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## EDITORIAL:

### Little Rock versus Notting Hill, England

Mob violence is spreading in England as racial conflicts flare from Notting Hill in London to the Midlands. None but the mischief-maker can rejoice at the headlines of recent days from across the sea.

Reactions in the British press to the racial crisis have a familiar note for Nisei readers. Some urge the plausible remedy of restricting immigration and plead the cause of "gradualism." The prime minister took sudden grasp of the situation five days after the first outbreak three weeks ago by issuing his "calming" statement. But more forthright is the stand of the conservative Daily Express: "The colored man asks for no privilege... He has come to Britain to be treated on his merits as a worker and as a person. He deserves to be judged by those standards."

Any American leaning to take comfort from these disturbances can hardly be in order even though too many Europeans have made Little Rock the symbol of the United States. Patronizing attitudes adopted in the past by some British commentators on Little Rock and other American symbols of race bias do not justify our saying: "You too!" Nor can the segregationist find delight in the illogical thought that two wrongs make a right. The human tragedy of Central High remains exactly that — even when it is replayed in Notting Hill.

Confronted by sadly similar facts of bad housing, bad treatment, prejudice and discrimination, the proper attitude for the British and ourselves has been expressed in the Manchester Guardian's comment on the Little Rock situation: "We must hope and pray not merely that the right side will win but that the outcome may be a step towards the abatement of hatred and prejudice, and not an enhancement of it." Law and the right must and will prevail; the hard task is to open human minds and hearts to every man as a person.

—H. H.

## JACL hails desegregation rule

WASHINGTON. — The Supreme Court decreed in a unanimous milestone decision last week that integration must proceed immediately at Little Rock's Central high School, no matter how violent the opposition.

The decision was hailed by the Japanese American Citizens League, which had passed a resolution urging that law and order be maintained to prevent violence in southern integration disputes at the recent national convention.

The ruling that came out of a three minute session at noon con-

tained no specific indication of the reasoning behind the high tribunal's decision. Chief Justice Warren merely read off the brief order, which said it shall be effective immediately. The court said:

"The expression of the views supporting our judgment will be prepared and announced in due course."

### To Return Oct. 6

This might be a matter of weeks. The justices went back to vacations, which they interrupted for an unusual, special term to con-

sider and rule on the Little Rock case. The court members are not scheduled to return to the bench until Oct. 6, when the next regular term begins.

The latest ruling went in the face of warnings from a United States district judge and the Little Rock school board that the result will be "bedlam, chaos and turmoil" and destruction of the Little Rock school system.

What the high tribunal did was to affirm an Aug. 18 opinion of the Eighth Circuit Court in St. Louis. That opinion reversed an

earlier one of Federal District Judge Harry J. Lemley, who ruled last June that Little Rock could suspend integration for 2½ years in order to avoid new turmoil and chaos now.

And it reinstated previous court orders of 1956 and 1957 enforcing a desegregation plan.

## National JACL Headquarters to move 'round the block

SAN FRANCISCO. — The moving of National JACL Headquarters to a new location at 1634 Post St., San Francisco, from Oct. 1 was announced this week by National Director Masao Satow. The tele-

### Sessue Hayakawa billed as SWLA guest speaker

Recent Academy Award nominee Sessue Hayakawa has been announced as the guest speaker at the first fall meeting of the Southwest L.A. JACL, set for Thursday, Sept. 25, 8 p.m., at Centenary Methodist Church social hall.

Arnold Hagiwara, program v.p., has suggested members come early for seats. Hayakawa will speak in English.

It was also announced by Roy Iketani that the chapter project selling 1958 Nisei Week souvenir booklets means splitting a \$1,500 profit with the Hi-Co Conference group.

phone number, WE 1-6644, will remain the same. The new address will also house the Northern California Regional Office.

The space at 1759 Sutter St. will remain as the working office for the San Francisco JACL Chapter which holds title to the property.

In announcing the move, the National Director expressed the appreciation of the entire national organization to the San Francisco Chapter Board, which originally invited Headquarters to the 1759 Sutter location in 1953, when Headquarters moved back to San Francisco from Salt Lake City.

### National Council Provision

"In view of the action of the National Council at our recent 15th Biennial National Convention in making provisions for Headquarters to have more adequate space, we cannot continue to impose upon the San Francisco Chapter", Satow declared.

Headquarters will occupy the entire second floor of the recently

erected building on Post Street. Negotiations for the new space were handled by local real estate Aki Moriwaki.

At the same time, the National Director announced the appointment of Tsutomu Uchida of Long Beach to the Headquarters staff for training experience, starting the latter part of this week. The new staff member is a June graduate of Occidental College, has been active in the youth program of the Long Beach-Harbor District JACL, serves on the JACL National Committee for Work with Youth, and was in attendance at the 15th Biennial National Convention.

## JCCA president returns from UNESCO goodwill tour of Japan, impressed

TORONTO. — "He went like a lamb, came back like a lion." This may well describe the attitude of Edward Ide, after returning from an UNESCO mission to Japan.

As national JCCA president, he was required to represent all the Japanese-Canadians on this excursion of goodwill. Therefore he found it necessary to be constantly on guard.

Although he was handicapped by this protocol, Ide was able to get a glimpse of some of the problems in Japan.

### Amusing Incidents

"There were many amusing incidents," recalls Ide, "but there was also the more serious side too."

The forgetting of luggage, the harassing experiences with the Japanese trains and taxis and the

### LONG BEACH TO HOLD CONVENTION POSTMORTEM

LONG BEACH. — Chapter president Dr. David Miura announces that the Long Beach-Harbor District JACL general meeting tomorrow at the Japanese Harbor Community Center will be preceded by games and prizes at 7 p.m.

The general meeting will include reports from the recent National JACL convention at Salt Lake City. Following the business meeting, the Dance Class has planned a party for all.

matter of the language barrier for the other members of the mission, were some of the humorous experiences that he encountered on the trip.

### Rice Still Rationed

But on the more serious side of the picture, Ide observed that Japan is still a country with a low standard of living. Rice is still rationed, there is no gas or electricity, and the people must use charcoal as their main source of heat.

"The word 'survival' is furthest in the minds of the people in Japan," states the JCCA representative.

Ide arrived at a very opportune time, as far as the Canadian Nisei Association of Japan was concerned. It was only their second meeting since its organization in June.

Being the President of the National JCCA, Ide was called upon to discuss the matter of immigration and what his organization has been able to do about it up to now.

### Need of Organization

With these plaintive queries still ringing in his ears, Ide has returned to Canada with the firm belief that there is still a crying need for the Japanese Canadian Citizens' Association so long as there are so many people depending on it.

"The Nisei should endeavor to visit Japan," commented Ide, "he would surely learn to appreciate his heritage."

## Central California contestant in JACL oratoricals active at Delano Union High

BY THOMAS TOYAMA

FRESNO. — Yumiko Jane Kubota, 17-year-old graduate of Delano Union High School, who represented the Central California District Council at the recent National JACL oratorical contest, is regarded as one of the most highly talented Sansei leaders of San Joaquin Valley.

Her high school "who's who" commentary is about the longest ever recorded. She is a member of the school's executive council, student council, a cellist in the orchestra, letterman in girl's tennis, and active in such organizations as the California Scholarship Federation, Jr. Red Cross, Jr. Statesmen of America, speech club, rally club, French club, Top Notch Teachers club, entertainment club and two year member on the school history commission.

She participated in the junior class play, won a school Shakespeare contest, served as principal cellist for the Kern County Honor Orchestra for two years as well as winning county competitions in music.

She is the holder of achievement awards made by the Bank of America in music and fine arts. She was a commencement exercise speaker, winner of the trophy to the "most active" senior and more recently led in the California State Speech tournament qualifying round at Fresno State and competed in the finals at Univ. of California at Santa Barbara.

During her early years at school, Yumiko held student posts of secretary during her freshman and sophomore year, yell leader of the freshman class and letter carrier in the band as a freshman.

Outside of school, she is a member of the Kern Philharmonic Or-

## 35th anniversary of Fresno JACL fete at fairgrounds cafe

FRESNO. — Fresno JACL will hold its 35th anniversary testimonial dinner on Oct. 18 at Fresno County Fairgrounds cafeteria with over 100 honored guests attending.

Dr. Kikuo Taira and Fred Hirasuna are co-chairmen for this event.

Saburo Kido, wartime national JACL president, will be the main speaker. (Because of the conflict in date in securing the speaker, the originally announced date was advanced.)

Entertainment program for residents of the community will be held on Saturday, Oct. 25, at Edison High School auditorium.

Committees have met twice to date at the home of Seichi Mikami and Fred Hirasuna. Other committee chairmen are:

Dr. George Suda, banquet; Sally Slocum, invitations; Rikio Yamamura, fund; Seichi Mikami, souvenir pamphlet; Faye Kazato, Masako Inada, Toshiko Koda, benefit movie; June Toshiyuki, pub.; Jin Ishikawa, document; Masao Araki, entertainment.



JANE KUBOTA  
Central Cal's Orator

chestra and has competed in various county-wide musical auditions, winning the junior cello division and gaining honorable mention in the senior cello division.

## PLAN MAJOR FILM WITH LI'L TOKIO BACKGROUND

"The White Kimono", story of a Nisei detective on the Los Angeles police force, will be Samuel Fuller's first production for Columbia under his Globe Enterprises four-picture deal. He will write, produce and direct.

## Missile expert speaks

PASADENA. — Dr. Walter Higa was guest speaker last night at the Pasadena JACL meeting held at the local Union Presbyterian church. He spoke on missile research.



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## From the Frying Pan

By Bill Hosokawa

San Francisco, Calif.

**NEEDED**—A few days before we were to leave Denver for the Far East, we got the word: Some of the countries I hope to enter require various inoculations in addition to the smallpox vaccination I got a month or so ago in preparation for the trip. So I telephoned Dr. Howard Suenaga and he promptly started a search for typhoid, paratyphoid, typhus and cholera vaccines.

Somehow his suppliers found them in healthy old Denver and I took both arms down to his office to receive the injections. Now, with arms sore and swollen, I'm about ready to believe the prevention is worse than the disease. What's even more distressing, I have to take a second series of shots when I get to Japan, just about time I've recovered from the first ones.

**CHANGING TIMES**—Eight years ago, shortly after the war in Korea got under way, I tried over a period of several weeks to get permission to visit Formosa. The fellows at the Nationalist Chinese embassy in Tokyo were friendly enough, but they kept insisting that no visa could be issued without clearance from the big bosses in Taipei. And the big bosses in Taipei were so busy with whatever they were doing that I was told it might take them six months or more to approve a visa.

I even paid a \$5 cable fee to finance an embassy telegram impressing on the folks back home the importance of providing a visa. All to no avail. The visa never did come.

A week ago, I wrote from Denver to the Chinese Consulate-General in San Francisco requesting a visa to visit Formosa. A couple of days later, back came a letter saying a visa would be granted promptly and that it wasn't even necessary for me to show up in person. All I had to do was mail them my passport, and there would be no charge.

Today I dropped by the Chinese Consulate-General on Montgomery Street. Not only did I get my visa, but a polite gentleman volunteered the name of the press chief at the information ministry and offered to air mail the folks in Taipei to be on the lookout for me, just in case I wanted to get some news about what's going on.

