appreciation for "their faith in Americans of Japanese ancestry and their courage in upholding the principles of democracy." Mike Masaoka, JACL Washington Representative, will make the presentations. Gaeth is making a special trip from Denver following his regular 7 a.m. newscast to be present.

Marking the tenth anniversary of the adoption of the JACL Hymn, special scrolls bearing the words and music of the JACL Hymn will be presented to Miss Marcel Tyrrel of Salt Lake City who wrote the music, and Mrs. Larry Tajiri of Denver, who authored the words. Hito Okada, National JACL President at the time of the Tenth Biennial Convention in Salt Lake City, when the Hymn was introduced and officially adopted, will do the honors. Mas Horiuchi of Salt Lake City will sing the hymn, accompanied by Mrs. Sue Joe of Long Beach, Calif.

The JACL Sapphire Pin to long-time JACLers who have given devoted services to the organization will be presented this coveted award by National Director Masao Satow, assisted by Convention queen attendants Penny Mafune and Ruth Ogawa.

The climax of the recognitions portion of the luncheon will be the announcement and presentation of the Dr. Randolph M. Sakada Memorial Award to the JACLer of the Biennium, who has contributed most to the growth and strength of the organization. The presentation will be in the form of a JACL gold medallion by National JACL President Dr. Roy M. Nishikawa. Co-recipients for the previous biennium were Jerry Enomoto of San Francisco and Abe Hagiwara of Chicago.

The second portion of the luncheon program will be the National JACL Oratorical Contest finals, chaired by Mas Yano. Seven young orators representing their

respective district councils will speak upon "What JACL Means to Japanese American Youth". National Convention Queen Margaret Itami will award the prizes to the winners.

Assisting Mrs. Frances Takeno on the luncheon committee are Elsie Koda, Helen Kurumada, Marge Nishikawa, Chiyo Terashima, and Mary Umemoto.

NC-WNDC—

(Continued from Front Page)

chapters. San Mateo's bid to host the next quarterly meeting in November was accepted.

Appointed to serve on the district nominations committee, which will prepare a slate for the executive board elections in November, were:

Kei Hori (chmn.), San Francisco; Dr. Yoshiko Togasaki, Contra Costa; Kitty Hirai, Alameda; Harry Ishigaki, San Jose; Dr. David Fujishige, Stockton; Akiji Yoshimura, (ex-officio), Marysville.

Delegates from 24 of the 25 chapters comprising the district council attended the meeting hosted by Sequoia JACL. Tom Yamane president, John Enomoto was meeting chairman. Hirosuke Inoue served as toastmaster for the banquet where the oratorical winner repeated his winning oration. Also presented at the banquet were awards for the NC-WNDC bowling tournament held in conjunction with the session.

Bowling tournament winners:

(Scores with Handicap)

WOMEN'S SINGLES: 1. Doris Sakai (Seq) 595; 2. Dot Horino (Seq) 558.

MEN'S SINGLES: 1. Gunji Togami (Seq) 661; 2. Henry Yamaoka (SBen) 655; 3. Harry Yoshida (Seq) 621; 4. Don Nakanishi (Seq) 615.

WOMEN'S DOUBLES: 1. June Kumagai-Sayo Togami (Seq) 1119.

MEN'S DOUBLES: 1. Butch Kenimoto-Tony Yamamoka (SBen) 1201; 2. Jun Kawano-Mich Takahashi (Seq) 1156; 3. Sho Nakamoto-Frank Nishita (SBen) 1133.

Cleveland JACLers to meet on U.S.-Japan question

CLEVELAND. — With a special issue pointing out the pros & cons on the question of JACL policy on U.S.-Japan affairs mailed to the Cleveland JACL membership, a special meeting is being held tonight at the Cleveland Buddhist Church to determine the chapter's stand.

The question will be a major issue at the forthcoming 15th Biennial national JACL convention being held in Salt Lake City, Aug. 22-25.

Cancer Society awards

Mrs. Milton M. Inouye, chairman of the West Los Angeles JACL Auxiliary, was recently presented with a certificate of merit by the Los Angeles County American Cancer Society for organizing the 1958 residential drive. The Auxiliary was presented an appreciation award for its excellent record and support.

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'1000' CLUB NOTES

SAN FRANCISCO. — An all-time high of 1000 Club members in active standing at 1,278 was reported for the month of July, National JACL Headquarters declared this week. During the second half of July, there were 62 new and renewal membership making a full month total of 145.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

New York—Edward J. Ennis, Gardena Valley—Dr. John Y. Koyama, D.C.—Miss Kenko Nogaki.

ELEVENTH YEAR

Sequoia—William H. Enomoto, Salt Lake City—Mrs. Rae S. Fujimoto.

TENTH YEAR

San Jose—Karl Taku.

SEVENTH YEAR

Oakland—Dr. Charles M. Ishizu, Salinas—Henry H. Tanda.

SIXTH YEAR

Arizona—Z. Simpson Cox, Snake River—Thomas Itami.

Gardena Valley—Ryo Komae, Salt Lake City—Hito Okada, Coachella Valley—George K. Shibata, Idaho Falls—Kay Tokita.

FIFTH YEAR

Kingsburg—Mats Ando, French Camp—Mitsuo Kagehiro, Sequoia—Richard S. Kitasee.

Seabrook—Kiyomi Nakamura, South West L.A.—Frank Tsuchiya, Hollywood—Miwako Yamamoto.

FOURTH YEAR

Downtown L.A.—Ed H. Fujimoto, Dr. Shokichi Kato, Noriyuki Nakatani, Ted Okumoto, Frank M. Suzuki.

Mid-Hi—Carl Iwasaki, Delano—Tom T. Kawasaki, Gardena Valley—Kameichi Kuida, Omaha—Theodore G. Miller, Chicago—Toshio Noma.

THIRD YEAR

Twin Cities—Sam Hara, Boise Valley—Seichi Hayashida, Downtown L.A.—Chester I. Katayama, Tokijiro Nakashima, Mitsuhiko Shimizu, Roy J. Takeda.

Delano—Edward Nagatani, Milwaukee—Mrs. Mary M. Oura, Pasadena—Mich Tsuchiyama.

SECOND YEAR

Long Beach—Elliott H. Fukumoto, D.C.—Tsuneo P. Harada.

South West L.A.—George G. Hirata, Hollywood—Hideo Izumo, West Los Angeles—Frank Kishi, Chicago—George Matsura.

Downtown L.A.—Ichiro Nakajima, Toshio Nakajima, Henry J. Tsurutani, New York—Kenji Nogaki.

Eden Township—Yoshimi Shibata, Twin Cities—M. George Yoshino, Pasadena—Mary K. Yusa.

FIRST YEAR

East Los Angeles—Hideo Katayama, Henry T. Onodera, Ken Taniguchi, Downtown L.A.—Henry Ida, South West L.A.—Howard T. Chuman, Sam Hirasawa.

Sacramento—Tak Tsujita, Fresno—Dr. Otto H. Suda, Dr. Hideki Shimada.

