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YE EDITOR'S DESK:

Keeping an eye on Japanese politics

Americans may think Japan is smothered with cherry blossoms now and that the Japanese are still celebrating the marriage of Crown Prince Akihito and Princess Michiko. But the sweet scent of spring will be giving away to the feverish air of politics as Japan prepares for a national municipal election later this month and a balloting for the House of Councillors (upper Diet chamber) in June.

There is general agreement that the key issue in the political campaign is that of Japanese relations, particularly trade, with Red China. In this respect, a Socialist party goodwill mission to Peiping last month hoped to lay the groundwork for resumption of trade ties. Headed by party secretary general Asanuma, a series of conferences were held in which Asanuma rendered the party's foreign policy and referred to the United States as the "common enemy" of Japan and Communist China because the U.S. had extended its influence to Formosa, "which is a part of China and occupied the islands of Okinawa."

The Socialists have also insisted on U.N. recognition of Red China, eliminating the Nationalist Government on Formosa, return of Okinawa to Japan and abolition of U.S. bases in Japan as well as the U.S.-Japan security pact.

The Japanese press and public opinion reacted vehemently to the Socialist overtures in Peiping. An even greater clamor was stirred by Asanuma's repeated reference to the U.S. as the common enemy of Japan and China. The Japan press accused him of being careless and irresponsible, unworthy of his position as head of the country's second party.

Trade is an important issue for an island empire like industrialized Japan with its 90 millions. President Eisenhower recognized it last week in his speech at Gettysburg. "Perhaps more than any other industrial nation

CAL. FEPC BILL SIGNATURE BY GOVERNOR DUE

California JACL chapters, which have been pushing with other interested groups for a fair employment practice act since it was introduced in the State Legislature from 1946, are happy this week as Governor "Pat" Brown was expected to sign the measure sent to his desk last Friday.

"In guaranteeing equal job opportunities for all our citizens, regardless of race, creed or color, the State Legislature has taken a historic step forward in the ages-long battle against prejudice and discrimination," Gov. Brown declared.

The Rumford Bill (AB 91) is regarded as one of the strongest FEPC bills in the country, according to the Berkeley Negro assemblyman, author.

It bans job discrimination because of race, religion or ancestry and sets up the commission with authority to enforce the law. Penalties up to \$500 fine and six months in jail are set down for employers or labor union officials who discriminate against a worker.

Quick Assembly OK

The Assembly, which has passed FEPC measures in previous sessions, held no debate and accepted the series of Senate amendments in their action last week, following the resounding 30-5 Senate approval on April 8.

Amendments put in by the Senate last week exempt farm workers who live on the farm, provide commissioners be paid \$50 for each work day instead of \$13.50 salaries, and that complaints be filed within a year with a three-month extension if needed.

Brown, who regarded FEPC as his No. 1 target in his program, said he plans to name three Democrats and two Republicans to the state's first FEP commission. At that time he said he had no individual in mind but wanted it to be bipartisan. Three probably would come from heavily populated southern California, he added.

The legislation will go into effect Sept. 19.

PSWDC convention lines up attractions for boosters and delegates, package deal set

LONG BEACH. — Booster attractions for the 1959 PSWDC convention begin with a mixer on Friday night, May 1, at the Harbor Japanese Community Center followed by a "Li'l Vegas" at the Wilton Hotel, convention headquarters, from 1 a.m. Saturday.

At noon will be a buffet luncheon and fashion show, the 1000 Club whirling at 4:30 p.m., convention dinner-dance from 7 and the finale Sunday noon with the convention luncheon.

Other special events are being arranged by the Long Beach Harbor District JACL, convention host chapter, to include deep-sea fishing, golf and bridge.

New Feature

Tomizo Joe, convention chairman, announced "Meet the Board" to be held on Saturday, 10-12 noon, is theme of the opening session for delegates who will be invited to discuss matters with Shig. Wakamatsu, national president, and other visiting national officers.

Other business sessions are scheduled at the Wilton from 2 p.m., Saturday, and 10 a.m. Sunday.

Ft. Lupton JACler voted school official

FT. LUPTON. — Floyd Koshio, a past chairman of the Mountain Plains JACL and prominent Ft. Lupton JACler, was elected as one of the directors of School District No. 8 at Ft. Lupton, Colo. Koshio is a prominent Nisei farmer here as well as having been JACL chapter president and Bussei leader in that community.

Yen debt claimants seeking pre-war exchange rate

(JACL News Service)

WASHINGTON. — The Office of Alien Property, Dept. of Justice, acting on behalf of the Attorney General of the United States, is actively engaged in the processing of claims filed against the Yokohama Specie Bank, Ltd., at the current, post-war exchange rate, even though a number of yen debt claimants have appealed to the United States District Court for the District of Columbia for the pre-war exchange rate in the repayment of claims against the Sumitomo Bank, Ltd., the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League was advised by attorney Thomas H. Carolan, who is representing several thousand former depositors in the pre-war Japanese banks.

Carolan explained that the Office of Alien Property has filed an answer to the complaint of Dec. 15, 1958, by Phil Amram, another Washington attorney, and himself on behalf of yen debt claimant George T. Aratani and several other claimants against the Sumitomo Bank. The OAP also filed with the Federal Court the record, including the transcript, of the testimony given before Hearing Examiner George W. Carr in Los Angeles, San Francisco, and Washington in 1956.

Pre-War Rate

On the basis of the testimony of witnesses and the examination of the documents, the hearing examiner on Jan. 31, 1957, recommended that these pre-World War II yen deposit claims be repaid at the pre-Dec. 8, 1941, exchange rate of 23.4 cents for each yen.

On Nov. 13, 1957, the OAP director reversed the findings of the Hearing Examiner and ordered repayment at the current exchange rate of 361.55 yen to one dollar.

To secure the original recommended prewar exchange rate, instead of the postwar rate, attorneys Carolan and Amram on behalf of their clients and Los Angeles attorney Robert R. Ashton, formerly of the law firm known

as Knight, Gitelson, and Ashton, filed their complaint last December in the Sumitomo proceedings, which were the first to be instituted by the OAP.

Yokohama Bank Claimants

While this Aratani suit is pending to determine the legal exchange rate, the OAP began to send out letters to the last known addresses of the claimants against the Yokohama Specie Bank demanding that the claimants submit within 45 days the original yen certificates upon which the claims are based.

The claimants are informed that if they fail to forward their original yen certificates of deposit within the stated period, the Government will dismiss their claims. This same letter advises the claimants that their claims may be allowed at the current rate of exchange but does not acquiesce them that litigation is in the process to recover the prewar exchange rate, according to information supplied the Washington JACL Office.

If the Aratani case is won by claimants, not only the Sumitomo but also the Yokohama claims would be repayable at the prewar rate of \$234 per thousand yen, instead of the OAP ordered \$2.76 per thousand yen, or some pro-rata amount depending upon the funds held by OAP for the particular bank.

In the case of the Yokohama Bank, it is understood that there are sufficient funds to probably

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STATEHOOD PLEBISCITE, ELECTION DATES SET

HONOLULU. — Gov. Quinn set June 27 for the required Hawaii statehood plebiscite and for primary election of candidates for Congress and new state officers. The general election will be held on July 28.

Quinn believed 90 to 95 per cent of the voters would approve statehood.

The elective posts are for two U.S. senators, one representative to Congress, a governor and lieutenant-governor.

FAIR HOUSING BILL IN MINNESOTA REPORTED

MINNEAPOLIS. — A Minnesota fair housing bill was introduced in the state legislature at St. Paul last month, according to the J.A. Journal, which reported the Minnesota Council of Civil and Human Rights is lending full support for its passage.

The bill relates to discrimination in housing because of race, color, creed, religion, ancestry or national origin.

Parade chairman

COLUSA. — Akiji Yoshimura was parade chairman last April 5 as nearly 1,000 Cubs, Boy Scouts and Explorers marched in downtown Colusa in a Boy Scout Fair Day program.

"Welcome Hawaii" theme of Salt Lake CL meeting; IDC to meet at Ogden Sunday

SALT LAKE CITY. — To celebrate statehood for Hawaii, the Salt Lake JACL will add a festive island atmosphere at its first chapter general meeting of the year tomorrow night at 8 in the new YWCA East Lounge, it was announced by Ichiro Doi, president.

Hawaiian entertainment and Jess Kalawala's orchestra will insure the atmosphere during the social portion of the evening. Those attending with JACL membership cards will be admitted for 50 cents, non-members \$1.50. Memberships will be available at the door. For-

442ND RCT LINKED WITH FAMOUS U.S. ARMY REGIMENTS OF HISTORY

HONOLULU. — Hawaii's 442nd Infantry Regiment with its 100th Battalion was selected recently as one of the Army's famous regiments under the current nationwide reorganization of the Army Reserve, the Army reported.

The selection links the combat unit with an array of famous Army regiments dating back to the Revolutionary War.

The inclusion is the result of a major effort by General I.D. White and his Pacific Army headquarters, the Army said.

Under the new setup, the 100th Battalion is redesignated the "100th Battle Group."

Nisei greeted as 5-millionth visitor of United Nations

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. — A woman who did not let the rain upset her plans to see the United Nations on April 10 suddenly found herself one of the building's main attractions.

Mrs. Keiko Glenn, a Nisei from Hawaii, became the 5,000,000th person to take a guided tour of the headquarters since the service was begun in October, 1952. She lives on Governors Island, where her husband, Lieut. Col. Ned W. Glenn, is stationed with the Army.

Mrs. Glenn bought a ticket shortly after 11 a.m. and had just snapped a blue-and-white tour button on her raincoat when she learned that she was not just another tourist. Glenn E. Bennett, chief of the Visitors Service, greeted her and told her she was a guest of the United Nations for her tour and for luncheon in the delegates' dining room.

Mimbu's law partner named judge pro-tem

SEATTLE. — William J. Wong who is associated with William Y. Mimbu in the law firm of Mimbu and Wong was appointed by Mayor Gordon S. Clinton as a municipal judge pro-tem during the absences of Judge Walter T. McGovern.

Wong is active in the Chinese community, Jackson Street Community Council and other civic groups.

Itinerant farm worker dies with \$14,000; no will

STOCKTON. — Kakutaro Yamamoto, 70, an itinerant farm worker, died without a will here recently and San Joaquin county authorities have taken charge of his \$14,000 estate. He has no known survivors and unless an heir is located, either in this country or Japan, the money will go to the state.

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Official Notices

NATIONAL BOARD MEETING

(To All JACL Chapters)

As voted and provided for by the National Council, the National Board will meet in San Francisco on June 6 and 7. Our meeting from noon Saturday and continuing until Sunday afternoon will allow at least twelve hours of deliberations.

While time is not going to permit us to resolve everything, and we do have a number of important organizational matters and policies to determine, we are inviting chapters and District Councils to submit any items for discussion. In submitting such items, please do more than mention the topic and give some background to point up the special concern.

We would appreciate having these items by the end of April so that members of our National Board can be briefed prior to the meeting in San Francisco.

—MAS SATOW, Nat'l Director

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Japan must export to live . . . For Japan there must be more free world outlets for her products. She does not want to be compelled to become dependent as a last resort upon the Communist empire. Should she ever be forced to that extremity, the blow to free world security would be incalculable."

