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COLUMN LEFT:

Declaration of human rights

Next Wednesday, Dec. 10, the United Nations celebrates the 10th anniversary of the adoption — without a dissenting vote—the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. The document is brief: a few paragraphs in the preamble and 30 articles — “a common standard of achievement for all peoples” — to “promote respect for these rights and freedoms” through national and international measures to “secure their universal and effective recognition and observance”.

The Declaration sets forth four kinds of rights:

(1) Personal — those that enable people to live without unreasonable interference from other people or the government, such as the freedom of conscience and religion; privacy of home, family life and personal correspondence.

(2) Economic — those that enable people to work with fair conditions and pay, freedom from slavery, to join a labor union, own property and to enjoy a fair standard of living.

(3) Socio-political — those that enable people to take part in government and vote for representatives; to have equal protection under the law, and to enjoy a full cultural life in accordance with one's tastes and talents.

(4) Basic — the all-embracing and important rights that enable people to equal opportunity in all areas of life “without distinction of any kind, such as race, color, sex, language, religion, political or other opinion, national or social origin, property, birth or other status” . . . freedom of opinion and expression . . . right to education.

While this declaration has exerted some influence throughout the world, in certain countries every one of the 30 articles presents a goal still to be reached, points out the Common Council for American Unity. “And this—if anything—is the real meaning of the 10th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.” —H.H.

Final evacuation claims to award \$1.2 million to 144

(JACL News Service)

WASHINGTON. — As one of its last official acts prior to its formal liquidation after ten years as a special section of the Department of Justice, the Japanese Claims Section notified the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League of its last awards made to evacuees under the JACL-sponsored Evacuation Claims Act of 1948.

At the same time, the names and addresses of the awardees were transmitted to the Treasury Department for certification to the Congress for the necessary approval.

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U.S. foreign aid in Far East lauded, Nisei skills can help

DENVER. — Nisei of the Biennium Bill Hosokawa received a warm ovation Friday, Nov. 28, as he accepted a scroll attesting to receipt of the highest honor awarded by the JACL.

Hosokawa, who is assistant managing editor of The Denver Post, was guest of honor and main speaker at a banquet held by the Mountain Plains JACL district council in the Silver Glade Room of the Cosmopolitan Hotel. The banquet was the opening event of a two-day meeting of the regional council.

Three hundred and four persons,

including a number of state and city officials and civic leaders, were on hand to honor the Nisei award winner.

Hosokawa spoke on “The Challenge in the Far East,” touching on highlights of a recent five-week trip to major capitals of the Orient.

Foreign Aid Program

The Nisei editor said that on his trip he was impressed most by the American foreign aid program in action.

The nations of Asia, he said, are undergoing a vigorous growth of political nationalism, with a concomitant need for economic aid. In this situation, he said, the aid program is a “sturdy bulwark against Communism.”

He warned that should such aid not be forthcoming from the United States, it would be sought from Communist countries, whose biggest allies are hunger and want.

Hosokawa said the Nisei Americans are in a peculiarly advantageous position to help the foreign aid program.

In addition to providing their technical skills, the Nisei, whose Asian ancestry has been a handicap in the past, can be particularly effective as representatives of

the United States in the Far East. Many Americans overseas, he said, are not sufficiently sensitive to the customs, beliefs and psychology of the peoples of the Asian countries. The Nisei, as Americans of Asian ancestry, would be accepted wholeheartedly.

Indebted to Myer

The Nisei of the Biennium said he was especially indebted to Dillon S. Myer, head of the War Relocation Authority, who “helped keep alive our fundamental belief in American democracy,” and Palmer Hoyt, editor and publisher of The Denver Post.

Shig Wakamatsu, national president of the JACL, presented the scroll of honor.

Wakamatsu spoke briefly on the role the JACL can play in international relations and in this connection announced the appointment of William Marutani of Philadelphia as chairman of the JACL's international relations committee.

Robert Knous, victorious candidate for the lieutenant governorship of Colorado; Byron Johnson, Congressman-elect from the 2nd Congressional district; Judge Henry E. Santo of the Municipal court; and Palmer Hoyt added short tributes to Hosokawa's work as newspaperman and citizen.

Seiji Horiuchi was toastmaster.

Also participating in the program were Masao Satow, San Francisco, national director of the JACL; Mrs. Lily Okura, secretary to the national board; John Masunaga, president of the Mile-Hi chapter; Mrs. Ruth Ota, soprano, who was accompanied by Mrs. Marjorie Kawano; the Rev. George Uyemura of the California Street Methodist Church; the Rev. Noboru Tsunoda of the Tri-State Buddhist Church; Tak Terasaki, chairman of the Mountain Plains district council; and Robert Horiuchi, general chairman.

The Cathay Post 185 of the American Legion posted and retired the colors.

The more than 300 guests included a contingent of 50 persons, among them city and civic officials, from Brighton. James Imatani made arrangements for attendance by this delegation.

Council Business

Major business session of the council meeting was held Saturday afternoon, Nov. 29, at the Tri-State Buddhist Church with Chairman Terasaki presiding.

Delegates turned down a proposal to open a JACL office in Denver under district council sponsorship. It was pointed out that

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SOUTHWEST L.A. REALTY BOARD ACCUSED OF RACE DISCRIMINATION

The charge of racial discrimination was hurled against the Southwest Realty Board of Los Angeles by a young housewife, Mrs. Elsie Endo, who was dismissed Nov. 19 from the O.R. Brown real estate sales staff.

What was to have been a day of jubilation for having made her first big sale turned out to be a very numb one. Mrs. Endo was allowed the finish the sale.

Mrs. Endo, receiving her license in August, was employed at one of Brown's six branch offices at 120th and Normandie since then, but because of her busy schedule with the West Athens School PTA

could not report regularly at the office until Nov. 1.

Apparently, her daily appearance at the office resulted in a complaint being registered with the Southwest Realty Board. According to Mrs. Endo, the board investigated and then informed the office manager that she should be dismissed because she was of Japanese ancestry.

All-White Membership

The Southwest Realty Board is understood to be composed of all-white members. O.R. Brown, a member of the board, is bound by realty board by-laws to employ

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UN official says treatment of Japanese in Canada during WW2 worse than U.S.

WNNIPEG. — Racial discrimination is practiced constantly in Canadian social and business activities, a UN official remarked last week at a two-day conference marking the 10th anniversary of Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

Dr. H.L. Keenleyside, director-general of the UN technical assistance administration, told a conference on human rights that although Canada does not torture prisoners, execute enemies of the state or carry on slavery—practices still existing in the world—she has no reason to be smug. There was continuing evidence of religious, racial and social discrimination in Canada.

Treatment Worse

He said treatment of Japanese Canadians during the Second

World War was worse than that accorded Japanese Americans.

“I am afraid there are too many Canadians like the man who has his conscience under such control he sees nothing incongruous in going to a Christian church on Sunday, listening with approval to a sermon on human brotherhood, and on Monday blackballing an applicant for membership in his club because the applicant is of the same racial origin as Our Lord himself.”

He cited the cases of the secretary of the U.S. Treasury being denied admittance at a Canadian club because he was a Jew and of Ralph Bunche, a Negro official of the UN being refused accommodation in a Montreal hotel.

He said another case in point was the situation of a Negro Canadian in a small town who led a protest against discrimination in public services, won the case in court, but lost his job and later was forced by white neighbors to leave town.

CONTRA COSTA NISEI HIGH IN VOTE REGISTRY

RICHMOND. — The Nisei in this county had a good record in voter registration, according to the Contra Costa JACL's newsletter.

In the November issue, it was noted that 99 per cent of the chapter membership contacted by a chapter telephone committee indicated that they were registered voters.

In East Contra Costa county, the tally was 100 per cent.

The chapter's telephone committee was headed by Mrs. Chizu Iiyama and included:

Mmes. Chris Komatsu, Nellie Sakai, Minnie Urata, Satoko Nabeta, Grace Hata, Yo Wada, Doris Kami Betty Akagi, Hannah Yasuda, Fumi Sugihara, and Sachii Yamada.

Smog attack alerts Downtown Clers to meet

John W. Mann of the Los Angeles County Air Pollution Control District will address the Downtown L.A. JACL luncheon meeting, scheduled for Tuesday, Dec. 9, 12 noon at San Kwo Low, it was announced by Frank Suzukida, chapter president.

It was during one of the severest attacks of smog upon L.A. Tokyo that provoked Suzukida to schedule this meeting with a speaker who has been associated with APCD the past three years.

Luncheon reservations are requested and may be made with the JACL Regional Office, MA 6-4471. The meeting is open to the public.

YAMASAKI TO DESIGN NEW COLLEGE CAMPUS

ST. PAUL, Minn. — Minoru Yamasaki, internationally-known Nisei architect of Detroit, is planning a “new” campus for Carleton College at Northfield.

The college recently announced a \$10-million development program which will include six new buildings and Yamasaki was appointed as consulting architect.

Chicago JACL warns residents of slick agent peddling 'cemetery lots for nothing'

CHICAGO. — Japanese residents here with low resisting power have been victimized by a smooth talking sales agent who gives away “three cemetery lots for nothing.” The local JACL office has received several complaints that they are being high-powered into signing papers for these cemetery lots, after which they realize that they practically signed away any property they owned and their income.

One representative has been calling on many JACL members. He uses the church as an entry and says he represents the Presbyterian Council and is helping the Japanese people who find difficulty in finding cemeteries where they can inter their relatives and

friends.

It is evident that this salesman represents a fictitious organization. Those signing his papers are obliged to pay some \$100 a month for “caretakers” of the said three lots. Failure to pay can cause a lot of misery for those who sign as their property and income can be attached.

Since the salesman is a smooth talker and hard to resist, it is advisable that the would-be purchaser decline to sign any papers without the presence of an attorney.

The JACL representative emphatically denied endorsing such a salesman and urged all Japanese to decline from signing any papers.

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Official Notices

TO: All JACL Chapters:

1959 MEMBERSHIP CARDS: The 1959 JACL membership cards have been sent to all the chapters in the name of the current chapter president. Listing sheets for remitting memberships to National Headquarters are included. Additional cards will be sent upon request. In the event that the 1959 membership drive is being left to the next year's Cabinet or Board, please see that the supply of membership cards is not lost but placed in responsible hands.

All members signed up now are good for 1959. However, there are some instances where the member wishes to sign up for 1958 membership to keep his membership record consecutive.

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1959 MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN HELPS: The National Membership Committee is in the process of putting out a general membership leaflet as well as a special bulletin to all membership solicitors. It is hoped to have these ready by the end of December, or the first part of January at the latest.

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1000 CLUB LISTING: Early in December each chapter will receive a complete profile of its 1000 Club members, both current and inactive, with years of membership and dates of expiration. Wherever the chapter 1000 Club chairman is known, this will be sent to the 1000 Club Chairman, otherwise to the chapter president. Each chapter should elect or appoint a chapter 1000 Club chairman. Copies of letters of acknowledgment for 1000 Club membership or renewal from Headquarters will be sent to the 1000 Club chairman so that the 1000 Club chapter profile can be kept up to date throughout the year.