Boise Valley—James Yamada.

Salinas JACL party

SALINAS. — There will be plenty of food and fun for young and old at the Salinas Valley JACL beach party, scheduled tomorrow at the exclusive Moss Landing Beach, according to chairman John Terakawa. The party starts at 7 p.m. Friends of JACLers have also been extended an invitation.

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VERY TRULY YOURS

By Harry K. Hondo

JACL Japan Policy: 1946-52

JACL POLICY ON U.S.-Japan affairs is not an entirely new issue in the organization's postwar period. Aside from the 1954 declaration, which is the subject of current debating and up for decision in two weeks at the 15th Biennial convention at Salt Lake City, it is interesting to note that the 1946 national convention in Denver did take action on this question at its board meeting. The statement follows:

"On the subject of international relations and intervention in the affairs of other countries, it was decided that National Policy necessitates JACL non-participation or intervention in the affairs of other nations unless the rights and privileges of Japanese Americans as citizens of the United States are directly involved. Thus, the plight of the Canadian, Mexican, Brazilian and even of the Japanese American in Japan itself is not the primary concern of JACL.

"Our first obligation is to the Japanese people here in the United States and the National Board (then headed by Saburo Kido) does not believe that we should divide our efforts by delving into international relations as a general principle, rather the Board believes that we should concentrate every effort to wipe out discrimination and prejudice in the United States first before looking for new fields of operation.

"This means that JACL should not sponsor or take part in such projects as relief for Japan, or for any other country. But this prohibition does not enjoin individual members from participating in such campaigns as individuals; in fact, members are encouraged to participate in any and all worthy drives and campaigns of a civic character.

"At the same time, the National Board made it clear that when the rights as American citizens of Japanese ancestry are involved, such as discriminatory treatment at international frontiers as in reported cases at the Canadian and Mexican borders, it becomes the duty of JACL to make strong representations and to use their every office to discourage such prejudiced and prejudicial treatment.

"The study of the status of Nisei stranded in Japan because of the war was ordered and National Headquarters instructed to report its findings on this matter."

THIS BASIC POLICY statement on Japan was drafted by the National Board during a special meeting within the convention and approved by delegates upon presentation . . . The Board took action when such questions as JACL offering to assist Nisei stranded in Japan and JACL intervention on behalf of democratic treatment for persons of Japanese ancestry in Canada were referred to them. Another important issue of the day was JACL participation in Japan relief, which delegates voted down, although "JACL members were not prohibited from participation in such projects as individuals" . . . (Today, the U.S.-Japan question hinges on trade.)

NO REFERENCES TO this question of U.S.-Japan affairs were made at the 1948 convention in Salt Lake City, but in the 1950 Chicago convention the Public Relations Committee submitted the following statement, which was approved:

"Inasmuch as we are primarily concerned with the problems of Americans of Japanese ancestry in the United States and Hawaii, that as a citizens' organization we are interested in promoting peace and understanding in America and among all nationalities. Consequently, we are interested in only those provisions of international agreements and law which affect Americans of Japanese ancestry directly or indirectly, and the Committee recommends that those problems which present many involved and unforeseeable results be delegated to the National Board for further study and action."

THE SAME COMMITTEE, in the 1952 San Francisco convention, recommended "our policy toward Japan follow the present policy of status quo and as a national organization we continue to concentrate on our own domestic problems; therefore, to consider problems regarding Japan singly on an individual basis" . . . During discussion of this recommendation which was approved by the council later, Sab Kido expressed himself (as he still does) that JACL should stay clear of international affairs . . . The issue was a very live one then since it involved sending Mike Masaoka to Japan as a JACL representative. Kido didn't object to Masaoka's going as an individual, but did object to his going as a JACL representative. This item was tabled and never reintroduced.

The National Planning Committee also considered JACL policy toward Japan, recommending the present policy toward Japan be maintained, "namely, that JACL is primarily established for the welfare and security of persons of Japanese ancestry in America" . . . It was adopted.

WHICH BRINGS US to 1954 and the circumstances which have been described in recent weeks . . . In perusing the pronouncements of 1946 and 1950, we can recall instances of deviation by chapters . . . The 1952 policy indicated a slight unbending as Japan problems were to be considered on "an individual basis".

Status quo of the 1946 policy is easy to understand in principle, but difficult to apply. The difficulty seems to stem from circumstances and environment of a Japan at the time the resolution was drawn and a changing Japan when it comes time to applying the principle. It is our hope that the 1958 discussions will be conducted in the most statesman-like manner. We would be wasting valuable time other wise, if emotionalism and personalities are injected.



A bid of "4 Hearts" captures the attention of members of the committee working on the JACL National Championship Bridge Tournament for the 15th Biennial National JACL Convention

in Salt Lake City. Shown above are John Kikuchi, Tetsu Okada, Don Smith, director, Bill Mizuno, chairman, and Lessie Yamamoto.

Terashima Photo

PC Letter Box: U.S.-Japan Question

LET'S NOT MEDDLE

Editor: I have read with interest the arguments pro and con as to whether the JACL should involve itself in matters concerning U.S.-Japan relationships. As one who endorses the viewpoints of Past President Saburo Kido against such involvement, I would like to point out one further danger; namely, that without a firm national policy on the problem, the JACL could become a pawn by some who might use it for their personal desires and gain.

At first blush the reader of the foregoing might scoff and deride such a thing as impossible. But this is something that any organization must guard against. And those in the Chicago Chapter can look back to the time when there was a concerted effort to make that Chapter a Communist front. They can recall with latter day discernment the period when the Chapter was deluged with lecturers of a "liberal" slant, including the Chicago secretary of the Communist party; of the efforts to lead them into the since-discredited Progressive Party, the activities of the I.V.I. branch of the ADA, of the nationally known singer who appeared at their dinner to sing the "Marching Song of the Red Soldier"; of the ballad singers with their guitars strumming away at that "old debil dollar"; and the many other small things, that as a whole picture pointed irrevocably to a pattern. They will remember some who normally would have no interest in the JACL either ethnically or economically who became temporarily abnormally active in its affairs with different promotional stunts requiring the services of "liberals".

That the attempt did not succeed is quite beside the argument. The Nisei, despite their being subjected to forces which ordinarily would divert them into a pseudo-liberalism, are basically conservative in nature. This is because they have a deep abiding faith in America and have a historic consciousness not equalled by most European derived citizens. It was for that reason that the attempt to capture the Chicago Chapter did not succeed, not because the effort was not made.

Who can tell into what paths the future leaders will lead the JACL once the doorway is opened? This is not to state indiscriminately that any group of individuals will have interested or ambitious views, for even such persons might well be actuated by honest designs. But temptation to throw the weight of the JACL into the international scales should not be given its leaders, however altruistic the motive. Individual JACLers should express themselves as individuals in any way they choose, but the organization should take no stand in a field which at present is beyond its purview.