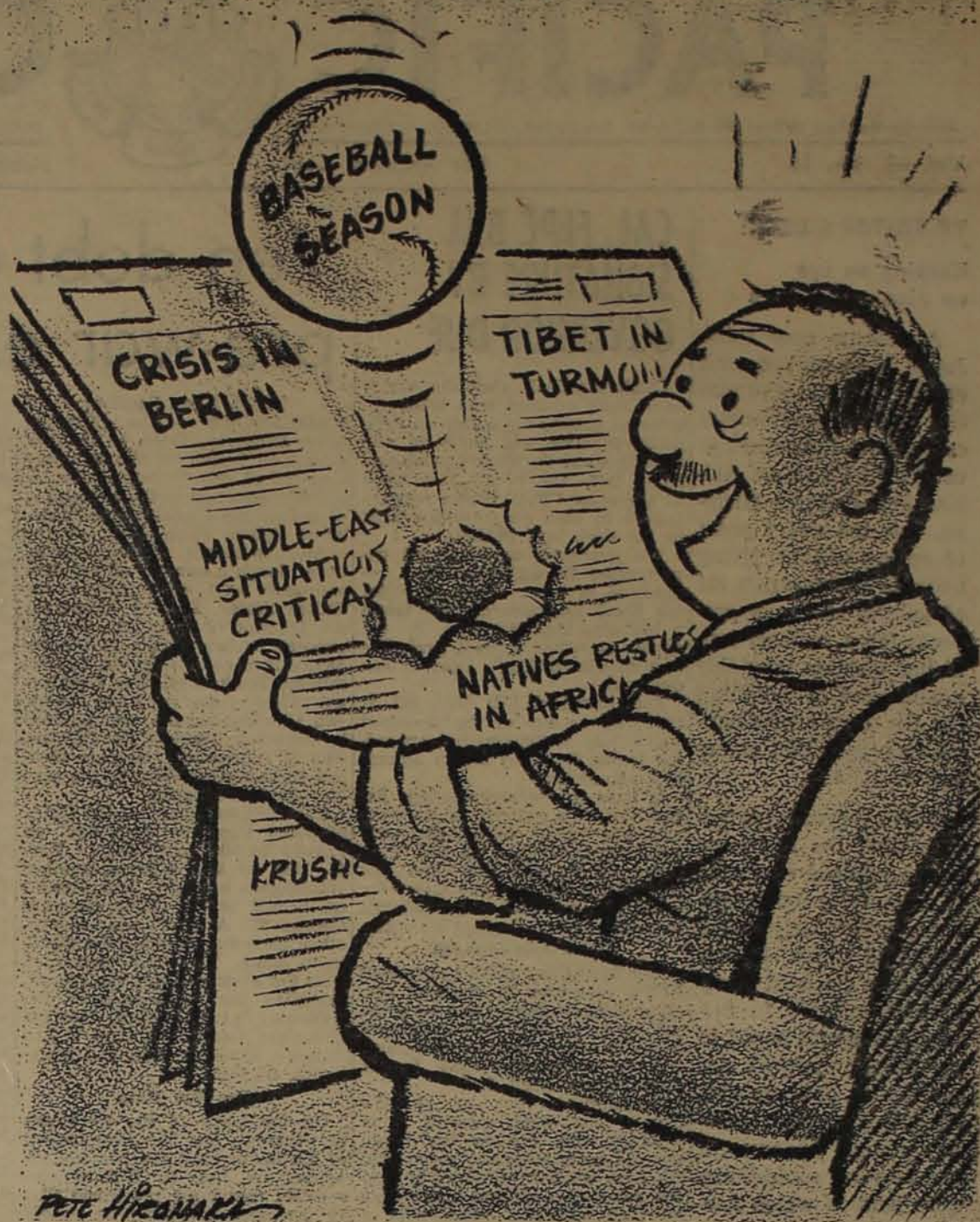
The President explained that expansion of free world outlets for Japanese goods could be provided "if each of the industrialized nations in the West does its part in liberalizing trade relations with Japan."

It is not difficult to understand Red China motives in the forthcoming Japanese election politics. By refusing to establish trade relations under normal conditions (Peiping is insisting the Kishi government cease its hostile policy toward China and desist from joining a plot to create two Chinas), Red China hopes to heighten the conflict between big business and Socialist-supported small business. The trade issue is also a popular one for the leftist elements in their efforts against the conservative government. Thus, Red China hopes to fashion the trade issue into a weapon to unseat the pro-U.S. Kishi government. But it is also important to remember, as the Japanese press recently explained, that Asanuma's statements in Peiping created a sharp controversy between the Socialist's own left and right wings and the Socialist goodwill mission has taught the conservatives who felt political concessions could be made for renewed trade were wrong as Peiping wanted to call all the shots.

● **SOME CLARIFICATION IS** necessary over the Shig Wakamatsu membership trophy now in the hands of the San Francisco JACL chapter for being the biggest in 1958 . . . We thought it was ICBG, but have been corrected by San Francisco that it reads "ICBM" . . . On the 1st quarterly membership bulletin issued March 31 by Headquarters, San Francisco leads with 1,015—only 47 short of breaking last year's pace-setting performance. Southwest L.A. reports 640 and Chicago has yet to make a report . . . We don't mean to be stealing Mas Satow's sense of humor, but his suggestion that the contest deadline be moved up from Nov. 1 to June 30 has merit, indeed. "That November deadline means sending in ice water, if not actual ice, for the ceremonies designated!" . . . The ICBM trophy race, incidentally, is not limited to the three named chapters. The chapter with the best membership count for the year wins.

● **A NEW TWIST** in dispatching JACL chapter bulletins was initiated by that hustling crew in Seattle which takes over the inside page of the North American Post, only bilingual vernacular in the Pacific Northwest Today . . . Each Thursday, the Hokubei Hochi features an English front page. The other week 66 more column inches on the inside were turned over to the Seattle JACL publicity committee for their newsletter as a public service. Ute Hirano, the Post's English editor, assisted in the publication . . . The Hochi deserves a "pat on the back" for its new venture . . . We understand that there is no definite date of issue, but when it does appear the entire paper is mailed to the membership.

● **OUR CARTOONS FOR** this and next week are oversized by inadvertence. We forgot to indicate the size and they came back as is . . . Wished we had a big 8-column (standard) width newspaper for Pete's wonderful cartoons. He is the staff cartoonist for the Dayton (O.) Daily News.



Welcome Breakthrough

'Nothing in common' between language of Japan and China except for orthography

BY BERRY SUZUKIDA

CHICAGO. — Contrary to popular belief, a linguist does not necessarily speak more than one language. But if he has mastered other tongues, he is known as a polyglot linguist.

This was learned at the McCormick YWCA April 10 when Norman Markel discussed, "Linguistics, the Scientific Method of Analyzing Language", before a small but highly enthusiastic gathering of Chicago JACLers.

Markel, a graduate student at the Univ. of Chicago and presently research assistant in the speech laboratory there, gave an interesting explanation of how this science came into being.

Brahmans Start Method

In India hundreds of years ago, the Brahmans faced the problem of recording their intricate prayer chants for future generations. A form of notation was worked out which kept track of all the crests and valleys of intonation, accents and stresses, etc.—a method so amazingly accurate that a prayer dating from the 11th century could be chanted today in exactly the same way.

When the British conquered India, they adopted this system and introduced it to western civiliza-

tion. Markel believes that the best way of describing sounds is by physiological criteria or articulatory phonetics. For example, the sound "th" can be explained as that sound which is produced when the tip of the tongue is placed behind the upper central incisors.

Missionaries to foreign fields have done a great deal to advance linguistics. Because most aborigines have no written language these men of God through necessity underwent much painstaking research and collecting of data to supply the natives with translations of the Gospels.

Nothing in Common

Aside from the orthography or written language, Chinese and Japanese languages have nothing in common, Markel stated. They are about as different as English is to Japanese. In fact, Chinese belongs to the Sino-Tibetan family of languages while Japanese is related to the Malayo-Polynesian.

When a baby first babbles, he utters all the sounds that can be found in all the languages of the world. But he begins to discriminate and verbalizes those sounds he hears most often. Which is why his first words are usually "da-da" and "ma-ma"!

During the question period, someone wondered out loud why our English language lacks the onomatopoeia of the Japanese. For instance, a cartoon portrays the sound of an object falling into water as simply "splash". Whereupon our National JACL President Shigeo Wakamatsu, who was present at the meeting, drily observed that perhaps the Japanese could contribute to the King's English by introducing the sound "ko-tonk".

Chairman for the delightful evening was capable Dan Kuzuhara. Refreshments were served by two charming hostesses, Hana Eejima and Katherine Ase.

Chick sexor union executives in election

CHICAGO. — Eddie Fukiage was elected president of the Amalgamated Poultry Sexors of America at a February executive meeting of all locals here, it was recently revealed. Present were representatives from Chicago, Los Angeles, Denver, Fresno and Salt Lake City. A new local is expected to be formed in Lansdale, Pa.

The new chick sexors union is affiliated with the Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen of North America.

Other officers are Kingo Ando, national committee chairman, and Scotty Miyagawa, vice-chairman.

Bank of America awards

PETALUMA. — Sydney Hiroko Shimizu, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Shimizu of Cotati, was recently named a winner of a Bank of America certificate and in the field of liberal arts at Petaluma High School. She will compete at the zone finals in Vallejo this month.

Another Sansei Raymond Yamasaki was also awarded a certificate in agriculture in the same competition and has won a number of other awards in this field.

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Memorial scholarship

named for late Mrs. Mimbu

SEATTLE. — The Valedas served sukiyaki dinners last Saturday at the Nisei Veterans Memorial Clubhouse to raise funds for a scholarship in memory of Mrs. William Mimbu, who served as adviser to the Univ. of Washington co-ed group.

Carol Tada, president, said Mrs. Mimbu was an inspiration to the co-eds and that the 60 girls in the sorority recently voted to set up the scholarship in tribute to her.



Vagaries

By Larry S. Tajiri

'Bridge to the Sun'

Hollywood

"I want to find a Japanese actor to portray Terry Terasaki in 'Bridge to the Sun,'" Producer Julian Blaustein told us the other day at MGM. "I think the role should be played by a Japanese, to give it utmost fidelity. But the actor must be able to convey the dignity and stature of the individual. After all, Terasaki was high in the diplomatic service of his country."

"Bridge to the Sun" won't be started for a while as yet (Blaustein's current film project is "Wreck of the Mary Deare," from the Hammond Innes novel, starring Gary Cooper and Charlton Heston) but the producer's plans are to make most of it in Japan. The story is from Gwen Terasaki's book of the same name, about a Tennessee girl who married a Japanese and shared his life amid the fire-bombs of Tokyo. "One of the most dramatic sequences of the story will depict the days just before Pearl Harbor when Terasaki, acting on his own initiative in Washington, D.C., made a last-ditch effort to prevent the Japanese attack on the United States," Blaustein said. "Terasaki inspired President Roosevelt's personal message to the Emperor of Japan. The communication was delayed in transmission, presumably after reaching Japan, and the Emperor did not receive it until the attack on Pearl Harbor had started."

Blaustein is a producer who believes that motion pictures should have some meaning, as well as entertain. "Bridge to the Sun," telling of an American woman in wartime Japan, will have a message of brotherhood which will be conveyed to the audience without a word of specific dialogue."