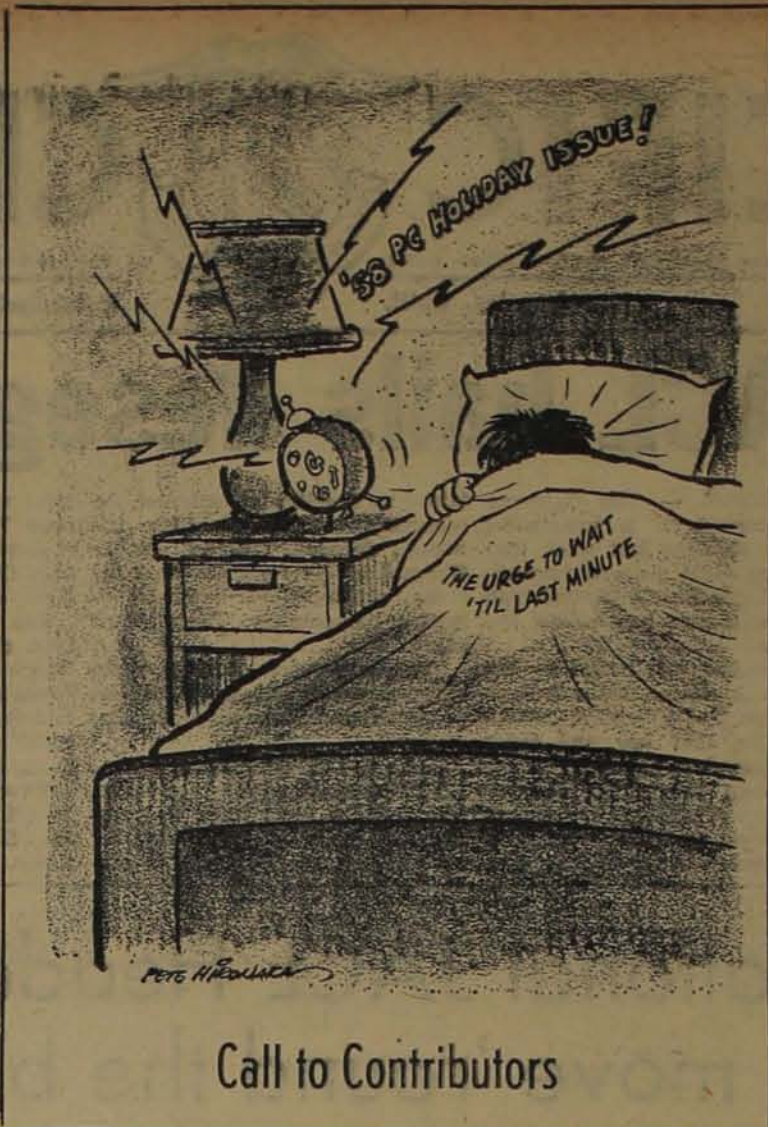
Of course, the fact that we've been talked into helping Chiang defend Quemoy and Matsu islands, and that the Nationalists fear we may sell them down the river in the impending talks with Communist China, may have something to do with Taipei's sudden willingness to have an American newspaperman visit them.

**PREVIEW**—One of the few persons I had a chance to visit with here was Genzo Maezawa, head man at the Japan Trade Center, who brought an exhibit to Denver a few years ago. The trade center currently was showing Japanese-made athletic equipment, including such items as baseball gloves, fishing rods, skis, plastic practice golf balls, tennis and badminton racquettes, and a mess of other fine-looking stuff.

Maezawa-san kindly suggested dinner and promptly steered me out to Tokyo Sukiyaki, at Fisherman's Wharf, for a fine Japanese meal. The fact that I would be flying in a Japan Air Lines plane for Tokyo itself within about 18 hours didn't detract one bit from the charm of the dinner.

Incidentally, I have been forewarned that Japan Air Lines knocks itself out to stuff its passengers with all sorts of Japanese goodies. I am taking my appetite along.

JAL also provides its passengers with a handsome blue zipper bag which is beautifully made from a fabric that looks like silk. Only trouble with it is that it makes the rest of my baggage (one suitcase, typewriter, briefcase) look like leftovers at a remnant sale.



## 1958 Holiday Issue

As startling as an alarm clock can sound in the morning, so might be our first call for help on the 1958 Pacific Citizen Holiday Issue, which is coming out Dec. 19—the Friday before Christmas.

This year, more than ever, we cannot be too charming about asking for help from the chapters in making the 1958 Holiday Issue the kind of financial success it is capable of achieving.

The plain fact is that we have had to borrow from the JAACL Reserve Fund to sustain operations during the summer-fall months. We have always counted upon the Holiday Issue to keep PC finances on a healthy plain, but this year the outlook has been disheartening since July.

Even the delegates to the last national convention were aware of this situation, upon studying the current financial statement, and recommended our subscription rates be raised 50 cents across-the-board.

By the end of this month, the PC business office will mail to the chapters the 1958 Holiday Issue solicitor's kits, which will contain advertising order forms, receipt books and a letter of explanation.

**Immediate Action**  
 In the meantime, as this issue reaches chapter officers, it is hoped some serious thought can be given to muster help to make the 1958 Holiday Issue the best from the standpoint of financial returns.

A greater effort by chapters will be asked to secure more one-line greetings at \$2 per name and address. It was the opinion of the PC Board, headed by past national president George Inagaki, that the greatest source of Holiday Issue revenue lies in the "one-liners".

"It is one time of the year when members of the JAACL family can extend their best wishes of the season and support the organization's official publication at the same time," board members agreed.

The popularity of one-line greetings has been mounting over the past years. There were close to 1,000 listed last year, about 100 more than 1956. With emphasis this year, it is hoped "one-liners" will be doubled.

Special committees to round up "one-liners" can be organized by

chapters now. Regular forms to facilitate the listing of names and addresses will be included in the solicitor's kit.

**15 Per Cent Commission**  
 In recognition of chapter efforts to assist in the Holiday Issue, the PC Board announces a 15 per cent commission on "one-liners" as well as display advertising (at \$5 per column inch) in the Holiday Issue.

Some of the chapters have utilized the commission, however, to pay for the chapter advertisement in the Holiday Issue. And commissions are not allowed on chapter ads.

With the special \$1 introductory offer of 20 issues to new readers only again in effect and to be pushed by chapters during the forthcoming membership drive, it is hoped that the campaign is started in time enabling new readers to receive the 1958 Holiday Issue.

The Holiday Issue will again feature special reports from our contributors, chapter reports and highlight a particular Japanese American community. We hope enough editorial material and photographs can be gathered by the Nov. 30 deadline to publish a 72-page edition. —Editor.

### Ishimaru heads Leaders Club for 3rd year in row

SAN FRANCISCO. — Haruo Ishimaru, West Coast Life Insurance Co. district manager here, has achieved presidency of his company's Leaders Club for the third consecutive year, it was announced this past week. As president, he chaired the Leaders Club convention at Santa Barbara last week.

Other Nisei in the 1958 Leaders Club are Ted Yamanaka of Santa Monica and Bill Matsumoto (newly-elected national JAACL 1000 Club chairman) of Sacramento. Matsumoto has been a Leader Club member for seven years.

## PC Letter Box

### NEED ADDRESS

Editor: My husband is also a fellow Shriner and belongs to the Eastern Star and is interested in contacting Sakata, Kadowaki, Hirose or Murayama (PC, Sept. 5) but no addresses were given.  
 MRS. TY SAIKI  
 Mankato, Minn.

(Those interested in the Nisei Square Club, being formed among Nisei Shriners, may write to: Jack Hirose, 6400 Medwick Dr., Hyattsville, Md.; or Joe Kadowaki, 4991 E. 88th St., Cleveland 25, Ohio. —Editor.)

### AT&T STOCK

Editor: Regarding 10 shares AT&T stock at \$3,500, present market price per share—\$185, dividend per share, \$3.  
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 LYNN WELLS  
 Milwaukee, Wis.

(This assist from an old Milwaukee friend should put this issue at rest.—Editor.)

### PASSING SENTENCE

Editor: Congratulations to Berry Suzukida for his fine guest editorial (PC, Sept. 5). Undoubtedly Justice of the Peace Suyematsu had to undergo considerable soul-searching before he brought himself to pass sentence on Kenneth Calkins. Yet Kenneth Calkins surely gave more than a passing thought to what action he felt he must take and to the consequences of that action. Squire Suyematsu is not to be criticized particularly as a Nisei but his manner of berating the defendant may be open to question.

MIO SAKAI  
 Littleton, Colo.

### Cancer Society exec

HONOLULU. — Christian S. Nakama, 35, graduate of Harvard University School of Public Health, has been given the \$650-a-month job as executive director of the Hawaii Cancer Society. This past summer, he completed his internship in health education at Cleveland Health Museum.

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## Vagaries

By Larry S. Tajiri

### Oriental Cycle Hits Stage

Hollywood's Oriental cycle ("Sayonara," "Barbarian and the Geisha," "Escapade in Japan") apparently is influencing the New York theater. This, as John Chapman of the New York Daily News, pointed out the other day, is a reverse of the usual, since it is the stage that more often establishes a trend for the movies.

This season the competition is heavy for actors of Japanese, Chinese and other Asian ancestry with a number of productions already set with Oriental backgrounds. This also goes for the Rodgers and Hammerstein musical, "Flower Drum Song," which has an American setting although it is San Francisco's Chinatown. Among the leads in R&H's adaptation of C.Y. Lee's novel about Chinese Nisei are Miyoshi Umeki and Pat Suzuki, both of whom can carry a tune. Among the male leads are Ed Kenney, who is of Irish-Asian background, and Keye Luke, the cartoonist from the Pacific Northwest who made a movie career as Charlie Chan's No. 1 son.

Probably every dancer and singer of Japanese and Chinese ancestry on both coasts were tested for roles in "Flower Drum Song," which is already in rehearsal and which currently has a Nov. 27 opening scheduled in New York. There will be the usual New Haven-Boston tryouts.

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Rodgers and Hammerstein made an effort for authenticity and tried to cast as many performers of Oriental descent as were available. On the other hand, the new version of the Japanese drama, "Rashomon," once a prize-winning Japanese movie, will be cast with non-Asians. The role which was played on the screen by Machiko Kyo will be done on the stage by Claire Bloom, the English beauty whose forte is Shakespeare. Rod Steiger will have the role of her husband in the Japanese morality play.

"Rashomon" doesn't have an opening date as yet, but Paul Oosburn's version of Richard Mason's novel, "The World of Suzie Wong," had its Boston opening this past week and is due in New York on Oct. 14. "Suzie Wong," which is directed by Joshua Logan (the director of "Sayonara"), is the first of the Oriental productions to reach Broadway. Several Nisei actresses were considered by Logan before he chose France Nuyen for the role of the young prostitute in Hong Kong whose love rehabilitates a British painter, played by William Shatner.

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Miss Nuyen, now 18, is a girl of Chinese and French parentage who was living with her mother in genteel poverty in Marseilles, France only two years ago. Then her father, a Chinese merchant seaman who had earned his United States citizenship in World War II, sent for his little family. France wound up in Hell's Kitchen, a tough neighborhood in midtown Manhattan. She eked out a meager living by working in a bakery, the advantages of the job being that she could eat the leftover pastries. Then one day she decided to enroll for a modeling course and her photo was seen by Logan who was casting "South Pacific" at the time. He had found his Liat, the Tenkingese girl whose ill-fated love for the American Lieutenant Cable gives "South Pacific" its tragic flavor.