Charging a reticence to move in this direction to "fear" as does Harold Gordon is a misnomer. We

do not cast ourselves off the top of a cliff because we are afraid; we do so because our good sense tells us the consequences will be fatal. The call of "fraidy cat" should not impel us into acts which our reason tells us is unwise.

I am concerned with this problem not from the viewpoint of a JACLer, but rather as a Nisei. If the JACL sets off its atomic bomb by an excursion into international politics, all Americans of Japanese descent, whether JACL members or not, will be caught in the fall out. Nothing changes as quickly as international relationships or is as conducive toward condemnation of an entire ethnic group. We have always tried to avoid the impression of being hyphenated Americans. Let's not thrust aside the gains of the past and present for the siren call of meddling in the name of "political maturity".

FRANKLIN CHINO

Chicago.

(This letter was addressed to Dr. Roy Nishikawa, national JACL president, and permission was granted to place it in the PC Letter Box.—Ed.)

JACL CAN DO BOTH

I read your column in the P.C. dated July 25 and I am in general agreement with your views. The issue on U.S.-Japan relations has been blown up out of proportion to other important problems confronting the Convention. However, it should be pointed out that any departure in policy from our present purpose, even a slight crack in the door, is regarded by the long-time JACLers as a major change. This they want no part.

Many JACLers are thinking and expressing their views on a major policy question for the first time. This in itself is very encouraging, but unfortunately, for those who are advocating expansion or liberalization in our present policy on international relations, a great majority are definitely opposed to any change. Their feeling is that JACL's basic purpose would be in conflict with any change which would permit the organization to even express itself in matters dealing with international trade and politics. Many feel that JACL has a primary obligation to expand its present purposes and objectives.

Come to think of it, very little mention has been made of our present purposes and activities and how they might be expanded and etc. This leaves further impression that the JACL is planning to make a major departure from its present ongoing program. Nothing could be further from the truth, but this is the feeling expressed by the "con" group. This group feels that much is left to be done with our present purpose, especially at the local level.

Your point concerning our philosophy towards international relations, to me, is the central issue before us. The final decision made in Salt Lake City will pretty much

Convention bridge play sanctioned for master point award

SALT LAKE CITY. — The JACL National Championship Bridge Tournament for the 15th Biennial National JACL Convention will be held in a beautiful setting—the mountain ski lodge at Brighton resort—on Sunday afternoon from 1. Aug. 24, Bill Mizuno, tournament committee chairman, announced. "If the weather permits," he added, "the tournament will be held outdoors on the sun deck".

Tournament Director Don Smith, master player and certified bridge instructor, has had this duplicate tournament sanctioned so that those qualified will be awarded Master Points for their efforts. Trophies will be awarded to the North-South pair and the East-West pair. The Mile-Hi JACL Bridge Club of Denver will be the defending champions of the tourney.

Entries for the bridge tournament must be placed by Saturday evening, Aug. 23. The entry fee will be \$1.50 with convention registration required.

Hachiya —

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classes ought to double. Even the little girls here wish that they could study under her—and the little boys followed her around vieing for attention. Little boys?

Fordnik: The committee took delivery of a beautiful 1958 Country Sedan Ford last Thursday from the Henry S. Bay Co. of satellite is to land at Brighton Outing, Aug. 24, under the stalwart command of our chapter president, Ichiro Doi. The successful flight of this satellite will mean much to each delegate, so please help us insure a spectacular landing by heeding the warnings he has flashed to all the chapter presidents.

Room Sharing: The Carlton Hotel offers inexpensive accommodations to our delegates in the form of a room sharing plan. Room rates begin with \$4.50 which includes double beds with bath and air conditioned. It's just a block east from Hotel Utah and adds up to a good, comfortable quarters at a minimum of expense.

LANZ ORIGINALS CHOSEN FOR AUXILIARY SHOW

SAN FRANCISCO. — Lanz of California has been chosen to present its exciting new fall line at the San Francisco JACL Women's Auxiliary Fashion Show to be held Sept. 20 in the Venetian Room of the Fairmont Hotel.

Lanz Originals, superbly fashioned designs of distinctive simplicity, are winning international acclaim in the high fashion field. Lanz was selected by Vogue Magazine to be one of the representatives for American Fashions at the Brussels World Fair, and is participating in the Fair's style pageant.

Lanz has also received, for the second year, the coveted Glamour Magazine Fashion Award presented to outstanding members of the fashion industry in recognition of significant contributions in the field.

Mrs. Celeste Kuhn, assistant manager of the local Lanz house, is working with chairman Thelma Takeda in making preparations for the Auxiliary show.

Deadline for the Aug. 22 Pacific Citizen will be advanced to Friday, Aug. 15, to enable the staff to have the pages ready for the press by Tuesday night, Aug. 19.—Editor.

reflect our feelings and attitudes regarding JACL's responsibilities toward such issues as civil rights, legislation and international relations.

The emotionalism and some bitterness associated with this policy

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THE Northwest PICTURE

By Elmer Ogawa

SEAFAIR PAGEANTRY

Seattle

The annual fiesta of fun, sport events, parades and pageantry that is called SEAFAIR is once more with us for a 10-day period. Seattleites think, do, or live for little else during that time. Besides the city-wide main events, communities and other groups join in the celebration with special contributions to the composite picture.

Intermingled are other features of Seafair with a nationalistic or racial flavor, such as the Scottish Highland games, Scandinavian Music Festival, Negro district parade and Mardi Gras.

Biggest in this category is the Chinese community night, which annually draws crowds of 75 to 100 thousand, including the floats, bands and prize marching groups of the two principal downtown day and night Grande parades. "Chinatown Night" is the Thursday main event each year; and the Chinese community has been editorially praised for its outstanding and colorful contributions and irrepressible community spirit displayed each Seafair.

Topping the list of activities, which may be described as Japanese in origin, is the Bon dances which are held the first Saturday and Sunday evenings of the Seafair period in front of the Buddhist church. It draws a sizeable crowd running into the four figures, while there are dozens of other Seafair events going on throughout the city at the same time. The Buddhist folk festival is almost universally regarded as the contribution of the Japanese community, yet it is staged and presented by the Buddhist church, just as it has been for centuries in other Japanese communities.

If the reader is expecting a further run-down of other Japanese cultural activities on our "list", there are no more. The Buddhist church graciously represents a lackluster Japanese community with this one cultural attraction, but we must not forget the flower arrangement show held simultaneously inside the church auditorium.

Perhaps we're splitting hairs in describing activities and attractions separately, but there is another attention-grabber—the superb drum & bugle corps of Troop 252, sponsored by the same church. They have been appearing in parades all over the Northwest and winning a roomful of prizes and honorable mentions. This year, Troop 252's D & B was moved up to a more prominent spot in the Saturday Grande parade, and well they deserved it with their fine appearance in the wind-up at the Memorial Stadium, trooping by in fine cadence and covering in file in a manner to delight a drillmaster, and giving out with the finest of marching sounds.

Whether on the sports field or in a parade, there's usually a four-foot shorty stealing the show. In this case, he was majestically swinging the cymbals while stretching his legs all out to keep in cadence with the rest of the gang.