The producer has no specific casting in mind, other than that he would like to get a Japanese actor with a sufficient knowledge of English to portray the key role of Terasaki. It is expected that the Japanese roles will be cast in Japan, but plans haven't proceeded to the casting stage as yet. Blaustein admitted that Yul Brynner, reportedly Mrs. Terasaki's favorite for the role among Hollywood actors, "probably would be the only non-Japanese who could be convincing in the part." But it is believed that Brynner has too many commitments to consider the role.

WHILE SHE WAS in Hollywood recently for the NBC Chevy Show, on which she co-starred with James Shigeta, Izumi Yukimura was offered the part of Linda Low in Rodgers and Hammerstein's "Flower Drum Song." This is the part in which Pat Suzuki has scored such a hit on Broadway. Now there is talk that Pat, who likes to travel and wants to see Europe, may be starred in the upcoming London company of "Flower Drum Song."

Miss Yukimura, the top-rated singer of pop songs in Japan, isn't in Pat Suzuki's class when it comes to selling a song, but she displayed a pleasant, swinging style on the Chevy Show. Immediately afterwards, she was contacted by an agent for Rodgers and Hammerstein who offered her the part. "I want to be on Broadway very much," Miss Yukimura said the other day in Tokyo. "It would be the fulfillment of a dream."

The singer said she was worried she didn't know enough English for the role (she memorized all her lyrics and dialogue on the Chevy Show).

Though nothing's been said about it, it's possible R&H have offered "Flower Drum Song" roles to both Michi Kobi and James Shigeta who were co-starred in the Oldsmobile Music Theater's "An Almost Perfect Plan" on April 2 from New York over NBC. Miss Kobi, featured as a dramatic actress in Climax, Playhouse 90, "The Californians" and other TV shows and starred in the film, "Tokyo After Dark," sings as well as acts. She's a Sacramento girl and was at the Topaz relocation camp before going out to New York for an acting career. It's reported she is under consideration for an important part in "The Mountain Road," a drama with a China setting, which William Goetz ("Sayonara") will produce for Columbia starting in June. James Stewart will be starred.

A NOTE from Gregory Peck the other day from Melbourne, Australia where he has been making "On the Beach" for Stanley Kramer:

"We're stopping in Hawaii on the way home to show 'Pork Chop Hill' to the real Lieutenant Ohashi."

"Pork Chop Hill" is the drama of the Korean war in which Peck plays the part of Captain Joe Clemmons, who won a Medal of Honor for bravery. Clemmons' aide was a Nisei officer named Ohashi, now a schoolteacher in Hawaii. The Ohashi role is played in the film by George Shibata, first Nisei to attend West Point and himself a jet pilot in Korea.

At the Governors' Ball, following the recent Academy Awards presentation, James Wong Howe recalled his start in the movie business 40 years ago.

"I learned the business from Henry Kotani, then one of the top cameramen in Hollywood," Howe said. "I was his assistant and he showed me the tricks of the trade."

Once, back in the 1920s, Howe photographed a film on the 26 martyrs of Nagasaki which was independently made for Japanese distribution.

He has been the cameraman on many of Hollywood's great films, including "Body and Soul," "Come Back, Little Sheba" and "The Brave Bulls."

Howe and his wife, writer Sanora Babb, leave Hollywood shortly for Vienna where he will begin work on "The Magic Flame," the movie biography of Franz Liszt which William Goetz is producing for Columbia.

ARIZONA ALIEN LAND LAW REPEAL EYED BY JACLERS

A campaign to have the Arizona alien land law is now being studied by Pacific Southwest JACL District Council's legislative-legal committee.

Kango Kunitsugu, committee chairman, and Frank Chuman, National JACL legal counsel, are spearheading the drive. Arizona JACL is a member of the PSW District Council.

The state of Washington recently passed legislation which will enable the voters of the state to repeal the initiative measure at the next general election.

At one time, 10 other states had similar laws, but they have been repealed in California, Utah, Idaho and Oregon.

Legislative Action

The Arizona law was patterned after the California measure, but was not adopted as an initiative measure as in California and Washington. Therefore, a vote by the state legislature which meets next in January and signature of the governor will erase this law.

When the California law was declared unconstitutional, all similar laws in other states also became null and void, but JACL officials have pointed out that they wish to erase all trace of the discriminatory measure from the statute books everywhere.

Other states which followed California's lead in adopting alien land laws were: Louisiana, Montana, Wyoming, Kansas, New Mexico and Arkansas.

The Arizona issue will be one of the main topics at the PSWDC convention in Long Beach in May, it was revealed by Kunitsugu.

PSWDC officials will confer with Arizona JACL chapter officers and possibly even go to Arizona to help map strategy for a repeal campaign, it was disclosed.

Name Bussei for Kyogoku awards

SAN FRANCISCO. — Outstanding members of the Buddhist Church receiving the Kyogoku Awards for 1958 were announced last week as follows:

Jean Yabumoto of Stockton, outstanding Jr. YBA member; Tomio Masaki of Placer County, outstanding YBA member; and Frank Doi of Kingsburg, outstanding Buddhist Sunday School teacher.

The awards, consisting of a plaque and a set of Buddhist books, is in memory of the Rev. Kyogoku, and under auspices of the Western Young Buddhist League since 1954.

Fowler Nisei named Yale yearbook photo chairman

FOWELR. — Ken Fujii, son of Mrs. Irene Fujii of Fowler, was named photography chairman of the Yale University 1960 yearbook. A junior majoring in architectural arts, he is serving on the campus photography board as Yale games photographer.

He submitted a print of an elderly couple taken in the Museum of Modern Arts to win second place in a Connecticut contest. He is attending Yale on a four-year Sen. Medell McCormack scholarship upon graduation from Fowler High in 1956.

Nisei plant pathologist appointed to UCLA staff

Former U.S. Dept. of Agriculture researcher Robert M. Endo was appointed to the UCLA staff as assistant professor and assistant plant pathologist.

Born in Mountain View, Calif., he attended Temple University on a four-year scholarship but his training was interrupted by Army service. He was graduated with honors in 1950 from Rutgers, continued with studies at the Univ. of Illinois in plant pathology.

Dr. Endo has an established reputation as a cereal pathologist with his development of a statewide turfgrass disease control program, according to John T. Middleton, department chairman.

IR committeeman

SAN FERNANDO. — Gene Kono was named chapter representative to the PSWDC international relations committee with Tom Kornatsu as alternate by Sam Ueyehara, San Fernando JACL president.

LETTERHEAD DESIGNER WINS SOCIETY AWARD

CHICAGO. — Fred Nomiya, art director and designer of Morton Goldsholl and Associates, won another honor from the Society of Typographic Art of Chicago.

This time it was for his outstanding design work in 1958, a letterhead designed for Aiko's Art Materials Import. The letterhead was one of four final selections submitted to the three jurors of the society.

The selected work will be displayed at Gallery 11 of the Art Institute from May 1 through June 5, after which they will be displayed all over the country in traveling exhibits.

Nomiya, Chicago 1000er and president of the Society of Fine Arts, has been an annual winner since joining the firm of Morton Goldsholl several years ago.

Pasco student wins DAR Good Citizenship honors

PASCO, Wash. — Linda Yamauchi, 17, became the first Nisei to be named winner of the Good Citizenship Award of the Washington State Daughters of the American Revolution here last month.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Yamauchi and was chosen on the basis of written examinations in American history and government and on her service to the community. She received a \$100 cash award and certificate.

Centennial Year council organized

DENVER. — Promoting Colorado's Centennial Year celebration this year, a centennial coordinating council of local Nisei organizations was formed at the invitation of the Mile-Hi JACL.

Primarily grouped to avoid conflict in dates and duplication of efforts by various clubs, close to 20 representatives agreed to Stephen Osuga's suggestion that the Mile-Hi JACL's offer to sponsor a single graduation dance for local high school and college students be approved. Osuga is Nisei Intercollegiate Conference president.

With the present suspension of an English section in the Colorado Times, local Japanese vernacular, the Mile-Hi chapter bulletin will assist in maintaining a calendar of events and inform council organizations.

'BEATNIK' DANCE SLATED FOR SAC'TO JR. JACLERS

SACRAMENTO. — Persons planning to attend the Sacramento Junior JACL "beatnik" dance party on Saturday, April 18, at the Nisei Memorial hall were asked to come dressed as beatniks, according to dance committee members.

The dance has the theme, "It's Beat." It begins at 9 p.m.

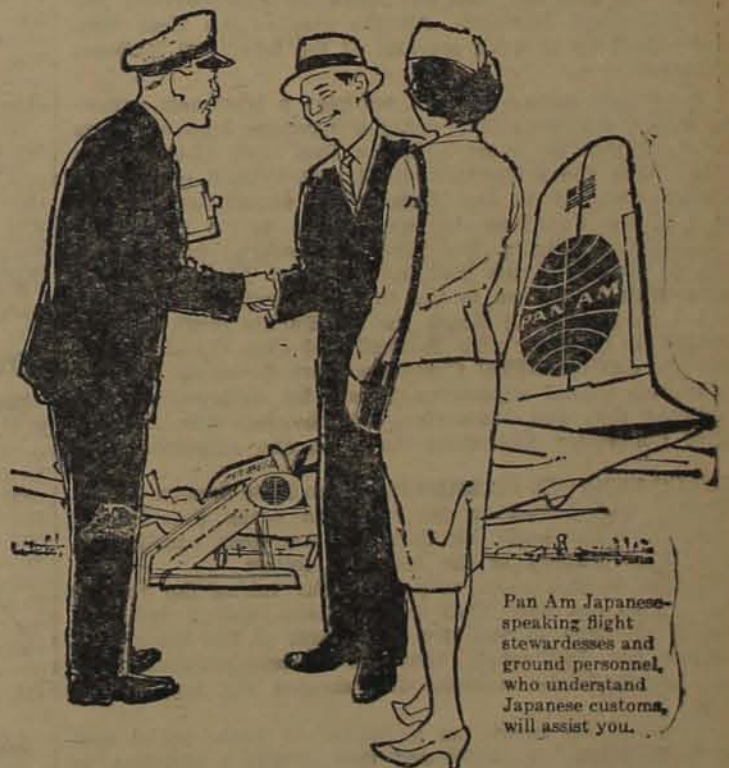
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The National Director's Report

By Masao Satow

Youth Roundup

San Francisco

The month of May will be roundup time for youth in the Northern California-Western Nevada District Council. The NC-WN second quarterly meeting on May 17 hosted by the Oakland Chapter will accent youth, and the 7th Annual San Francisco Chapter Nisei Olympics is scheduled for May 24.

Approximately 100 young people are expected to swell the "Step Forward With Youth" DC meeting at Oakland's Hotel Leamington. The young people will discuss various phases of the JACL youth program with Sue Joe, Chairman of JACL's National Committee for Work with Youth. After several sessions of their own starting at 10 a.m., the young people will join with regular JACLers in a panel discussion after the DC business session to explore the exact nature of JACL's youth program. While on her trip north for the DC meeting, Sue Joe will also meet with the Oakland Juniors and members of the newly organized Eden Township Junior JACL, and confer with the San Francisco young people now considering an organization under chapter auspices.

Many thanks for the warm hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Kitaro Kitajima and the Oakland Chapter last Sunday for spoiling members of the Executive Board with a sumptuous barbecued steak dinner following the joint planning session with the Oakland Chapter and Oakland Junior JACLers.