France became a featured player in her first picture, and then followed it with a role in Jerry Wald's "In Love and War." "There are many roles for an Oriental actress," France told us in Denver one day. "I hope I will be versatile enough to play a variety of roles. I've been told I look like an American Indian girl."

Logan like Miss Nuyen's performance in "South Pacific" and finally put her into "Suzie Wong."

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Another project for Broadway is Samuel Wincelberg's two short dramas, "The Conqueror" and "The Enemy," both of which involve Japanese and American soldiers in World War II. The latter play was seen on television as "The Sea Is Boiling Hot," with Sessue Hayakawa, fresh from his success in "The Bridge on the River Kwai," as the Japanese soldier and Earl Holliman as the GI. It is currently proposed to put the two one-acters together under the general title, "Kataki," for a December opening in New York.

The leading Japanese role in "Kataki" has been offered to Hayakawa, who last appeared on the New York stage 30 years ago in "Love City." Hayakawa, however, has been too busy with his Hollywood projects, the latest being the role of the native chieftain in MGM's "Green Mansions." Without Hayakawa it is doubtful if the producers would attempt "Kataki."

One musical project, already on the fire for next spring, is the story of a group of GIs who buy a Japanese geisha house. It's called "Cry for Happy," and Kermit Bloomgarten, currently Broadway's producer with the Midas touch ("Look Homeward, Angel" and "The Music Man") is interested in it. The immediate prospects for "Cry for Happy" probably will depend on the availability of performers of Asian descent.

Because in the past there haven't been many roles for Asian performers, there are only a few professionals in New York and Hollywood where TV has offered the main source of opportunity. Until the current season started, just about the only part for a Japanese in the contemporary American theater was that of the Japanese houseboy in the six companies of "Auntie Mame." Yuki Shimoda, for example, who had the role in the original "Auntie Mame" with Rosalind Russell and then went to Hollywood to do it for the movies, is playing the role currently with Eve Arden.

In fact, among the thousands of members of the Screen Actors Guild, for example, there are only 60 Orientals in the Screen Actors Guild.

## Minister's wife reveals secrets in entertaining guests from Japan

(We are grateful to our reader in Hawaii for forwarding us the story of Mrs. Lily Fujiyoshi, sister of JACL director Mas Sato, of Hilo, Hawaii, which was published in the Hilo Tribune Herald recently.—Ed.)

BY THELMA B. OLIVAL  
Women's Editor  
Hilo Tribune Herald

HILO. — "Heaven moves in strange ways its wonders to perform" has more than a noble ring of rhetoric for Mrs. Fujiyoshi, wife of Congregational minister, the Rev. Donald Fujiyoshi, pastor of Church of the Holy Cross.

It was never her intention, she smiles, to marry a minister.

Both her parents had been active church workers, and from her youthful observation she decided that they, and ministers' wives, worked very hard for very small material gain.

She then made up her mind she'd have an easier lot in life by not marrying a minister.

So when he met Donald Fujiyoshi, native of Lahaina, Maui, studying architecture in Los Angeles, she thought he seemed settled enough in his worldly vocation. In addition he had studied physical education 3½ years at Oberlin College. No minister here! she thought.

She was then working in the Japanese branch of the YWCA. She had graduated from the University of Southern California where she majored in social work and religious education, with no inkling at all to what further good use her training would be put.

#### Decision for Vocation

Mr. Fujiyoshi then came back to the islands to work as a draughtsman, and she came to Honolulu to be married to him. Suddenly, one day, a year after they were married, her husband announced he was going to enter the ministry.

Working part time and studying at the University of Hawaii, he earned his B.A. degree and was assigned to Kohala, on this island for his first pastorate which he held 2½ years.

"It was a very roundabout way he and Heaven took to make me a minister's wife—but he felt the call—and that was all there was to it!" she says, a warm, friendly and lovely smile lighting her interesting face.

And what does she think now about being a minister's wife—24 years and four children later.

"Well," she thought a little, then said, "Like every minister's family, we live with the church from morning to night. Our life is regulated by church activities, even our meals are secondary to what comes first in the church's program—but we have many satisfactions."

#### Own Rewards Explained

"Our rewards may be explained this way: we deal with the intangibles, so our satisfactions are composed of the intangibles. They are made up of such things as wonderful friendships and our lives stimulated by meeting new people; an "esprit de corps" we find wherever we travel and are welcomed by other ministers' families; our children's education broadened by travel and life in different places; and over-all the satisfaction of knowing we are doing the Lord's work."

From Kohala where their first son, Norman, now 20, was born, the family went to Los Angeles where Rev. Fujiyoshi earned his master's degree in theology from the University of Southern California's School of Religion.

They lived 11 years on Kauai when he took a year's sabbatical leave to Japan, where he lived three impressive months with Dr.

#### Circulation Notice

For sake of economy (the recent raise in postal fees), the Pacific Citizen circulation department will now mail only two notices to readers whose subscriptions are about to expire—a reminder prior to the month due and a "final notice."

Toyohiko Kagawa, great and internationally known Christian leader who has dedicated his life to the poor of Japan. Because of Dr. Kagawa's many guests, his own household, plus the poor who were always made welcome, Mrs. Kagawa was often hard put to feed everyone.

For three months, Mrs. Fujiyoshi tells, her husband ate miso soup and a piece of toast (no butter or jelly) for breakfast. That was all. For dinner when an extra guest turned up Mrs. Kagawa added more water to the rice.

"So on a diet like that, when the Rev. Fujiyoshi came home—he never complained about food," his wife smiles. "Though appreciative of good food and possessing the fine discrimination of the true gourmet—he is always pleased with whatever he is served!"

Before coming to Hilo where they have been a little over a year and a half, they were on Oahu 3 years.

#### Members of Family

Three of their four children are at home. Eldest son Norman works for an electronics firm in Boston as a technician and studies engineering on the side. Second son Ronald, 18, a graduate of Mid-Pacific will attend the Hilo Branch University.

Elaine, 17, a senior at Hilo High School, having grown up with her brothers, can play football and climb trees as well as her brothers.

She also likes to listen to hit-parade music while she does the dishes or ironing.

Miles, youngest, is 10 and in the 6th grade at Hilo Union School.

In the roomy two-story and basement parsonage the Fujiyoshis have room to spread out their hobbies. Rev. Fujiyoshi and children are all skilled pingpong players.

#### Shell Collectors

Then too, they are a family of amateur conchologists—they collect shells, and have an impressive array of them neatly catalogued and labeled in their shell case. Some they have found themselves, others have been given to them, along with glass ball floaters which they also collect. It turns out that not only have they an interesting collection, but also reminders of their many friends.

"Each shell reminds us of somebody, a place, or an event in our lives," comments Mrs. Fujiyoshi. Her husband, she observes, is a Jack-of-all-trades—as most ministers are. He is interested in art and does watercolor and pencil sketching.

He likes to collect rare plants and has a fine "green thumb" to grow them. Fishing is an enjoyable relaxation for him and he collects Mozart records.

Mrs. Fujiyoshi likes to read, enjoys music, dabbles in conchology, and "this might make you smile," she warned, "but I'm a star-gazer!" Hilo, she comments ruefully, with its cloudy skies, is not as ideal for star-gazing as

other places. Much as she modestly disclaims knowing astronomy as a science, and says she just enjoys studying the constellations, it is evident she knows her stars! Son Norman, studying engineering, is building a telescope she hopes he'll share with her.

Mrs. Fujiyoshi is interesting to speak to, a woman of much knowledge, deep and quiet wisdom, yet possessing a ready wit and warm sense of humor. She has a wonderful smile that not only lights her almost serious face, but lights up the room almost.

#### Frequent Entertaining

As a minister's wife she has found entertaining one of her most frequent activities. As first, because she had never cooked seriously until after her marriage, she worried about both invited and unexpected guests and what to serve them.

She no longer worries she says. Ministers' wives somehow learn to make the easiest dishes with what they have on hand. And she has learned one of the basic secrets of successful and delightful entertaining.

Here is her secret: "Have one good dish—whether it's the soup, the salad, the main dish or even the dessert. Spend thought and effort and make that one dish really outstanding—and though the other dishes are ordinary, your guests will go away feeling they've had a fine meal."

When entertaining mainlanders she serves sukiyaki because it is an "atmosphere" dish. You cook it at the table where guests can participate, and if made with beef it is almost sure to please everyone.

Fresh island vegetables and fruits she finds are always sure-fire success to visitors.

#### For Guests from Japan

With a twinkle in her eye, she explains that entertaining guests from Japan is easy. "By the time they reach us they have been so feasted and dined on lavish and rich foods, that they are only too pleased to have something very simple, such as miso soup or tofu."

Another tip on guests from Japan—she says, give them ham and eggs—three times a day if you want—and they will enjoy it!

Her family cooking is varied to include different racial dishes. The children enjoy Chinese and American dishes as well as Japanese foods. Her husband, she says, likes unusual dishes such as pickled pig's feet, pickled herring, raw oysters.

"If he cooked—he'd make a good cook," she muses. He has one specialty. He gets up early in the morning to make pancakes—"the kind that melt in your mouth!" she adds.

While every-day cooking sometimes wearies her, she never finds jelly-making dull. It is her specialty—and when bazaar time rolls around, she is well represented on church bazaar counters in jars and jars of jelly.

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## POINTING Southwestward

By Fred Takata

**CONVENTION:** Here we are back at the old grind of pounding out a column again, after making way for the convention news for the past few weeks. There's been a lot said and written about the convention these past few issues, but we've just got to insert our 2-cents, and say this was one of the finest that we've ever had the pleasure of attending. Before the convention, all the familiar names in JACL were just names to us, but after meeting everyone personally, we can see why we have such a strong organization as we do today.

We would like to take this opportunity to personally thank Rupert Hachiya, Ichiro Doi, Mas Yano, George Yoshimoto, Henry & Alice Kasai, and the many other committee members, for helping us with the many details during the convention.

The PSWDC was quite proud of our Sue Joe and Nancy Kubo of Long Beach, who came home with some of the honors. Of course we were really proud of our WLA President Dr. Milton Inouye, who was crowned Mr. KOS (King of Siam). The crowning was really something out of this world, especially when the crown kept slipping off of Milton's Yul Brynner haircut. The committee was right on the ball, when they brought out the scotch tape to solve the problem. To all the conventioners he became known as "Uncle Miltie!"

At the convention outing, we and "Uncle Miltie", together with Mike Hide, prexy of Santa Barbara, took a ride up the ski lift. The active president of the WLA Chapter suggested we get off at the top of the lift, and was riding the chair lift behind us. As we jumped off and waited for him to get off, he gave us a hearty "he-haw" and "see you later, alligator!" and continued down the lift again. We stood there coming to a slow burn, as he waved good-bye. Thanks to Mike Hide, Kenji Fujii and a few others getting off, we were able to cool down a little. Since Miltie was so mean to us, we thought the rest of the JACLers would like to see the beautiful coronation picture of King KOS. Not bad, eh? Of course this young man never failed to amaze us, even with his ability to whirl the Hula-Hoop with just a few inches to spare!

At the outing ELA Prexy, Roy Yamadera, was sporting white capris, straw hat, and red socks yet! On returning to the Hotel, we made him trail far behind us, because we were quite embarrassed to walk in with him. All eyes were focussed on him as he came through the lobby, with some of the people whispering, "He must be one of those!"