There is no Japanese queen to appear in the scores of Seafair events and represent our community. We once had a JACL Trade Fair and Community Queen for Seafair—all in one. Some two or three Seafairs later, someone decided it was "too much trouble".

But a gai like Margaret Itami, "Miss 1958 JACL", could very well capture the most coveted of all queen honors in the entire Northwest, "Queen of All the Seas". It's a year-round job of appearing with celebrities and VIPs who visit Seattle.

The rest of Nisei participation thus far in the Seafair may, perhaps, be best described by that much used word: integration. . . . Noted a couple of Sansei lassies in the "Pirates", a high-stepping and dancing and fancy marching group, with their jolly roger flags, the counterpart of the swashbuckling official Seafair Pirates. . . . Were some Sansei baton twirlers. . . . And picked out one Nisei face amongst the drum beaters of the proud Royal Canadian Sea Cadets, who came to Seafair to exhibit a little of the British style of marching.

Piloting their craft in the outboard and limited hydro races, preliminary to the Gold Cup, are Sid Sato of Carnation, Wash., and Jim Yamauchi of Pasco, the latter in the limited inboard hydros. This is tough competition but both finished just out of the 1-2-3 money. . . . Noticed that Yamauchi is racing as a Seattleite. Good for him. These experts need sponsors.

Also needed: a queen. . . more participation from other groups within the city. Of course, the Buddhist groups will do the work willingly and carry on for the rest of the community generation after generation. . . but it's not quite cricket.

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Los Angeles clubs favored in Labor Day tournament for state Nisei baseball crown

SAN JOSE. — Two Los Angeles teams, the Li'l Tokio Giants and Nisei Trading, are regarded as the "teams to beat" in the Labor Day series here although San Francisco Nisei will be the defending champions.

The power of the two teams was indicated in a note received by Roy Matsuzaki, tournament publicist, from Tosh Kinjo, Los Angeles baseball writer.

"The Giants are going through a bruising schedule in the L.A. municipal league, but they are holding their own in what is considered the toughest circuit in

town," Kinjo said. "Nisei Trading, on the other hand, is misplaced in another weak league and is whopping the daylights out of their opponent." The two teams were to clash in a Nisei Week special last night at Wrigley Field, "which should give a good indication on the strength of these two teams".

Also in contention are the Fresno Nisei, leading in the N.C. Nisei Baseball League; host team San Jose Zebras and defending champions San Francisco Nisei. Other teams invited are Placer JACL, Mayhew A.C. and East Bay A.C.

Fish & Game Commission stocking lake for 15th Biennial convention fishermen

SALT LAKE CITY. — The Utah State Fish & Game Commission is stocking Silver Lake with rainbow trout especially for the Convention Fishing Derby on Sunday, Aug. 24, Henry Kasai, chairman of the 15th Biennial JACL National Convention's Fishing committee announced today.

Kasai added that Silver Lake is a small mountain lake in the Brighton resort, the site of the Convention Outing, and that the Fishing Derby would be held from 9 a.m. to 12 noon, just prior to the outing itself.

A number of prizes will be given to entrants with a grand trophy going to the fisherman who lands the largest rainbow. Special prizes will also be given in the children's division. No entry fee is needed for the contest but Convention Registration will be required. All contestants will be required to have a Utah fishing license.

Fishing Committee members under chairman Kasai are:

Norton Kanzaki and Kayo Niwa, entries; Johnny Tomita and Sam Watanuki prizes and treasurers;

Chicago kegler hits \$4,700 in prizes

CHICAGO. — Left handed bowler, Joe Migaki of the Northside Nisei League, won \$4,725 in the Petersen Classic in which 9,120 bowlers from all over the nation competed.

Veteran kegler Migaki rolled an 8-game total of 1604 on May 9 on the tough boards of Archer-35th Recreation.

Migaki won \$4,000 for finishing in first place in the bracket for bowlers who never averaged over 184. Then, he received \$625 for his 33rd place in the regular prize list and he gained \$100 for being high man on the all-Nisei squad which rolled on May 9.

SPORTS MAG FEATURES 'FIBBER' HIRAYAMA STORY

The contribution of Fibber Hirayama of Fresno to Japanese pro baseball is the subject of a current Sports Illustrated (Aug. 4) article by Mark Harris, writer of baseball novels who studied at Hiroshima University under a Fulbright scholarship.

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U.S.-Japan —

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question has raised some ugly heads and disturbing remarks. There has been talk of dropping out of JACL if there is a change to expand our policy on international relations. . . . Frankly, I am shocked with these attitudes, but it's there.

I am naive enough to believe that JACL can continue to be an American institution, retaining all of its present uniqueness, and yet work toward building a better and peaceful society, home and abroad. But there are those who cannot see JACL other than a defensive organization. To me this does not truly reflect the thinking of one segment, though small, of our vast organization. I think JACL can do both, but must be made effective at home first.

ABE HAGIWARA

Chicago.

Letter Box —

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an opposite one and conclude that the "middle ground" (no motion whatever) represents the wisest course of action.

"5.—Discover that there are all kinds of "dangers" in any specific formulation or conclusion.

"6.—Appoint a committee.

"7.—Wait until an expert can be consulted.

"8.—State in conclusion that you have all clarified your thinking. This obscures the fact that nothing has been done.

"9.—Point out that the deepest minds have struggled with the same problem. This implies that it does you credit even to have thought of it.

"10.—In closing the meeting thank the problem. It has stimulated discussion, opened new vistas, shown us the way, challenged our inventiveness."

In plain language, don't let the public relations experts befuddle and hoodwink you into a course of action or inaction against your best interests.

BERRY SUZUKIDA

Chicago

(Professor Sitz has probably never witnessed a national JACL convention. Delegates and boosters who are attending for the first time, I'm sure, will find the four days in Salt Lake City worthwhile and inspiring and vow to make every convention thereafter. As for being hoodwinked, enough of the repeater delegates attend and assure stability to the proceedings.—Ed.)

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Mitzi Miya (left), 1957 queen places crown on Jean Yasui of San Fernando Valley, who reigns as 1958 Nisei Week beauty. Cut Courtesy: Shin Nichibei.



Los Angeles NEWSLETTER

By Henry Mori

NISEI WEEK QUEEN CONTEST

Having a Nisei Week Festival queen and a court of eight attendants can produce many a headache for the committee which must keep the beautiful girls together at all times on call for various Festival events. This spectre greeted Festival officials this week following the coronation of petite Jean Yasui, San Jose State coed, as 1958 festival queen. She represented San Fernando Valley, sponsored by the Japanese American Club.

The 1958 queen contest was a success—thanks to the many hardworking volunteers who searched the various Southland communities for candidates. Festival general manager Matao Uryate also aided by earning the cooperation of the parents of contestants.