SAN FRANCISCO OLYMPICS—Details of the 7th Annual San Francisco Nisei Olympics at Kezar Stadium on May 24 have been sent to all California Chapters. In charge this year is Mutt Matsumoto, himself an all-around athlete who is serving his second year on the Chapter Board. Incidentally, Mutt coached the SF team which won the recent Berkeley JACL teenage basketball tournament. The cooperation of other chapters makes the S.F. Olympics a standout affair. A track meet requires a lot of helpers on the field. Fortunately, San Francisco has many track and field stars of yesteryear who gladly volunteer at the scene of their former glories and who are interested in seeing what the new crop of Sansei athletes can do. The awards dance following the meet always attracts a lively and jivey group of young people.

MEMBERSHIP CHART—We are about one third of the way on our total anticipated national membership. New York and San Fernando join the honor circle with more members than last year. Accompanying our next membership bulletin at the end of this month will be a chart made up by Administrative Assistant Daisy Uyeda showing the membership performances of the chapters each year from 1946. We think the chapters will be interested in making comparisons with their past records, and, we hope, this will spur them to surpass their highest record to date.

ORGANIZATION—With items for the National Board meeting agenda being added each day, President Shig Wakamatsu is requesting Board members to convene one day earlier to begin discussions from Friday noon, June 5. In spite of all the exciting things to do and see in San Francisco, we regret to inform Board members that their only chance to see San Francisco will be from the limousine ride between the airport and Hotel Richelieu. All the rest of the time they will be cooped up in work sessions at the hotel and National Headquarters.

For the next three weekends, we have a legitimate excuse to the missus for not pulling out the luxuriant crop of weeds in the backyard. We meet with the Salt Lake Chapter this Saturday, with the Intermountain District Council on Sunday at Ogden, then fly to Los Angeles for an all-day Monday meeting of the California Advisory Board to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights. The following weekend takes us to Seattle to sit in on the Pacific Northwest District Council meeting. This brings us to the first weekend of May when we drive down to Long Beach for the Pacific Southwest DC Convention in company with National 1000 Club Chairman Bill Matsumoto and NC-WNDC Chairman Jerry Enomoto. And by the way, an official announcement will be forthcoming from Sacramento that Bill Matsumoto will be the 1960 National Biennial Convention Chairman. As if no one suspected this!

IDAHO SENATOR COMMENTS—Idaho State Senator James B. Donart who helped in the move to erase that State's miscegenation law lauds his Japanese American constituents (Snake River Valley) in the following letter:

"I want to thank you very much for taking the trouble of writing to me and want you to know that I felt that it was a privilege to vote for the repeal of the State miscegenation law. Incidentally, that was the only remaining law on our statute books in Idaho that created any legal racial barrier.

"I favored its repeal as a matter of basic social and political philosophy. I might add that it was a pleasure to speak in favor of its repeal and I want to assure you that held in the areas of the State where they live was probably the high esteem in which the Japanese American citizens are the largest contributing factor to the repeal of this legislation.

"The Japanese Americans first inhabited Idaho in numbers shortly after the commencement of World War II. When they came into this area they were under a tremendous handicap by reason of the high feeling produced by the War. In the last fifteen years they have so conducted themselves that they have earned a position of high respect in the community and overcome a feeling of strong prejudice that existed in the minds of many in a period of a very few years. That this could be accomplished in such a short period of time is not only to your great credit but is hardly short of being miraculous.

"As we are all painfully aware, in other areas of the United States this degree in racial matters has not been attained in a generation."

JR. JACL ROLE AT NC-WNDC MAY MEETING BIGTIME

OAKLAND. — The Leamington Hotel in downtown Oakland, has been secured as the site of the next Northern California-Western Nevada JACL District Council meeting to be held on Sunday, May 17.

The Junior JACL, planning a mammoth meeting, will take over one of the convention halls starting at 10 a.m. The "Youth's Role in the JACL" will be their panel discussion topic with Ed Aoki as moderator.

Andy Kono of Oakland will be in charge of the afternoon session for the Junior JACL group. Included in this program will be a speaker from the National JACL board and a panel presentation of the highlights of the youth movement in the JACL.

Open Invitation

All young people who are interested in JACL activities and wish to gain some insight into JACL functions are invited to attend the meeting designed for them, Kono said.

Russell WeHara, president of the Oakland Junior JACL, is in charge of the youth program for the day.

In order to go along with the emphasis on "Youth", one of the keynote speakers at the banquet will be Pete Domoto, recently picked co-captain of the 1959-60 Univ. of California football team.

A seven-piece orchestra has been acquired to furnish the music for the dance, which will commence at 9 p.m.

Ken Matsumoto, who spearheaded the recent sensational installation dinner for the Oakland Chapter, is planning an equally superlative program for the "dinner".

D.C. potluck supper attracts over 175

WASHINGTON. — Over 175 members and their families and friends of the Washington, D.C. Chapter JACL attended the annual potluck supper on March 28 at the Bethesda-Chevy Chase Rescue Squad Recreation Center located in the Maryland suburb.

Under the general chairmanship of Mrs. Ann Horiuchi, the committee arranged for a delightful dinner of puffed shrimp slices, chicken and beef teriyaki, chirashi sushi, string-beans goma-aye, tsukemono, tamale pie, meat loaf, potato salad, and other specialty dishes.

Following the dinner the youngsters and kibitzing adults enjoyed an Easter egg hunt, with the finder of the golden egg, as well as the boy and the girl finding the most eggs, being awarded prizes. The supper was concluded with accordian numbers played by Misses Ann and Aileen Fukuda.

Other members of the potluck supper committee were:

Mmes. Kinu Hirose, Sachiye Matsumoto, Ilene Mimura, Lily Noguchi, Lorraine Yamasaki, Gladys Shimazaki, Miss Ruth Kuroishi, Harold Horiuchi, Dan Komai, Hideyuki Noguchi, Ira Shimazaki, gen. arr.; Harry Takagi, program.

Donations of tea and chopsticks were made by Hanaumi Shoten.

Fresno JACLers to stage community picnic Apr. 26

FRESNO. — One of the largest community picnics of Central California will be held on Sunday, April 26, at Oak Knoll in Kearney Park, Fresno. The Fresno American Loyalty League is sponsoring this outing under the co-chairmanship of Rikio Yamamura and Ben Tsudama, who have announced that everyone attending will receive a "kujibiki" prize. A number of other prizes will be given at this all-day affair.

SAN MATEO GROUPS PLAN JUNE 14 PICNIC

SAN MATEO. — The San Mateo Japanese community picnic, sponsored jointly by four groups here, will be held Sunday, June 14.

Arrangements are being made by the San Mateo JACL, coordinator of the picnic program, to secure the College of San Mateo athletic field at Coyote Point here for this event.

Kurt Ota was named general chairman for the picnic at a meeting of the local JACL board. The picnic will be planned by representatives of the local Buddhist Church, Sturge Presbyterian Church and Gardeners Assn. as well as the JACL chapter.

United organization of youth groups seen as function for San Francisco Jr. JACL

SAN FRANCISCO. — Over 30 representatives of San Francisco Nisei youth groups met with JACL members to discuss a Jr. JACL organization, at Buchanan "Y" April 2. Dr. Leo Nakayama, JACL board of directors' representative, was chairman.

During the two-hour informal discussion, questions arose as to why a Jr. JACL should be formed in the light of the fact that there are already so many clubs in existence, the purposes of such an organization, a medium—if one could possibly be found—which would span the age and interest differences.

Set-ups of other Jr. JACLs were told to the group, but it was stressed that the San Francisco chapter's purpose is to help organize, sponsor and aid a youth organization, not necessarily a Jr. JACL such as, if a need is found. The group would set up its own structure, limits and purposes, and the JACL would support (almost) anything the group wanted.

Wide Interest Seen

No decisive action was taken but it was suggested that the persons present discuss the situation with their clubs and friends.

JACL leaders present felt that the unexpectedly large turnout in itself was indicative of an interest

among the youth of the city in a larger, united organization. They admitted to being thought-provoked and challenged by the many questions and statements directed at them.

Organizations represented included the YBA, Clovets, Dots, Links, Sparks, Imperials, Post 59, and all the local churches.

JACL leaders present included Steve Doi, San Francisco JACL president, Jerry Enomoto, Yori Wada, Kei Hori, Naomi Shibata, Yone Satoda, Chibi Yamamoto, and Marie Kurihara.

Second Meeting Held

An encouraging number of high school and college age Nisei—more than 40 people—attended the second meeting of their group attempting to form an all-inclusive organization with the support of the local JACL chapter last Friday night.

William Masuda has been elected chairman of the organizing committee and Susie Kaneko, secretary.

Named on the constitution and policy forming committee are:

Margie Ikenoue, Hiroshi Fukuda, Glen Morimoto, Joe Mori, Jean Baba, Wes Doi, Rickie Onuma, Betty Toriumi, Susie Kaneko, Kimi Adachi, Tom Arikawa, Ted Sueyasu and Joyce Imazeki.

Town Hall format proves stimulating as nine speakers analyze Nisei in community

OAKLAND. — A chapter "town hall" to analyze the position of Nisei in the life of its community was presented by the Oakland JACL at its April 3 meeting at the Buddhist Church with Asa Fujie as moderator.

Nine speakers who spoke from different aspects pointed out that Nisei were not showing enough interest as yet in the church, education of their children, in local politics and in their own cultural heritage.

Speakers and Topics

Talking not more than five minutes with no open discussion allowed, the speakers and their topics were:

"The Church is Your Second Home," Rev. Frederick Yasaki, pastor of West 10th Methodist Church; "Your Child Needs You for the PTA," Frank Ono, jr. high school instructor; "Time For a Junior JACL is Now," Mrs. Molly Kitajima, housewife, past Oakland JACL president; "Do We Wield Any Political Power Locally?" James Tsurumoto, insurance agent;

"I Believe in Service Clubs," Frank Ogawa, nurseryman and president of SF Optimist Club; "Hawaii Will be a Credit to the Union," Charles Kawasaki, former businessman from Hawaii; "Nisei and Sansei Owe it to Themselves to Better Understand Japanese Culture," Roy Endo, flower arrangement and bonsai instructor; "We Naturalized Americans Desire to be a Part of You," Harry Tajima,

Sr., Oakland JACL Issei advisor and reporter for Hokubei Mainichi; "Why the JACL Must Remain Strong and Active," Marie Sato, registered nurse and president of Oakland JACL.

There was a 10-minute intermission at the midpoint.

Tajima's talk in Japanese was interpreted by Rev. Yasaki.

Combo to play at Long Beach 'big' dance

LONG BEACH. — Fred Martin and his combo will provide music for "Oriental Fantasy", theme of the Long Beach-Harbor District JACL "big" dance at the Harbor Community Center tomorrow night.

The sports formal affair will begin at 9 p.m., according to Dr. Kats Izumi, dance chairman. Admission will be \$3 stag or couple.

Flower arrangement meeting set Apr. 28

SAN FRANCISCO. — Committee members for the San Francisco JACL Women's Auxiliary's April meeting featuring a flower arranging demonstration by Mrs. Yusui Uchida at the Church of Christ on Tuesday, April 28 at 7:30 p.m. were announced this week.

The ladies who will assist chairman Katherine Reyes are Marie Kogawara, reception; Sumi Honnami, transp.; and Miye Magota and Frances Ogahara, refre.