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1958 NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP LISTING: Can we make a final effort for 350 more members to top our 1956 high of 16,866, or at least equal the 1957 figure of 16,861? If your chapter has not already done so, please send in the Headquarters portion of the 1958 membership card for your current 1000 Club members so they can be properly credited to your membership total. —Mas Satow, Nat'l Director.

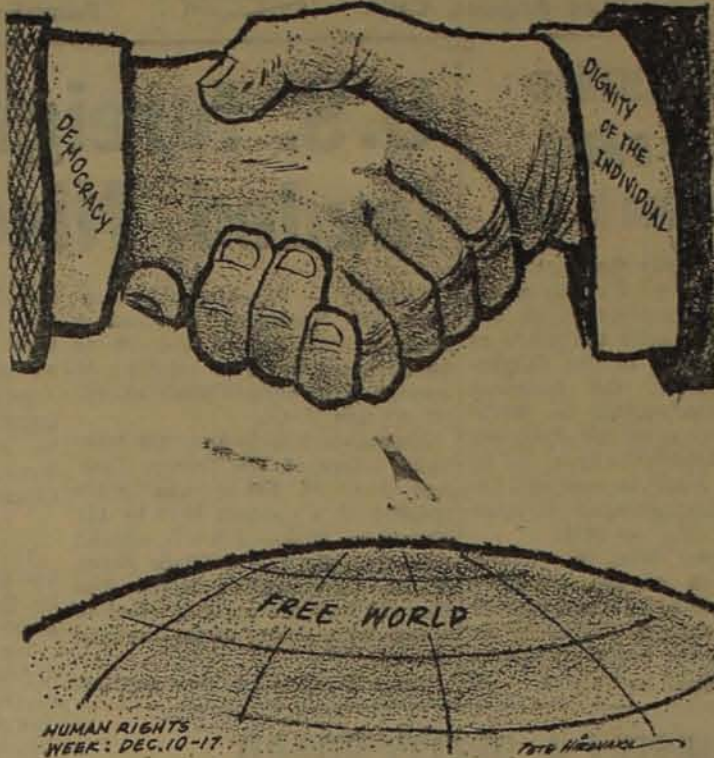
Ye Editor's Desk

MEMORIES OF OUR last national convention in Salt Lake City are still warm and are likely to be refreshed when our Holiday Issue comes off the press in a couple of weeks. . . . But our effervescent national treasurer Aki Hayashi of New York, who is general convention chairman of the 1959 Labor Day joint EDC-MDC production, is generating some heat for his corner. . . . So that JACLers planning (or those still undecided might decide now) to attend the New York convention next year will not be disappointed, Aki has outlined a procedure for securing tickets to the "Flower Drum Song", which opened this week at the St. James Theater. Already, the best seats for the musical starring Pat Suzuki and Miyoshi Umeki are gone as far ahead as May, 1959. . . . Aki's suggested procedure: (1) Form group parties among chapter members to attend Thursday, Sept. 3, 1959 (if arriving before convention), or Tuesday, Sept. 8 (if staying after convention). (2) Make checks payable to St. James Theater and do not date the check. (3) Enclose self-stamped envelope and mail order to theater at 246 W. 44th St., New York City 36. (4) Inform Aki how many are planning to attend from each chapter. If lucky ticket holder should want to sell, there will always be people interested in taking possession.

"Let it not be said that we New Yorkers did not warn the out-of-towners," Aki's note adds. The Tom Hayashis have their tickets for a May performance. Henry Iijima and his friends are seeing the play in March, but bought tickets two months ago. People are standing in long lines buying tickets for next May, June and even July, Aki advises "so JACL conventioners will really have move now if they don't want to be disappointed next September".

If you're heading for New York and want to see bigtime theater—this is no New York fantasy; that's how life is in the big city. . . . Oh yes, the prices (includes all taxes) are \$8.05 orch.; \$6.90 mezz.; \$5.50, 4.80, 3.60, 1st balc.; \$3.45, 3.00, 2nd balc.

ON THE SUBJECT of "anti-Japanese movies on TV", the local Examiner columnist Vincent Flaherty last week tells of another aspect to the problem. A westside reader mailed him a copy of the German American newspaper, Deutsch-Amerikanische, which contained stories deploring the flagrant insults hurled against Americans of German ancestry or newly naturalized German American citizens who constantly find themselves held in wholly unjustifiable public contempt by distorted film characterizations. . . . "I wonder how Dr. Wehrner von Braun feels when his children turn on television and see Germans, as a whole, depicted as fanged monsters?" Flaherty asks. "Dr. Von Braun, the great German rocket scientist, is now a naturalized American citizen. He is doing more for his adopted country than countless millions who were born here. Yet he must suffer these almost daily insults of other Americans of Germanic strain."



PRESS COMMENTS:

Sordid Tale of Mistreatment of Our Nisei Nearing an End

(Milwaukee Journal Editorial, Nov. 13, 1958)

"I'm glad it all worked out so well," said Atty. Gen. Rogers at the close of a simple ceremony in Washington. And in this expression of grateful relief, all Americans can join.

The ceremony marked the settlement of case No. 26552, last of the agreements under which the government is repaying Americans of Japanese ancestry (Nisei) for the financial losses they suffered in World War II. All told, the government has paid indemnities of almost \$37 million. Only eight contested lawsuits remain.

But if everything has "worked out so well," it is the west coast Nisei who are sincerely to be thanked. With less understanding and forgiveness on their part, troublemakers of the Communist stripe could have turned this unfortunate chapter in our history into a running sore of rancor.

An Ugly Chapter

Make no mistake about it, this was an unfortunate chapter—and an ugly one. In the hysteria after the Pearl Harbor attack, 110,000 Nisei were forcibly moved from their west coast homes. Some had to sell their shops, farms and professional practices to scrupulous buyers. Others simply abandoned them. They were moved to relocation centers that were, in fact, concentration camps.

The government sought to justify the mass evacuation on the grounds that "a Jap is a Jap" and therefore an enemy. But these people were American citizens—every bit as much citizens as Italian Americans and German Americans whose ancestral homelands were also at war with the United States. Only because of the color of their skin and the shape of their eyes was it possible to single out the Nisei—for persecution and hate.

Even after the war, discrimination continued against these loyal Americans, some of whose sons had fought and died for America in the conflict. Such organizations as the Remember Pearl Harbor League of Washington State tried to prevent them from picking up their old lives.

Bitterness Ebbs

Fortunately, bitterness has ebbed and restitution has been made for most of the financial losses—even though it can scarcely be said that the payments were made

quickly, with the 17th anniversary of Pearl Harbor day a month away. Yet all things considered, things have worked out well, as Rogers said.

The mass evacuation had one happy result that is too often ignored. During the war some Japanese Americans were allowed to leave the camps and live in inland cities. More than a few liked their new homes and stayed on. These cities—Milwaukee included—thereby gained a number of fine, industrious and talented new residents.

LOUIE HAYASHIDA TO HEAD WATSONVILLE CHAPTER

WATSONVILLE. — Santa Cruz County district attorney Nick Droback installed Louie Hayashida as 1959 chapter president of Watsonville JACL last Saturday at the Aptos Beach Inn.

Other cabinet members: Masato Ogura, 1st v.p.; Tak Higuchi, 2nd v.p.; Margaret Yoshida, rec. sec.; Margaret Ogura, cor. sec.; Tom Sakata, treas.; Min Hamada, delegate; Tom Tao and Shig Hirano, alternates; Helen Nitta, hist.; Fred Nitta, pub.; Clifford Fujimoto, 1000 Club.

FUKUBA WINS AROMAS SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION

WATSONVILLE. — Henry Fukuba of the Aromas school board was elected Nov. 24 to a four-year term on the Monterey county committee on school district organization.

Fukuba takes over the seat occupied the last four years by Paul Rubis, president of the North Monterey county school board, representing supervisorial district No. 1.

Burglars break into Cathay Post; \$910 stolen

DENVER. — Burglars broke into Cathay Post Nov. 23, punching the safe open and rifling the vending machines to the tune of \$910, reports post manager Sam Momil. The post was burglarized five times in the past few years—the most recent being Aug. 6 when cash and checks totalling \$1,500 were taken.

Realtor bias—

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members registered with the board.

While the Southwest Realty Board is understood to be furious over the incident, it asserts having no knowledge of the dismissal of Mrs. Endo because she was never registered.

Mrs. Endo revealed that by-laws of the board posted in member offices make no mention of racial discrimination. She also reported that her office manager admitted not having registered her as required, feeling no compunction to do so immediately at the time of her joining the office.

Local Groups Interested

Interest in the incident has been expressed by the Japanese American Citizens League, the County Commission on Human Relations and the Community Relations Conference of Southern California (formerly the Los Angeles County Conference on Community Relations).

Mrs. Endo is now associated with Dai-Ichi Realty. She reports that none of the many Nisei real estate salesmen are on the Southwest Realty Board, whose jurisdiction covers an area bounded by Santa Barbara Ave. on the north, Harbor Freeway to the east, Gardena to the south and Inglewood to the west.

The Gardena and Orange County Realty Boards, it was learned, do have Japanese Americans members, indicating that some realty boards are not all "hily-white". Don K. Nakajima, formerly active with Cleveland JACL and a naturalized Issei, is a member of the Gardena realty board.

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From the Frying Pan

By Bill Hosokawa

Denver, Colo.

ODD JOBS—The way Mikko Kawano tells it, the well-meaning but uninformed Caucasian gentleman had suddenly "discovered" the Nisei and wanted to know how they made their livings. "I suppose," he said naively, "that they can find odd jobs and work as common labor to keep them going."

This unidentified gentleman would have been astonished if someone had told him that Mikko's husband, Tony, is a successful young dentist who, already, has been able to provide his family with a large quota of the material things that make life easier, more interesting and pleasant.

He would have been even more amazed if he had attended a party at the Kawano home the other night. Among the Nisei there were an attorney, a doctor of medicine, a psychologist, an accountant, several pharmacists, large-scale farmers and produce shippers. The Nisei are doing pretty well, thank you, with their odd jobs.

NISEI FROM GUATEMALA—Among guests at the Kawano home was Henry Nogami, geophysicist, on a 2-month vacation from his job with the Atlantic Refining Co. in Guatemala. Nogami, a Colorado native, has been to some of the world's distant places in the endless search for oil to fuel and lubricate our economy.

His work takes him deep and high into the Central American jungle, and certainly qualifies him to membership in the informal and non-existing "Nisei with Interesting Jobs Club."

OFF AGAIN—Another wandering Nisei is cinematographer Toge Fujihira of New York, whose assignments have taken him from the Arctic to darkest Africa, from India and the Asian jungles to South America and the American southwest. Not long ago, realizing that his family was growing up during his lengthy absences, Fujihira quit his job and became a free-lance movie cameraman.

But the jobs are in the exotic places, and he will be off again shortly. He will shoot several films in Viet Nam, Borneo, the Philippines, Japan and Korea.

CHRISTIE—We had a siege of cold weather not long ago, the temperature falling as low as 5-below. Our Christie, now 8 years old, was out playing in the snow until suddenly she became aware that her ears had become painfully chilled.

"Gosh," she remarked, "I wish I could put my ears in my pocket."