There seems to be no move to revert to the prewar type of contest, in which the top five finalists were selected through merchandise votes and the most popular becoming queen. There have been various schemes to attract entries for the race which would all but eliminate the top five, but none have been fruitful. Most of the girls in recent years would rather not enter than be embarrassed by not making the top five. So as to meet this attitude, the contest committee was forced to liberalize the rules to perk pre-Festival interest and attract entries. . . . None of the contestants are eliminated at the present time—hence, a court of queen with eight aides.

Judging of queen candidates has become quite complicated. It's a hair-splitting session when the judges view and interview them. The tallest, the most attractive and the most shapely does not mean a winner. The rules even call for a short speech before the Coronation Ball socialites—for if she stumbles over a word or two, the judges are ready to knock off a point or two. It takes charm, poise and personality above the rest to qualify. . . . A few years ago, most of the candidates would have been scared to cold sweat before the TV cameras. (You could almost see beads of perspiration dripping onto the screen.) But not so today. Jean Yasui and her court have appeared in over half a dozen video shows and none of them turned away from the camera eye. They all appeared poised, cool and collected. And when they appeared on Art Linkletter's House Party, they were seen by millions across the nation.

We learned via grapevine that Jean Yasui and June Shintani, who was sponsored by the Hollywood JACL, were tied for first in the judging. Jean took the lead when the girls appeared on stage to speak their bit on the Festival program. We thought Lily Kamiya of Gardena, who is a school teacher, fared the best in this category. . . . Enough said about the queen contest till next year.

BIGGER THAN JACL'S JAPAN POLICY ISSUE

Second heir to the Mori Millions is now 2 years and 8 months old. A very eligible entrant in the Nisei Week baby show, we finally decided Dana should stay out until (maybe) next year after many evenings of controversy as to whether he should compete. Dana is not as outspoken as Bennett, says very little and when he does, it lacks the polish his older brother has. However, Dana is in the pink of health—no tooth decay (which may not be next year).

But then, a man's ego must be inflated. We voted for the "go-go" spirit to have Dana enter the baby derby. Dana could certainly cop one of the 25 little gold cups and take the physical dental honors without much trouble. Dee is slightly swayback, but the judges can turn the other way when Dana is asked to make an about-face. He eats like a hog and sleeps like a log. A perfect Vic Tanny specimen.

Yet, the head of the family "refused" on the grounds Dee would be taking a beating "waiting around for his turn" at the examination" and sweat out some more should he win the personality contest, which requires an extra night or two riding in open cars in the Ondo parade.

If Dana enters the race next year, we think he won't last out the semi-finals—tooth decay and all. Shucks, we shoulda entered this year.

Vital Statistics

BIRTHS

LOS ANGELES

ARAKAKI, Yasuo (Lillian S. Naito)—boy, Apr. 29.
ARAKAKI, Yeiki (Hatsue Nakasone)—boy, May 11.
EDMAN, Charles W. (Tsuneke Mochizuki)—boy, May 5, Van Nuys.
FONG, Harry L. (Helen S. Sasaki)—boy, May 18.
FUJITA, Mitsuru (Annette Lee)—girl, May 13.
FUJITSUBO, Haruo (Matsuye Nishi)—girl, May 24.
HAYAKAWA, George T.—girl, Apr. 14, Altadena.
HAYASE, George (Isabelle V. Wong)—boy, Apr. 16.
HIRATA, Kazuto (Alice H. Ogata)—boy, May 11.
HORIUCHI, Katsuhiko (Barbara T. Hirata)—boy, May 28.
ISHIGAKI, Kiyoshi (Akiko Hashimoto)—boy, May 7, El Monte.
KATO, Masajai (Sachiko Hayashi)—boy, May 14, Canoga Park.
KAWADA, Hideo (Ethel T. Sato)—boy, Apr. 17.
KANEKO, William T. (Masako Kuratomi)—girl, May 4.
KANESHIRO, Wayne Y. (Sue T. Kamaya)—boy, Apr. 24.
KARIYA, Minoru H. (Yoneko Inatomi)—girl, Apr. 28.
KIMURA, Jack Y. (Teruko Shiina)—girl, Apr. 24.
KIMURA, Richard T. (Alice K. Kuniyoshi)—boy, Apr. 22.
KURANAGA, Harry H. (Alyce K. Hamada)—boy, Apr. 27.
KURISU, Franklin H. (Harriet E. Machida)—girl, Apr. 29.
KUSABA, Toaro (Mary T. Baba)—boy, Apr. 23.
KUSUMOTO, Hiromitsu (Jane K. Hayase)—girl, May 13.
MAYEDA, Tom T. (Katherine Nitta)—boy, Apr. 12, San Fernando.
MORITA, Takashi (Michiko Ichimura)—boy, Apr. 23.
MURAMOTO, Tamiwo (Kiyoko Tsunoi)—boy, May 14.
NAKAGAWA, Isamu (Tamiye Sano)—boy, Apr. 22, Whittier.
NAKAO, Hiroyoshi (Sanaye Sadamura)—boy, May 14.
SHIMASAKI, Masao S. (Sadako Obata)—boy, Apr. 22, Monterey Park.
NAKAYAMA, George K.—boy, Apr. 23, Pasadena.
SASAKI, John R.—girl, May 15, Glendora.
SUGIMOTO, Masaki (Michie Kubota)—boy, May 15.
TAKEMOTO, Stanley M. (Shizuno Miyasaki)—boy, Apr. 10.

WEDDINGS

ENDO-OMURA—June 8, George, Brigham City, Utah; Fumi, Clearfield.
ISHIDA-KIHARA—May 10, Kay, Denver; Ida Mae, Delta Colo.
IWASAKI-MOGUCHI—May 25, Gaylord and Margaret, both Seattle.
KATO-KAWAKA—June 22, Makoto and Irene, both Los Angeles.
KITABAYASHI-YAKI—June 22, Richard H., Los Angeles; Hiroko, Norwalk.
KURITA-HARADA—May 10, Robert, Greeley; Rachel, Hawaii.
KOSAKURA-KUSUMI—Apr. 19, Takeshi, Los Angeles; Phyllis, New York.
NAKAHARA-MUKOGAWA—June 22, Joji and Mae, both Los Angeles.
ONISHI-SAKAGUCHI—June 1, Ken, San Francisco; Keiko, Cortez.
WATANABE-NISHIMOTO—June 15, Kinjiro and Ruby, both San Fernando.
YAMASAKI-OSHIRO—June 8, Kazuo and Barbara, both San Francisco.