As usual the Pasadena group had their casino going full blast each night, with Yo Mori (Santa Barbara), Ritsuko Kawakami (ELA) and Mary Yusa (Pasadena), picking up "kozu kai" for the convention. My room mate at the convention, who is a prominent leader in the SWLA Chapter received a phone call at 7 a.m. (ugh!), from his wife wanting to know where he was a 2 a.m., when she had called long distance. Boy, these poor married guys! To his wife, may we say he was a good boy, and we all kept our eyes on him! Tom Ito of Pasadena was sporting a couple of bruised knees, and can't remember when he picked them up. It's a good thing he's in shape! We were treated with an eye full of the latest in women's swim suits modeled by Ken Dyo of Pasadena at the 1000 Club Whing Ding. But, why the quick exit, Ken? Prexy Doc Yamaguchi of Pasadena sure made a buxom Wahini during the Whing Ding, and we'll be in for more of the same, when we attend the Pasadena Chapter's Luau. We thought we were heavy eaters at the "Old Mill", but that boy George Inagaki, can really hold his own! It seems Sam Hirasawa, prexy of the SWLA Chapter, wasn't corked out after the convention, because he headed for his brothers' nearby farm to work for a few days before heading home. We still have a bone to pick, with Long Beach prexy Dr. Dave Miura, who seemed to get his

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JACL Convention queen Margaret Itami plants a kiss on the head of Dr. Milton Inouye, West Los Angeles JACL president, who was selected the "KOS" personality at the recent Salt Lake convention mixer. "KOS"—King of Siam, Yul Brynner style—reigned during the special intermission feature.—Twilite Photo.

# Nisei of Biennium Citations

## DR. IWAO MILTON MORIYAMA (For Distinguished Achievement—Statistician)

Dr. Iwao Milton Moriyama, a man who years ago committed his career to the enhancement of society through the exacting science of statistical research and analysis, has attained a stature that commands the esteem of colleagues in his field.

As Chief of the Mortality Analysis Section of the National Office of Vital Statistics with which he has been associated since 1940, he is responsible for developing the official data on mortality in the United States, initiating and directing projects dealing with various medical and social factors related to mortality. His work is essential to planning the health programs at national, state and local levels.

His career of distinguished achievement in government followed high academic attainments. He received his B.A. and M.A. degrees from the University of California and his doctorate from Yale University. He returned to Berkeley, California this year as a visiting professor in the School of Public Health.

### 40 Publications

He has to his credit more than forty publications concerning mortality statistics and related fields, and has been selected as delegate

to seven international conferences held in Cairo, Tokyo, Rome, Geneva, Paris and Caracas. He is a past consultant to the United Nations Statistical Office in New York.

His professional and scientific affiliations are many, among the important of which are the National Committee of Vital and Health Statistics of which he is Secretary, and the Populations Association of America of which he is a board member. He serves as consultant, officer or member to numerous other fraternities, committees and advisory panels. As a civic participant, he continues to serve as vice president of the Hollin Hills (Va.) Community Committee and the Cub Scouts, as Chairman of Special Activities in Mount Vernon (Va.).

Occupying one of the highest positions of responsibility in government held by a Nisei today, through his competence and energetic participation in a multitude of activities in his realm of work, he is rendering a public service reaching far beyond national boundaries and has been an effective influence in national and international efforts directed towards developing uniform statistics throughout the world.

## HARRY AYAO OSAKI (For Distinguished Achievement—Silversmith)

The gift of artistic talent of itself is worthy of note in any man, but when coupled with zeal to help the youth of American prepare for responsible adulthood, the dual attributes are deserving of special recognition. Such are the qualities of Harry Ayao Osaki.

Respected and admired by fellow craftsmen, he has become a nation-wide celebrated artisan within the span of a decade. Among his more than seven hundred commissioned works are the Millikin Memorial Trophy for the California Institute of Technology, the Trans-Pacific Yacht Race Trophy, silver and goldwork for various churches, and the distinguished Japanese American Citizens League silver chalice presented to President Dwight D. Eisenhower.

In addition to entering important exhibits he has conducted many one-man exhibitions where he has been awarded numerous prizes and awards in silver and sculpture, and has representations in sixty museums, including the Metropolitan Museum in New York, and museums in Boston, Toronto, Denver and San Francisco. On six occasions, his works were exhibited by the United States State Department in Europe, and under private sponsorship, they have been displayed throughout the world.

Renowned as a craftsman with

a high sense of responsibility to art as a creative activity, he was named president in 1957 by the Fine Arts Alumni Association of the University of Southern California. He serves also on the advisory board of the California State Fair and frequently on exhibition juries. His artistic contributions are paralleled by his assistance to younger artists and students as a teacher in his field.

With no less ardor has he given his energies to the advancement of the Boy Scout movement. With a record of twenty-eight continuous years in scouting, including twelve years as scoutmaster, he has distinguished himself with having won 104 merit badges, and being awarded the National Silver Beaver Award in 1956, and the Eagle Degree in the Knights of Dunamis, the two highest attainable awards in scouting. Organizing a troop in Pasadena in 1951, he has since served as a neighborhood Boy Scout Commissioner and on the board of directors of the San Gabriel Valley Council.

As an officer or active member, he serves various professional fraternities, service clubs, business groups, veterans organization, his church, and community and welfare projects.

Devoted to his art, devoted to his fellow man, he has brought genuine enrichment to his craft, his community and his country.

## TOMMY TAMIO KONO (For Distinguished Achievement—Weightlifter)

Through his outstanding and excellent achievement in the field of athletic endeavor, Tommy Tamio Kono has won international acclaim and has brought prestige, honor and glory to his nation, and to his fellow Americans, in particular to Americans of Japanese ancestry.

As a thin and asthmatic boy of fourteen, he began his training and development in a relocation center and entered his first amateur competition in San Jose, California in 1948.

Scientific body-weight control has enabled him to perform in four weight classes. He is the first and only person to hold records in four divisions of the Amateur Athletic Union. While he has been a consistent victor for the United States team in the Olympic Games and inter-nation matches, he has won other honors, including being awarded the Mr. World title in 1954, the Mr. Universe titles in 1955 and 1957, being selected Man of the Year by the

Sacramento Junior Chamber of Commerce in 1955 and Athlete of the Year in 1958 in Hawaii. He was twice nominated for the coveted Sullivan Award, as the outstanding amateur athlete of the year, placing fifth and fourth in 1956 and 1957, respectively.

### World Records Broken

Since his first Olympics triumph in 1952 in the 148 pound class, he has officially broken twenty-two world records and six Olympic Games records, and eight other world records unofficially, winning over one hundred trophies and countless medals and visiting nineteen countries.

Exemplifying the athletic ideal, he has been selfless in his service to others, making innumerable public appearances and giving lectures before service clubs, athletic organizations, schools and universities, and assisting fund raising projects of the YMCA. His affiliations include the Quarterback Club, the York Athletic Club and the Hawaiian weight lifting com-

The Nisei of the Biennium distinguished achievement awards were presented at recent national JACL convention in Salt Lake City. The Pacific Citizen is happy to publish the complete texts of the citations presented with the JACL medallion.

## 1000 CLUB NOTES

**SAN FRANCISCO.**—National JACL Headquarters acknowledged 26 new and renewal memberships in the 1000 Club for the first half of September:

- LIFE MEMBERSHIP**  
Portland—Dr. Robert S. Kinoshita.
- ELEVENTH YEAR**  
Venice-Culver—George S. Mikawa.
- TENTH YEAR**  
Sequoia—Hirotsuke Inouye.  
Marysville—Mas Oji.
- NINTH YEAR**  
Gardena Valley—Yoshio Kobata.  
San Francisco—Mrs. Chiz Satow.
- SEVENTH YEAR**  
Southwest L.A.—Al S. Tanouye.  
Venice-Culver—A. Ike Masaoka.
- FIFTH YEAR**  
Pasadena—Mrs. Mary K. Ito.  
Chicago—Lester G. Katsura.  
Berkeley—Albert S. Kosakura.  
San Francisco—Katherine Reyes.
- FOURTH YEAR**  
Southwest L.A.—Matsunosuke Oi, Dr. Katsumi Uba.
- THIRD YEAR**  
Sonoma County—Lloyd Ellis.  
Cleveland—Mrs. Toshi Kadowaki.  
Puyallup Valley—Dr. George A. Tanbara.
- SECOND YEAR**  
Dayton—Masaru Yamasaki.  
New York—Chizuko Ikeda.  
Seabrook—Charles Nagao.  
Monterey Peninsula—Kaz Oka.
- FIRST YEAR**  
East Los Angeles—Hiro E. Hishiki.  
Fresno—Richard A. Inaba, Takashi Morita, George T. Umamoto.

## WINDY CITY 1000ERS TO 'CUT UP' ON GREENS

Chicago JACL's 1000 Club will hold its annual golf tournament at Glendale Country Club this Sunday. Each member will be permitted to bring one guest. Golf balls will be the prizes. Every participant will receive at least one ball. Special rules have been planned. An auction and derby are also planned, according to Harry Mizuno, chairman.

## San Mateo slates benefit movie night Sept. 27

**SAN MATEO.**—The San Mateo JACL will present "Kunisada Chujii" (color) and "Chikakute Tookiwa" in a benefit movie program at the local Buddhist church, Sept. 27, 7:15 p.m.

Proceeds of the movie will go toward chapter activities, one of which is to be host to the North in November.

Members of the chapter started a house-to-house canvass last week with tickets for the movie program, according to Hiroshi Ito, chairman.

## Potluck turkey dinner for Fresno JACLers set

**FRESNO.**—Neva Saito and Kako Murasako are co-chairmen for the Fresno JACL family pot luck turkey dinner, to be held Sept. 25 at the local Japanese Congregational Church. Committeemen for Neva Saito are:

- Akiko Matsui, Sumi Murashima, Betty Nakamura, Mary Murosako, Pauline Nagare, Tsuru Namba, Sumi Saito, Nancy Suda and Lily Suda.
- Kako Murasako's committeemen will be announced later.

## CANADIAN UNIVERSITY NAMES CHICAGO NISEI

**CHICAGO.**—Douglas Kimura, son of Mrs. Sugano Kimura of 1129 W. Addison St., has been appointed assistant professor of bio-chemistry at McGill University in Canada. He received his master's degree from Illinois Institute of Technology two years ago and his doctorate from McGill this summer.

Combined with his athletic prowess are high qualities of character that have created goodwill and public relations of benefit to his country such as seldom achieved by an individual. As a Nisei, he has made an invaluable contribution in bringing recognition and respect to all Americans of Japanese ancestry.





# VERY TRULY YOURS

By Harry K. Honda

## Readership Poll

DEAR PC READER (Members and Non-Members):

Whether we get 10 or 190 replies, it doesn't matter. But we are quite anxious to hear from you in the next few weeks, telling us frankly why you subscribe to the Pacific Citizen?

Drop us a post card, sign it if you wish, and indicate what there is about our weekly publication that appeals to you the most. All we need is one answer—not a preferential list of features. We are suggesting the following checklist for your consideration.

1. Columnists (and which ones?)
2. General Nisei News.
3. JAACL News.
4. Other Features. (Indicate)

Or you may be among those members who feel every JAACLer should know what the organization is doing on the local, district and national level by subscribing to PC. If this be your case, words to that effect will be welcome.