She is, perhaps, the most imaginative of our youngsters and often she amuses herself by making believe. One day she cut some small slips of paper and proceeded to print "fortunes" on them—the kind that one finds in the fortune cookies passed out for dessert at Chinese and Japanese restaurants. Here is a small sampling, her spelling intact:

"You will marry a man and then will divorce him. Poor girl."

"You will birth a brat. Poor lady."

"You will go on a long trip and will meet a handsome man."

"You will have a horse to ride. Lucky duck!"

"Your child will die if its birthday is in July. Too bad."

"You will kill your wife after you are married 25 years. Bad boy."

"You will be poor when you marry."

The bane of Christie's existence is her brother, Pete, two years her senior, who takes a particularly fiendish delight in tormenting her. She makes her feelings quite apparent with this fortune:

"You will kiss Peter Hosokawa, Poor kid."

It might be interesting to get a psychologist to analyze her literary efforts. On the other hand, the findings might be more frightening than her parents can bear up under at this time.

Nisei ranchers deal \$2-million sales for El Centro farms

EL CENTRO. — Frank O'Dwyer, brother of former New York Mayor William O'Dwyer, has sold his Imperial Valley ranch for a reported price of more than one million dollars.

O'Dwyer, who has a home at 704 Sandalwood Dr., is planning to retire, according to K.M. Woods, an El Centro real estate man who handled the transaction.

Woods said O'Dwyer's 1,055-acre ranch south of Holtville was purchased by valley ranchers Tom Bunn and Takeo Yuki. The purchase included equipment and crops.

The agent said Bunn and Yuki sold their 1,136 acre ranch west of El Centro to Joe S. and Sumi Akiyama of Santa Ana, and that total consideration for both ranches was \$2,070,000.

GEORGE TERAOKA SWORN IN AS FOWLER JACL LEADER

FOWLER. — George Teraoka was installed as Fowler JACL president Nov. 30 at the CCDC Convention banquet en masse with other Central California chapter officers.

Teraoka will be assisted in 1959 by Kay Hiyama, 1st v.p. (pres-elect); Tom Mayebo, 2nd v.p.; Tak Ideta, cor. sec.; Joe Yokomi, rec. sec.; James Morishige, treas.; Tom Shirakawa, ath.; Frank Sakohira, del.; Harley Nakamura, alt. del.; Tom Toyama, pub.

The chapter aims to emphasize a Jr. JACL program in the coming year. Mikio Uchiyama, retiring president, is a member of the CCDC study committee on youth.

Denver hair stylists returns from Hawaii tour

DENVER. — Mr. and Mrs. George R. Ohashi, of 4314 Raritan St., recently returned after a tour of a month in the Hawaiian islands, at the invitation of the Honolulu Hair Dressers Association. The Ohashis operate the Ohashi Beauty Salon, at 830-18th St.

Ohashi was guest artist last year at the Hawaiian convention of Hair Dressers, and was again invited to participate at the Princess Kaulani Hotel Nov. 9.

Ohashi is a member of the Hair Fashions Committee of America, and is the president of the Colorado State Hair Fashion Committee. Bernice Ohashi is an instructor at the Hollywood Beauty College here.

Nisei social workers attend Tokyo conference

SAN JOSE. — Four San Jose social workers, including three Nisei, attended the International Conference of Social Work in Tokyo, Nov. 30-Dec. 6, according to the Santa Clara Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers.

They are Betty Ribbs, case worker at Eastfield; Mary Yamashita, social worker at Goodwill Industries; Mary Hamachi, medical social worker with the County Welfare Department and Mae Sakamoto, psychiatric worker at Agnews State Hospital.

Nisei invest in new Stockton bowling alley

STOCKTON. — Local Nisei are among investors in the recently opened 32-lane Pacific Bowl here. Among the 15 directors on the board are seven Nisei: Al Ishida, William Nakashima, Art Nakashima, George Nakashima, James Nakashima, Chester Fukuhara and Roy Nakashima.

A swimming pool is being planned on the premises next summer. Kaz Maseba, one of the top Nisei bowlers here, took part in the opening ceremonies Nov. 22 when he rolled against Hank Laumann, who won the match 681-516.

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TO OUR ADVERTISERS



Marielle Tsukamoto of Florin, president of the Associated Women Students at the College of Pacific, cuts ribbon to make official the opening of the new residence hall for 400 girls. Assisting is COP chancellor Tully C. Knoles. —Covello Photo.

College of Pacific women students pick active Florin co-ed as AWS president

(Special to Pacific Citizen)

SACRAMENTO. — One of the official acts calling attention to a Nisei in high campus politics at the College of the Pacific was the ribbon cutting ceremony in late September when its new residence hall for 400 girls was opened. Marielle Tsukamoto of Florin, who cut the ribbon with the assistance from COP Chancellor Dr. Tully C. Knoles, is the president of the Associated Women Students at the Stockton college.

Miss Tsukamoto is the daughter of active Florin JACLers, Alfred and Mary Tsukamoto. Alfred is a past chapter president and among the charter board members when the Florin chapter was organized in 1937. Mary has also served actively on the Florin chapter board for many years.

Majoring in Education

Marielle, as AWS president, holds the highest post attainable for a coed on the Pacific campus. [Similar honors were won by Janet Fukuda (now Mrs. Sam Morita) in 1956 at the Univ. of Southern California.—Editor.] Marielle's post, incidentally, is ranked as student-body vice-president. She has taken an active role in extracurricular life since her sophomore year, having transferred from Sacramento College. She was elected treasurer of the South Hall Women's Dormitory the first year, treasurer of the AWS the following year and named to the top women's post this year. She is a member of the Zeta Phi sorority, majoring in education with a Phi Kappa Phi honorary and practice teaching at French Camp.

She is also one of ten senior women honored each year as a "Knolen" for outstanding participation in extracurricular campus activities and with a 3.0 grade average.

Marielle was born in Sacramento in 1937, evacuated with parents to Jerome (Ark.) WRA Center, where she started her schooling. She attended grade school in Kalamazoo, Mich., before returning to Florin in 1945 and graduating with honors that year from elementary school. She was graduated in 1955 from Elk Grove High School with honors, served as student body secretary, secretary to the Golden Empire Council and historian for the Girls Athletic Ass'n.

She was twice a finalist in the

Native Sons and Daughters oratorical contests during her high school career.

Equally active at her Florin Methodist Church, she was Sunday School teacher, Youth Fellowship president and member of the choir. She was president of the Sacramento-Nevada District MYF and was conference MYF secretary. At the present time she is active with the regional youth council and Wesley Fellowship Group and spent a 30-day mission in Mexico last year with 10 other young Methodists.

Mother Teaching

Her father is presently a board member of the Florin Methodist Church and also on the Elk High School Board for community educational service. An electronic technician by profession, he is employed by the U.S. Army Signal Corps.

Her mother, Mary, was the first person of Oriental descent to be a teacher in the Sacramento public schools and is still teaching at Florin Elementary School. Mrs. Tsukamoto was also the first Oriental member of the Delta Kappa Gamma, international honorary organization for women's education. She is currently president of the Sacramento County Association for Childhood Education. She has been choir director at Florin Methodist for 25 years.

East L.A. Nisei named to Demo central committee

Arthur Takei, 1308 N. Miller Ave., has been appointed to the Los Angeles County Democratic central committee from the 40th Assembly District, it was announced last week by Harold Dunne, 40th District committee chairman.



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The National Director's Report

By Masao Satow

Hosokawa Testimonial Banquet

San Francisco

The testimonial banquet for Nisei of the Biennium Bill Hosokawa, the initial event of the Mt. Plains meeting last weekend, was one of the nicest JACL affairs we have attended. There was a fine representative turnout, thanks to the efforts of Mt. Plains Chairman Tak Terasaki and members of the Mile Hi Chapter, especially Min Yasui, Yurino Starr and President John Masunaga. Present were a good group of prominent non-Nisei, headed by Colorado Lt. Governor-Elect Robert Knous and Bill's distinguished boss Mr. Palmer Hoyt. We hope Bill's masterful address will be carried in the PC in its entirety in a future issue, perhaps the Holiday one. He gave an eye witness description of how U.S. foreign aid is producing results at the local level in the various countries of the Far East he recently visited.

We were happy to meet Judge Toyo Suyematsu and Mrs. Suyematsu who came down from Cheyenne.

National President Shig Wakamatsu and National Board Secretary Lily Okura added national flavor to the occasion. Shig did himself and the organization proud in defining JACL's position with respect to international relations.

Some of us JACL oldsters could not help but reminisce to our first postwar National Convention in this very same Denver Cosmopolitan Hotel as we regrouped our forces and launched our challenging postwar program.

Mt. Plains Chapter representatives laid plans for a stronger and more closely knit District Council under the direction of Tak Terasaki, with the assistance of such old hands as Roy Takeno, Min Yasui, Pat Okura and Roy Inouye.

OUR THANKS TO John Noguchi, member of our National JACL Advisory Board on Bowling and former Mile Hi President, who conducted the very fine 56 team Mt. Plains Tournament as a background for this Mt. Plains meeting. The Tournament gave us a chance to meet with Johnny and Sally Furushiro—also of the Advisory Board, and the others who will be responsible for hosting our 1960 National JACL Bowling tourney in Denver.

We are indebted to Gene Emole of Station KLZ-TV for inviting us on his program and helping to spread the story of Japanese Americans and the JACL to his nightly audience of 250,000.

DENVERITES HAVE ALWAYS been most friendly, in fact, so friendly, one has hardly time to get any decent shut eye. George and Bessie Shiyomura are synonymous with Mile Hi hospitality. We conferred with Shig Wakamatsu on national matters, and spent extra curricular sessions getting reacquainted with JACLers and bending elbows with the bowlers. Just for the exercise we paired with National Planning Committee Chairman Pat Okura for a double effort on the alleys, and ragtime stints with Frank Tamai, Mt. Plains Vice Chairman and Omaha ex-prexy Manual Matsunami. We took undue advantage of Dr. and Mrs. Tomio Kawano's hospitality by conking out for several hours on the davenport while other more hardy souls stayed wide awake alternately picking up and throwing down some curiously marked pasteboards and varicolored chips.

A QUICKIE DRIVE north for a session with the Sacramento Chapter which Bill Matsumoto warned would be rough on us, turned out to be very pleasant and friendly. We reviewed the various National Council matters, and there were some very pointed questions on finances. At least Sacramento has earned the right to air their beefs. They have maintained an active program, consistently oversubscribed their quota, this year attained the highest membership in their history, and have just concluded a successful program which netted 78 1000 Club memberships and renewals.

This weekend we hop to Los Angeles for a confab with our National Board members there, to sit in with our 1959 National JACL Bowling Tournament Committee at the Holiday Bowl, and a Monday meeting of the State Advisory Board for the President's Commission on Civil Rights.

ON OUR DESK this week is the five year report of the President's Committee on Government Contracts revealing heartening progress on expanding job opportunities for minorities. Our own John Yoshino is a member of the professional staff as Compliance Officer, and JACL is one of the cooperating agencies.