DEATHS

ENDO, Isayo, 59; Los Angeles, June 21.
FUJITA, Enpei, 69; Los Angeles, June 25.
HATTORI, Shizaburo F., 74; Los Angeles, June 19.
ISHIJIMA, Kanaburo, 80; San Francisco, June 23.
KAHARA, Hisakatsu H., 64; Los Angeles, June 24.
KANEMOTO, Masao, 60; Los Angeles, June 21—(w) Esther, (s) George, one brother, three sisters and three grandchildren.
KEIKOAN, Yoshisuke, 72; Sacramento, June 6.
MURATA, Shiro S., 30; Los Angeles, June 23—(w) Irene, (p) Mr. & Mrs. Kaichi, three brothers, two sisters.
NAKAHARA, Fred T., 23; Los Angeles, June 25—(p) Mr. & Mrs. Victor T., four brothers, five sisters.
NAKANO, Gonkichi, 68; Berkeley, June 6.
NISHIKAWA, Gisaburo, 68; Gardena, June 20.
SASAKI, Mrs. Yoi, 63; Sacramento, June 4.
SHODA, Saichi, 76; North Hollywood, June 26.
SUGIMOTO, Mrs. Saka, 82; Los Angeles, June 29.
TAKAHASHI, Kanai P., 73; Los Angeles, June 26.
UCHIMURA, Kamesuke, 76; Los Angeles, June 24.
UTSUNOMIYA, Seikichi, 74; Seattle, June 15.
WATANABE, Mrs. Chiyo, 68; Seattle, June 13.

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Prison escapees hold aged Issei couple captive, not as nervous as fugitives

SACRAMENTO. — Two escapees from Folsom prison held an elderly Issei couple, Mr. and Mrs. Toichi Hamamoto of Perkins, captive for five hours last week and shot their way through a roadblock. The following day, the escapees surrendered to police without a fight.

The fugitives had slipped into the Hamamoto home while the owners were working in their strawberry patch. They ransacked the home and found two shotguns.

When Hamamoto returned about 2:30 p.m., the prison escapees pointed the weapons at him, ordering him to be quiet. Undismayed, the farmer shot back: "What are you doing with my guns. This is my house. Besides those guns aren't even loaded." Then one fished out his revolver.

Wife Unconcerned

Asked about the whereabouts of his wife, Hamamoto said she was outside hanging the laundry. One of the fugitives went after her. "Come in, your husband wants you," he directed. "If my husband wants me, he'll call me," she answered and went on hanging up clothes.

Finally, Hamamoto yelled from the kitchen and she came.

"They looked hungry and were all scatched up," Mrs. Hamamoto recalled to a Sacramento Bee reporter. "They were really nervous and didn't know what to do with us. I made them ham sand-

Suggestion pays

Mrs. Sugi Takahashi, 2829 Redondo Blvd., submitted a suggestion to the United States Air Force which paid off in cash. Employed as a clerk at the Air Procurement District office here, she and her husband Tatsu are former residents of Cheyenne, Wyo.

CHICAGO ARTIST JOINS

OAKLAND ART FACULTY
OAKLAND. — Well known Chicago artist Arthur Okamura, 27, will join the California College of Arts and Craft faculty in the fall, according to college president Joseph A. Danish. Okamura recently opened his studio in San Francisco.

ISSEI CONVICT PARDONED FROM 1ST DEGREE MURDER

SACRAMENTO. — Jenseiro Hiroshige, 71, of Los Angeles, once convicted and imprisoned on a first degree murder charge, was among 56 Californians granted pardons this week by Gov. Goodwin Knight. Restored their full civil rights, none of the 56 is now in prison.



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wiches and they drank gallons of our soda. They were all jumpy."

When it came time leave in the evening, the two Issei were tied to a chair after being taunted by Hamamoto that they should be killed and buried in the backyard when asked what should be done.

About 7:30, the convicts fled in the farmer's car. A few minutes later, Hamamoto freed himself and his wife with a pocket knife.

The two convicts were identified by the Issei. They were Donald Robinett, 30, and Ray D. Johnson, 31, who escaped from the maximum security prison seven days earlier. They were only 14 miles away from Folsom when they reached the Hamamoto home.

Claimants listed —

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as administrator of the estate of Shintaro Nakamura, deceased; Kamie Oka; Livingston Fruit Growers Association; Frances Mansho; Kinu Masaki; Kotchi Masaki; Roy K. Miura; Ryu Masaki; Harold Ouchida, as executor of the estate of Tomosaburo Otani, deceased; Takeshi Masaki; Delano Buddhist Church; Bun Kizu; Norito Kajikawa; Yukio Kajikawa; Yosaku Miyako; Southwest Berry Exchange, Inc.; Bungoro Morey; Fujino Morey; Jutaro Yashimoto;

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Washington NEWSLETTER

BY MIKE MASAOKA

Convention Speaker Saund

Washington, D.C.

THE SATURDAY EVENING POST, August 2 issue, features an article on the "U.S. Congressman from Asia", reminding us again how fortunate delegates to the forthcoming 15th Biennial National Convention of the Japanese American Citizens League will be to be privileged to hear Congressman D.S. (Judge) Saund at our Convention Banquet, climaxing our five-day weekend, on Monday evening, Aug. 25.

MILTON MACKAYE writes in one of the most popular magazines in the country about one of the most popular speakers on the current national scene, whom he describes in his opening paragraphs as follows:

"One of the most colorful personalities in the 85th Congress is a stocky, swarthy, bushy-haired Californian whose very presence in Washington is a practical demonstration of the workability of the American dream. Not too many years ago, his neighbors in the Imperial Valley—if called to sit in sober judgment—would have had to vote Dalip Singh Saund the politician most unlikely to succeed. His career handicaps seemed insurmountable.

"First of all, Saund was not a citizen and, under then existing law, could not become one. A farmer by profession with a living to make for his family, he was forbidden by the same law to own or lease property. Although a graduate of two great universities, he was a member of an unpopular—and sometimes despised—minority; a later political opponent was to describe him, perhaps ungenerously but fairly accurately, as an "immigrant Hindu".

THE ARTICLE THEN describes his one-man House Foreign Affairs Subcommittee tour of Asia last autumn in which he visited and was acclaimed by the natives of India as well as those of Southeast Asia and Japan as the first person of Asian ancestry ever to be elected to the United States Congress.

"Saund, a realist by necessity," the article declares, "painted no pretty pictures for the multitudes who crowded streets and public squares to hear him speak. He did not deny that prejudice and discrimination against Japanese, Chinese, and East Indians had existed in California when he chose to make his life there; the Alien Exclusion Act effectively barred them from any real participation in political affairs. As a matter of fact, Saund helped write the law which, passed in 1946, permitted East Indians to qualify for citizenship. He became a citizen himself in 1949.

"I told my audiences," Saund said recently, "that prejudice thrives in all countries and in all climates; parochialism has no flag. But in a democracy things can change and people do change; I explained that things had changed greatly in the United States since World War II. As an example of the new winds blowing, I cited my own election. The fact that I had been an outcast, that I had to fight my way up, worked for me rather than against me. The proof of change was that in a district traditionally ultraconservative I somehow made the grade."

AMERICANS OF JAPANESE ancestry who read this inspiring biography-tribute will be struck with the many similarities between his experiences in the United States and theirs and their parents. This is particularly true of his days at the University of California at Berkeley when he stayed at the Hindu Students' Association house during the school year and worked in nearby communities and on farms during the summer vacations, his drives to Stockton to worship at the Sikh Temple there, his successes and his failures as a dirt farmer in the Imperial Valley, his purchasing of land in the name of his citizen wife—all these and more are familiar stories to the Nisei and Issei Americans.