WITH OUR SUBSCRIPTION rates rising 50 cents across-the-board from Oct. 1, 1958, we anticipate a slight drop in circulation. This is generally experienced by all newspapers when subscription costs are raised. So that we can have some guide to keep our readership, in spite of the 50 cents increase per year, this informal post card survey is being undertaken by this column.

As the official publication of JAACL, the Pacific Citizen "shall be conducted as an educational and public relations project"—to quote the national JAACL constitution. Inasmuch as JAACL is recognized by governmental and non-governmental bodies as the only national organization for the welfare of persons of Japanese ancestry in America, general Nisei news has commanded constant attention in the PC. It is also aware of its responsibility to keep its membership fully informed of JAACL activities and personalities, although only a third of the membership are current subscribers. How best to attract the other two-thirds to subscribe has been a perpetual pursuit.

We thought "PC with Membership" would meet the problem, but instead a recommendation came from the convention to have the introductory offer of 20 issues for \$1 coincide with the next membership drive. Hence, to be better prepared for 1959, we need as many post cards from our present readers to give us some much-needed clues.

WE PREPARED a special mail poll to satisfy our curiosity on how the PC was being received—but it never made the mail for one reason or another. As there were many questions on it, we hope this informal one question survey that can be accomplished by one post card will give us a good idea on what our readers like the most.

## POINTING SOUTHWESTWARD: by Fred Takata

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kicks out of embarrassing us to death at the different banquets . . . Mrs. Moto Asakawa, wife of the San Diego prexy, was busy shooting pictures of the drawing at the outing, when they suddenly called out her number, and then some one had to take her picture. It sure looked like a fix! . . . Pete Furuya, president of the Venice-Culver Chapter, and his wife had car trouble right out in the middle of nowhere on their way to the convention. It's a good thing Pete is a good mechanic, or we would have probably had "Toasted Furuys" for the convention . . . Tak (This Is Your Life) Momita, president of the Imperial Valley Chapter, gave us a call that he was at the Golden West Motel with all the convention material that we had sent with his car. We hurried over to the Motel to pick up our papers, when we found no Momita! We later discovered that he was checked in at the Covered Wagon Motel. When we asked for an explanation, he said, "Well, you know—Covered Wagon, it reminds you of the GOLDEN WEST!" . . . Harry Matsukane, the Orange County prexy, took several hundred feet of film at the convention, and has promised us a preview at the next District Meeting, which will be held in "Siam", oops, we mean WLA!

VISITORS: These past few weeks we were honored to have many people visit our office . . . Abe & Esther Hagiwara from Chicago, Larry Tajiri from Denver, Vernon Ichisaka from Seabrook, Sanford Weiner who is running for Assemblyman in the 59th District; Judge Evelle Younger, who is running for Office 3 of the Superior Court; Miss Tomiko Tanaami, who is a Social Worker from Brazil; H.B. McAfee, State of California Department of Employment and Dan Burgoine, the personnel manager at the Pacific Telephone Co.

Miss Miki Tsuboi, who was Miss ELA this year, and her family are being evicted from their home, because the owner is selling the property. Any of our local chapters that can be of assistance in finding a three bedroom house for them can contact this office. It seems that their moving notice has already lapsed, and they are in desperate need of help.

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## FLORIN CHAPTER SCHEDULES FOUR MORE PROGRAMS

FLORIN. — Four events highlight the remainder of the Florin JAACL calendar, it was revealed this week by William Kashiwagi, chapter president.

On Oct. 3, double features are scheduled in the benefit movie night at the local Japanese Methodist Hall. Color film "Wasureji no Go Go 8:13" starring Jun Negami and Yasuko Kawakami and "Asa no Kuchibue" will be shown from 7:30 p.m. Kay Nakamura and Judy Gotan will be in charge of refreshments.

On Oct. 26, the chapter will sponsor the Nisei GI memorial service from 2 p.m. at the Japanese Methodist Church. Bill Takeata will be general chairman.

The Rev. Caspar Horikoshi will be the main speaker. Gold Star mothers, their families, relatives and friends of the greater Sacramento area have been invited. This service is held annually in conjunction with Sacramento JAACL, its chairmanship rotating each year.

### Striped Bass Derby

A two-day striped bass derby for the entire community of Florin will be sponsored on Nov. 1-2. Mikio Takeoka will be chairman. Weigh-in time for both days will be between 5 and 7 p.m.

Final winner will be announced on Sunday, 7 p.m., at the Florin Japanese Hall. Entry fee of \$1 is being assessed. Tickets may be obtained at Kern's Market, Florin, and at the Takchara Variety Store at the Walsh Station Shopping Center.

The annual election meeting has been scheduled for Dec. 4.

## Auxiliary fashion show on orbit theme

SAN FRANCISCO. — "Fashions in Orbit" is the theme for the fifth annual Fashion Show of the San Francisco JAACL Women's Auxiliary.

"Heavenly bodies" will display fashions that are out of this world and Mrs. Chiz Satow and Gloria Kuroiwa have been added to the list of luminaries who will model in this stellar event scheduled tomorrow in the Venetian Room of the Fairmont Hotel.

Fabulous furs by Roberts-Liebes will be featured in the show which will revolve around a dazzling array of brilliant creations by Lanz of California, recent Brussels World Fair representative from the United States.

According to ticket chairman Kuni Koga, reservations have been coming in from as far south as Los Angeles. Among honored guests will be Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kusaba, Mas Satow (Mrs. Satow will be modeling), Mr. and Mrs. Yas Abiko, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Imazeki.

Lucy Adachi, in charge of hostesses, will be assisted by:

Kathy Asano, Mickey Inouye, Marie Kogawara, Mrs. Mary Negi, Mrs. Fudge Sato and Fumi Shimada.

Valuable door prizes have also been announced, according to Margie Shigezumi, who revealed the donors include: Taiyo Trading, Mayfair Nursery, Royal Beauty Shop, Flowers by Ken, Mary's Beauty Salon, Los Altos Nursery, Desiree Beauty Salon and Lanz of California.

Programs are being supplied through courtesy of American President Lines, according to Sumi Utsumi, program chairman.

The command of visitors from outer space has been changed to: "Take me to your fashion show."

## SONOMA COUNTY ACTIVITIES FOR FALL DISCLOSED

SEBASTOPOL. — A wide range of activities will culminate the year's program for Sonoma County JAACLers, it was decided at the recent September chapter meeting.

On Oct. 10 and 11, a Japanese movies benefit will be sponsored by the chapter at the local Memorial Hall. Tak Kameoka, chairman, stated the movies to be shown will have English sub-titles.

Sunday, Oct. 26, has been selected tentatively as the date for the Nisei GI Memorial Services honoring the three Nisei soldiers of this area. The services will be held at the local Buddhist Church with Rev. S. Onoyama officiating, while Jim Miyano will chair the program.

### Political Rally

As soon as all necessary arrangements have been completed, the general election rally will also be held during October. The various state propositions on the Nov. 4 ballot will be explained and discussed for both Issei and Nisei voters.

On Nov. 23, a stripped bass fishing derby will take place at Nelson's Resort in Napa and all profits from this affair will be given to the youth centers of Santa Rosa, Petaluma and Sebastopol. Riyuo Uyeda, chairman, will place the tickets on sale shortly with various members and business firms of this area. Assisting Uyeda will be: Frank Yamaoka, George Kawaoka, Hiro Taniguchi and Jim Miyano. Since this derby is staged as a part of the chapter's community service program everyone is urged to purchase the tickets to assure its success.

### Youth Program

In addition to the decision to stage these many activities, members heard a very comprehensive report of the 15th Biennial National Convention given by chapter president Frank Oda. A re-evaluation was also taken by the local chapter on its youth program. It was then agreed that more emphasis should be placed on the group's youth program. Beginning in the spring of 1959, two \$50 scholarships will be awarded to local outstanding graduates. The scholarship has been designated as the Pioneer Memorial Scholarship.

The amendments were part of the report of the national planning committee, chaired by Harry Takagi, Washington, D.C., and past nat'l 3rd vice-president.



Recording discs made during the recent JAACL convention are James Dorsey and his wife Kumiko at their home in Salt Lake City. A complete set of records now available for chapters at 50 cents per record are as follows: (1) George Inagaki's address in Japanese at the Issei Appreciation Dinner, 30 min.; (2) Dr. Roy Nishikawa's keynote address, 30 min.; (3) seven oratorical contest speeches, 15 min. each; (4) Congressman Saund's convention address, 1 hr.; (5) Ass't U.S. Atty. Gen. Doub's speech, 15 min.; and (6) JAACL Hymn, sung by the Salt Lake JAACL Choir, 15 min. Other remarks made at the convention are available upon request. —Terashima Photo.

## JAACL constitution amended: board to meet annually, telegraph vote quorum insisted

Salt Lake City. Six amendments to the national constitution of the Japanese American Citizens League were offered and all but one were accepted by delegates at the 15th Biennial convention. In substance, the changes are:

1. The 1000 Club chairman will be elected as a member of the national board with the election at the national council rather than at a 1000 Club meeting.

2. The National JAACL Board will meet at least once a year. Heretofore, the Board met during the national convention.

3. A new section (5) has been added to Art. VI (Legislative Body) providing that copies of the proposed agenda be distributed to the chapters at least 30 days prior to the national convention.

4. Telegraphic or telephonic voting, to be binding, requires a simple majority quorum of chapters. Originally, the proposal asked that a majority of the actual

plies received would determine the decision.

5. Nominations for national officers by the petition bearing the signatures of not less than three chapter presidents must go through the district council concerned as a matter of procedure only. The district council will have no veto powers on the petition.

### Rejected Proposal

The national nominations committee, in announcing its slate at the opening session, proposed that the 1st vice-president be titled "president-elect" and assume office as president in the following biennium and the other two vice-presidents ranked as first and second.

The amendment was greeted with mixed emotions and subject of conversation throughout the remaining days of the convention. It was soundly defeated at the Monday session when the constitutional amendments were being discussed.

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# THE Northwest PICTURE

By Elmer Ogawa

## Matsutake Crop Sparse Again

Seattle

A year ago this column was given credit by several local JACLers and others for doing a "great public service" in explaining why the fall matsutake mushroom crop was so very sparse because of the lack of rain. Local hunters were just unable to make the customary airmail gift shipments of matsutake to friends about the country, much to their embarrassment. The printed explanation was most welcome, they said.

Now, at the risk of repetition, must say that the outlook for 1958 is more unhappy than ever.

This corner of the map, generally reputed to be very very damp and rainy, has been having an unprecedented dry and hot summer; very desirable from some viewpoints, but disastrous to the wild mushroom crop. The monthly averages for June, July and August have been the driest and hottest on record with only enough rain to make a few specks on the windshield, measured in the hundredths of an inch at the weather bureau.

Large Washington and Lake Union have fallen to an all time low, and along the shores appear the cracked up patterns of mudflats on which rest houseboats and cruisers, "drydecked" at their regular moorings.

When those hardy souls attempt to put in a little time at the autumn sport of mushrooming, they'll have to journey out to "The Last Frontier", the rain forest area on the west side of the Olympic Peninsula which is a good part of a day's drive each way.

Perhaps the "drought" publicity of the last couple years will do something to dispel the popular notion that it rains here constantly, and that this is the country's "rainiest city." Precipitation averages of the last 30 years show that there are some 35 major cities of the United States more deserving of the title, "rainy."