CONGRATULATIONS to 8th year 1000 Club member Yone Deguchi of Pasadena for the first perfect game bowled at Holiday Bowl. This qualifies him for the National JACL "300" gold medal which will be presented to him at our 1959 Tournament Awards Dinner at the Statler on March 7. Roy Izumita, who shot a perfect game on October 14 at San Gabriel, brings to 15 the number of Nisei who have achieved the dream game of all bowlers.

Word from Fred Takagi, Chairman of our 1958 Tournament, is that the Seattle Tournament Committee has donated a women's team perpetual trophy. Although given after the Seattle affair, Nobu Asami's 1958 champion California Bowlers team sponsored by Fuzzy Shimada, will be given the first leg on this new trophy.

SURPRISE BUT WELCOME visitors to San Francisco were our good friend U.S. Congressman Sidney Yates of Illinois and Mrs. Yates. In contrast to jostling with the beatniks one night, we spent a peaceful afternoon in picturesque Sausalito and among the giant sequoias in Marin County.

Mr. S. Urano of Sumitomo Bank has graciously provided our office with a handsome electric wall clock to replace an ancient relic of World War II days. Thank you, Mr. Sumitomo.

Scholarship fund launched by talent show in Cleveland

CLEVELAND. — Superb evidence of community support behind the Cleveland JACL scholarship program was demonstrated at the highly successful 1958 community talent show recently. Despite showers at showtime, a near-capacity audience packed the YMCA auditorium and the scholarship fund has netted nearly \$250.

Since the need is a continuing one, the committee announced the scholarship fund drive will keep going. Contributions may be sent to Min Iwasaki, treas., 13605 Royal Blvd., Garfield Heights, Ohio.

The prospect of such a fund began as far back as 1950, but no positive step to initiate a fund was taken until the community talent show. The scholarship is reserved for young scholars of Japanese descent from the community.

The show represented a cross-section of talent from young and old performer. Cub Scouts sang camp songs, Japanese school pupils and Buddhist Sunday School children staged skits and the Shoji dancers entertained. Judoists presented exhibitions and there were specialties by Issei, JACLers, Tennis Club and Hawaiian Boys.

GEORGE TAKAOKA ELECTED FRESNO JACL PRESIDENT

FRESNO. — George Takaoka was elected president of the local JACL and will be supported by following officers:

Rikio Yamaura, 1st v.p.; Ben Tsudama, 2nd v.p.; Tomoye Kitano, rec. sec.; Sally Slocum, pub.; Jack Harada, treas.; Dr. Dick Shimada, asst. treas.; Dr. Henry Kazato, off. del.; Dr. Fusaji Inada, alt. del.; Jin Ishikawa, hist.; Ben Nakamura, past pres.

Detroit polluck and elections scheduled

DETROIT. — Custom has it that each year Detroit JACLers gather for an election meeting and pot luck dinner.

The whole family comes to the meeting—wives with their culinary accomplishments in hand, the JACL Teen Clubbers coming to entertain the youngsters, while their parents discuss election issues.

Chapter president Charles Yata will be general chairman of the event this year with Fusa Tagami in charge of the dinner. The election meeting is scheduled this Sunday, 1:30 p.m., at International Institute.

San Francisco Auxiliary election meeting tonight

SAN FRANCISCO.—A short, business meeting to elect officers for 1959 will precede the Annual Gift Exchange Party of the San Francisco JACL Women's Auxiliary tonight.

The present cabinet of the Women's Auxiliary is headed by Thelma Takeda, who is assisted by Miyuki Aoyama, v.p.; Kuni Koga, rec. sec.; Lucy Adachi, cor. sec.; Sumako Fukumori, treas.; Louise Koike, pub., and Tess Hideshima, service.

This meeting is being held at the Booker T. Washington Community Center from 7:30 p.m., it was announced by Daisy Uyeda, chairman.

CCDC TO SPONSOR JAN. 2 NEW YEAR SEMI-FORMAL

FRESNO. — The Central California JACL District Council has assumed sponsorship of Fresno's annual New Year ball and it will be held on Friday, Jan. 2, 1959, 9 p.m., at the Rainbow Ballroom here. The popular Valley function is semi-formal with Lou Monte's Orchestra engaged to play.

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Thousand Club Notes

By Bill Matsumoto

Sacramento sible.

As the year rapidly comes to a close again, perhaps we can say that we have started on the right track, our goal to reach the 2,000 paid and active mark by the 1960 national convention.

As many of you go to the polls to select your officers for the 1959 may I remind you to get a 1000 Club chairman (Democrat or Republican). When you have selected one please send us his or her name as soon as possible so that we may get together and plan our strategy to reach our ultimate goal.

In a recent drive for 1000 Clubbers in the Host Chapter for our next convention, Sacramento, we have had unofficially a 10 per cent increase over last year or a total of 77 for 1959. Our hats off to fella's like Dr. George Takahashi and Henry Taketa for the fine work in making this increase possible.

Mt. Plains —

Continued from Front Page
the matters to be handled by the office would primarily affect the Mile-Hi chapter and that therefore the Denver group should assume responsibility for opening and maintaining such an office.

National Director Satow reported on the national convention of the JACL held in August in Salt Lake City.

Seventeen persons attended the district council session.

Official delegates to the meeting were Sam Nakazono and John Masunaga, Denver; Frank Yamaguchi and Lee Murata, Fort Lupton; Roy Inouye and Shirow Enomoto, San Luis Valley; and Pat Okura, Omaha.

Other events of the weekend meeting were a dance after the Friday night banquet, with Betty Suzuki as chairman; a Saturday night social at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Tomio Kawano; and the 6th annual Mountain Plains JACL bowling tournament.

ISSEI RECOGNITIONS FETE TO FEATURE CHAPTER-GROWN TALENT

East Los Angeles JACL will present its annual Issei Recognitions Program at 6:30 p.m., Dec. 14, at Tenrikyo Hall, First and Saratoga St., it was announced by Roy Yamadera, chapter president and program chairman.

To be featured is the entertainment program emceed by Matao Uwate of Radio Little Tokyo including blind kotoist Kimio Eto and his group, musical, vocal and surprise dance numbers by chapter members. Ted Kojima of the local Pan American World Airways will show a Japanese travelog with Japanese narration. Community merchants have also contributed merchandise which will be given away free.

On the committee are:

Henry Onodera, Sam Furuta, Jim Higashi, Ted Kojima, Tom Horiuchi, Hiro Omura, Frank Okamoto, Mikie Hamada, Rose Shinmoto, Ritsuko Kawakami, Linda Ito and Jean Sato.

Fine turnout indicated by advance ticket sales of SWLA 'Hele Mai' dance

Advance ticket sales for Southwest L.A. JACL's "Hele Mai" dance tomorrow night at Aeronautical Institute, 7660 Beverly Blvd., from 9 p.m. indicate a very fine turnout, general chairman Kei Mochida announced yesterday.

The lei-making party last week was a big success, and 200 leis have been completed for the first 200 girls attending the stag-stagette shindig.

Popular local recording artist Don Tosti and his orchestra will play.

According to our National Director, each chapter will have a list this month of all of the members currently active and of all who have belonged at one time or another. I think this is a splendid opportunity to try and reach our 2,000 goal.

Installed Officially

Recently got officially installed at the NCWDC meeting in San Mateo, by our good friend Kenji Tashiro, who made a special trip from Central Cal to do the job. Also received the Original 1000 Club Derby with all of the past chairman's names tagged inside the hat plus a real man-size gavel to conduct the meetings. Our thanks to Kenji for making this ceremony possible.

About this time of reading, I'm in hopes that all of the good 1000 Club chairmen of all of the chapters have submitted the names for the big PC Holiday Edition.

SAN FRANCISCO. — National JACL Headquarters this past week acknowledged 36 more new and renewal 1000 Club memberships for the second half of November for a monthly total of 71. The current membership standing is 1,262—whose names will be listed on the 1000 Club Honor Roll in the forthcoming PC Holiday Issue.

While the list was prepared last Friday, names received by Headquarters as of Nov. 30 will be included in the Honor Roll.

EIGHTH YEAR
Mt. Olympus—Yoshio Katayama.
Downtown L.A.—Mrs. Merijane F. Yokoe.

SEVENTH YEAR
Downtown L.A.—Taro Kawa, Y. Clifford Tanaka.
Salt Lake City—Hito Okada.

SIXTH YEAR
Selma—George Abe.
Gresham-Trousdale—Hawley H. Kato.
Seattle—Milton Maeda.
Chicago—Jack Y. Nakagawa.
French Camp—Robert C. Takahashi.
Mid-Columbia—Mits. Takasumi.
Detroit—Minoru Togasaki.

FIFTH YEAR
San Francisco—Jerry J. Enomoto.
Portland—Dr. Toshiaki Kuge.
Coachella Valley—Mas Oshiki, Masao Seto.

FOURTH YEAR
Chicago—Jack K. Ota.
Salt Lake City—Mas Yano.

THIRD YEAR
Sanger—Tom H. Nakamatsu.
Cincinnati—Hisashi Sugawara.
San Diego—Dr. Peter Umekubo.

SECOND YEAR
Cleveland—Thomas Imori.
Chicago—Dr. Mutsumi Nobe.

FIRST YEAR
Fowler—Kazuo Hiyama.
Cleveland—Mrs. Takeyo Imori.
Reedley—William Minami.
Mile-Hi—Mrs. Kinu Tsutsui.
East Los Angeles—Roy Yamadera.

DECEASED MEMBERS
San Luis Obispo—Tameji Eto (Nov. 11).
Chicago—Tabei Matsunaga (Nov. 12).

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By the Board

By Mas Yano, IDC Chairman

Salt Lake City

We were in a pleasantly mellow mood, this bright crisp cold Saturday morning of Nov. 29, as we sojourned to Ontario, Ore., to attend the final IDC quarterly meeting for the year to be held Sunday, Nov. 30th. In the car were Toshi Odow, the charming and capable IDC secretary and two long-time Salt Lake JACLers and friends, Rose and Norton Kanzaki.

The meeting was hosted by the always congenial Snake River Chapter and was well attended. It was the first time in many years that our National Director, Mas Satow, could not be present at our District meeting as he was committed to the Mt. Plains District Council Convention in Denver over the Thanksgiving weekend. National, however, was capably represented by George Sugai, National 3rd Vice President, and also of the host Chapter.

Some of the highlights of the meeting were:

1. While on the subject of the Pacific Citizen, it was unanimously resolved that each chapter in the District furnish a copy of the forthcoming Holiday Edition to its members.

2. Lou Nakagawa, Mt. Olympus Chapter President and chairman of the District Youth Committee, presented his report in which stress was laid on the need for immediate development of a concrete youth program in the district. It was the consensus of the delegates that a youth section should be held during these quarterly business meetings. Each chapter was asked by Lou to designate a representative to serve on the Youth Committee to plan specific and concrete youth activities.

3. Re-apportionment of the financial quotas for chapters was harmoniously effected with the able assistance of George Sugai and the fine spirit of unity and cooperation of the delegates.

4. The International Relations Committee for the IDC was created and will be headed by genial Joe Saito, a past chairman of the IDC and one of the real bulwarks of the JACL. Serving with Joe are two other capable members, Kay Terashima of Salt Lake City and Joe Nishioka of Idaho Falls.