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SACRAMENTO IN 'SIXTY: by Shig Sakamoto Changes Galore

AFTER MY FIRST column appeared in the April 10 issue of the Pacific Citizen stating the fact that I was acting temporarily for Bill Matsumoto who is the official publicity man for the Sacramento chapter, a lot of changes have been made this past week concerning the coming 1960 National JACL convention in Sacramento.

Bill, already the National JACL 1000 Club chairman, was selected by the local chapter as general chairman of the convention and he in turn appointed Yours Truly as official publicity director for the convention. So all in all, this temporary job that I undertook will be a permanent job during the life of the National Convention.

So this job of pitching fever all over the country to come in 1960 and have fun with us in Sacramento, the capital city of California, in early part of July is a big job for me and I hope that my salesmanship will be believable and adequate.

With Bill Matsumoto holding down dual jobs as general chairman and 1000 Club leader, the convention co-chairmanship fell upon the shoulders of Toko Fujii and Tak Tsujita whose job will be to oversee the entire project and work with various committees now being selected. More good news was revealed in that Dr. George Takahashi will be in charge of sports activities and Takahashi is one of the many good men available for this type of job. He will be in charge of sports and for those who want to combine the convention meetings with athletic events, Takahashi will have golf, bowling and fishing activities ready for all.

IT IS STILL unofficial and unconfirmed but guest speakers on the list include Ambassador to Japan Koichiro Asakai for the Pioneer Night banquet and Dr. Milton Eisenhower for the recognitions banquet. We still got our fingers crossed for Governor Edmund Brown and Mayor Clarence Azevedo. We're also looking forward to Mike Masaoka, Masao Satow and all the National officers as well as past National officers to be present here in Sacramento's fabulous El Dorado Hotel, the convention site.

The convention queen will be selected from the Northern California-Western Nevada District Council area. Rules and regulations will be distributed to the member chapters as soon as committee members are organized.

The convention booklet committee has already organized and advertisements, news and various other items slated for the convention magazine are now under planning stages.

Something new in the convention field is that the Sacramento chapter will distribute daily bulletins throughout the convention containing newsbits and information. Daily schedules also will be released to keep conventioners posted during the five day meet.

Sacramento weather in late June and early July is hot. For you people planning to attend and want to kill two birds with one stone, can acquire a nice tan by decking yourself in casual wear throughout the convention, excepting the banquets where coat and tie are a must. For you people up in the north and the east where sunshine is a rarity, here in California and especially in Sacramento where the sun shines most all day (chamber of commerce pluggings), you can enjoy yourself with the fullest vacation conveniences.

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Imperial Valley CL installs officers

EL CENTRO. — Harry Momita, who was re-elected president of the Imperial Valley JACL, and his officers were installed at a dinner here last Saturday at the Dragon Inn. He is a naturalized Issei.

Momita, who spearheaded the reactivation of a JACL chapter in the valley last year, will be assisted by George Kodama, 1st v.p.; Esther Hashimoto, 2nd v.p.; Margaret Momita, sec.; and Harry Kodama, treas. Fred Takata, So. Calif. JACL regional director, was the installing officer.

The chapter, which has already held a successful community picnic, is planning to show Japanese films for the many Issei living in the valley as well as other social activities for members and friends.

The American President Line travel film, "Funaji", was shown after the Chinese dinner. Also attending was past regional director Tats Kushida, now national chairman of the JACL public relations committee.

LONG BEACH 1000ERS TO CUT UP AT EATERY

LONG BEACH. — The gay antics of the 1000 Club are expected to highlight the first Long Beach-Harbor District JACL 1000er's dinner-meeting tomorrow at Santa Fe Curries from 7 p.m. Fred Ikeguchi will be emcee.

Jim Okita, 1000 Club chairman, and Roy Shiba, dinner chairman, said the meeting was open to prospective 1000ers. After dinner, they will attend the "Oriental Fantasy" dance garbed with touches of Oriental accessories.

The chapter dance is being held at the Harbor Community Center with Fred Martin and combo furnishing music.

Cleveland chap'r in all out push for 400

CLEVELAND. — An all-out campaign to secure 400 members in Cleveland JACL was recently announced by Jiro Habara, membership chairman.

Effort to sign up every potential member in the Greater Cleveland area has been organized on a geographical basis. To minimize door-to-door solicitations, membership renewal forms were mailed to members.

In order to expand its local public relations program, the board approved an 50 cent increase of membership dues to \$4 per person or \$7 per couple.

Mary Yoshida, Mike Asazawa, Min Iwasaki, Gene Takahashi and Joe Kadowaki were elected to fill five board vacancies. Incumbent members are Ken Asamoto, Yoshiko Baker, Jiro Habara, August Nakagawa, Henry Tanaka and Masy Tashima.

Milwaukee JACLers serve Japanese dinner to group

MILWAUKEE. — The Women's Service League of the Underwood Baptist Church were treated on March 24 to a delicious dinner served by members of Milwaukee JACL.

Chicken and port teriyaki were featured with mamegohan, sunomono, mandarin oranges, and fortune cookies. On the committee were:

Sumi Shinozaki, Sei Mondai, Carol Shiomachi, Sat Nakahira, Toshi Nakahira, Nami Shio, Chickie Ishida, Mrs. Allen, Mrs. Steverwald, Mrs. Uema, and Kiki Momoi.

ANNUAL MONTEREY JACL POTLUCK DINNER APR. 26

MONTEREY. — The annual Monterey Peninsula JACL potluck dinner will be held at the JACL Hall on April 26, 5:30 p.m., with the women's Auxiliary handling the dinner.

Yosh Satow and Mas Yokogawa are in charge of the games being planned after the dinner. Designed to entertain all members of the family, the dinner will be managed by Takeko Enokida and Meiko Yoshida. Personal silverware and plates must be brought.

The chapter board meets next Tuesday 7:30 p.m. at the JACL Hall.

Also under consideration is the formation of a Jr. JACL group which would be invited to participate in the forthcoming NC-WNDC quarterly session May 17 at Oakland.

JACL-PRODUCED MOVIE TO BE PREMIERED AT SOUTHWEST L.A. MEETING

A 13-minute color film documenting the progress of Japanese in America produced with the Univ. of Southern California graduate workshop of the cinema department, entitled "Challenge", will be premiered at the Southwest Los Angeles JACL meeting April 30 at Centenary Methodist Church.

Ken Miura, active chapter member and cinema department instructor, was one of the key men in the production. Bob Kino is narrator; John Miyauchi did the titles and art work, and Tak Shindo supervised the music.

The film was co-produced by the East Los Angeles and SWLA chapters with technical assistance from the So. Calif. JACL Regional Office.

Carlton Coll. co-ed

ST. PAUL, Minn. — Jo Ann Kobata of Gardena, Calif., was elected women's league president at Carlton College, Northfield.

San Fernando sets chapter calendar

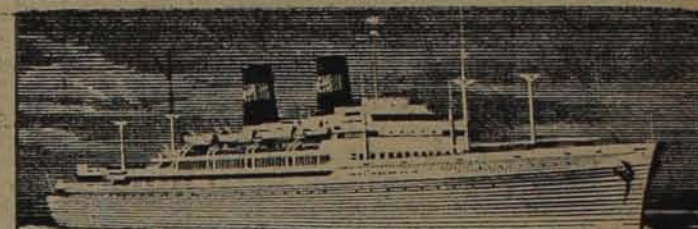
SAN FERNANDO. — A square dance jamboree with popular Alan Wilkerson as caller has been scheduled by San Fernando Valley JACL at the Sun Valley Community Center barn on Lankershim Trail, Apr. 25, 7:30 p.m.

Gene Kono and Hank Ogimachi will be square dance co-chairmen. Refreshments will be served.

Chapter Calendar

The chapter at the same time announced its schedule of events for the remainder of the year as follows:

April 25—Square dance, Sun Valley Community Center.
May 16—Dinner Meeting, Bill Storey's; Dr. Steve Abe, spkr.
June (Sat.)—Picnic, Bouquet Canyon.
June 27-28—Participation in Sun Valley carnival.
July 12—Beach party with Hollywood JACL, Playa del Rey.
Aug. 1-2 (tent.) — Participation in YBA Carnival.
Sept. 12—Outdoor barbecue.
Oct. 30—Halloween social.
Nov. 14—Japanese movies.
Dec. 18—Christmas party.



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National AAU Judo Tournament Summaries

Sumikichi Nozaki of Gardena was runner-up to Grand Champion Sgt. Lenwood H. Williams, representing the U.S. Air Force SAC in the seventh annual National AAU judo tournament held last weekend at San Jose State College. Williams won the heavyweight title, while Nozaki successfully defended his 130 pound title. Nozaki was the only defending champion to do so.

Southern California walked off with the team trophy, scoring 19 out of the possible 39 points. Chicago placed second with 8, nosing out the U.S. Air Force with 7. Northern California PAA team was next with 4 and Honolulu had a single point. In the first round of the grand championship round, Nozaki scored a fall over Mas Yoshioka of Los Angeles, 150 lb. division winner, and almost took a fall from the heavy-weight winner Williams. Nozaki did throw Williams, but the fall did not count as both men were off the mat at the time. Williams finally managed to use his weight to pin the wiry Nozaki for the over-all title.

Vincent Y. Tamura of Chicago decided the host San Jose State College team ace Ken Hatae to win the 180 lb. title but lost in the grand championship semi-finals to Williams by a fall.

Nisei May Play in East-West Shrine Classic

Selection of Pete Domoto of Berkeley as co-captain of the Cal varsity football team for 1959 last week, first Nisei ever accorded this honor at a major university on the U.S. mainland, led to the speculation he might score another first later this year. Chances are now excellent that the rugged ex-fullback converted to a lineman this past season might be the first Nisei to appear in the annual East-West All-Star game sponsored by the Shriners.

112 Pounder Wins NCAA Boxing Title Without a Fight

Heiji Shimabukuro, Hawaiian Nisei boxer at the College of Idaho, won his first NCAA boxing championship in the 112-lb. division at Reno without lifting a glove as his opponent, Ed Murakami of Cal Poly, withdrew at the weigh-in. Heiji, up to the NCAA meet Apr. 24, had 89 amateur bouts, winning 85 of them from his southpaw stance and 40 by the KO route. The slender 5-ft. fighter was recently named to the 1959 All-America intercollegiate boxing team and has nine titles to his credit. In 1953, he won the all-Japan title and the all-Hawaiian crown. He repeated the all-Hawaii in 1954-57 inclusive, added the all-Army title in 1956 and International Diamond belt in 1957. In his two years at College of Idaho, he has an 8-2 record, one loss being an overweight match at 125. In his first fracas this year, he decided T.C. Chung, last year's 112-lb. NCCA champion, in San Francisco.

Baron Yama Scores First Win at Tanforan

Another Nisei jockey, Baron Butch Yama, 20, of Los Angeles booted his first winner at Tanforan April 9 aboard Eric Gem in the sixth, paying \$9.30 to win. To make the occasion more memorable, Yama's mount took the lead over Free to Khal with Roy Yaka and Jimmy James with Mitchell Shiota. It was the second all-Nisei finish of the current meeting. Veteran George Taniguchi was aboard the favorite but finished far back. The "Gootch" is the leading winning jockey at Tanforan with over 33 firsts.