Some of them are: Mobile, New Orleans, Miami, Montgomery, Atlanta, Little Rock, Washington, New York, Boston, Cincinnati, Galveston, and the two Portlands, the last named neighboring city in Oregon averaging some six inches more than Seattle's 32 inches, year after year.

## NISEI VET'S LITTLE LEAGUERS

It has been some eight or nine years now since the Nisei Vets stopped playing football themselves, and undertook the sponsoring of a Little League team.

On the record, "The Fighting Irish" are a perennial threat to the city and state championship aspirants. One year the Irish even got to the playoff for the National Little League championship at Las Vegas, a competition that has since been eliminated as too much for youngsters of that age.

This year athletic chairman of the Vets, Nelson Matsuda, and coaches Paul Uno and Henk Jones report they have graduated out of the Little League limitations of age and weight, more the former than the latter.

There is a dearth of Nisei-Sansei players this season. The calendar provides one possible explanation — some 13-14 years ago the Nisei Vet daddies were away to the wars, and in most cases, still single.

A squad of 30 turned out for last Saturday's practice. In the group were six Oriental faces; and to lend a bit of authenticity to the team's name there was one Caucasian lad named Charles McEwan, 12-years-old, 75 pounds, and 54 inches tall. All the rest of the squad are of Afro-American descent.

When this outfit trots out on the field for the season's first game, some sideline wit is going to re-name the NVC entry as "Smoked Irish", and hardly think any supersensitive soul should take offense, as this team will as usual give a good account of itself; to its sponsor and to a cosmopolitan community.

## Larry Iwasaki ready for Fresno-State grid season opener

BY THOMAS TOYAMA

FRESNO. — Fresno State College unveils its 1958 gridiron machine tomorrow at Provo, Utah, where it meets Brigham Young University.

The highly touted Nisei back, Larry Iwasaki of Reedley High and Reedley College fame, makes his debut in big-time college ball with the Bulldogs. Regarded as Central California's all-time TD terror, Iwasaki tallied over 20 touchdowns during his prep year—many of them on hefty jaunts ranging from 25 to 80 yards, and was expected to continue his merry way in junior college ball until injuries benched him in mid-season.

Iwasaki, who has jet-propelling qualities in his legs, has starred in track also, being timed 9.9s. in the 100-yd dash. The current rave with his coach and team because of his bursts of speed, he is currently the No. 2 fullback for Fresno State.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Iwasaki, are active JACL members of the Reedley chapter.

This writer has followed the antics of Larry on the field through his high school and J.C. career and, witnessed with 80,000 others his feats at the Los Angeles Shrine North-South game. When he decided to stay close to home after high school by entering Reedley College, their games were among the largest in the valley. His prep teammates Richard Oba and Hideo Sakamoto, and Tom Tonai of Sanger High joined him at Reedley.

Tonai and Oba are playing their second year at Reedley College this fall. Rumor has it that Tonai may transfer to Oregon University next season.

Other Nisei gridders reporting locally include George Omata, 225-lb. linesman from Hanford High at the College of Ssequoia, several Hawaiian imports, Fasaka Lutu and Nelson Hao, at Coalinga J.C. On the prep scene are Bill Namba at Fresno's Edison High; Howard Horii and Lynn Fujii, both trying out for guard posts at Fowler High.

## NISEI SEEKS QUARTERBACK POST AT SAC'TO STATE

SACRAMENTO—Sacramento State college Hornets began football practices this past week and Ben Inouye is among candidates for the quarterback post. The Hornets are expected to operate out of the spread T formation this season under Johnny Baker, coach.

## Promising Nisei swimmer badgered by bad luck

TORONTO. — Lloyd Kishino of Toronto, a member of the Etobicoke Swimming Club, seems to have his share of bad luck.

Last year at the Canadian championships, he was injured in a motorcycle accident. At the British Empire Games trials in Montreal, he sprained his ankle.

Lloyd was to compete in the 110-yard butterfly event in Vancouver this year but he had another accident. A car trunk collapsed on his head and he had a concussion.

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## SPORTS COMMENTS

BY JOHN MOONEY  
Tribune Sports Editor

Salt Lake City

Harley (Dad) Smith, one of the older bowlers in the state, died the other day at the age of 79. Just a couple of days before his death, he was bowling with the Earlybirds and practicing with his cronies at the Fairmont Bowl.

His son, Elmer, a professor at the University, was accepting condolences along with the remarks that "it's better that it happened this way."

But Elmer summed up his Dad's philosophy of life when he added, "But it's such a wonderful day and we had planned to go fishing today. That would be Dad's only regret in passing."

(Elmer Smith, active Salt Lake JACLer, was chairman of the recent convention oratorical-essay judging panel.)

## SWLA LITTLE LEAGUERS IN POST-SEASON MATCH

Southwest L.A. JACL's All-Star Little Leaguers will invade Gardena to clash with the Gardena All-Stars this coming Sunday, Sept. 21, 2:30 p.m., at the field located on the westside of Figueroa St. between 174th and 190th Sts.

The Gardena team just barely lost in their third game of official Pony League district playoffs, it was reported by Sam Minami of Gardena, who arranged the game for 12-14 year old players.

The Southwest all-stars will be managed by Hiro Taniyama, assisted by:

Rev. Harry Baba, Danny Kawahara, Dave Komatsu, Bob Morinishi, Ken Nishihara, George Shibata, Kaz Uematsu, and Gus Yoshimura.

Taniyama managed the Valiant Jrs., league titlists with an 8-0 record.

In the league finale, the Valiant Jrs. bowed 8-7 to the League All-Opponents last Sunday at Elysian Park where over 200 fans enjoyed the fray and concluding it with a picnic. The All-Opponents were managed by Danny Kawahara.

## CALIFORNIA ABALONE INTRODUCED TO HAWAII

HNOOLULU. — The California Fish and Game Department has provided 100 black-shelled abalone, which have been planted along surf rocks at Rabbit Island this past summer.

It was part of the Territory program to introduce new kinds of fish in Island waters. The fishing public has been asked not to catch them until they become firmly established.

Thousands of varieties are expected from the Mainland, Marquesas and Tahiti to enrich Hawaii's future food and sports fishing supply.

## Utah wins tourney

DENVER. — Utah Nisei won the annual Labor Day tournament sponsored by the Northern Colorado-Nisei Baseball League by slugging out a 13-11 finale over the Mile-Hi Merchants. Western Nebraska won consolation honors by defeating Brighton JAA 18-3. Two Utahns, Yutaka Harada and Masao Okuda, were picked most valuable player and outstanding pitcher, respectively.



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## Recall final words of Nisei grigger lauded as team man

PHOENIX. — Included in the rows of football pictures that dot the walls of Jackrabbit Stadium in Mesa is a photo faded by the years. It's a full-length shot of a slim Nisei youth in outdated grid togs. His name was Zedo Ishikawa and he played on Mesa High teams in the late 30's.

One evening Ishikawa heard some dogs fighting and he grabbed a rifle and hurried to the scene. As he crossed a ditch, the weapon discharged. Ishikawa died a few hours later, and his last words were, "tell the team to carry on."

### Theme for Fight Song

"Those words," said Edgar (Mutt) Ford, Mesa football coach, "set the theme for a Mesa High fight song. A large sign on the school's football field also commands 'Carry On'."

Ishikawa's photo is conspicuous among prints of burly Mesa backs and linemen who overpowered opponents en route to all-state glory. "But, Zedo proved himself to me," Ford said. "He was a team man to the very end and he deserves to be remembered."

## Chicago golfers hold annual tournaments

CHICAGO. — Dr. Roy Teshima and Tak Yamashita won the Midwest Golf Association 36-hole tournament championship and "A" flights respectively Sept. 7. Dr. Teshima combined an 88 and 83 over Silver Lake for a net 147 to nose out John Doi by a stroke. Yamashita played one of his best games of 90-86 at White Pines for a net 134 to win.

The Fairway clubbers holding their annual 18-hole tournament the same day at Silverlake were paced by Suzi Yawata, whose net 70 (25 hcp) gave her top place over Ariye Oda (26 hcp) due to a lesser handicap. Michi Shimizu won low gross with 95.

## Kuni Nakamura wins Northwest golf tourney

PORTLAND. — Kuni Nakamura of Seattle won the annual Northwest Nisei invitational golf tournament by firing a 78-79—157 at Colwood links here Aug. 31. Vancouver, B.C., was named as the site of next year's tournament. Defending champion Erv. Furukawa of Los Angeles found it rough going, placing ninth.

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# Los Angeles NEWSLETTER

By Henry Mori

With little better than a month and a half remaining before the November elections, political interest among persons of Japanese ancestry for certain candidates and various resolutions to be voted upon by the people of California is shaping up.

Before long we hope to see Nisei committees formed to back either Sen. William F. Knowland or State Attorney General Edmund Pat Brown for the state's governorship.

So far as we can see, Sen. Knowland has not made a strong bid for Japanese American support. He has been steadfast in his quest for the passage of the "right to work" legislation, which already has created some resistance from the Nisei leaders.

Attorney Frank F. Chuman, who is a strong Democrat, is one of the co-chairmen of the Community Relations Division of the Citizens Committee Against Proposition 18 which is the "right to work" measure.

"The promoters of Proposition 18 are using high-sounding phrases and labels in a clever campaign to crush organized labor," the national JACL legal counselor pointed out.

He is not alone in his views. There are many persons of minority groups who feel that such discrimination against the union means unfair employment practices in the state.

On the other hand, Brown, who has received more than 600,000 votes over Knowland in the June primary, advocates the creation of a state Fair Employment Practices Commission. There is also a strong feeling among the Democrats that Brown will overwhelm the senator this November.

Even the most staunch Nisei Republicans have come to admit that it'll be a stiff upward climb to equal what Brown has achieved last June. But no candidate can be sure of his office until he has won it.

On the local level, Chuman is chairing a non-partisan Nisei Committee to elect Evelle J. Younger to the Office of Judge of the Superior Court in Los Angeles.

On the committee are attorney Kenji Ito, president of the Japanese Chamber of Commerce; and attorneys Robert Iwasaki, Saburo Kido, Chiyoko Sakamoto, Henry Tsurutani, Ernest K. Iwasaki, and James Mitsumori; Soichi Fukui, Taro Kawa, Katsuma Mukaeda, Gongoro Nakamura, Henry Yamaga, Edwin Hiroto, Luis Aihara, Frank Kurihara, Ted Okumoto, and Kango Kunitsugu.

Councilman Edward R. Roybal, who is running for county supervisor in the Third District, is receiving the support of a Nisei Committee to Elect Roybal as Supervisor, headed by Eiji Tanabe, onetime JACL regional director.

And for Gov. Goodwin J. Knight, who is running for the Senate seat vacated by Knowland, there is the Los Angeles Nisei Republican Assembly which is endorsing the liberal GOP candidate.

All in all, before the elections roll around, there will be many more groups formed. It's also a healthy sign that many Japanese Americans do not confine themselves to joining Nisei committees but rather joining the community-wide organizations to back up their candidates or support or fight against certain resolutions.

## WASHINGTON NEWSLETTER: by Mike Masaoka

Continued from Back Page

Americans may learn, consider, and determine issues of policy and action in specific areas and on specific problems affecting United States relations with Japan; to endorse and encourage programs and activities calculated to promote better understanding and increased comity between the United States and Japan—to the end that the peace and the prosperity of the Pacific may be assured."