5. Henry Suyehira of the Boise Valley Chapter will head the Committee to study and recommend removal of the anti-miscegenation laws in the States of Utah and Idaho. Tommy Miyasaki and Mas Yano will work with Hank on this Committee.

6. The Council unanimously accepted the bid of the Mt. Olympus Chapter to host the next District Council Convention in 1959.

7. Reports given in detail by every Chapter revealed varied and interesting projects carried out this year in our District.

8. Incidentally, the IDC Cabinet for 1959 will remain the same as this year, to-wit: Mas Yano, Chairman, Joe Nishioka, 1st Vice-Chairman; Kiyoshi Sakota, 2nd Vice-Chairman; Toshi Odow, Secretary; George Iseri, Treasurer; Sud Morishita, Thousand Club Chairman; Alice Kasai, Historian.

Many other items, perhaps equally important as the foregoing, were freely discussed. Our next meeting will be under the sponsorship of the Yellowstone Chapter and will take place in February.

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NEAR ZERO TEMPERATURES FAIL TO FREEZE FUN AND SPIRIT OF CHICAGO JACL'S 14TH INAUGURAL FETE

BY BERRY SUZUKIDA

CHICAGO. — Although the mercury hovered near the zero mark, the turnout was surprisingly good last Saturday when Chicago JACL held its 14th Annual Inaugural Dinner-Dance at the palatial Edgewater Beach Hotel.

About 250 JACLers, guests and friends attended the banquet portion of the evening while many more came for the Inaugural Ball that followed.

After the Pledge of Allegiance led by Commander Henry Fujiura of the Nisei American Legion Post and the singing of the National Anthem, the Rev. George Nishimoto gave the invocation.

Genial toastmaster Abe Hagiwara introduced numerous distinguished guests, among them the local Postmaster and Mrs. Carl Schroeder, Japanese Consul-General and Mrs. Akira Sono, sportscaster Norman Barry and his wife and representatives from various civic groups like the Chicago Council of Human Relations, Urban League, Anti-Defamation League, Mexican American Council, Olivet Institute and the Chinese American Civic Council.

The Chinese American group were well represented, among whom were its founder Walter James, president Henry Tom, secretary-treasurer Helen Jean Wong and president Albert K. Leong of the Chinese United Benevolent Association.

Between introductions, petite Christine Oishi ondo-ed her way through two Japanese dances: Hana Musume and Kyo Ningyo.

Local Groups Cited

Dr. Frank Sakamoto, retiring chapter president, publicly acknowledged and thanked the community's numerous religious, welfare, fraternal and social groups

which helped promote Chicago JACL's program of improving the welfare of the Japanese Americans under its motto of "Better Americans in a Greater America." These organizations include:

Christian Fellowship Church, Christ Congregational Church, Church of Christ, Presbyterian Church, Chicago Buddhist Church, Chicago Shinto, Kenwood-Ellis Community Church, Midwest Buddhist Church, Japanese American Service Committee, Japanese Mutual Aid Society, City Wide Recreation Council, Cosmo Club, Society of Fine Arts, Hawaiian Club, Chicago Nisei Legion Post, Japanese Businessmen's Assn., Continental Investment Club, Cooperative Investors, Cosmos Investors.

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Abe Hagiwara's explanation that the Clippers were not an investment group but a bunch of golfers drew laughter from the diners.

Singer Mrs. Natsuko Buhnke from the Cosmo Club displayed her versatility with two selections. She formerly appeared as a professional singer, Tatsuno Kuchi, at the Erine Pyle Theater in Tokyo.

National JACL President Shigeo Wakamatsu briefly discussed his Denver trip where the Mountain Plains District Council honored Bill Hosokawa, Nisei of the Biennium winner last August. Wakamatsu then presented the following awards:

'300 Game' Medals

1. Bowling awards to Frank Kobo and Kaz Otori for perfect 300 games.

2. Sapphire pins to Harry Mizuno.

3. Past President Pin to Dr. Frank Sakamoto (with the jocular comment that poor Frank had to wait three years for his. Doc served three terms, 1956-58.)

4. National JACL Citation to Har-

Washington, D.C. JACLers prepare for election, Christmas party, inaugural

WASHINGTON. — A slate of candidates for the 1959 Washington, D.C. JACL cabinet is being headed by Hisako Sakata, current first vice-president, lone nominee for chapter president.

The nomination slate was announced at the Nov. 22 chapter meeting here at the YWCA. Others named by the nominations committee were Harry Takagi, 1st v.p.; Joe Ichijui, 2nd v.p.; Minoru Iwatake, treas.; Setsuko Hada, cor. sec.; Chisato Ohara, rec. sec.

Mrs. Claire Minami and Harvey Iwata served on the nominating

Parlier Auxiliary plan Christmas fete

PARLIER. — Preparations are underway for the annual Parlier JACL Auxiliary family potluck Christmas dinner Dec. 19, 5:30 p.m., at the Buddhist Recreation Hall here.

Each family is expected to bring one hot dish, salad or dessert. Parents are also being asked to furnish small gifts for their children up to the sixth-grade. Recently elected officers, headed by Mrs. Mary Kashiki, are in charge.

Correcting an earlier report on the election, Mrs. Alice Migaki is recording secretary and Mrs. Ruri Masuda, corresponding secretary.

The women are also attending Japanese doll making classes on Sundays at the local Buddhist Church. Mrs. Nori Masuda of Fresno is the instructor. Classes are open to the public.

Mrs. Martha Rohrer, former KMJ-TV kitchen demonstrator and presently teaching home economics at Fresno State College, was guest speaker at the Auxiliary's Nov. 18 meeting. She prepared a molded reindeer cake and Christmas tree, and showed various Christmas decorations. Flora Doi's group was in charge of refreshments; Mrs. Tomi Watanabe won the evening door prize.

committee.

Ballots have been mailed to the membership. In the meantime, preparations are under way to stage the installation at a dinner-dance Jan. 10 at the Bethesda Country Club. Washington Post columnist Bill Gold will be the main speaker.

The chapter's annual Christmas party will be held Sunday, Dec. 21, 2-5 p.m., at the Glenmont Recreation Center in Wheaton. Yori Kitagawa and Toshiko Morgan are in charge of the program, which will be culminated by a visit from Santa Claus for the youngsters. The party is open to all children, not those of JACLers alone, it was added.

Teenage activities in Washington has been noted by the chapter newsletter D.C. News Notes last month, reporting young people in the Greater Washington Area met Oct. 25 to start a second year of parties at the homes of interested parents. Sab Hasegawa and Hisako Sakata are serving as advisers.

The monthly get-togethers are limited to Sansei in their teens only and an appeal was made to parents with teenage children to sponsor some of the monthly activities.

old Gordon for the invaluable contribution of his time and talents to the JACL movement from 1946.

5. 1958 JACLer of Biennium Award to Kumeo Yoshinari, along with a stirring account of his stewardship.

6. 1000 Club Life Member guard to Dr. William Hiura.

Detective Honored

Chicago's deputy chief of detectives, Frank Pape, escorted Anthony Muranaka to the dais where Gordon presented him with the JACL Public Service Award for his heroic performance in clearing up a murder mystery at the risk of his own life—a deed which created immense goodwill for all persons of Japanese ancestry. Photographers were requested not to take his picture as he is still "working on a hot case."

Recognition of the outgoing Chicago board of directors was followed by the introductions of the incoming 1958 board and the new Chicago Jr. JACL cabinet. Dr. Thomas Yatabe, first national JACL president, then installed both sets of officers in an impressive joint ceremony.

1959 Cabinet Members

The Chicago JACL Board for 1959:

Hiro Mayeda, chmn.; Maudie Nakada (program), Dan Kuzuhara, Mrs. Toshiko Misaki (gen. mts.), Mrs. Mary Koga (spl. actv.), George Chida (social), 1st v.c.; Miki Hayano (Issei Div.), 2nd v.c.; Joe Sagami (memb.), Mark Yoshizumi (drive chmn.), Harry Yamamoto, Harry Sabusawa, Harvard Fujiwara, 3rd v.c.; Paul Otake (budg. & fin.), Mike Hori (asst.) 4th v.c.; Harvey Aki, treas.; Mrs. Sachie Izumi, rec. sec.; Ruth Kumata, cor. sec.; Sat Takemoto, aud.; Sumi Miyake, Hank Tanabe (asst.), human relations comm.

The Chicago Jr. JACL officers: Richard Kaneko, pres.; Tak Tomiyama, 1st v.p.; Michiko Hahara, 2nd v.p.; Bob Omori, 3rd v.p.; Don Kawashima, treas.; Sachie Hoshiyama, rec. sec.; Ruth Sato, cor. sec.; Yo Sakuma, hist.

The JACL Hymn was sung by sopranos Esther Hagiwara, Hiae Nakazawa, Cherie Nakayama and Chiye Tomihiro, altos Jean Kimura, Fuki Mayeda, and Kay Yoshizumi; tenors Abe Hagiwara, Lincoln Shimidzu, Mark Yoshizumi and Bob Nakazawa and basso profundos Max Joichi, Dan Kuzuhara, Kenji Nakane and Joe Nakayama. June Oda was at the piano with Mrs. Helen Saiki directing.

The Rev. Gyomay Kubose of the Chicago Buddhist Church offered benediction. Hagiwara then announced the banquet portion was over and commended chairman Frank Hara and his committee for a job well done. They include:

Harvey Aki, Allan Hagio, Abe Hagiwara, George Iwasaki, Mrs. Sachie Izumi, Richard Kaneko, Mrs. Jean Kimura, Hiro Mayeda, Kenji Nakane, Harry Sabusawa, Joe Sagami, Dr. Frank Sakamoto, Chiye Tomihiro, Shigeo Wakamatsu.

The Inaugural Ball took over with Johnny Louis's 12-piece orchestra. And in the trite-but-truism, a good time was had by all.

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Kenji Yabe all-conference center . . .

Football is still alive for Nisei even though the season proper has ended. We refer to California-Jowa playing in the Rose Bowl game Jan. 1, televised nationally on NBC, which will find Pete Domoto, converted fullback to guard, and possibly Doug Furuta, reserve tackle who hasn't seen much action in the encounters last month, cavorting for California. Pete has started every game this season and was a hand in keeping Stanford from scoring the all-important PAT after their TDs in the 16:15 Cal title-clinching win two weeks ago . . . Pete was named this week to the AP's all-West Coast second team as guard this week and it appears he should make the first team or even better next season when he returns as a senior . . . Also to perform are two Nisei pompom girls: Sylvia Taketa, a sophomore who will be appearing in her hometown of Pasadena, and Irene Takei, a Santa Cruz junior. The Golden Bear marching band has several Nisei also.

Rose Bowl-bound Nisei gridders . . .