Berkeley JACL Teenage Cage Tourney Thrills

Eight teenage basketball teams sponsored by JACL chapters competed in the second annual Berkeley JACL tournament earlier this month and San Francisco emerged as champions, edging Berkeley 67-61 in a thrill-packed finale. Art Yoshihara slipped four buckets in a row in the final minutes to clinch the title. Tournament all stars included Yoshihara, Don Takakura, San Francisco; George Takata, Dennis Tsujimoto, Berkeley; Terry Maruyama, San Jose; Dennis Kojima, Sacramento; and Ray Fujikado, Sequoia. Takakura who plays for S.F. Lowell High averaged 26 points in the three tournament games to lead the individual scoring race. Sequoia won the consolation finals 28-26 over Oakland.

Interracial Basketball Series Won by Negroes

Height played an advantage in Chicago Nisei Athletic Association's first annual Interracial Basketball tournament two weekends ago at Olivet Institute where the Negro All-Stars defeated the Nisei All-Stars 62-44. To gain the championship round, the Negroes defeated the Caucasians 69-55, while the Nisei eliminated the American Indians 58-54 and the Chinese 63-37 in the semis. The Caucasians defeated the Hawaiians 92-39 to win the consolation award.

Southland Varsity Tracksters Continue to Shine

Double winners in the local prep dual track meets this past weekend were Belmont's Nori Takatani, exchange student from Japan, with a 52.5s. in the 440 and 20 ft.-8 in. broad jump; and Garfield's Mas Miyano winning the 220 in 23s. and broad jump with 21 ft.-2 in. Varsity activity in other regions of California at the present time shows a lack of Nisei winners.

Fun-for All Bowling Spreads Prizes to All

Under the capable chairmanship of Kayo Hayakawa, the San Francisco Nisei Bowling Assn. held a fun-for-all bowling, luau and Hawaiian entertainment at the Downtown Bowl April 5 with 200 persons feasting and participating in the three game sweeper. Winners of the men's division with handicap were George Morinaga 655, Teiji Okuda 646, Shig Ishigaki 644, and Bill Fukumitsu 643—Women's division winners were Helene Hatakeda 558, Yo Yuzuriha 536, Kay Nishimitsu 535, Jean Kikkawa and Chiz Satow, 529. Prizes for most strikes were won by George Morinaga with 15 and Suzy Toda 9; most splits won by Bob Tsujisaka, 10 and Shina Wada, 8. There were other prizes for most spares, most blows, highest scratch series and game, lowest scratch game and series. Winners of the mixed doubles were Nob and Shina Wada 1059 (144) 1165 and Sue Yokoyama and Mo Minemoto 1021 (144) 1185.



Denver's four mayoralty candidates eagerly scan the fortune cookies at the Mile-Hi JACL potluck dinner last Saturday—but the cookies were not telling who would win. Comparing notes (from left) are Sheldon Greene, Ronald L. Mapelli, Dick Batterton and George Cavender, while offering

more cookies is Bob Uyeda, chapter president. The candidates were invited to discuss juvenile delinquency. Roy Nagai, v.p., was in charge of program and True Yasui, dinner co-chairman.

Courtesy: Denver Post

Date set for L.A. JACL Nisei Relays

The eighth annual JACL Nisei Relays will be held at Rancho Cienega on Sunday, May 31, it was announced this week by the So. Calif. JACL Regional Office.

Dr. Robert Watanabe and Arnold Hagiwara, advisers for the track and field meet, called their first committee meeting Monday to outline assignments and procedures. Jim Higashi is chairman of the Relays queen committee.

The meet, sponsored by the L.A. JACL Coordinating Council, is expected to attract the top Sansei talent in the Southland and may see Northern and Central California athletes, who will be vieing the previous Sunday (May 24) at the San Francisco JACL Olympics.

Applications for the meet will be available at the JACL Regional Office, 258 E. 1st St., Los Angeles 12.

OAKLAND NISEI SIGNED TO REDLEG CONTRACT

OAKLAND. — Eddie Takei, former Oakland Technical High School shortstop and American Legion star has been signed to a Cincinnati Redleg contract by West Coast scout Bobby Mattick.

Takei, who helped Southern Pacific Stores to the Central California Baseball Managers tournament championship last year, will play with Visalia in the Redleg chain.

Takei signed the contract recently and reported to Visalia on April 5.

Stockton YBA cagefest attracts eight teams

STOCKTON. — Berkeley Sanghas are expected to retain their Stockton YBA annual class "A" invitational basketball tournament championship here this week.

Seven other teams from Richmond, San Jose, Fresno, Placer, Sacramento and Stockton are entered, according to Mas Ishihara and Ted Nishimura, tourney directors. Games will start tomorrow at 12:30 p.m. at the Stockton Kaikan court.

Fresno Nisei constructing Sac'to shopping center

SACRAMENTO. — Construction of a shopping center for a Nisei food market operator is expected to be completed by June. Called the Food Bank Shopping Center, it is located at Freeport Blvd. and Fruitridge Rd. and will be operated by Akira Inaba of Fresno.

The center covers 23,000 sq. ft., has 11 units and a large front parking area.

Boise Valley VFWers

BOISE. — Mrs. Yaeko Suehira and Elsie Hosoda were re-elected Emmett VFW Auxiliary junior vice-president and treasurer, respectively. Chester Takatori was elected Parma VFW Post 785 jr. vice-commander and George Otani, adjutant. All are Boise Valley JACLers.

STOCKTON-FRENCH CAMP JACL BOWLING TROPHY WON BY S.F. TEAM

STOCKTON. — Bill's Barber Shop of San Francisco won the team championship in the Port Nisei handicap bowling tournament held here April 4-5, hitting a gross total of 3247 on 2821 scratch plus 426 handicap.

Besides \$250 in prize money, the team won individual trophies and a Stockton-French Camp JACL perpetual trophy.

A San Francisco pair—Stan Ozaki and Tom Ozaki—took the doubles with a handicap score of 1320. They won \$150 in prize money.

Blackie Ichishita of San Jose was the singles winner with a 723 handicap score to win \$100 in prize money. He also won the high scratch series trophy with 681.

Jim Moriyama won both the handicap and scratch all-events with 2019 in the handicap and 1881 in the scratch and \$40 for his handicap victory.

Save Mart of Stockton was awarded the scratch team trophy for its score of 2916.

DISTINGUISHED ROTC AWARD WON BY NISEI

WASHINGTON. — Second Lt. Robert H. Iwai, 23, of Honolulu was chosen from a list of over 700 distinguished ROTC graduates for the second annual Dr. Ralph Mereson memorial award by Secretary of the Army Wilber Brucker recently.

The award is presented to the most outstanding military graduate of the ROTC senior division who has accepted a Regular Army commission. He is presently attending the Army Signal School, Ft. Monmouth, N.J., and a 1958 Univ. of Hawaii graduate.

Olivet restoration fund drive extended to April 25

CHICAGO. — With close to 75 per cent of the \$5,000 Olivet Institute restoration fund already reported, the campaign has been extended to April 25. Dr. T.T. Yatabe, chairman, reported last week, to meet the goal.

Chicago JACL chapter board voted \$100 in recognition of the many valuable services rendered by the Institute to local Japanese American groups.

MILWAUKEE WAR BRIDES ORGANIZE OWN CLUB

MILWAUKEE. — A group of Japanese soldier brides, recently organized by Connie Tsuno (see Feb. 27 PC), has chosen its name: Nadeshiko Club, translated to mean flower.

Mrs. Judy Prohaska was voted president at the Mar. 22 meeting. Objectives of the group include improvement of social relations through learning of American culture and sharing of Japanese culture, and operating as a service club.

Their first project was the Japanese tea ceremony demonstration April 12 at the International Institute.

Miss Tsuno, who hails from Hiroshima, and Mrs. Lilly Allen are club advisers.

\$3,999 added to CL endowment fund

SAN FRANCISCO.—Additional recipients of evacuation claims awards have contributed a total of \$3,994.72 to the National JACL Endowment Fund during the first quarter of 1959.

National JACL Director Masao Satow publicly acknowledged and thanked the following persons for contributions to this permanent fund:

CALIFORNIA: Auburn—Tamotsu Matsumoto \$565; Anonymous \$250; Cressy—Anonymous \$25; Livingston—Ken H. Joe Nishihara \$90; Gardena—Frank Junzo and Harry Junzo Ishida \$550; Maguehi \$50; Livingston Farming and Produce Co. \$200; Lomita—Mrs. Katoe Kawaguchi \$10; Los Angeles—K. Mei-fu \$10; Mrs. Orime Okura \$2; Oakland—E. Yoshida \$200; Pomona—S. M. Yamamoto \$250; San Francisco—Mrs. Some Sakaguchi (in memory of son Masaaki) \$10; T. Yamato \$50.

COLORADO: Denver—Mrs. Yukiye Tanaka Nogami \$50.

MARYLAND: Silver Springs—Mrs. Akiko Iwata (in memory of Harvey S. Iwata) \$25.

OREGON: Portland—Mrs. Y. Horagami \$206.85; Sadaji and Woodrow Shioji \$116.76.

TEXAS: Pecos—Mrs. C. Tachibana \$100.

UTAH: Ogden—Mrs. T. Kuromoto \$5.

WASHINGTON: Gig Harbor—West Coast Oyster Co., Inc. \$1,000; Seattle—Jim H. Akutsu \$225.

MISCELLANEOUS: \$4.11.

Ambulance drive for Sebastopol area pushed

SEBASTOPOL. — The fund-raising drive of the Anay Community Ambulance Service is now in full swing. George Yokoyama, vice-president of the Sonoma County JACL Chapter, and community leaders have encouraged the Japanese residents to contribute.

While a number of families have already donated, more is needed to reach the \$7,500 goal. The Sebastopol rural areas have been without ambulance service since the local hospital discontinued the service because of increased operating costs.

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Los Angeles NEWSLETTER

By Henry Mori

Journalism Instructor

Ted Tajima, a journalism instructor at Alhambra High School, is one of these persons whose out-of-class hours are consumed in all sorts of campus and community activities. He's either promoting another school program at Alhambra or directing weekend church projects at the Pasadena Union Presbyterian Church.

We first met him at a Pacific Southwest District Council convention dinner some years ago in Pasadena when he acted as toastmaster for the delegates. He did a bang-up job and indeed drew many of the JACLers applause (especially from women) for the charming and entertaining manner in which he emceed the banquet.

Last Saturday, Tajima's proud school paper, the Moor, nabbed top honors in the Crombie Allen competition during the Journalism Day program at USC. Tajima not only teaches newspapering but is adviser to the publication. He lugged home a bright plaque for his students.

All this leads up to his other heavy schedule that same afternoon at Whittier High School where some 370 students from 47 high schools, including two from Arizona, competed in an on-the-spot news writing contest sponsored by the National Association of Journalism Directors of which Tajima is vice president of the So. Calif. section.

Ted gave us an opportunity to be one of the newsmen judges, with the task of weeding through as many entries as the number of journalistic aspirants who entered the contest.

We must confess that some of the writings excell in quality the output of local small newspapers. Since all could not win, only a handful had to be picked for final judging.

It would not be surprising to learn some day that one of the "eliminated" contestants gets into the bigtime writing game and muse of his failure to make the NAJD award. It happens that way often.