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### BIRTHS

**SANTA MARIA**  
FURUKAWA, Kingo—girl, Sept. 4.  
**WATSONVILLE**  
KANZAKI, John (Natalie Nagata)—boy, June 27.  
NAGAMINE, Akira (Hideko Fukutome)—boy, June 13.  
TAO, Akira (Mitsuyo Shibata)—boy, June 14.

### PORTLAND

HASUIKE, Toshi—girl, Susan, Aug. 15.

### SEATTLE

ANDO, Mitsuru—girl, June 25.  
ASABA, Larry—girl, June 30.  
FUJITA, Kazuma—girl, June 26.  
HAMASAKI, Harry—girl, June 20.  
HASHIMOTO, Henry, girl, June 10.  
INABA, Gilbert—boy, June 5.  
ISHINO, Joe—boy, May 20.  
KAMIMAE, Kimio—boy, June 11.  
KAWAGUCHI, George K.—boy, June 9.  
KIHARA, Eugene—boy, May 27.  
KOGITA, Paul—boy, June 30.  
KUSAKABE, Peter—boy, May 17.  
MACHIDA, Calvin—boy, May 14.  
MAYEDA, Fred—boy, June 18.  
MIZUTA, Jack—girl, May 25.  
MURAKAMI, Ken—boy, May 31.  
NAGAI, Arthur T.—boy, June 11.  
NAGASAWA, Shigeo—boy, June 19.  
NAKAMURA, Akira—girl, June 12.  
NAKAMURA, Tetsuzo—boy, June 16.  
OHMURA, James Y.—boy, May 24.  
OKADA, Charles—girl, May 27.  
OTANI, Shigetō—boy, June 24.  
SEIKE, Ben—girl, May 16.  
SHIMOOKA, Mineo—girl, June 17.  
SUMITA, Sam M.—boy, May 19.  
SUSUMI, Arthur A.—girl, June 16.  
SUTO, Fred—boy, June 22.  
TADA, Shigeru—girl, June 3.  
TAKAHARA, Arthur—boy, June 15.  
TAMURA, William H.—boy, June 8, Bellevue.  
TANAKA, Sadao—boy, June 12.  
TOSAYA, Shinichi—boy, May 27.  
USHIJIMA, Satoshi—girl, June 18.  
UYENO, Ben T.—girl, June 26.  
WADA, Tadao—girl, May 21.  
WATANABE, Sam—girl, June 30.  
YABUKI, Kiyō—girl, June 22, Bellevue.  
YAMAMOTO, Ritarō—boy, May 17.  
YASUDA, Ted T.—girl, June 23.  
YASUTAKKE, Roy—girl, June 14.  
YOSHIDA, Ronald—boy, June 9.

### DENVER

FUKUI, George (Helen Kato)—boy, KAGIYAMA, Charles (Violet Tani)—girl.  
YOSHIHASHI, Taro—girl.

### OHIO

OYAKAWA, Yoshi (Mariko Yamane)—boy, June 22, Columbus.

### NEW YORK

NASH, Herman (Yone Tajitsu)—boy, Apr. 5.

### ENGAGEMENTS

IWAHRO-MENDA—June, Las Animas; Peter, Denver.  
KATANO-YAMANE — Saide to Art, both Cleveland.  
MATSUNAGA-KOBASHI—Dorothy to Elmer W., both Selma.  
SANWO-HARA—Nancy to Tom, both Reedley.  
YOTORI-SHIDA—Kimiko, Parlier, to Koji, Los Angeles.

### WEDDINGS

ABE-TSUCHIMOCCHI—Aug. 16, William T. and Mary, both Minneapolis.  
ICHIHO-IDEISHI—June 22, Yoshiaki, Santa Monica; Yasuko, West L.A.  
INATOMI-UYEDA — Aug. 17, George and Mary Yumiko, both Los Angeles.  
JINKAWA-TOKUBO—June 21, James, Los Angeles; Kimiyo, Fowler.  
KANAZAWA-NAKAHARA—Aug. 16, Kay, Los Angeles; Yo, Pasadena.  
KUSAYANAGI-KATO—Aug. 17, Shigeo and Hiroko L., both Los Angeles.  
MATSUNO-KANEKO—Aug. 23, Shozo, San Francisco; Mariko, Stockton.  
MORITA-ARAKAWA—Aug. 2, George and Yoko, both Chicago.  
NAKAMOTO-KAWAHARA—Aug. 17, Seiko Julio, Santa Maria; Hannah, Los Angeles.  
OKU-NISHI—Aug. 17, Robert and Miyo, both Venice.  
SCHAUDEL-HIGASHIUCHI—Aug. 2, Stephen and Joan K., both Chicago.  
SHISHIMA-ZAKABI—July 19, Takeshi R., Los Angeles; Edith N., Maui.  
TACHIBANA-AKAMATSU—Aug. 2, Richard, Minneapolis; Hideko, St. Paul.  
TAKIGUCHI-TAKASUE—July 27, Minoru, Glendale, Ariz.; Masako, Los Angeles.  
TAKIKAWA-MATSUDA — July 26, Yosh, Selma; Yo, Visalia.  
TSUTSUI-NAKANO—Aug. 3, Arthur, Pacoima; Jean, Los Angeles.  
URUSHIBATA-ZENIHIRO—Aug. 31, Yukio, Wilmington; Mabel S., Los Angeles.  
YAYANO-MATSUURA — June 27, George and Jane, both Minneapolis.

### DEATHS

ABE, Katsusaburo, 85; Pasadena, July 4.  
ABE, Yeikichi, 85; Los Angeles, July 15.  
AKASHI, Kimi, 69; Los Angeles, July 31.  
FUKUDA, Chiyoshi, 25; Los Angeles, July 6—(p) Mr. & Mrs. George D., 1 brother, 4 sisters.  
GOTO, Sentaro, 80; Los Angeles, Sept. 5.  
HACHIYA, Henry E., 46; Long Beach, July 18—(w) Yoshiko, 4 sons, 2 daughters.  
IKEMOTO, Riichi, 81; Los Angeles, Aug. 24.  
ITOW, Kenji, 38; Gardena, July 6—(w) Teruko, 3 sons, (p) Mr. & Mrs. Masakichi, 4 sisters and 2 brothers.  
KATO, Masana, 83; West Los Angeles, July 19.  
KAWAKITA, Fude, 64; Pasadena, July 18.  
KWAN, Mrs. Mine, 36; Los Angeles, Sept. 4.  
MARUYAMA, Henry S., 36; Northridge, June 28—(w) Sachi, daughter.  
MATSUI, Takeshi, 14; Los Angeles, July 2—(p) Mr. & Mrs. Roy, (b) George, (s) Rose.  
MAYEDA, Sankichi, 85; Santa Monica, July 7.  
NAGAI, Yoshihisa, 69; Los Angeles, July 5.  
OGATA, Curtis K., 2½; Anaheim, Aug. 13—(p) Mr. & Mrs. Albert.  
OKAMOTO, Chizuko N., 36; Harbor City, July 9—(p) Mr. & Mrs. Mitsuo Umemoto, 4 brothers and 1 sister.  
OTA, Kamato, 73; Los Angeles, July 7.  
SECHI, Chiyo, 76; Pasadena, July 27.  
SHIGEMURA, Harukichi, 81; Los Angeles, July 5.



# Tokyo Topics

By Tamotsu Murayama

WASHINGTON, D.C. — America is certainly a big country and everybody is very busy trying to make money. The American home is glorified with modern living, decked with push-button appliances, golf and bowling equipment. The Nisei seem to be completely Americanized except for "chazuke" and "tsukemono".

With the Sansei youngsters growing in numbers every day, the number of Issei pioneers is rapidly decreasing. The Issei seem to be a very lonesome lot, trying to find some consolation in "shigin", which has become popular in U.S. and Hawaii "Shigin" are Chinese poems recited in Japanese style with musical interpretation.

Some of these Chinese poems contain bits of ancient philosophy, others describe a simple expression of nature. Enjoyed by both men and women, "shigin" is a cultural program that befits the retiring generation.

### Washington Revisited

There were a handful of Japanese residing in Washington before the war, among them were journalist K. K. Kawakami and artist Hajime Murayama. I still remember K.K.'s pessimistic view of U.S.-Japan relations and as he predicted, the Japanese-American war came. And there was a Nisei girl—a Mary Hirakawa, if I'm not mistaken—working on Capitol Hill then. The other Nisei entered government service after her.

It was a great surprise to find Frank Baba and Yuk Kawahara with the Voice of America here. I wondered whatever happened to them after they left Tokyo. They were well-respected Nisei in Tokyo.

Everyone knows Mike Masaoka's job here. His work to improve the welfare of Japanese Americans is a continuous struggle. He will soon move to larger quarters as the present office building is being

## JAPANESE FLAG FLYING DAILY DRAWS COMPLAINTS

SANTA FE, N.M. — Neighbors complained someone was flying a Japanese flag every day. Officers checked. A group of youngsters explained they were playing war. "U.S. on this side and Japan on that side," one explained.

## BENEFIT FASHION SHOW FOR SHONIEN SEPT. 28

Mmes. Riye Yoshizawa of the Modern School of Fashion will present a Shonien benefit fashion show at Koyasan Hall, Sept. 28, 8 p.m. Among models selected were Junko Kawai (Miss National JACL 1948), Terri Hokoda Tamaru (Miss Nisei Week 1949) Kazie Nagao, Sumi Shiroishi and little Wendy Mukai.

bought out by the government.

### The Tosuke Yamasakis

I met former San Francisco newspaperman Tosuke Yamasaki here. He originally hails from Utah and is doing splendidly here with his print shop. A brilliant newspaperman, Tosuke also knows too well there is not much money in the game.

His wife, the former Lorraine Tsuda of Sacramento, is one of the few Nisei adept with both English and Japanese typewriters, knows shorthand and writes Japanese as well as English. A capable mother, wife and secretary, she is presently secretary to Japanese Ambassador Asakai.

I missed meeting Roy Otake, the San Francisco-born journalist who made good in Japan and is one of the few Nisei high on the Kyodo News Agency staff. Kyodo is the biggest news agency in Japan. He went to Canada to cover the Foreign Minister Fujiyama's trip there. While Fujiyama's visit was given wide coverage in the Japanese press, there was nary a line in the U.S. press.

### Nisei Masons

Dr. Henry Minami and Jack Hirose, two prominent Nisei Shriners here, introduced me to Masonic activities here. We called on Judge Luther Smith, sovereign grand commander. Both Henry and Jack are trying to organize a Masonic group among the Nisei Masons of Japan, Hawaii and America.

And Sam Ishikawa flew in from New York for a conference with Masacka. Sam is the capable public relations director for Mike's office in New York. He is still a bachelor.

## Santa Barbara JACL plans potluck dinner

SANTA BARBARA. — The annual potluck dinner of the Santa Barbara JACL will be held tomorrow night, Sept. 20, 6:30 p.m., at the Carrillo Auditorium, 222 W. Carrillo, it was announced by Mike Hide, chapter president.

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## Washington NEWSLETTER

BY MIKE MASAOKA

### American Committee On Japan

Washington, D.C.

ALTHOUGH ITS ORGANIZATION was announced at the 15th Biennial National JACL Convention in Salt Lake City recently, following the discussion on international relations, the American Committee on Japan has no official or unofficial connection or affiliation with the JACL whatsoever.