It's been a long time since we've seen a Nisei grace an Associated Press all-star football team and Kenji Yabe of Denver has been picked first team center on the Rocky Mountain Conference selection last month. Yabe starred at Colorado State College, which ended the season with 5-3-1 record and a 3-2 conference record. The CSC senior, whose parents are active Mile-Hi JACLers and bridge fans, is 22 years old, 184 lbs. and stands 5 ft.-8, the shortest lineman on the all star first team . . . On the prep front: Keith Yagi, San Leandro High halfback, was named to the 1958 Alameda County Southern Division All-Star Offensive squad by Eastbay prep writers. He was also named to the all-star defensive second team . . . Sub Nishimoto of Berkeley High was given honorable mention as linebacker on the Alameda County Northern Division all-star team . . . Guard Jerry Akiyoshi of Watsonville High was selected alternate lineman on the Central Coast Athletic League all-star team. However, there were five Watsonville Nisei linhties named to the CCAL all-star lightweight team: guards Willie Yahiro and Walter Mio were unanimous choices of the coaches and sportswriters; tackle Tokio Yamashita, center Norm Matsuoka, quarterback Sharkey Kuroiwa, all of Watsonville; and halfback Moto Nishiguchi of Monterey High were among the top 14 . . . Tommy Tadano of Glendale (Ariz.) High was featured in the Arizona Republic Sunday magazine recently as a "talented teenager"—senior class president, four-year member of the student council and city mayor at Boys State, four-year varsity wrestler and two-year letterman on the football team. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tadano . . . Bob Shimasaki, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Shimasaki of Lindsay, was named "player of the week" recently. He is the speedy quarterback for Lindsay High. His dad was honored as one of the 1958 Nisei of the Biennium winners . . . Add to Denver Post prep all-stars: Center Mel Shiramizu and halfback Henry Tobo, both of Manual High, were given honorable mention.

SOCIAL SECURITY:

New Disability Provisions

(This is the fifth in a series of articles to explain the changes made this year in the Nation's Social Security Law.)

One of the most common questions asked at Social Security Offices throughout the country is "how long do I have to work before I can qualify?" But, when it came to how long a person had to work to qualify for disability payments, the Social Security Administration came across a rather thorny problem. The "old-law" required that a person work 5 out of 10 years before the date of disability—and superimposed upon this, was a requirement that current work was necessary. That is, a person had to have at least 1½ years of work in employment covered by the Social Security Law during the 3 years immediately before he became disabled.

Many persons had the five years of work—but—for many reasons, there were a considerable number of people who did not have the current work. Under the "old-law", these people, even though they were seriously disabled, could not qualify either for the "freeze" or for disability payments at the age of 50.

The 1958 changes to the Social Security Law eliminates the need to have current work in order to qualify. If a person has 5 years of work out of the 10 years before the date of his disability, and if he is severely disabled, he may now qualify for payments.

This change in the law applies only to the work requirement to establish eligibility to disability payments. There has been no change in how disabled you have to be to qualify. If you have filed an application, and have been denied because you did not have recent work, then you should re-apply at your nearest Social Security Office. However, if you were found to be ineligible because your disability was not severe enough, the change in the law would not affect you.

Also, another important change has been made in the disability provisions. Up until now, there were no retroactive payments made on applications for disability payments. Payments started with the month in which applications was made. The changes in the law now allow up to 12 months retroactive payments if the person was qualified for payments during all of the 12 preceding months. This provision is automatic for all persons who have filed applications in the past—no inquiry need be made. Persons currently filing applications do not need to make specific inquiry about this point, since it will be taken care of by the representatives of the Social Security Office.

(Southern California readers may call on George Nakamura, SSA field representative, 836 S. Figueroa St., Los Angeles, RI 9-4711, ext. 1115; or Jimmie M. Okura, now transferred to the Long Beach SSA office, 1318 Pine St., HE 5-8975, with questions or further information.)

56 teams compete in Mtn.-Plains bowling tourney; Frank's Market wins with 3028

DENVER. — Frank's Market of Denver won the Class AA team event with a 3028 series in the 6th annual Mountain Plains JACL bowling tournament held here Nov. 29 and 30 at the Dahlia Lanes.

Fifty-six teams were entered in the two-day event, with entries from Omaha, Rocky Ford, Brighton, Fort Lupton and Longmont as well as Denver.

John Noguchi, Mary Morishige and Tom Hasegawa were directors for the bowling meet, while Tommy Ioka and Betty Kawano were treasurers.

Class AA Events

The men's AA singles championship was won by Fred Kiyotake with a 688 series, while Tom Shibao took the all-events with a 1956.

Shibao and Kaz Hayashi teamed up to take the AA men's doubles with a 1322.

Members of the championship AA team were Fred Kiyotake, George Kodama, Ben Kamada, Tom Ioka and Bob Mayeda.

Other winners and scores were as follows:

Men's Team Event, Class AA: Frank's Market; Piggly Wiggly, Denver, 2945; Tom and Ben's Conoco, Fort Lupton, 2932; J.P. Murphy Implement, Longmont, 2925; and Denver Buddhist Athletic Club, 2894.

Class A Events

In the Class A events, the Denver Buddhist Athletic Club Team No. 2 took first place with 2873,

followed by Cathay Post No. 2, 2859; and Rocky Ford No. 2, 2847.

Members of the winning team were Frank Fujino, Yukio Furuya, Al Mitamura, George Shibata and George Tsukamoto.

Ugi Harada and Ichiro Suto took the Class A men's doubles with a 1308, while Bob Mitsumori's 685 won the men's singles.

Sam Kato took the all-events with a 1879.

The Kawano Jeweler's team, running up a 2519 score, took the women's team championship. Bowling for Kawano were Mats Ito, Joan Nishimoto, Betty Kawano, Tay Kondo and Sally Furushiro.

The Sarge Pharmacy team came in second with 2513, followed by the Lotus Room squad, which rolled a 2500 series.

Women Events

Mary Tawara posted a 564 to take the women's singles, and Amy Uyeda and Martha Uyebara bowled a 1075 to take the women's doubles.

The all-events winner was Himi Morishige with a 1629.

Hootch Okumura and Mat Ito teamed up to win the mixed ragtime doubles with a 1207. Shig Nakagawa and George Mukaikubo rolled 1276 for the ragtime doubles event.

The Denver Nisei Bowling Association and Denver Women's Bowling League, headed respectively by Bob Noguchi and Jane Hada, sponsored the tournament.

Housewife sentenced to 9 years in jail for fraud-bilked Islanders of \$227,000

SEATTLE. — Federal Judge John C. Bowen last week sentenced Mrs. Tanya Ellis, 41, a frail Hawaiian Islander of Japanese descent, to nine years in prison for using the mails to defraud—\$227,000 worth, the government claims.

According to the government prosecutors, Mrs. Ellis buncoed some 30 Chinese residents of Hawaii out of \$227,000 on her story that she is the illegitimate daughter of a deceased—without ever having lived—Island millionaire, one Kau On Tai. Her story was, the government said, that she would inherit Kau's millions as soon as his estate was settled.

In the meantime, the government quoted Mrs. Ellis, she needed considerable sums for legal fees and other costs connected with probate. The Islanders obliged to the tune of \$227,000, the government said over a period of three years before anyone wondered what was going on.

Eventually indicted by a federal grand jury sitting in Honolulu, the jurisdiction was transferred to the Seattle court because of her residence here and last Nov. 3 pleaded guilty to two counts of the Honolulu indictment.

The indictment accused Mrs.

Ellis, wife of a Seattle aircraft company employe, of posing as the daughter and only heir of one Kau On Tai.

It charged that she borrowed money with the promise of 100 per cent interest on the loan when the Tai estate was settled.

No person was found with the spelling which Mrs. Ellis gave as her supposed benefactor, but the name sounds like that of a prominent Hawaiian family, the government charged.

Before sentence was passed last week, the judge asked if she had anything to say. Between sniffles, she said: "I was wrong—I know I did wrong." It was then that the judge told her she was nine years wrong—nine years in the Federal Reformatory at Alderson, W. Va. And thus closed one of

PASADENA 1000ER YONE DEGUCHI BOWLS 300 GAME

Service station operator Yoneo Deguchi, a seven-year 1000 Club member of Pasadena JACL, still can't believe he has a 300 game to his credit, which he rolled Nov. 26 over alleys 15-16 at the new Holiday Bowl here.

He celebrated Thanksgiving wondering about the various items that would be his—as a result of Holiday's first sanctioned perfect score: a new 1959 Pontiac, a mantel clock from American Bowling Congress, a wrist watch from AMF, new bowling ball and bag from Ebonite (he rolls with an Ebonite) and shoes—just to mention a few of the major items.

Yone and his wife Ruth have selected a green four-door Bonneville Pontiac, compliments of Holiday Bowl and Ken Clark Pontiac, which they hope to have by Christmas.

The Monterey Park service station operator opened the evening with a 195, fell to 170 and came back to 300 for a 665 series. Deguchi was frankly worried about the fifth and last strike—the fifth being a Brooklyn hit and the final barely came-up as he had lifted too much. He holds a 170 average, rolling in the NBA "AA" league on Wednesday nights, serves as secretary-treasurer of the NBA "AA" League.

This is the lanky bowler's first 300. He was active in Chicago bowling circles before coming to Los Angeles three years ago to open his station at 441 W. Pomona, Monterey Park.

The Deguchis have one son, Daniel.

Bill Matsumoto heading '59 NoCal golf tourney

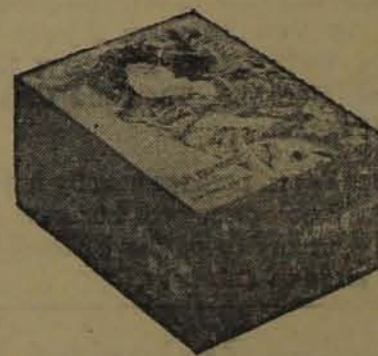
SACRAMENTO. — Bill Matsumoto will be chairman of the 1959 No. Calif. Nisei Golf Association tournament, which will be hosted by the Sacramento Kagero and Sacramento Nisei Golf clubs.

Place and dates are still undetermined but past tournaments have been held at Pebble Beach and Del Monte. Assisting Matsumoto will be Tim Sasabuchi, sec.; and Ralph Nishimi, treas. Henry Taketa and Dr. George Takahashi will be starters.

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28-pounder wins Cortez JACL derby

BALLICO. — It was Tsutomu Sugiura's lucky day on Sunday, Nov. 9. Not only did he win a portable television set in the Cortez JACL fish derby, but his 28 pound, three ounce bass also took a cash prize in the Eastbay Derby, held on the same day at Franks Tract.

A 24 pound, seven ounce fish caught by Aram Peters of Fowler, won the second of the total of 57 prizes; and coming in third was Y. Kurozawa of Los Gatos, with a 22 pound, nine ounce bass.

Three valuable door prizes were also awarded to ticket holders, the first of which, a bridge table and chairs, was won by Jerry Olson of Turlock.

An excellent attendance and good fishing weather marked the day's events. Mark Kamiya, chapter president, has selected the second Sunday of November, 1959, for the next derby. Named Tentatively as chairmen are Don Toyoda and Hiro Asai.



Los Angeles NEWSLETTER

By Henry Mori

FREEWAYS READY TO TAKE OUT MORE HOMES

With the number of cars ever increasing in Los Angeles, traffic problems continue to mount. The vicious circle of more cars and therefore more freeways has resulted in the adoption of another freeway through East Los Angeles which would take away more homes occupied by persons of Japanese ancestry.