BAKER ATTENDS WASHINGTON PARLEY

Our baker friend, George Izumi, who owns and operates the Grace Pastry Shoppe, was in Washington, D.C. early this week attending the Associated Retail Bakers of America convention. He was just elected a member on the board of directors of the national group. He is one of the two west coast delegates officially representing the state at the parley. He appears also to be the lone mainland Nisei with chances that some Japanese Americans may be from Hawaii.

George did himself well, starting as a member of the So. Calif. Master Bakers Retailers Association, then becoming its president two years ago. In his new appointment, Izumi automatically is the official voice of the local bakers at all national meetings.

All we know is that George makes terrific cakes and donuts which are "out of this world." You're really in orbit when you sink your teeth into his baking goodies. (We'd like to taste some. —Ed.)

EASTSIDE GRAND OPENING

East Los Angeles residents of Japanese ancestry have a nearby-spot to invest their moola with the grand opening of the Eastland Savings and Loan Co. The association is headed by Councilman Edward R. Roybal as president. Among the Nisei stockholders are Frank Kurihara, Yosh Inadomi, Joseph Ito and Dr. E. Yusa.

WASHINGTON NEWSLETTER: by Mike Masaoka

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there should be greater opportunities than ever to attend and to participate in next year's national conventions which will nominate party standard bearers for the presidential sweepstakes next November.

The Democrats are holding theirs in Los Angeles, where most Americans of Japanese ancestry on the mainland are resettled, beginning July 11, 1960. The Republicans last week decided to hold theirs in Chicago, where the second largest city concentration of Japanese Americans in the country is located, about two weeks later, beginning July 25.

In 1956, the Democrats held theirs in Chicago and the Republicans in San Francisco.

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BIRTHS

LOS ANGELES
Ando, Kazuya (Michi Yoshida) — boy
Dale Fukumi, Feb. 17.
Ashitomi, Kenneth — girl, Feb. 6, Al-1
ladena.
Diaz, Lorenzo E. (Toshiko Sato) — boy
Rudy Toshikazu, Feb. 8.
Dickerson, Paul (Haruko Hirashimi)
— boy, Feb. 16.
Estelle, Howard (Tomiko Nozaki) —
boy, Feb. 16, Compton.
Fukuhara, George (Toyoko Asato) —
girl Michi, Jan. 23.
Furlong, Robert (Aiko Okawa) — boy
Robert C., Dec. 29.
Furukawa, Toshio (Masako Ohama) —
boy Weston Kiyoshi, Dec. 25.
Hamashita, M. D. — boy Dec. 31, Long
Beach.
Hashimoto, Yoshio, Fusaye Mio —
boy, Feb. 25, Wilmington.
Hutchins, Robert (Sumiko Nobyama)
— boy Erin Junko, Feb. 20.
Iketani, Roy H. (Nancee Uyeda) — boy
Darren R., Feb. 18.
Inouye, Percy M. (Natsuko Nishihara)
— boy Glenn R., Feb. 15.
Isago, Hiroshi (Masumi Kanamori) —
boy Kenneth M., Jan. 18.
Ishida, Itaru — girl, Mar. 1, Long
Beach.
Ishimoto, Takao (Sachiko Wada) —
boy, Feb. 19.
Isozaki, Frank (Ruby Takeda) — girl
Valerie Sadame, Feb. 14.
Itatani, Harold (Sumiko Wumino) —
boy David Tsutomu, Feb. 9.
Johnson, Gerald (Toshiko Kamemoto)
— girl, Feb. 5, Long Beach.
Kageyama, Tetsu (Hideko Tauchi) —
boy Robert Kunio, Feb. 10.
Katayama, Kenji (Julia Fukuzaki) —
girl Tammie Chikaye, Feb. 7.
Kawaguchi, Henry (Mitsuko Fujina-
mi) — girl Natsumi, Dec. 30.
Kawahara, Takeshi (Aiko Nomura) —
boy Dean E., Mar. 1.
Kawana, Harry Y. (Mieko Shibata) —
boy Victor G., Jan. 21.
Kawato, Yoshio (Setsuko Menda) —
girl Patricia, Feb. 23.
Kobashigawa, Charles (Misuko Mats-
kawa) — boy Isamu, Dec. 31.
Koda, Robert (Keiko Nishimura) —
girl Grace, March 1.
Kondo, Harvey — girl, Feb. 11, Pasa-
dena.
Maglasang, Toshio (Kiyoko Miyashi-
ro) — girl Monica, Feb. 11.
Matherne, Paul (Teruko Mochizuki) —
boy, Feb. 25, Artesia.
Matsumoto, Shigeru (Evelynne Watan-
abe) — girl, Dec. 23.
Matsumura, Wakatsu (Yasuko Also) —
boy Mark M., Jan. 19.
Matsuno, Raymond (Barbara Naka-
mura) — boy Craig Alan, Feb. 16.
Matsuura, Gary A. — girl, Feb. 21, Pa-
sadena.
Momita, Bernard (Joyce Yanase) —
boy, Feb. 24, Granada Hills.
Morita, Masato (Salko Nishimura) —
girl Maureen, Dec. 30.

Nakahiro, William T. — boy, Mar. 4,
Pasadena.
Namba, Roy (Arlene M. Abe) — girl
Tina Meiko, Jan. 20, Whittier.
Nishi, Akitoshi (Mutsuko Nishi) — girl
Ruriko, Feb. 24.
Nishimura, Tadao (Hazuyo Matsuda)
— boy Michael, Feb. 24.
Ord, Ray (Mieko Kii) — boy Thomas
Vance, Feb. 12.
Ono, Takao (Shiroe Suzuki) — girl
Amy, Feb. 28.
Oshinomi, Satoshi (Sumiko Uyemori)
— boy Kirk, Dec. 30.
Ota, Hiroshi (Masako Uyeno) — girl
Emily Sachiko, Feb. 9.
Oye, Seigo (Toshimi Makikawa) — boy
Steven, Feb. 26.
Sakoda, Tsuyoshi (Fumie Okuda) — boy
Dennis H., Dec. 28, Pasadena.
Shimahara, Yutaka (Miyoko Kurata)
— girl Grace Akemi, Feb. 18.
Shishido, Robert (Miyuki Hozaki) — girl
Jasmine Chiemi, Jan. 17.
Shobo, Russell (Satsuki Okinaga) — boy
Alan R., Jan. 17.
Sunada, Richard (Hiroko Nakata) —
boy Roger Minoru, Feb. 7.
Suzuki, Gerald (Florence Nishimura)
— boy Duane C., Dec. 27.
Suzuki, Tadayoshi (Elnor Kawamo-
to) — boy Daryl Tadashi, Feb. 17.
Takase, Stanley K. (Kathrine Kita-
gawa) — boy Scott Katsumi, Feb. 7.
Takeda, Edward Y. (Laura Murata) —
girl Cassie, Feb. 23.
Tamaki, Joseph (Nora A. Paik) — girl
Carol A., Dec. 25, Temple City.
Tamura, John (Tomoki Fukui) — boy
Glen, Dec. 31, Pacoima.
Taniguchi, Sam (Hideko Kumagai) —
girl Kimberly, Jan. 28, Pasadena.
Toda, Minoru (Ayako Kamiya) — boy
James Minoru, Feb. 7.
Tsuyuki, Hideo (Aiko Kimura) — girl
Catherine Mae, Feb. 15.
Ueno, Herbert (Jessie Shintani) — girl,
Dec. 30.
Wagatsuma, Takeo (Teruko Nikaido)
— boy Jack H., Dec. 27.
Yamashita, Hiroji (Alice Hifumi) — girl
Judith L., Feb. 24.
Yao, Michiaki (Konomi Taga) — boy
Kenneth Hideaki, Jan. 19.
Yasuda, Yoshio (Akemi Morita) — boy
Craig Masato, Feb. 9.

SEATTLE

Komoto, Frank (Midori Okano) — boy
Keith A., April 5, Summer.
MINNEAPOLIS
Tsuchiya, Takuzo — boy, Feb. 14.

WEDDINGS

Yamaguchi-Kitahara — Mar. 15, Jack
E. and Tamiko, both West L.A.

DEATHS

Hara, Eihiro, 82; Portland, Mar. 12.
Harauki, Koji, 80; Portland, Mar. 23.
Hibino, Tametichi, 78; Chicago, Mar.
28.
Hirata Richard O., 17; Portland, Mar.
19 — (m) Masako, (b) Michael and
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IDAHO FALLS JACLER HONORED BY PTA COUNCIL

IDAHO FALLS. — An active member of the Idaho Falls JACL, Mrs. Fred Ochi, was presented with an honorary life membership by the Idaho Falls PTA Council.

Each year one person in the community is selected for his or her outstanding service to the Idaho Congress of Parents and Teachers. The PTA Council is made up of 17 PTA units in District 31 of Bonneville County.

Mrs. Ochi has held various PTA offices on both local and council levels.

Long Beach Cler elected to PTA council post

WILMINGTON. — Mrs. Frank Sugiyama, active Wilmington Nisei matron serving her second term as secretary for the Fries Avenue PTA, will become the first secretary for the newly-formed Avalon Council.

The Gardena-Wilmington Council was split to form two separate councils consisting of 11 local PTA units each, in the Harbor area of the L.A. 10th District.

Recently Mrs. Sugiyama, on a trip to Hollywood with 90 PTA members, was a surprised contestant on the coast-to-coast Bill Leyden's "It Could Be You" TV show. She was the happy recipient of \$250 worth of art supplies, which she also puts to good use, doing PTA art work. On the program the Long Beach JACler was introduced as a person coming from two artistic families, as her father was a poet-lyricist and artist while her husband Frank's grandfather was Mr. T. Kawai of Pasadena who designed and landscaped the Huntington Library Gardens in San Marino.

Monterey VFW elects

MONTEREY. — Henry Uchida succeeds Kats Komatsu as commander of the Monterey Peninsula Nisei Memorial Post 1629, VFW. Mrs. Margaret Omoto will lead the post auxiliary.

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Washington NEWSLETTER

BY MIKE MASAOKA

Hawaii's First Elections

Washington, D.C.

HAWAII SHOULD OFFICIALLY qualify as our 50th State before July 4, the traditional day to add stars to our Federal Constellation in our Flag, for the plebiscite to determine whether the people of our last remaining Territory accept the conditions for statehood imposed by our Congress recently will be held on Saturday, June 27. Our guess is that the people of Hawaii will vote to accept Statehood by a margin of better than 7-1.

The primary elections to nominate Republican and Democratic candidates to serve as the new State's first public officials will also be held on the same date. The general elections will be held on Tuesday, July 28.

In addition to the election of senators and representatives to the new State Legislature, two United States Senators, a United States Representative, a Governor, and a Lieutenant Governor are to be elected.

Already the political pot is stirring, for there is real honor and historic significance in being elected the first under Statehood.

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AS OF THIS writing, the once traditionally Republican Pacific Territory is now a Democratic stronghold. The man given most credit for this remarkable change over is also the man who is perhaps most responsible personally for securing congressional approval for Statehood, Delegate Joseph A. Burns, who has announced his candidacy for Governor. In this pivotal race, he will face the last appointed Chief Executive, Governor William F. Quinn. The first Governor will have tremendous influence far beyond his term, for he will appoint not only the members of his cabinet but also commissioners, members, etc., for the many boards, commissions, and agencies that must be established to administer the new State. Indeed, the foundations for the administration of the new State will be laid by the first chief executive.