The American Committee on Japan is an independent organization composed of American citizens, most of whom are of Japanese ancestry, who believe that, as Americans, they have duty to help promote understanding and friendship between the United States and Japan, especially in these critical days when cooperation between these two Pacific powers is essential to the peace and the prosperity of the Pacific.

These Americans believe that it is vital to the free world that Japan remain a steadfast and influential bulwark of the democratic forces in the Far East, that it is imperative that concerned Americans make their concerns known to the Congress and to the Government lest by default these views are ignored, that unless Japanese Americans take the leadership in expressing their thoughts it is difficult to ask others with less personal concern to speak out in favor of improved Japanese-United States relations.

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BY COINCIDENCE, most of the charter members of the American Committee are also JACL members. But this does not mean that JACL will control the policies of the American Committee, or that the American Committee will attempt to dictate JACL's role in international and national affairs.

Just as many veterans are members of both the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and as many businessmen are members of both Rotary International and the Chambers of Commerce, so Nisei may be affiliated with both the JACL and the American Committee if they believe in the purposes and objectives of each.

The JACL, without question or challenge, will continue to dominate in the so-called domestic field, with the objective of promoting the welfare of Americans of Japanese ancestry in this nation. The American Committee hopes to express the viewpoints of Americans of Japanese ancestry in the so-called international field, to the end that United States-Japan relations will be improved.

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IT WAS THE feeling of the organizers of the American Committee that, just as Nisei Americans were better able to make their representations known through the JACL, so Nisei Americans might be a more effective spokesman in the international field through a national association.

The many Japan-America Societies throughout the land were not considered the proper vehicle for their views because, among other factors, they are expressly prohibited from engaging in controversial and political subjects. The several Japanese chambers of commerce are interested mainly in business and trade matters, and none of them are prepared for national activities, especially in Washington.

What was needed, it was believed, was an organization that could participate in political action as Americans concerned with this sphere of United States foreign policy in order that other Americans might have the benefit of their thinking and feeling.

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THERE ARE THOSE who suggest that the Nisei should not have a special organization to express their thoughts for them on United States-Japan affairs. How else can the Nisei do so? That by uniting in a common cause is a more effective method than working alone is demonstrated in the establishment of such groups as the JACL, the Nisei Democrats and Republicans, the Nisei Veterans, etc.

It is an inescapable fact of life that because of their ancestry, whether they like it or not, other Americans expect that they have opinions on United States-Japan relations. Since this is the case, they thought that they might as well organize a committee to study major aspects of American policy as it relates to Japan and to make their conclusions, for whatever they may be worth, known to the general public.

This certainly is not un-American or subversive. Indeed, studied indifference to matters of vital concern to the United States and Japan would seem to be both un-American and subversive to America's best interests, particularly now when there is so much concern in the Far East and the Orient.

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IN A SENSE, the American Committee provides an opportunity for those Nisei Americans who have a special concern for improved relations between the United States and Japan to implement their convictions. Up to this time, there was no such opportunity. Moreover, the fact that many JACLers are also in positions of leadership in this new Committee assures that nothing will be done in the delicate field of international relations that will jeopardize the welfare of Americans of Japanese ancestry or compromise the hard-won objectives of the JACL.

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ACCORDING TO THE invitation to membership, the purpose of the American Committee is "to serve as the independent and constructive advocate of Americans of Japanese ancestry and other Americans with a special concern for friendly, mutually beneficial relations between the United States and Japan; to provide a democratic procedure through which concerned Americans of Japanese ancestry and other interested

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# PC column on claims makes 'Congressional Record'

(JACL News Service)

WASHINGTON. — Rep. Sidney R. Yates, Chicago Democrat who represents many Americans of Japanese ancestry among his constituency, commented on the Japanese American evacuation claims program and appended the "Washington Newsletter" by Mike Masaoka, Washington representative of the Japanese American Citizens League, in the Pacific Citizen, official JACL publication, in the "Congressional Record" for the information of his colleague in the House and Senate.

A ranking member of the House Appropriations Committee, Congressman Yates declared that "... one of the unfortunate

periods in American history is that which marked the uprooting and relocation of fine, loyal Japanese Americans from the west coast following the bombing at Pearl Harbor. Families were torn from their homes without having been given the opportunity to place their affairs in order, their possessions were scattered, and with war's end, there was no opportunity to effect a restoration of their previous position in the community.

"On July 2, 1948, the Evacuation Claims Act which sought to provide a measure of material reparations was signed by President Truman. Since that time, the claims of those who had been injured through the relocation pro-

cess have been adjudicated."  
Doub-Ellison

The Chicago Democrat then pointed out that Assistant United States Attorney General George C. Doub of the Civil Division of the Department of Justice and Enoch E. Ellison, chief of the Japanese Claims Section, had been of great assistance in administering the program. He mentioned that the two Government officials were to be awarded special recognition at the 15th Biennial National JACL Convention which was held in Salt Lake City last month.

As a summary of the ten-year program which is about to be completed before the end of the year, Congressman Yates included in his remarks the "Washington Newsletter" by JACL's Washington representative which was carried in the August 15 edition of the weekly Pacific Citizen.

## JACL REPRESENTED AT 13TH NAT'L CONFERENCE ON CITIZENSHIP

(JACL News Service)

WASHINGTON. — Akira Nose and Tad Masaoka represented the Japanese American Citizens League at the 13th annual National Conference on Citizenship held here this week, Sept. 16-19.

Nose, an economist with the International Monetary Fund, is editor of the Washington, D.C. Newsnotes, a monthly publication of the Washington chapter of the League. Masaoka is with the Washington JACL Office.

"Citizenship in a Changing World" was this year's conference theme, with the federally chartered organization of several hundred national organizations representing all facets of American life recognizing that developments here and abroad present new responsibilities, new challenges, and new opportunities to all citizens.

JACL is one of the charter members of the Conference which was originally sponsored by the Department of Justice to promote better citizenship among all Americans.

The keynote address on the Conference Theme was to be given by Erwin D. Canham, editor, and

radio and television commentator, United States Attorney General William P. Rogers was to be the annual dinner speaker.

Group discussions involving both youth and adults are to be featured in this year's Conference.

### EX-WRA CAMP ADVISER NAMED TO CCU TOP POST

SAN FRANCISCO. — Dr. Helen E. Amerman, assistant director of the S.F. Council for Civic Unity, has been named acting executive director of the agency effective Sept. 16.

She succeeds Edward Howden, who resigned to become the first executive director of San Francisco's recently established Commission on Equal Employment Opportunity.

Holder of a doctorate in sociology from the Univ. of Chicago and of a masters degree in education from Stanford University, Dr. Amerman has been engaged in race relations work since 1942 when she began three years of counseling and guidance for secondary school students at the Hunt WRA relocation camp.

## Our Unfairness to the Nisei

(Seattle Times Editorial, Aug. 29, 1958)

One of the worst side effects of war, any war, is the creation of an atmosphere of passion and panic in which a nation is stirred to commit acts of injustice against some of its own citizens.

A high United States official pointed out in a speech at Salt Lake City (Aug. 25) that one such act was the forced relocation of

110,442 persons of Japanese ancestry from their homes on the Pacific Coast early in the Second World War.

George C. Doub, United States assistant attorney-general described the uprooting of the Nisei as a "tragic failure of principle" and a violation of "the most fundamental standards and traditions of individual dignity and personal freedom for which our country stands."

It will be recalled that the Nisei—both United States citizens and noncitizens—were sent to internment camps after the Pearl Harbor attack because they were considered "security risks" by the War Department.

The first congressional committee that looked into the matter cleared the Nisei in a 1948 report that pointed out "there was not one single recorded act of sabotage or espionage attributed to them," and that "the percentage of enlistments in the armed forces by those of Japanese ancestry exceeded the nation-wide percentage."

A 1948 act enabled the Nisei to file claims against the government for personal, business and property losses due to the relocation.

We believe most Americans who have examined the subject agree entirely with the thoughts expressed by the assistant attorney-general.

In this connection, it is worth noting—even though it does not right the wrong—how quickly and thoroughly after the war the Nisei communities re-established themselves as valued and flourishing segments of our major Pacific Coast cities.

## Nisei mother, aunt killed in rural intersection mishap

NAMPA. — No inquest is being planned into a two-automobile collision which took the lives of Mrs. Rose Shizuko Matsushita, 33, and her aunt, Mrs. Yone Nagamoto, 69, both Nampa, and injured seven others two Sundays ago.

The accident occurred at a rural intersection about two miles west of the Nampa city limits Sept. 7, about 1:50 p.m.

Mrs. Matsushita, a Boise Valley JACLer, is survived by her husband Koichi and three children, her parents Mr. and Mrs. George Nagamoto of Denver, brothers Kazumi (Los Angeles), Tom (Henderson), four sisters Mrs. June Furuya, Mrs. Jean Matoba, Mrs. Mary Komaru and Mrs. Martha Tanda, all of Denver.

### Coroner's Report

Dr. K.E. Droulard, county coroner, said investigation showed that the only apparent violation was failure to yield the right of way by Mrs. Matsushita.

Among the injured were Mrs. Matsushita's three children, Georgianne, 13; Karen, 9; and Allen Ross, 4, none of them critically hurt, and four occupants of the other car driven by Edward W. Bryant of Boise.

Final rites for the two women were held last week at the Alsip chapel with the Rev. T. Shibata of the Ontario Buddhist Church officiating.

## CALENDAR

Sept. 20 (Saturday)  
Santa Barbara—Annual Potluck, Carillo Auditorium, 222 W. Carillo, 6:30 p.m.  
Sonoma County — 1000 Club Splash Party, Ives Memorial Pool, 8 p.m.  
Long Beach—General meeting, Harbor Community Center, 7 p.m.  
San Francisco—Auxiliary Fashion show, Fairmount Hotel, 12:30-2:30 p.m.  
Sept. 21 (Sunday)  
Pasadena—1000 Club luau, Tom Ito residence.  
Sept. 25 (Thursday)  
Southwest L.A.—General meeting, Centenary Methodist Church, 8 p.m.; Sessue Hayakawa, spkr.  
Fresno—Family Potluck, Japanese Congregational Church.  
East Los Angeles—General meeting, International Institute.  
Sept. 27 (Saturday)  
San Mateo—Benefit movies, Buddhist Church, 7:15 p.m.  
Berkeley—Japanese movies, Berkeley H.S. Little Theater, 7 p.m.  
Chicago—Dinner meeting (tent.)  
D.C.—General meeting, YWCA, 8 p.m.; Dr. Osamu Shimizu, spkr.; "Interpretations of Japanese History."  
Oct. 2-3  
Puyallup Valley—Benefit movie.  
Oct. 3 (Friday)  
Florin — Benefit movies, Japanese Methodist Hall, 7:30 p.m.  
Oct. 4 (Saturday)  
West L.A.—Auxiliary "Jobs for Junior" dance, Santa Monica Elks Club.  
Oct. 10 (Friday)  
Chicago—Political Candidates Night.  
Oct. 10-11  
Sonoma County—Benefit movies, Memorial Hall, Sebastopol.  
Oct. 17 (Friday)  
French Camp—General meeting.  
Oct. 18 (Saturday)  
Fowler — Miss Fowler JACL Coronation Ball.  
Long Beach—Dance, Harbor Community Hall.  
East Los Angeles—10th Anniversary dinner-dance, Swalley's.