As Blanche Shiosaki, So. Calif. JACL regional office secretary, once commented: It just seems the state builds its freeways where minority residents have their homes.

Whether such is the case or not, the new Pomona freeway through the heart of East Los Angeles will remove many Japanese Americans from their present addresses. The new Industrial Freeway has taken away Fred Takata's grocery store on Fourth and Cummings Sts. nearly two years ago. And PC ed Harry Honda was another victim several years ago, when the Harbor Freeway was constructed.

The recently adopted freeway, which is expected to be built within two years, means active JACLer, Ritsuko Kawakami, will have to move out. Takata, So. Calif. regional director, noted that in Bella Vista where many Issei and Nisei bought homes after the war, chances are Rudy Yoshizaki, Nancy Takamatsu, Jean Sato, and 1000 Clubber Cy Yuguchi may have to move.

Mr. and Mrs. Sakae Ishihara, also active JACLers in that area, paid us a compliment recently by saying that through this column Sakae "refused to purchase a home" in the exclusive Monterey Park district sometime ago. Thank you, sir, but it's a known fact that freeways are a forever threat to all residents in Los Angeles—regardless of race, color, creed. We aren't trying to be facetious.

We told Takata that the Mori Mansion is situated parallel to the adopted freeway route about five blocks south of it on the other side of Pomona Blvd.

"Who wants to buy a home, cheap?"

CHRISTMAS CHEER TO DATE

The joint social by the East Los Angeles and Southwest JACL chapter members on Thanksgiving eve has netted \$235.50, the proceeds being given to the 11th annual Christmas Cheer program.

The donation marks 90 per cent of the \$2,000 goal for the Christmas Cheer committee headed by George Fujita of Southwest L.A. JACL. Volunteers will soon be packaging food items, staples and toys for the visitation of less fortunate families of Japanese descent.

Tentative deadline for receiving of contributions and gifts has been set for Dec. 15. The committee will make distribution lists thereafter. According to Jim Higashi, publicity chairman, who is past president of East Los Angeles JACL, there is already deposited in the Sumitomo Bank, \$1,804.50 to go towards helping Issei indigents and families with financial burdens enjoy a good holiday season.

NEAR-MISS ON THANKSGIVING DAY

If for nothing else, the working people today eat quite well. There seems to be an abundance of food everywhere, especially after Thanksgiving day. We had the bird four sittings in a row, only because one night we had to eat out. Otherwise five. However we are not complaining. We almost did not have turkey as per schedule. After the bird had been in the oven for 20 minutes, Mary discovered that the oven had gone haywire. There was nothing to do but to call somebody, or something—and mostly the latter.

After a few frantic telephone calls we were advised to "press a red button" on the inside of the broiler side to get the flames started again. The red button worked but someone had to keep it pressed during the cooking. For three hours!

Our ingenious mind went to work. We picked up a garden spade from back of the Mori Mansion; used it as a brace to keep the red button in the socket. And it worked. But, please no more turkey—until Christmas, maybe!

WASHINGTON NEWSLETTER: by Mike Masaoka

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The seven Republicans who will not be with the House Judiciary Committee next session include Congressmen Kenneth B. Keating, the ranking minority member, who successfully ran for the senatorship from New York State; third ranking minority member Patrick J. Hillings of California who unsuccessfully ran for the post of Attorney General in California; and sixth ranked minority member Usher L. Burdick who retired in favor of his Democratic son who won his seat in North Dakota.

The others, all defeated last November 4, are the eight, ninth, 14th and 16th ranked minority members—John M. Robison of Kentucky, DeWitt S. Hyde of Maryland, F. Jay Nimitz of Indiana, and Albert W. Cretella of Connecticut.

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The dramatic picture taken by St. Paul Dispatch photographer Paul Iida last June in western Wisconsin was chosen by the American Red Cross from among hundreds taken across the nation by professional photographers for its 1959 campaign poster. The poster is a drawing of the photograph by New York artist Anthony Saris.

—Courtesy: St. Paul Dispatch.

JOINT SOUTHWEST-EAST L.A. JACL CHRISTMAS CHEER HOP NETS \$235

The 11th annual Christmas Cheer drive has reached its 90 per cent mark of its \$2,000 goal with another \$310.50 acknowledged this past week. The current total is \$1,804.50.

The Southwest and East Los Angeles JACL chapters turned over \$235.50 realized at their joint Christmas Cheer benefit dance, co-chaired by Shig Uyetake, Kei Mochida (SWLA) and Grace Sakurai (ELA).

Enriching the cash contributions are the canned goods, staples and toys being received this past week for Cheer distribution. Cheer chairman George Fujita said the food packages help bring the "spirit of the Holiday season" to the

less fortunate persons of Japanese ancestry in Los Angeles county. Canned goods and donations will be received by the JACL Regional Office, 258 E. 1st St., until Dec. 15, the tentative deadline ending the drive.

The donors for the week of Nov. 24-29 are as follows:

CHRISTMAS CHEER DONATIONS
Nov. 24 - Nov. 29
\$235.50—Southwest Los Angeles and East Los Angeles JACL.
\$15—Mrs. Takeyo Mutow, Yosh Shimano.
\$10—Ladies Guild of WLA Buddhist Church, Chere Amis, Ray T. Kunishima; \$5—Mrs. Shizue Takahashi, Stanley J. Flis; \$3—Shuyo Tamamoto; \$1—Hitoshi Yoshigai, Anonymous.
Cheer Fund Recapitulation
Total Previously Reported\$1494.00
Total This Report 310.50
Current Total\$1804.50

VITAL STATISTICS

DEATHS

Doi, Kitaro, 76: Del Rey, Sept. 27.
Fujita, Timothy, 3 mon.: Chicago, Oct. 20—(p) Rev. and Mrs. Victor.
Fukuhara, Ichisuke, 80: Santa Monica, Oct. 2.
Hamachi, Shishitaro, 84: Westminster, Oct. 10.
Hironaka, Michael (infant): Chicago, Sept. 18—(p) Mr. & Mrs. Robert.
Ideishi, Shigeo, 65: West Los Angeles, Nov. 3.
Ige, Tanzo, 85: Santa Monica, Nov. 6.
Inouye, Stan T., 1: Gardena, Nov. 4—(p) Mr. & Mrs. Ben. (s) Sharon.
Kakiuchi, Dollar T., 28: Los Angeles, Nov. 18.
Kodama, Iris T., 72: Los Angeles, Oct. 25.
Kunisaki, Kazuyo, 49: Los Angeles, Oct. 3.
Kuroda, Wataro, 77: Gardena, Oct. 12.
Kuwahara, Seige, 73: Los Angeles, Nov. 12.
Masukawa, Fukuichi, 59: Los Angeles, Nov. 18.
Mayekawa, George T., 76: Los Angeles, Nov. 23.
Miura, Otozaemon, 80: Garden Grove, Oct. 10.
Nadaoka, Kensaku, 73: Los Angeles, Nov. 6.
Nakamura, Tamayo, 69: Gardena, Oct. 25.
Natsuhara, Yoshi, 74: Los Angeles, Nov. 3.
Noguchi, Shina: Denver, Oct. 25.
Ono, Myrleen Y., 16: Minneapolis, Oct. 1—(p) Mr. & Mrs. George, (b) Alfred, (s) Phyllis.
Sato, Haruji, 66: West Los Angeles, Oct. 7 (in Japan).
Sakuma, Hiroshi, 76: Los Angeles, Oct. 5.
Shimoda, Shizu, 61: Los Angeles, Nov. 10.
Shitara, Hyosaku, 77: Los Angeles, Oct. 29.
Suzuki, Masaichi, 54: Melrose Mass., Sept. 25.
Takeuchi, Shobei, 58: Los Angeles, Nov. 8.
Tashiro, Akira, 36: Salt Lake City, Sept. 26—(w) Kikyo, (d) Connie, Dixie; mother, (b) Tyra and (s) Mrs. Kiyoko Watanabe.
Tateishi, Mrs. Mary, 33: Chicago, Sept. 23—(h) Masayuki and (d) Joyce, (s) Michael.
Toguchi, Takemitsu, 36: Chicago, Oct. 7.
Une, Shinta, 78: Los Angeles, Oct. 5.
Watanabe, Mantaro, 83: Long Beach, Oct. 27.
Watanabe, Suekichi: Denver, Oct. 25.
Yamaguchi, Seichi, 40: Los Angeles, Oct. 12.
Yamato, Harry T., 55: Santa Clara, Nov. 3.

Mother's group

Mrs. Irene Suga was elected chairman of the Senshin Boy Scout Troop 636 Mother's Auxiliary, believed to be the first one of its kind to be organized locally. There are 80 active mothers to help their sons in scouting.

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Washington NEWSLETTER

BY MIKE MASAOKA

Election Notes

Washington, D.C.

Last week we commented on the changes that will take place as a result of the elections in a general way in the important major committee assignments in the next Congress which convenes on January 7. This week we shall continue this discussion of committee assignments, because their respective memberships determine the type of legislation that the next session may be able to consider.

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NO DEMOCRATIC SENATOR who was up for re-election was defeated in his bid for another six year term. In the House, aside from the several Representatives who either retired or ran for Senate seats, only two "sitting" Democrats were defeated. One was Congressman Brooks Hays, whose moderate approach to the segregation problem caused his defeat to a write-in candidate in Little Rock, Arkansas. The other was Mrs. Coya Knutson of Minnesota whose family difficulties accounted for her loss. Accordingly, there will be few changes in the major committee assignments held by these hold-over members, unless they decide to exchange their seniority on a particular committee for a more desirable committee assignment.

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THE MORTALITY RATE among the Republicans, however, in the last elections was higher than usual. Therefore, the remaining GOP members may move up considerably in seniority, with the few incoming freshmen slated for relatively important posts and high seniority positions.

In the Senate, third ranking minority member Edward J. Thye of Minnesota on the Agriculture and Forestry Committee was defeated. On the Appropriations Committee, fourth ranking minority member William F. Knowland of California and 11th ranking minority member Irving M. Ives of New York retired, while tenth ranking minority member Charles E. Potter of Michigan was defeated.

On the Armed Services Committee, seventh ranked minority member Frank A. Barrett of Wyoming was defeated. On the Banking and Currency Committee, second ranked minority member John W. Bricker of Ohio and seventh ranked minority member Frederick G. Payne of Maine were defeated. On the Finance Committee, first, third, and seventh ranking Republican members, Edward Martin of Pennsylvania, Ralph E. Flanders of Vermont, and William E. Jenner of Indiana, retired. Fourth ranked minority member George Malone of Nevada was defeated.

On the Foreign Relations Committee, the second and fifth ranking GOP members, H. Alexander Smith of New Jersey and Knowland, retired. On the Government Operations Committee, fifth ranked minority member Chapman Revercomb of West Virginia was defeated. On the Interior and Insular Affairs Committee, the first, second, and fifth ranking minority members, Malone, Arthur V. Watkins of Utah, and Barrett, were defeated. On the Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee, the first, fourth, fifth, and sixth ranking Republican members were defeated. They were Bricker, Potter, William A. Purtell of Connecticut, and Payne.