Although a number of Democrats have announced for the three congressional posts, it is still a bit early to evaluate their chances. Unhappily for the GOP, within the past month, two prominent Republicans who would have been outstanding candidates for their party, passed away—Farrant Turner, commander of the 100th Infantry Battalion and former Secretary of Hawaii who was defeated by Delegate Burns in the last territorial elections, and Samuel W. King, former Delegate to Congress and former Governor.

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IN THE CONTESTS for the Congress, it is hoped in this corner that at least one American of Japanese ancestry is elected, particularly because so much was made of the Asian ancestry of most of Hawaii's population.

This is not to say that a Nisei should be elected simply because he is a Nisei. But, this is to say that simply because one is of Japanese ancestry should not disqualify him or her for membership in the Congress of the United States.

The writer knows many Japanese Americans in Hawaii who by every standard qualify for election to the House of Representatives or the Senate of our country. And, as the group which comprises more than a third of the population, it is certainly entitled to consideration for these forthcoming elections.

It is hoped that there will be no effort, direct or indirect, to suggest that Nisei Americans, or any other American of Asian ancestry, should refrain from offering themselves for election on the grounds that it would not be "appropriate" or "for their best interest as a group" at this time to do so. At the same time, it is also hoped that the first Nisei to be elected to the Congress will not be political fronts for special interests, but will be advocates of what is best for the nation and for the new State.

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Items of Passing Interest

THE UNPRECEDENTED MARRIAGE of the Crown Prince to the commoner daughter of an industrial magnate in Tokyo last week struck a most responsive chord in this country and probably did more than any other single act to persuade Americans that Japan is becoming truly democratic. Popular interest in any thing or event Japanese was never higher in this land, with the ever-popular love story of "Prince Charming" and his lovely princess set in Japan adding immeasurably to the reservoir of goodwill that the land of our ancestry enjoys in the land of our citizenship.

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LAST WEEK TOO the annual National Cherry Blossom Festival was held in the nation's capital. For the first time, a Nisei—Masaji "Buffy" Murai, a New York JACLer—had a prominent part in the arrangements. On a voluntary basis, he served as art director for the outstanding social event of the week's festivities—the annual ball sponsored by the Conference of State Societies to present the princesses representing every State, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands. His magic in transforming the giant ballroom into an "enchanted, authentic Japanese" garden with thousands of lanterns and other bright ornaments was favorably recorded in the press and other reports on this spring festival that welcomes the blossoming of the 3,000 cherry trees presented by the Mayor of Tokyo to Washington some 50 years ago. His contributions to Japanese American friendship and to an appreciation of things Japanese cannot be overlooked.

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TO CLOSE ON a political note. With Nisei becoming increasingly active in Democratic and Republican party politics,

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PRIVATE SCHOOLS EXEMPT FROM CALIFORNIA CIVIL RIGHTS LAW

Laws prohibiting racial discrimination in public enterprises do not apply to private schools, it was decided this week by the appellate department of Superior Court.

The decision was returned in favor of the Hollywood Professional School, 5400 Hollywood Blvd., which had been sued for \$2,500

damages by Dr. A. Palmer Reed, Negro physician, who alleged his daughter Cynthia, 6, was refused admittance.

Municipal Judge Vernon W. Hunt was sustained in an opinion written by Judge Harold P. Huls, with Judges Edward T. Bishop and Frank G. Swain concurring.

Statehood brings new challenges to Nisei, Michener tells 442nd veterans at fete

HONOLULU.—Americans of Japanese ancestry in Hawaii face an exacting test under Statehood, said James A. Michener in a recent address to the 442nd Veterans Club and its guests.

(The James Micheners have returned to their Bucks County (Pa.) home this week for an expected two-months stay.—Editor.)

The noted author, former college professor and a Navy man during World War II, told an audience he has no doubt the war veterans who won fame in combat will win it, and deserve to win it, in civil life.

Michener was chief speaker at the 16th annual banquet of the 442nd Club.

Introduced by Tadao Beppu, a 442nd veteran, he traced the economic and political development of Hawaii.

Compared with Fiji Islands

He compared Hawaii with Tahiti and its islands—a French possession and colony; and with Fiji, a British crown colony.

He said emphatically that Hawaii's Asian immigrants have become fused into and a part of Hawaii's political, cultural and economic life because they have been able to take an active part in

government and politics.

He noted that during World War II, with the Japanese ships, planes and fighting men striking across the Pacific, a call for volunteers was issued in Fiji.

Of the 120,000 East Indians in Fiji, only two volunteered. And they stipulated they must be used only in home duty.

World War 2 Volunteers

In Hawaii the Americans of Japanese ancestry—the Nisei—volunteered by the many thousand.

From these were formed first the 100th Infantry Battalion, next the 442nd Regimental Combat Team.

They won extraordinary honors for efficiency and heroism in Italy and France.

Reasons for Growth

Michener ascribed the sturdy growth of democracy in the Hawaiian Islands to:

1—The friendly character, the willingness to welcome newcomers, of the Hawaiians themselves.

2—The "spirit of freedom, the Calvinistic dedication, the zeal for education," of the early New England Protestant missionaries; and later the Catholic missionaries.

3—The Orientals who came here—the Chinese, Japanese and Koreans—were frugal, industrious and ambitious.

They made great sacrifices to give their children full education. Michener made a brief analysis of race percentages here.

Economic Ratio

He pointed out that though the most numerous are Japanese, there are 46 per cent of Hawaii's people "with no relation to Asia."

He said that the Japanese percentage is going down; further that "haoles" have about 70 per cent of the "economy"; Chinese 20 per cent; Japanese 10 per cent.

Here the speaker made his outstanding point of advice: "You fellows of the 442nd have proved your Americanism in war. The test is now to see whether you go forward—in military parlance, 'Take the high ground,' in peace."

He implied in this and other remarks that whatever their party affiliations "The young voters should support top men—the best you can get to run."

"The old fear of sending Orientals to Washington no longer exists," he said, and added, "In no State have I seen so able a group of young men under 50, so large a group active in civic affairs."

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NAMED TO GIRLS' STATE

CALDWELL, Idaho.—Among delegates from southern Idaho high schools named to the annual Syringa Girls State, June 7-13, at the College of Idaho campus here was Anna M. Kanomata of Pocatello High School.

An active Pocatello Jr. JACler, she is the daughter of Mrs. Sumi Kanomata, 1319 S. Third; secretary of the Girls Council, junior class senator, ass't editor of the school yearbook, Latin Club vice-president. She is also a member of the Pep Club and Honor Society.

Fisherman drowns at sea, swent off rock by wave

SANTA CRUZ.—Tom Osaki, 45, a Cupertino gardener, drowned after being swept off a rock, at Lighthouse Point April 5 by a huge wave that carried him out to sea. He was fishing with his father-in-law, Uoyemon Harada of Santa Clara, who managed to hang on. The rock juts 15 feet above the surface of Monterey Bay.

Shimasaki on 'Y' board

VISALIA.—Active Tulare County Nisei leader Tom Shimasaki was installed as member of the Tulare County YMCA Board of Directors. He has been active in farm, church, Boy Scouts and JACL work for many years. He was among 1957-58 Nisei of the Biennium finalists.

Outstanding citizen of year award goes to goldfish hatcher

WESTMINSTER.—Honored at the annual community award last week was Joe Akiyama, who was selected Midway City American Legion Post 55's outstanding citizen of the year in the area of Midway City, Westminster and Barber City.

Many local area civic and social organizations joined in the presentation of a trophy and citation to the Orange County-born Nisei, who has become distinguished by his management of one of the world's largest goldfish hatcheries here.

George Kellogg, prominent Legionnaire, in making the award reminded the audience that Akiyama had been evacuated to the Colorado River bottoms along with other California Japanese at the start of World War II.

"From there, Joe went to school in Minnesota and learned to be an interpreter for the armed forces. He was sent to Japan during the occupation," Kellogg continued. He reminisced about other Nisei like Joe who joined the 442nd RCT and distinguished themselves in combat in Italy.

Among guests present at the banquet included Superior Court Judge John Aiso of Los Angeles and his wife, who is the only sister of the Nisei honoree. Judge Aiso spoke on the cooperation of so many local organizations that had engendered the home-town spirit in the annual event.

442nd amputee elected Brighton JCC president

BRIGHTON, Colo.—Tom Doi, amputee 442nd veteran and a native Brightonian, was elected president of the local Junior Chamber of Commerce. Doi is the second Nisei president of the Brighton JC's.

Seiji Horiuchi, now a national JC vice-president, and formerly state president of the Colorado JC, served as president of the Brighton JC's.

Honor new citizen

SANTA ROSA.—Mrs. Minoru Yukiko Matsuda, 6351 Baker Lane, Sebastopol, was among the six persons recently honored by the Santa Rosa Suburban Kiwanis Club upon receiving their naturalization decrees last week.

Her husband, Minoru Matsuda, a prominent apple grower, is the past president of the Sonoma County JACL Chapter and currently serving as a board member of that organization.

CALENDAR

April 18 (Saturday)
Salt Lake City—"Welcome Hawaii" general meeting-social, YWCA East Lounge, 8 p.m.; Mas Satow, spkr. Long Beach—"Big Dance."

April 19 (Sunday)
IDC—Spring Quarterly session, Ben Lomond Hotel, Ogden, 10 a.m. Bakersfield—Community picnic, Lowell Park.

Cortez—Community picnic, Hagaman Park.
French Camp—Community picnic, Mieke Grove Park.

April 21 (Tuesday)
Monterey—Board meeting, JACL Hall, 7:30 p.m.
Portland—General meeting.

April 24-26
Denver—NICC Conference, Albany Hotel.

April 25 (Saturday)
San Fernando—Square Dance jamboree, Sun Valley Comm. Ctr., 7:30 p.m. East Los Angeles—Membership dinner-dance, Man Jen Low.

April 26 (Sunday)
Fresno—Community picnic, Oak Knoll Kearney Park.
Monterey—Potluck.
PNWDC—Spring quarterly session, Seattle.

April 28 (Tuesday)
San Francisco—Auxiliary meeting, Church of Christ, 7:30 p.m.; "Flower Arrangement".

May 1-3
PSWDC—Biennial convention, Long Beach Wilton Hotel.

May 3 (Sunday)
Detroit—Mothers' Day program, International Institute, 2-5 p.m.

May 7 (Thursday)
East Los Angeles—Chapter meeting.

May 9 (Saturday)
East Los Angeles—Emerald Ball, Oje Dixie, 9 p.m.

Detroit—Japanese movies, International Institute.
Chicago—Hobo's "K" night Out, Ann's Hall, 932 W. Sheridan Rd., 8 p.m.

May 10 (Sunday)
Philadelphia—Cabinet meeting.

Stockton—Community picnic, Mieke Grove, 10 a.m.

May 14 (Thursday)
Detroit—Cabinet meeting, International Institute, 8 p.m.

May 16 (Saturday)
Long Beach—Issei Parents Night, Harbor Comm. Ctr., 7:30 p.m.
San Fernando—Dinner meeting, Bill Storey's; Dr. Steve Abe, spkr.

May 17 (Sunday)
NC-WNDC—Spring quarterly session, Leamington Hotel, Oakland, Jr. JAC CL rally, 10 a.m.