But, unlike so many of us, he did something about the prejudice he faced. He authored a book called "My Mother India" to refute the best-selling "Mother India" by Katherine Mayo. He worked hard at becoming a proficient and eloquent speaker. He spoke at meetings of all kinds about India. He became active in politics, and when he became a naturalized citizen because of the efforts of India Association of America which he helped found, he ran for and was elected, first, as judge of Westmoreland, and then, as a congressman from his district.

His winning campaign against the celebrated, glamorous, wealthy aviatrix and founder of the wartime WASP in World War II, Jackie Cochran Odum, has become a legend among politicians, for he was the first Democrat to be elected from his district in decades. And he did this in spite of the fact that President Eisenhower, who carried his district by an overwhelming majority, endorsed his famous opponent.

AS WE HAVE STATED previously, we believe that Congressman Saund will deliver about as inspiring a speech as has ever been given at any Convention Banquet, for out of his experiences and in his life he knows of the discriminations faced by our group and how to overcome them. His person exemplifies the attainment of an American dream and his participation in our Convention should inspire us to move forward as Americans to help establish an even greater America.

THIS WEEK, AND possibly next, as the Congress rushes towards adjournment, Congressman Saund will be busy in committees and on the floor to secure legislation that will help all Americans achieve greater dignity and new opportunities, as well as those by which the United States will help other less fortunate or less developed nations share in the economy and the freedoms of mutual and collective security.

In these days, when our foreign policy is in question, especially by the millions in Asia and Africa and the Near and Mideast, it is reassuring to our nation that an Asian of Congressman Saund's calibre is in the Congress of the United States.

And, we in JACL will be privileged to hear him at our National Convention two weeks hence.

ASK CONGRESS FOR 2 MILLIONS FOR CLAIMANTS

WASHINGTON. — Congress has been asked to appropriate \$2,371,517.75 to pay evacuation claims awards made by the Japanese Claims Section of the Dept. of Justice from Feb. 7 to June 20, according to the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League and the Committee on Japanese American Evacuation Claims.

Four hundred and eight claimants are involved, with 45 to receive more than \$10,000 each, 13 more than \$20,000 each, three more than \$30,000, and three more than \$50,000. The largest amount is for \$70,000, with the next largest \$65,000.

The Washington JACL and COJAEAC Office expressed confidence that the Congress would approve these appropriations prior to adjournment about mid-August. In fact, hope was expressed that all claims awarded up to June 30, and possibly July 15, might be added in the Senate and approved for payment this year.

In order that those who received awards last February and March may check to determine whether they are on the list submitted to the Congress for appropriations, the names of the 72 February awardees and the 97 March awardees are listed. Those who received awards in these two months but whose names are not listed may write the Washington COJAEAC Office, Suite 1217, Hurley-Wright Bldg., Washington 6, D.C., and request that an investigation be made of their award.

Names of those listed as having received awards in April, May, and June will be released next week.

February Awardees

The February awardees are:

Kirie Uyeji; Yoshiko Kawakami; Yaye Inada; Soichi Inada, as administrator of the estate of George Inada, deceased; Soichi Inada, as administrator of the estate of Joichi Inada, deceased; Ernest Taro Takeda; Kay Tagami; David Y. Nitake; Kikuo Shioh; Tadashi Naruse; Akiko Honda; Jimmie H. Akutsu; Soto Mission of Terminal Island; Yutaka Wakumoto; Saburo Yonehiro; Soichi Kakahiro; Matsuye Mori; Ida C. Hada; Kazuo Mori; Kikuro Hada; Charles Ichiro Oki; Susumu Morioka; Kazuko Iwata; Akira Morioka Seishiro Fujioka; Harvey A. Itano; Jim M. Kawaminami; Mabel Saito; Ben T. Sumi; Shizuko Sumi; Seishiro Fujioka, as sole distributee of the estate of Masu Fujioka, deceased; Sakae Yasukochi; Kaei Katoka; Masako Miyake Ryugo; R. S. Iwamoto; Katsutaro Higashi; Kichitaro Kurata; Daitaro Ito; Takio Kataoka.

Clarence Kunichi Okuda; Kikuo R. Endo; George Shoji Konishi and Marion Yaeko Konishi; Robert Katsufuji Goka; Tsunematsu Kuwahara; Tamijiro Miyake; Takeno Nomura; Carl H. Egashira; George Yoshio Ishikawa; Masayuki Goto; Mary Tachibana; Buddhist Church of Sacramento; Yai Suzuki; Esther Kikuo Ochiai; Nobu Ochiai; Shigetomo Osaki; Yoshito Kuwada; Miwako Goka; George Shimizu; Pete Mimaki; Tomoye Mimaki; Teruto Nomura; Wesley K. Oyama; Saye Yamanaka; George C. Oyama; Alice Nishida Yokoyama; Harris M. Shioya; Masao Isobe; George Yoshio Ishikawa, as administrator of the estate of Kiyoe Ishikawa; Seattle Japanese Methodist Church.

March Awardees

The March awardees are:

Toru Hirai; Kaoru Morinaga; Yori-mi Morinaga; George T. Suzuki, a.k.a. George T. Imayamagita; Mary Iwasaki, as administratrix of the estate of Suekichi Furusho, deceased; Sadaji Shioh; Woodrow Shioh; Imiko Itayama; Chieno Toma; Tsurumatsu Toma; Archie K. Kushi; Natsu Tomita; Itsuto Ikemoto; Miyo Mikami Suzuki; Yasutaro Miyazawa; June Yoshioka; George Takeo Matsui; Takashi Arai; Rae Shizuye Fujimoto; Rae Shizuye Fujimoto, as administratrix of the estate of Edward Kanta Fujimoto, deceased; Frank Minoru Nagamatsu; George Nagamatsu; Toki Nakamura; Tadashi Nakamura.

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Justice Dept. adds 37 to June-July award list

WASHINGTON. — The Japanese Claims Section of the Dept. of Justice informed the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League and the Committee on Japanese American Evacuation Claims that it had awarded \$264,074.61 to 37 claimants for the period of late June and most of July.

Six of the awards were for sums in excess of \$10,000, with the largest for \$40,358 to a claimant residing in San Gabriel, Calif. The smallest award was for \$100 to a Chicago claimant. The average for all the claims awarded up to July 22 is \$7,137.

The Washington JACL and COJAEAC Office declared that these awards may be added to the appropriations for evacuation claims currently pending in the Congress which will be approved prior to adjournment about Aug. 16.

The June-July awardees reside in California, Idaho, Washington, Oregon, New York, Illinois, and Colorado.

Tokyo judge lenient with Nisei defendant

BY TAMOTSU MURAYAMA

TOKYO. — Japanese journalism regards the American Nisei as "big news" whenever one is involved in litigation. It overlooks—almost intentionally, it seems—news of Nisei whenever good is done.