On the Judiciary Committee, third ranking Republican, Jenner, retired, while fourth ranking minority member, Watkins, was defeated. On the Labor and Public Welfare Committee, first ranking minority member Smith of New Jersey and second ranking minority member Ives retired, while third ranking Republican Purtell was defeated.

On the Post Office and Civil Service Committee, second ranking GOP member Jenner retired, as did sixth ranking minority member Martin. On the Public Works Committee, first ranking minority member Martin retired and sixth ranking GOP member Revercomb was defeated.

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IN THE HOUSE, the 38 member Foreign Affairs Committee lost eight members, while the District of Columbia Committee lost six of its 25 members.

Both the 50-member Appropriations Committee and the 34-member Agriculture Committee suffered seven Republican casualties each.

The Armed Services Committee lost three of its 39 members; the Banking and Currency Committee two of its 30 members; the Education and Labor Committee three of its 29 members; the Government Operations Committee three of its 29 members; the House Administration Committee six of its 25 members;

The Interior and Insular Affairs Committee lost five of its 34 members; the Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee seven of its 33 members; the Judiciary Committee seven of its 32 members; the Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee five of its 32 members; the Post Office and Civil Service Committee five of its 25 members; the Public Works Committee four of its 34 members;

The Rules Committee lost two of its 12 members; the Un-American Activities Committee two of its nine members; and the Veterans Affairs Committee two of its 23 members.

Every standing House committee lost two or more members.

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SINCE THE JUDICIARY Committees not only handle most of the work of the Congress but also most of those subjects in which the JACL has a special concern, such as immigration and naturalization, civil rights, claims, vested property, etc., it is worthwhile to note that in the Senate there will be two Republican vacancies to consider and in the House seven on this key committee.

Third and fourth ranking GOP Senators Jenner and Watkins will not be in the 86th Congress, one by choice and the other by defeat.

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JACL URGES PRESIDENT TO CONVENE WHITE HOUSE CONFERENCE ON PROBLEMS OF BOMBING, TERRORISM

(JACL News Service)

WASHINGTON. — At the direction of National President Shigeo Wakamatsu of Chicago, a letter was sent on behalf of the Japanese American Citizens League to President Eisenhower last week urging him to call a special White House Conference to deal with the problems of bombings and terrorism throughout the nation.

Mike Masaoka, Washington JACL representative, sent the letter to the President, noting that the proposed Conference was in keeping with the spirit of Human Rights Week that the President himself has designated for the period December 7 to 17.

He also stressed that the invited conferees might out of their own experiences and that of their respective groups be able to suggest ways and means of curbing and preventing terrorism and flagrant disregard of the law. He mentioned the community-level activities of the War Relocation Authority during and immediately after World War II to illustrate what organized persons of goodwill might do under appropriate sponsorship and guidance.

Widely Endorsed

The proposal for a White House conference was first suggested by Rabbi Joachim Prinz, national president of the American Jewish Congress, in a communication to the President. Since that time such influential newspapers as the New York Times and the New York Herald-Tribune have headlined news stories relating to the endorsement of this idea by such leaders of both parties as Vice President Nixon, Adlai Stevenson, and Nelson Rockefeller.

The JACL letter reminded the President that "in your proclamation (for a Human Rights Week), you called 'upon citizens of the United States to observe this week by reading the studying the Bill of Rights in the Constitution of the United States and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights of the United Nations, that we may all be reminded of our many responsibilities and privileges as a people blessed by a heritage of freedom and equality.'

"We are in hearty accord with our proclamation and believe that designating a week for the purposes outlined in your announce-

ment will be helpful in reminding all of us that throughout America especially, and the world, there should be no racial or religious discrimination and terrorism," Masaoka wrote the President.

Problem of Violence

"It is in connection with this thought that we are writing you to join with many of our fellow Americans of goodwill who have urged the calling of a special White House conference of distinguished citizens representing all segments of our national life to consider the problems of lawlessness and violence in our nation.

"All of us are aware of your personal abhorrence of those who foment racial and religious strife, hatred, and hoodlumism. We, therefore, believe it most appropriate for you to call a national meeting of those who may be in a position to suggest ways and means of combatting this bigotry and vigilantism. If nothing else, such a White House conference would dramatize the interest and the concern of the Federal Government in these most un-American of activities.

"It may be that out of the personal experiences of the groups they represent, these conferees may be able to suggest appropriate action that the Federal Government might take to eliminate terrorism and flagrant disregard of law and to coordinate the efforts of the various private national organizations in this regard.

Nisei Once Affected

"Americans of Japanese ancestry, as you may recall, were the victims of unprecedented mistreatment, as well as prejudice, vigilantism, and threats of violence during and immediately after World War II.

"Under the War Relocation Authority, a Federal Agency, however, an educational program was developed at the community levels which aided materially in allaying unfounded suspicions against Americans of Japanese ancestry and in encouraging public acceptance of Japanese Americans as individuals and as a nationality group.

"It may well be that a Federal Agency might be established for the specific purpose of rallying those Americans in every community who believe in human dignity

and respect for law to join together to promote equal rights and equal opportunities for all Americans, without regard to race, color, creed, national origin, or geography. Or, it might be that the various national organizations, or the religious leaders, or others may be the more appropriate ones to set up such a national agency.

Boosts Civil Rights

"In any event, a White House conference would encourage the consideration and implementation of such ideas and experiences and perhaps strengthen the stated objectives of your Administration to seek additional civil rights legislation in the forthcoming 86th Congress", the JACL letter concluded.

Masaoka's reference to the WRA activities had to do with the community Japanese American Resettlement Committees which not only carried on public education campaigns but also found housing and employment for the evacuees who left the centers to return to the mainstream of American life.

The WRA also established employment offices in key cities staffed by dedicated personnel who organized these community committees and also spearheaded the educational campaigns.

Claims —

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priations for the payment of these awards.

The last listing sent to the JACL Office was for the period July to November. A total of \$1,264,863.16 is involved in the 144 awards made during this final period. The largest was for \$65,000 to a resident of Oakland, California, while the smallest was for \$126 to a resident of Seattle, Washington.

The average of all claims is \$8,786.41.

38 to Get \$10,000 Up

Nine business corporations are included in the list, while no non-profit organizations were listed. Eight of the awards were to the heirs of deceased claimants. Thirty-eight of the awards were for \$10,000 or more.

Awards were made to residents of Michigan, Oregon, Illinois, New Jersey, California, Hawaii, Washington, Utah, Arizona, New York, Washington, D.C., Colorado, Connecticut, Texas, and Maryland.

The Japanese Claims Section, which has been under the direction of Enoch E. Ellison for most of its decade of activities, was liquidated November 10 when Attorney General William P. Rogers of the United States signed the last award of \$19,704 to a claimant residing near Seattle, Washington. During its administration, the Section settled 26,552 claims, awarding a total of \$36,874,240.49.

CALENDAR

- Dec. 6 (Saturday)
St. Louis—Inaugural dinner, Roncaro's, Southwest L.A.—Hele Mai.
- Dec. 7 (Sunday)
Detroit—Potluck dinner-election meeting, International Institute, 1:30 p.m.
- Dec. 13 (Saturday)
Eden Township—Christmas party, Ashland School Multi-Purpose Room, San Leandro, 7:30 p.m.
- Sonoma County—Auxiliary Christmas Party.
- Chicago—Family Christmas Party, McCormick YWCA, 8 p.m.
- Dec. 14 (Sunday)
Stockton—JACL Christmas party, YBA Hall, 148 W. Washington St., 5 p.m.
- East Los Angeles—Issei Recognition program, Tenrikyo Hall, 2 p.m.
- Philadelphia—Christmas Party and Elections, International Institute.
- Dec. 15 (Monday)
West Los Angeles—Auxiliary meeting, res. of Dr. & Mrs. Sonoda.
- Dec. 16 (Tuesday)
New York—General meeting, Japanese Society Auditorium, 18 E. 50th St.
- Dec. 19 (Friday)
Parlier—Auxiliary potluck, Buddhist Recreation Hall, 5:30 p.m.
- Dec. 20 (Saturday)
Long Beach—Christmas party.
- Dec. 21 (Sunday)
D.C.—Christmas party, Glenmont Recreation Center, Wheaton, 2-5 p.m.
- Dec. 31 (Wednesday)
St. Louis—New Year's Eve dance, American Legion Hall, University City.
- Monterey Peninsula—New Year's Eve dance, San Carlos Hotel, 9:30 p.m.
- Orange County—New Year's Eve dance, Huntington Beach Memorial Hall.
- Mile-Hi—New Year's Eve dance, Cosmopolitan Hotel.
- Salt Lake City—New Year's Eve dance, Rose Garden.
- Jan. 2 (Friday)
CCDC—New Year's semi-formal ball, Rainbow Ballroom, Fresno, 9 p.m.

Didn't take customary half-year wait for latest U.S. fad 'hula hoops' to hit Japan

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Tokyo

The rush for hula hoops in Japan has gone wild! All the youngsters (and adults, too) are shaking their hips, twirling the hoops.

When this reporter was in Hawaii returning to Japan from the United States last summer, the craze was just getting started there. It was like wild-fire in America, even contests were being staged to see who could twirl them the longest. However, when I saw hula hoops go on a rampage among the kids in Japan—that was it! And adding to the popularity of hula hoops are the local press and TV.

I was told Wesley Oyama first asked hoops as soon as they were introduced in America. The hoops are now being manufactured for ¥100 and sold for ¥275. While it's cheaper than the U.S. price, it's still big money for Japanese youngsters. Wesley's brother, Clem, remarked that he never realized Japanese kids can spend so much for hoops.

No Need to Advertise

Since the Japanese papers and TV did a good publicity job with hula hoops, the Oyama brothers didn't have to advertise.

As a rule, American fashions and products become popular in Japan from three to six months. But this time, hula hoops came to Japan about the same time it was on fire in the states. The surprising part of this is that the Japanese press gave it considerable play.

The hula hoop business is not

only a Tokyo phenomenon, but nation-wide. The children in the rural areas are equally excited, waiting in line with their mothers for hours in front of a department store to buy a hoop.

Hula-hooping contests are even staged at geisha parties.

(Police issued a nation-wide ban on hula hoops last week, so reports a Tokyo dispatch.)

Colored Hair-Dos

Another American innovation that is spreading in Japan today is the dyeing of hair by Japanese women. Some beauty parlors in Tokyo introduced it and now we see some strange examples: screaming orange hues or a grayish red hair-dos. And the girls feel quite natural with them and walk about proudly with their striking dyed hair.

Trying to emulate their sisters in America in the misguided belief that all American women dye their hair, the net result here is that some of the Japanese girls look like ghosts now.

Nisei journalism graduate assists in election drive

PORTLAND. — Beti Ann Minamoto, 20, assistant director of program and continuity at Portland's NBC television outlet, KPTV, was among those who contributed to the successful campaign of Mark Hatfield, recently elected Republican governor of Oregon. A June 1958 graduate of the Univ. of Oregon School of Journalism, the Nisei is understood to have written some of the campaign speeches.