Judge Akio Date of the Tokyo District Court recently sentenced Cappy Harada, who was charged with violation of Japan's exchange control law, with a comparatively light fine of ¥150,000 (\$400) and a two year stay of its execution. The procurators had asked for more severe punishment.

There was no fuss in the local papers for a change. And the judge was sympathetic. He encouraged Harada to do his best in the future to promote U. S.-Japan goodwill.

Harada was found guilty of breaking the law when he assisted some Japanese PTA representatives visiting America by signing a dollar check. It is even against the law to possess foreign currency. A Japanese government permit is needed to use one's money abroad and Harada had done so without permission.

Judge Date, in rendering a light sentence, recognized Harada's meritorious service during the Occupation and his contributions here.

Everything is all right for Cappy Harada now as he plans to fly to Salt Lake City to attend the National JACL Convention.

Another Nisei signed for 'Flower Drum Song' part

SAN FRANCISCO. — Another Nisei has been given a top role in the forthcoming Richard Rodgers - Oscar Hammerstein Broadway musical, "Flower Drum Song," it was announced this week.

The Nisei is Goro Suzuki, formerly of Oakland, who now performs professionally under the name of Jack Soo. Suzuki is concluding a highly successful long engagement at the Forbidden City in San Francisco.

Gene Kelly, noted film star and choreographer for the "Flower Drum Song," was impressed with Suzuki's audition for the musical, it was learned.

1,278 ACTIVE IN JACL 1000 CLUB FOR RECORD HIGH

(See Page 4 Listing)

The National JACL 1000 Club has reached a new high in current membership, according to National Headquarters which announced there are 1,278 active members as of July 31. Their names will be listed in the 15th Biennial National JACL Convention souvenir booklet.

It was organized in November, 1947, at the Intermountain District Council convention at Idaho Falls. The aim was to enroll a thousand JACLers who would contribute \$25 a year to help support National Headquarters, thus relieve chapters to meet some of their quotas.

Although the original goal has been reached, the spirit of 1000ers continues to soar and by convention time, national 1000 Club chairman Kenji Tashiro hopes to welcome the 1,300th active member at the Salt Lake City Whing Ding.

Of the original band of 1000ers making their first \$25 contribution in late 1947, there are five who have continued their pledge in an unbroken line and head the active roster as 11th Year members. Breakdown of 1000 Club membership by years follows:

11th Year	5	4th Year	224
10th Year	28	3rd Year	219
9th Year	33	2nd Year	230
8th Year	33	1st Year	203
7th Year	35		
6th Year	61	LIFE Memb.	48
5th Year	158	Memorial	1

Those who contributed a lump sum of \$250 are regarded as Life Members and there 48 in this special category. There is also one membership "in memoriam".

CALENDAR

Aug. 9 (Saturday)
French Camp—Annual bazaar, Community Hall, 5 p.m.
Salinas Valley—Beach party, Moss Landing, 7 p.m.
Aug. 9-10
East Los Angeles—Nisei Week carnival dime pitch booth.
Aug. 10 (Sunday)
Puyallup Valley—Community picnic, Five Mile Lake, Sec. 4.
Aug. 12 (Tuesday)
Southwest L. A.—General meeting, Centenary Methodist Church, 8 p.m.
Aug. 13 (Wednesday)
East Los Angeles—Special meeting, International Institute, 8 p.m.; Saburo Kido, splr.

Aug. 15 (Friday)
San Jose—Annual barbecue, Alpine Park, 7 p.m.
Aug. 17 (Sunday)
Venice-Culver—Community picnic, Centinela Park, 11 a.m.
Aug. 16 (Saturday)
East L.A.—Long Beach—Joint luau party, Kono-O-Hawaii, Anaheim.

15TH BIENNIAL JACL CONVENTION

Salt Lake City
Hotel Utah, Convention Hq.
Aug. 21 (Thursday)
Reception for National Board at reception for National Board, Hotel Utah, 8 p.m.; Betty Gikui, chmn.
Aug. 22 (Friday)
Issei Recognition Dinner, Lafayette Room, Hotel Utah, 6-8 p.m.; Rev. S. Aoyagi, chmn.
Opening Ceremonies, New Auditorium Hotel, 8:30-10 p.m.; Mas Yano, chmn.
Get-Acquainted Mixer, New Auditorium Hotel, 10 p.m.-1 a.m.; Mary Ujifusa, chmn.
Aug. 23 (Saturday)
Golf Tournament; Jerry Tsuyuki, chmn.
Official Luncheon, Lafayette Room, Hotel Utah, 12-2 p.m.; Frances Takeno, chmn.
Nat'l JACL Oratorical Contest, Lafayette Room, Hotel Utah, 2-4:30 p.m. Mas Yano, chmn.
Youth Forum, Junior Ballroom, Hotel Utah, 4-5:30 p.m.
1000 Club Whing Ding, Red Chimney, 6-9 p.m.; Mas Horiuchi, chmn.
Evening Social, Hotel Auditorium, 9 p.m.; Kuni Kanegae, chmn.
Aug. 24 (Sunday)
Golf Tournament.
Convention Outing, 12-5 p.m., Brighton Resort; Toshi Odow, chmn.
Bridge Tournament, Brighton Resort; Bill Mizuno, chmn.
Artist's Retreat, Brighton Resort; Fred Ochi (Idaho Falls), John Mizuno, co-chmn.
Fishing Contest, Brighton Resort.
Outing Dinner-Dance, Old Mill Club, 6 p.m.; Mt. Olympus JACL, Lou Nakagawa, pres., chmn.
Aug. 25 (Monday)
Recognition Banquet, Hotel Auditorium, 6-9 p.m.; Sue Kaneko, chmn.
Sayonara Ball, Hotel Auditorium, 9-12 p.m.; Shiz Sakai, chmn.

Aug. 30 (Saturday)
Orange County—Chapter luau, Kono Hawaii, Anaheim.

Aug. 30-31
Long Beach—Community carnival.
Aug. 31 (Sunday)
East Los Angeles—Fishing derby aboard "Island Clipper."
Sept. 12-14
Chicago—Weekend at Forest Beach.
Sept. 13-14
East Los Angeles—Overnight Outing, Presbyterian Conference Grounds, Big Bear Lake.
Sept. 14 (Sunday)
Portland—Bazaar.

Virginia school desegregation date set tentatively for September, 1965 by judge

RICHMOND, Va. — Ordered by a higher court to fix a definite date for desegregation of schools in Prince Edward County, Federal District Judge Sterling Hutcheson this week set September, 1965, as a tentative date.

Supreme Court Case

The Prince Edward case was one of five school segregation cases on which the Supreme Court based its historic 1954 decision calling separate schools unconstitutional. The case has been in the

federal district court for implementation ever since.

Explaining his selection of 10 years from the time he was ordered to set a date, in 1955, Hutcheson noted the Athenian statesman, Solon, allowed 10 years for the people of Athens to digest the new code of laws he gave them; that the reconstruction period following the Civil War was about 12 years, and that the failure of prohibition in this country covered about 14 years.